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The Weather

U. S. Weather Bureau Office
Roseburg, Oregon.

Forecast for Roseburg and vi-
cinity: Fog tonight; partly cloudy
Friday.

Highest temp. for any Jan. — 71
Lowest temp. for any Jan. — 47
Highest temp. yesterday — 48
Lowest temp. last night — 32
Precipitation yesterday — 0
Precipitation from Jan. 1 — .07
Deficit from Jan. 1 — 1.21
Excess from Sept. 1 — 1.75

In the Day's News

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(and it is obvious that PLENTY
is wrong) tracks back to TOO
MUCH POWER in TOO FEW
HANDS too long. Ever since the
world began, that has been a
wrecker and a smasher of men's
liberties.

ONE other thing to remember
about China:

Chiang Kai Shek was for many
years painted to us as just short
of an angel. The painting was
done by PROPAGANDISTS. The
truth was concealed by CENSOR-
SHIP.

Propaganda and censorship are
also wreckers and smashers of
men's liberties. Getting the truth
about what is happening is es-
sential to democracy. If men can
be flim-flammed as to the facts
of life, liberty will become only
a hollow shell.

AS a matter of cold fact, much
of what is wrong with us in
these days has its origin in the
unfortunate truth that so many
of us "know so many things that
ain't so."

Only by building on a founda-
tion of FACT can we raise a
structure that is worth while.

THAT raises again a highly im-
portant question:
WHAT IS A FACT?

This is a fact: Two plus two
equals four. This is another fact:
Daylight follows darkness. Facts
are things that stand the test of
experience.

WHILE we're on this "preach-
ing" line, let's follow through the
case of this man Rocco who a
few days ago thought up a fancy
scheme to kill his ex-wife. He
wrapped a gun up in a compli-
cated package, kidded a not-too-
bright young woman into the be-
lief that it was a trick camera
that would take a picture of a
jewel thief who was wanted by
an insurance company, and in-
duced her to aim this contraption
at the ex-Mrs. Rocco and pull a
string.

Instead of a camera, it was a
sawed-off shotgun, and instead of
taking a picture of Rocco's ex-
wife it filled her leg with buck-
shot and the leg had to be ampu-
tated.

WE get the final chapter in the
news.
Rocco dies in a corner up in the
snowy Catskill mountains of New
England under the bullets of pur-
suing officers of the law—thus
coming to the end he was headed
for.

What a fool he was! If he had
devoted the same amount of gray
matter to some legitimate enter-
prise—such, say, as running a
successful hamburger stand, he
would be out in front and happy,
instead of lying dead in the snow.

Crime really doesn't pay. It
never did pay.

PAY FOR POLICEMEN

By CHARLES V. STANTON

The Roseburg Chamber of Commerce has adopted a resolution urging salary increases for members of the State Police department. Copies of the resolution are being sent to all members of the state legislature and to all chambers of commerce in Oregon. Other chambers of commerce are urged to adopt like recommendations to the legislature.

Declaring that present salaries paid members of the Oregon State Police "are entirely inadequate to pay even the ordinary living expenses of themselves and their families," the chamber's resolution points out the loss of many experienced and efficient members of the department and the danger of further loss of valuable men if the salary schedule is not raised "commensurate with the duties and dangers of their services and comparable with salaries paid in adjoining states." Request also is made for a provision advancing salaries "on account of length of service and rank."

It is our personal belief that a great hardship has been imposed upon members of the state police department through failure of the legislature to provide a flexible salary scale.

Salaries of state employees are fixed by legislative enactment, and budgets are prepared for two-year periods rather than annually. Thus, there is no flexibility to meet changing conditions.

During the war period the state police department suffered a heavy loss in trained and experienced personnel.

Many members quit early in the war period to receive far more compensation than they were drawing from the state by serving at much less arduous tasks as guards at industrial plants. Others endeavored to stay with the department but gave up when the task of trying to feed a family on inadequate pay proved too exhausting. Some of the state policemen at present, after working their regular tours of duty, are taking odd jobs to supplement their meager earnings.

There is little inducement to qualified men to join the state police when recruits draw only \$100 per month for their training period of six months, and then advance to the grade of private at \$170 per month, with the prospect of earning the munificent sum of \$200 per month after three years. Sergeants receive \$210 per month and range up to \$225 per month after three years. If a man works long and diligently and finally succeeds to the rank of captain, he may make as much as \$300 per month.

From his pay the state policeman has his deductions for income taxes, state accident compensation and monthly contributions to the Public Employees Retirement fund. It thus may be seen that the "take home" pay of a state policeman will not buy many choice steaks.

