

THE WEATHER

Humidity 4:30 a. m. yesterday 82%... Highest temperature yesterday 47... Lowest temperature last night 40...

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TAXES

The Oregon legislature is set for action on the new tax program, as briefly described in today's issue of the NEWS-REVIEW. Follow proceedings on the legislation in the daily wire service of this paper.

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SENATE REJECTS NOMINATION OF ROBERTS

OHIO RIVER FLOOD DRIVES MORE FAMILIES TO SAFETY

Refugees Now Receiving Aid Total 30,000

Threat of Serious Disaster Abates as Water Begins Receding, With Light Rains Falling.

CINCINNATI, Feb. 6.—(AP)—New refugees were moved from the path of the flooded Ohio river...

Light, general rains fell in the valley as WPA trucks evacuated some 250 Cincinnati area families in towns along the serpentine stream...

Marsh's college co-ed evacuated a dormitory at Huntington, W. Va., after officials mobilized "mop up" squads to clear debris left there by high water...

Schools were dismissed in many river communities. Authorities warned dwellings must be cleaned thoroughly to avert disease outbreaks.

Disaster Threat Abated. The threat of serious flood disaster abated in Pittsburgh to Portsmouth, Pa., as water began to recede...

In West Virginia and Kentucky, where mountain streams covered homesteads before starting to recede, the Red Cross directed its greatest rehabilitation task. Six deaths were reported as a result of the highwater.

SEATTLE, Feb. 6.—(AP)—Waves dashed over the Alki sea. (Continued on page 6.)

F. A. CLEMENS HURT IN FALL AT HOME

F. A. Clemens, aged Fowler street resident, was taken to Mercy hospital Saturday night for treatment of injuries suffered in a fall at his home. He suffered severe shoulder bruises, but no bones were broken...

BATCH OF THEFTS YIELDS ONLY \$5.10

HILLSBORO, Feb. 5.—(AP)—An unemployment office and ten business houses in Forest Grove and Gaston provided slight pickings for a batch of thieves. They escaped with only \$5.10, mostly in pennies, and some merchandise.

Editorials on the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS. THE legislative interim committee at Salem recommendations a two per cent gross income tax on business and a 1.75 per cent excise tax on automobiles...

Umpqua Valley Receives Little Damage From Line Squall in Western Oregon

The severe line squall which struck western Oregon and northern California last night caused only minor damage in the Umpqua valley, according to reports gathered today...

Power company facilities were disrupted temporarily about 2 a. m. when the Roseburg-Cooz bay line was thrown out of commission...

The Southern Pacific company reported all trains on schedule despite a minor slide at Roberts mountain, eight miles south of Roseburg. Snowblowers were sent to have cleared tracks in the Siskiyou, where 14 inches of fresh snow last night made a total of 70 inches...

The Umpqua national forest headquarters reported two and one-half feet of snow at Big Camps ranger station this morning. No contact had been established with Diamond lake, where the snow Sunday had reached a depth of five feet at the lodge. It was believed the snow depth today would be in excess of six feet.

Light Service Halted. Power service in Roseburg was interrupted early this morning by the snow.

INJUNCTION ON PHONE TAX HOLDS

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6.—(AP)—The Washington state tax commission failed today to obtain a summary court review of a judgment permanently enjoining it from forcing the state use tax against the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company.

BONNEVILLE CHIEF REPORTED ON MEND

ROCHESTER, Minn., Feb. 6.—(AP)—Physicians at the Mayo clinic said today J. D. Ross, Bonneville dam administrator, was "getting about all right." Ross is awaiting an operation last week.

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EASTERN OREGON BATTLES GALE-WHIPPED SNOWFALL

KLAMATH FALLS, Feb. 6.—(AP)—All available snowfighting equipment was called out to keep open major highways in this vicinity after a gale early today whipped yesterday's fresh snow into heavy drifts. The high wind had died down here by mid-morning but snow continued to fall at intervals.

At Crater lake the gale was reported to have incited a blizzard. A foot of new snow raised the total depth at park headquarters to 129 inches, greatest of the season to date. Travel into the park was halted.

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Dr. T. Hoekett, chairman of the house taxation and revenue committee, which is preparing the bill, said the administration tax program would include: 1. Repeal of the eight per cent tax on invested wealth (intangibles) and subject intangibles to income tax rates, with a two per cent surtax.

2. Revision of the income tax law, probably to include a slight increase on levies in upper brackets and possibly a reduction of the single exemption from \$800 to \$700 and the married exemption from \$1,500 to \$1,200.

3. A slight increase in the corporate excise tax. Hoekett said the entire program would not raise any more revenue, but that the increases in the corporate excise taxes would compensate for the loss through the intangibles tax repeal.

Others Due for Sidetrack. So far, 15 tax bills have been introduced in the house, but administration leaders predicted most of them would be tossed aside in favor of the administration measure.

