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After visiting some of the bathing beaches, an observing citizen says the women haven't lost enough weight from dieting to hurt them any.

There's another income bill on the ballot for November—rather a waste of paper and time. Oregon people have pressed themselves quite forcefully in the last two years on the income tax question. We have come to the conclusion that they don't want one. Most people, we believe, favor the idea in principle but are either opposed to the particular type of schedule offered in the specific bill or think that Oregon should avoid an income tax until other coast states adopt one. There's very little chance that it will carry this fall.

**A JOB FOR SAM KOZER**  
The Observer is glad that Mr. Kozer has seen fit to continue in state service in the capacity of budget director. His appointment was approved throughout the state as soon as it was announced. He is generally recognized as the ideal man available for the job and it would have been a keen disappointment to most people intimately interested in state affairs if Sam Kozer hadn't wanted the job.

Being budget director in Oregon isn't going to be a soft snap. State finances are in such shape that anyone can anticipate quite the opposite. But Mr. Kozer is quite up to it. He probably knows more, in a detailed way, about state finances, revenues, and business than any one individual. He's one of those "hounds for figures" and will go at it in a way that will be economical and efficient for Oregon's government.

Mr. Kozer has been serving the public at Salem for something like thirty years. He started in the secretary of state's office and, with brief sojourns elsewhere, has been there ever since. He knows state institutions and their needs. He is familiar with ramifications of the law with reference to revenue and expenditure. He knows how to trim when trimming is necessary to get a balanced budget. And a budget is what Oregon must have in the near future.

Discussing Mr. Kozer as new budget director naturally reflects credit on Governor Patterson for his wisdom in the appointment. It is in keeping with the governor's previous handling of major appointments—determined on a basis of benefit to the state and not on a question of politics. Even when a Pierce appointee of outstanding ability, such as the highway commission had, had to be replaced with a republican, Patterson showed rare judgment in filling the vacancy. Judge Sawyer of Bend has made a remarkable record as a highway commissioner already and we anticipate for him long service of a high order. Other appointments have been equally sound and the administration is thus making a record to be proud of.

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## OVERNIGHT NEWS

(By the Associated Press)

**DOMESTIC:**  
WASHINGTON—Italy and France accept Kellogg's anti-war treaty.

Chicago—Hoover visits Dawes and wants for Beak.

ALBANY—Smith refuses to comment on William Albee White's latest attack.

SAN ANTONIO—Marshall Hicks, a prominent democratic, declares for Hoover.

HUNTINGTON—Alvin M. Moody, democratic state executive, committee man, bolts party for Hoover.

WASHINGTON—Mrs. Hugh D. Auchincloss struck and severely injured by propeller on leaving airplane.

CHICAGO—Congressman Henry H. Rathbone dies.

DILLON, S. C.—Lieut. Dana, a Colombian flier, damages plane in emergency landing after losing way on first try of flight to South America.

NEW YORK—Military honors will mark departure of Capt. Carranza's body for Mexico City Wednesday.

MORCOW—Italian companions left Malmgren buried alive in ice ship dispatch from icebreaker.

STOCKHOLM—Newspaper Dagbladet says Nobile's official prisoner on Citta Di Milano pending explanations.

SOUTHAMPTON—Sir James Charles, Australia's captain, taken today ill on farewell voyage.

MEXICO CITY—Oregon cheered by \$1,000 on arrival from ranch house.

MUNICH—Eight killed in train wreck.

BRUGES, Belgium—Anti-Royalists like Crown Prince Leopold.

**SPORTS:**  
S. K. PIERRE ROOSEVELT—Olympic committee bars from team four of five athletes proposed by N. Y. A. C.

NEW YORK—Rafe Ruth gets 24th honor.

MILAN—Italy wins European some Davis cup final.

DETROIT—George Souders seriously hurt on racing car overturn.

## FIRE MENACE SWEEPS OVER WEST STATES

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Florida land were smoldering waste today, and forest and brush fires, some out of control, were threatening.

Big other areas from San Diego to the northern part of the state. In Northern California, one large Lassen national forest was out of control last night after having swept 3,000 acres of second growth timber and invading heavy timber owned by the Diamond match company.

Another fire on Elder creek, near Red Bluff, had burned over an area ten miles long and a mile wide, and was still out of control. Thirty ranches in the path of the flames were threatened, and the owners were setting backfires last night.

Nearly 45,000 acres of pasture and brush was burned over by a fire near Colterville, which had reached a point within 500 yards of heavy timber in Stanislaus national forest.

A fire 12 miles north of San Diego burned 4,000 acres, some of it valuable grazing land.

**Campers Start Fire**

In Fraser Mountain park a fire destroyed nearly 2,000 acres of timber before it was controlled. Gamesters spotted by campers started the blaze.

A crew of 150 men were fighting blaze in the Tuolumne canyon north of Pasadena.

A Hudson rancher near Academy, in the Fresno district, was swept by flames, which started at a ranch house, which was destroyed. Some 25,000 acres of brush and grazing land were burned.