The Roseburg Chamber of Commerce has declared its intention of conducting a campaign for legislation "that will permit adequate compensation to a fine bunch of men doing an excellent job in protecting the lives and property of the citizens of Oregon."

It is, we believe, a most commendable campaign.

Small Town Gals Trim Big Towners In Vote Contest

By JANE EADS

WASHINGTON, Jan. 8. (AP)—The Claremont, Calif., League of Women Voters has won a sweet bet from a sister organization in a town of the same name in New Hampshire.

Last spring the New England town began kidding the California town about its smaller size and lack of historical background.

The banter was confined to the newspapers of the towns until September, when the league of Claremont, Calif., challenged the league of Claremont, N. H., to show its superiority by getting out the largest percentage of registered voters for the November election.

The challenge was accepted. The water was a crate of golden California oranges against a gallon of genuine New England maple syrup.

Both leagues worked like mad. Voting booths were set up, door-to-door campaigns were staged to arouse the voters. Interest was fanned by local newspapers.

The day after election, Claremont, N. H., wired its California sister that 56.5 per cent of its eligible voters had gone to the polls. Elatedly Claremont, Calif., replied:

"We win; 72.7 per cent of our voters really voted."

New Hampshire conceded and offered to send a case of syrup instead of one gallon.

Population of Claremont, N. H., is 12,144. Population of Claremont, Calif., 3,087.

Babe Ruth's Condition Still 'Satisfactory'

NEW YORK, Jan. 9. (AP)—A spokesman at French hospital said early today that Babe Ruth was resting comfortably and his condition was still "satisfactory."

The Bambino, who underwent a two-hour operation on his neck Monday, still complained of pain on the left side of his face and neck as a result of the surgery but otherwise was improving as rapidly as could be expected.

Culbertson, Bridge King, Bans Bride as Rival

BEVERLY HILLS, Calif., Jan. 9. (AP)—Ely Culbertson, 55, the bridge expert, intends to have no competition from his 21-year-old bride.

"My pretty wife in an atrocious bridge player," said Culbertson as they arrived here on their honeymoon. "In fact, she is a menace to the game."

"I'm afraid I don't approve

Palestine Mess Decision Reached By British Cabinet

LONDON, Jan. 9. (AP)—A British cabinet session on Palestine was canceled today and sources close to Prime Minister Attlee said decisions already taken about the Holy Land would "gradually become apparent."

The cabinet was reported to have granted Gen. Sir Alan Cunningham, high commissioner for Palestine, wider powers to deal with violence but there was no indication of any decision on partition or appeal to the United Nations for settlement.

There was speculation in government circles that rumors of a 60-day suspension of violence by underground groups in Palestine had allowed Attlee and his labor government colleagues to delay urgent decisions until after the Palestine conference which is to resume here on Jan. 21.

The problem of the German peace treaty, which the foreign ministers' council will consider in Moscow in March, was expected to provide an acid test of Foreign Secretary Bevin's statesmanship.

Frank King, diplomatic correspondent of the British Press association, said German reparations, and the future German status in Europe's economy, the future government of the reich and its relations with eastern and western Europe "are certain to be high tests of patience."

The cabinet was reported to have adhered to its earlier decision that a new Anglo-Egyptian treaty must leave the Sudan free to help decide its own future and not to be incorporated into Egypt, as the Egyptians demand.

In the case of Albania, the cabinet was believed to have decided to be ready to lay before the United Nations security council its demands for reparations for the loss of life and damage to two destroyers which struck mines off the Albanian coast.

Engine Trouble Detector Hailed as Aviation Boon

DETROIT, Jan. 9. (AP)—A new "engine trouble analyzer," capable of detecting and locating almost any form of defect in any aircraft engine while the plane is in flight was described to the air transport session of the Society of Automotive Engineers today.

Development of the instrument was reported in a paper by John Lindberg, of Pan American Airways, Inc., New York, and Clifford Sackett, of Lindberg Instrument Co., Piedmont, Calif. They declared that it enabled the flight engineer to locate troubles in the "ignition" system, fuel injection system and hydraulic or electrical accessories.

It eliminates entirely, they asserted, the trial-and-error method of trouble-shooting by ground crews. The device weighs about 30 pounds and is said to be so accurate and revealing of engine conditions as to enable the flight engineer to locate even a fouled sparkplug.

Double Traffic Charge Results in Fines of \$50

Two charges — drunkenness on a public highway and failure to stop at the scene of an accident — to which he pleaded guilty Wednesday, resulted in two \$50 fines for Fred P. Carls, Justice of the Peace Hartfield reported today.