Other tax measures would tax chain stores as high as \$200 a store, increase exemptions on intangibles, lower exemptions on the income tax, provide a two per cent surtax on all income, provide a one and one-half per cent tax on retail sales, services and private incomes, and increase income taxes on big incomes by three per cent.

Three bills introduced by the legislative interim tax committee would enact a two per cent tax on business to raise \$6,500,000 a year to pay counties' relief burden, and levy a 1.75 per cent excise tax on automobiles to raise \$5,000,000.

HOSPITAL REFUSES TO GIVE UP WHITE

SALISBURY, Feb. 6.—(AP)—Dr. J. C. Evans, state hospital superintendent, said today he had refused to release Hudson D. White, 25, to Sheriff A. B. Miller of Wallawa county, who had a bench warrant for White's arrest on a statutory complaint involving two minor girls and a minor boy.

White was to have appeared last Friday before a grand jury of Enterprise, but he previously had been committed to the hospital on a sanity complaint by his father, Solon T. White, former state director of agriculture.

"White is a patient and was received for a sanity test," Dr. Evans said. "If he is found insane, he will remain here until discharged or ordered released." "If he is found sane, of course we will turn him over to proper authorities for punishment."

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Oil Tycoon Dies



Sir Henri Deterding, Feb. 6.—(AP)—The family of Sir Henri Deterding gathered at the Swiss villa where he died Saturday to take the body of the 72-year-old Netherlands-born oil magnate back to his estate in Germany, for burial.

His two sons came from England to join Lady Deterding, who friends said, is expecting the birth of a child next month.

Sir Henri, who had a personal fortune estimated at \$150,000,000 or more and who retired in 1937, was the director generalship of the Royal Dutch Petroleum company, is survived by two sons and a daughter by his first marriage and two daughters by his second.

OREGON ACCIDENTS TAKE FIVE LIVES

Automobile Crashes Kill Four, Blaze in Canvas House Fatal to Boy.

By The Associated Press. Automobile accidents and a fire took five dead across Oregon from Ontario to St. Helens today.

Three persons died in a head-on automobile collision on the lower Columbia river highway near St. Helens yesterday. Two others were seriously injured.

The dead were George Milton Shuplink, 43, Mackay radio employe, Portland, and his 37-year-old wife and Mrs. Nellie McGilivray, 65, of Chatskanie.

Clarence A. Woolfolk, 43, Portland, driver of the car in which Mrs. McGilivray was riding, suffered head and hand cuts. Miss Frances McGilivray, 21, the latter's daughter and a Chatskanie school teacher, was removed to a Portland hospital in serious condition from fractures of the jaw and knee.

CHILD DIES IN FIRE

A flaming tent house on Dead Ox flat near Ontario fatally burned Leonard Maurice Brown, six-year-old son of Colorado hant hunters. He died last Saturday.

The boy's father, C. E. Yordson, his mother and a Lyssard sister suffered minor burns when a pan of paraffin and oil on the man was warning to waterproof the tent room exploded, spraying the boy and firing the canvas house. The family was left destitute.

COATI MUNDI SLAIN BY OSWEGO FARMER

PORTLAND, Feb. 6.—(AP)—Drifting slowly southward toward his South American homeland, El Coati mundi, a 200-pound animal which escaped a week ago from the Washington park zoo, died Friday morning Saturday before the gun of an Oswego farmer.

The coati mundi creature, 15 miles from the zoo, was killed by J. B. Stone, who found him giving battle to a dog. Stone, despite newspaper accounts, had not heard of the animal's escape and learned El Coati's identity only when he took the body to a taxidermist. Elmer, who walked out while Keeper Carl Brickman was having lunch, was presented to the zoo four weeks ago as a husband for two lonely coati mundi maidens.

Spain's Army Routed; Govt. Seeks Peace

British-French Mediation Requested by Premier as Franco Smashes All Opposition.

By The Associated Press. The premier of government Spain called the British and French envoys to a conference today in the French border town of Perpignan amid electric expectation that mediation of the 30-month-old Spanish civil war might be discussed.

Spanish government leaders, after abandoning all Catalonia to the insurgents and fleeing to France, were believed to be discussing the possibility of ending the civil war by surrendering the Madrid-Vallencia "island" of about one-fourth of Spain which they still held.

Insurgent authorities were reliably reported to have informed London that "unconditional surrender" would be the only peace terms acceptable.

British Prime Minister Chamberlain informed the house of commons that "any threat to the vital interests of France, from whatever quarter it came, must evoke the immediate cooperation of this country."

The prime minister said the British government was "in complete accord" with the statement January 25 by French Foreign Minister Georges Bonnet that "all forces of Great Britain would be at the disposal of France just as all forces of France would be at the disposal of Great Britain" in case of a war in which the two countries were involved.

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BILL SEEKS RELIEF CUT, STATE CONTROL

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6.—(AP)—Representative Woodrum (D., Va.) a leading economy advocate, proposed today congress cut future relief appropriations in half and turn relief administration over to the states as far as possible.