Hartfield said that Carls was arrested last July 14 in his automobile near the Winchester Bridge. He was charged with drunkenness. Later that day, Wilbur E. Thacker of Sutherlin complained that Carls' automobile had collided with his, and that Carls had failed to stop at the scene of the accident, on the Pacific Highway near Sutherlin.

Carls was released under bond until his appearance in the justice court this week.

In other traffic cases yesterday, Hartfield collected \$30 in fines. The offenders were: Royal Smith, no declared weight receipt, \$10, and overweight \$10; Wilbur H. Meyer, no vehicle license, \$10, no tail-light, \$10; Mervin H. Bulderback, no operator's license, \$10.

Economics Lesson

SEATTLE, Wash., Jan. 9. (AP)—Associate Professor John R. Huber, who teaches economics at the University of Washington, pleaded in defense of a speeding charge that he was hurrying

to a lecture on the economics of traffic.

Huber was charged with speeding on the University of Washington campus.

He was released under bond until his appearance in court.

Huber is a well-known economist and has written several books on the subject.

He is also a member of the American Economic Association.

Huber is a native of Seattle and has lived there most of his life.

He is a very popular teacher and has many students.

Huber is a very successful economist and has many achievements.

He is a very dedicated teacher and is always ready to help his students.

Huber is a very respected member of the academic community.

He is a very accomplished economist and has many awards.

Hokanson's Piano Concert Delights Assn. Audience

By L. K. P.

The Roseburg Community Concert Association members very definitely showed Randolph Hokanson, young American pianist, how much they liked his concert at the Junior High School auditorium last evening by giving such thunderous applause that the artist responded to six encores.

This, too, was a concert of special interest to every member, as the association recently had the opportunity to secure a nine-foot concert grand piano, which arrived in Roseburg in time for Hokanson's concert.

Advance press notices of Hokanson's talent and musical education reported him to be one of the best of rising American pianists, but after hearing the concert, pianist enthusiasts proclaimed that, although Hokanson is still a young man, he has already reached the pinnacle of the great.

Hokanson's first part of the concert included five numbers with the three Chopin compositions receiving the major applause. In the second group, he played Triana, from "Iberia" by Isaac Albeniz; "The Maid and the Nightingale," from Enrique Granados; "Dance of Terror," by Manuel de Falla; "Impromptu in F Minor," by Gabriel Faure, and "Toccata," from "Le Tombeau de Couperin." The final number evoked a veritable storm of acclaim.

One of the most gratifying factors of Hokanson's concert to the audience was the fact that he didn't wear his listeners out by making them keep up the applause, as so many artists do. When the audience especially liked a number, they let him know it and Hokanson responded in such a fine manner that everyone was happy.

The association has dated its next concert for the evening of January 31 at the Junior High School auditorium, when Columbia Concerts, Inc., will present William Frimrose, heralded as the world's greatest violinist.

G. W. Firestone Funeral To Be Held In Arkansas

Services will be held in Arkansas for George William Firestone, 28, of Sutherlin, who was accidentally killed in the wreck of his automobile early yesterday morning, on the Pacific Highway north of Roseburg.

He was born July 24, 1918, in Leslie, Arkansas, and came to Sutherlin six months ago, being employed as mill worker for the Taylor Brothers. He was a veteran of World War II, serving in the U. S. Navy in the South Pacific for three years.

Surviving are his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Firestone, Sutherlin; two brothers, Ernest, Sutherlin, and Carlos, Springfield, Mo.; and a sister, Mrs. LaVerne Reinsner, Bell Garden, Calif.

The body is being shipped by the Roseburg Funeral Home to Leslie, Arkansas, for funeral services and interment.

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Mrs. Ida Van Buren, of Pioneer Family, Passes

Mrs. Ida Van Buren, 72, died at her home on Washington Street, Roseburg, yesterday after a short illness. She was born Feb. 1, 1869, to Mr. and Mrs. John S. Bonebrake, pioneers, on their donation claim on South Deer Creek and had lived her entire life in this community.

She was preceded in death 10 years ago by her husband, William, a businessman of Roseburg.

Surviving are her daughter, Mrs. Vivian Groves, Portland; three brothers, W. B. Bonebrake, Roseburg; G. A. Bonebrake, Dixonville; and J. F. Bonebrake, Melrose Route; a nephew, V. V. Harpham, retired forest supervisor, Roseburg; and a sister, Mrs. Harriet Germlinger, Dixonville, and a number of other relatives.

Funeral services will be announced by the Roseburg Funeral Home later.

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