His proposal would substitute an unemployment relief administration (URA) for the WPA and would cut the federal administrative expense for 6,500 employees from an estimated \$7,000 to \$500.

Woodrum said this reduction would cause most of the proposed fund to be spent in grants to local communities, but he added the URA would have to improve projects and determine eligibility of employment.

FISH BILL HEARING DRAWS LOCAL MEN

A large delegation of local sportsmen will go to Salem Tuesday to attend a joint hearing before senate committees on fish and game. The committees have called the hearings, which will start at 7 p. m. to take testimony in connection with the bill to declare the steelhead a game fish in all Oregon waters except the Col umbia river. The bill, which would prohibit commercial fishing for steelheads, is advocated by sportsmen's groups on nearly all coastal streams, and has been strongly supported by Douglas county organizations.

Rejected



Nominated by the president for federal judge of Virginia, western district, Judge Floyd H. Roberts of Bristol Va., above, failed of confirmation in the U. S. senate today by a vote of 72 to 9.

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The developments came shortly after 200 AFL men blocked entrance of CIO workers when the plant opened during a blinding snowstorm. There was no show of violence, however. Five hundred national guardsmen were held in readiness to mobilize in six Sacramento valley towns.

Walker's letter to the sheriff said the company would "not undertake to continue operations of the plant under existing conditions."

The national labor relations board at Washington, meanwhile, ordered reinstatement by the company of two CIO members with back pay. In San Francisco, the United States circuit court approved, with the consent of the company, a labor board enforcement order for non-interference by the company in union activities.

Roseburg's Fire Loss Upped in 1938 But Imperiled Property Ratio Drops

Roseburg's fire loss in 1938 amounted to \$7,971.50, an increase from the \$6,318.45 recorded in 1937, but the ratio between loss and property endangered greatly favored the 1938 showing, according to Fire Chief Iolo Stephenson, who today submitted the annual fire department report. In 1937 there were 78 alarms and property endangered by fire amounted to \$254,499. In 1938 there were 75 fires endangering property valued at \$626,026.

The entire 1938 fire loss was covered by insurance.

The 76 alarms during the past year were classified as follows: Mercantile buildings 1, dwellings 19, mercantile 5, warehouses 1, hotels and apartments 8, garages 1, grain and rubbish 9, motor vehicles 8. The losses were: Dwellings \$6,447.88, mercantile \$179, hotels and apartments \$894.42, motor vehicles \$19.

Electricity and defective wiring 5, total loss \$185; explosion 1, no loss; friction 1, no loss; hot ashes and coals 3, no loss; matches and careless smokers 16, loss \$5,283.87; overheated and defective flues 41, loss \$26,056; and defective stoves 5, loss \$271.42; rubbish and litter 7, no loss; sparks on roof 2, loss \$35; unknown causes 1, loss \$65.

An actively not directly connected with the problem of fire suppression but one of which the department is proud, is that of repair of toys for distribution at Christmas time to needy families. City firemen last year renovated 919 toys, which were turned over to agencies engaged in spreading and during the holiday season,

Confirmation For Judgeship Denied, 72-9

Virginia Senators Triumph Over Roosevelt, Whose Response Will Be "Interesting."

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6.—(AP)—The senate rejected today President Roosevelt's nomination of Floyd H. Roberts to a Virginia federal judgeship. Southern Glass and Ivaan, Virginia democrats, had objected to the appointment. The vote refusing confirmation was 72 to 9.

President Roosevelt told a press conference Friday if the nomination was rejected, he would write a letter to Roberts which would be right interesting.

White house officials said Mr. Roosevelt might prepare the letter today. When written, they said, it will be made public at the white house.

Senator Glass, after the overwhelming vote against Roberts, was asked if it pleased him.

"Well," he drawled, "I think it should have been unanimous." All four Pacific northwest senators voted against confirmation.

The senate judiciary committee had disapproved the nomination by a vote of 15 to 3.

Glass and Byrd testified before the committee the nomination was "personally offensive" to them.

Roosevelt Defended. Senators Pittman (D., Nev.) and Norris (Ind., Neb.) asserted today President Roosevelt's advisors are trying to injure him politically by denying his handling of foreign policy.

The two men, both administration supporters, expressed this opinion as the senate awaited a thorough airing of Mr. Roosevelt's latest enumeration of his stand on international problems.

Open senate debate on the foreign situation was postponed, however, until the senate recessed after a brief session until Thursday.

Norris said the president's opponents "will do anything to hurt him."

RIOT IN ALABAMA PRISON SUBDUED

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Feb. 6.—(AP)—A barrage of tear gas and several blasts from shotguns were reported by Warden J. E. Lindsey today to have broken a riot in Kilby prison.

Approximately 150 of Kilby's 1,600 prisoners staged the riot in protests against rations. They were armed with knives taken from a vegetable kitchen.

All available state policemen rushed to the prison and Montgomery city police joined them, with riot and machine guns. The patrolmen put down the tear gas barrage when the prisoners failed to heed Lindsey's order to return to their cell blocks.

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