**ABERDEEN, Wash., July 16 (AP)—**Following four days of frantic fire fighting, which climaxed late yesterday when 400 persons were fire bound at Lake Quinalt, north of here, the Grays Harbor forest fire situation was suddenly improved today. Increased humidity gave fire fighters new hope in the vicinity of the Quinalt blaze, which late yesterday broke across the Olympic highway at the edge of the national forest.

## LEAVING OF MAN ALIVE CRITICIZED IN RUSSIA TODAY

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no word of having sighted any survivors.

**RUSSIAN FLIER RESCUED**  
MOSCOW, July 15 (AP)—The Russian aviator Chukhovsky and four companions, who were marooned by a forced landing near Cape Platen on July 12, were taken aboard the Russian icebreaker Krassin at 10 p. m. Sunday. News of the safety of the party came by radio from Professor Kaniulovitch today.

Avtar Chukhovsky, who came into prominence last week by a brilliant air reconnaissance during which he sighted Captain Albert Mariano and Filippo Zappi, members of the walking party of the Itala, gave the first news to the world of these men who had been given up for dead.

Chukhovsky was accompanied on the flight by Movie Operator Blushkin and three Russian mechanics, stranding, Shlegin and Alekseyev. This group left the Krassin early in the week in search of the Vigili party, stranded off Fozz island. While flying over a region about 20 miles from the Krassin, which was pounding its way through the ice, Chukhovsky saw the Zappi group and notified his base ship.

Chukhovsky circled the little group in search of a landing place but was unable to find it. He flew back to the Krassin to give a report and then again went out toward the stranded men. On the second flight he was forced to land near Cape Platen, off Northeast land, and in the landing damaged his plane.

With the Chukhovsky party on picked up, there are now only two groups connected with the Itala tragedy definitely unaccounted for. One group consists of the six men who were carried off in the bar wrecked last May and the other group consists of the six men in the Amundsen party. There was some hope that these two groups may have joined, since Amundsen was known to be searching for the big party particularly.

## NOBLE A PRISONER

STOCKHOLM, July 15 (AP)—Swedish officials today were considering what steps could be taken toward a formal inquiry into General Umberto Nobile's fatal expedition to the North Pole. The newspapers were suggesting a judicial investigation.

The newspaper Dagbladet printed a report saying that General Nobile is "in prison" as he is forbidden to leave the base ship Citta Di Milano before he has given the world a clear account of the Itala catastrophe and later events.

Swedish fliers, in Spitzbergen, have been ordered to clear up the mystery of Dr. Finn Malmgren's fate.

## HOOVER PAYS VISIT TODAY TO COOLIDGE

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whether any fish are left in the "bowl." Mr. Hoover, said with a smile: "I fished up here 12 years ago but I wonder where any trout are left now that the president has been here."

The candidate was informed that a new aviation field was being constructed near Palo Alto and was interrogated as to whether he contemplated making use of it during his stay in California.

"I do not," was the emphatic reply.

Mr. Hoover will remain at Cedar Island lodge until tomorrow afternoon when he will go to Duluth for a reception similar to that he received today on his arrival here, where thousands of the townspeople, from the Northwestern coast, to the Chicago and Northwestern stations to the highway leading to the Brule.

In the automobile with Secretary Hoover, as the procession passed through the crowd lined streets were Mrs. Hoover and Col. Lathrop, side to the president. Their machine was followed by one containing Everett Sanders, secretary to the president, and Mrs. Sanders.

Appreciated Enthusiastically  
The republican presidential nom-

line rode in an open car bereft of the warm sun. He was applauded enthusiastically the entire route through town and responded by waving his straw hat, bowing and smiling. Mrs. Hoover seemed to appreciate the reception also, for she smilingly acknowledged the cheers and greetings of bystanders.

Because of the intensity of the sun and the dust of the country roads, a closed car awaited the secretary at the end of the city to complete the remainder of the 40-mile drive to Cedar Island lodge.

"We're For Hoover"

The parade was headed by the drum corps of the Superior post of the American Legion, while following the car of Secretary Sanders marched the school boys band. Automobiles containing newspaper correspondents who accompanied Secretary Hoover on the special, together with those who have been assigned to the summer white house, completed the procession.

Banners reading "Superior is for Hoover" and "We're for Hoover" were hung about the route while the majority of the crowd were crimson "Hoover for President" badges.

**SUPERIOR, Wis., July 15 (AP)—**Secretary Hoover arrived here today at 8:27 a. m. on board his special train from Washington to visit President Coolidge. Streets were blowing and bells were ringing as the train pulled into the station with a throng of people awaiting.

Large crowds had been there for more than an hour. The presidential nominee appeared on the rear platform of his car before the train came to a standstill. Loud acclamations greeted his appearance, coupled with cries of "Ho" which gave us the St. Lawrence canal."

Mrs. Hoover joined her husband on the platform, causing a new ovation especially from the large contingent of women in the crowd. Former Senator Irvine L. Lenroot, of Wisconsin, was first to greet the party. He introduced prominent members of the reception committee. Everett Sanders, secretary to President Coolidge, and Colonel Gunnar Lathrop were on hand to convey the republican nominee the greeting of Mr. Coolidge.

**Police Clears Way**  
Secretary Hoover smiled and waved at the crowd which pressed all around the car and presented him and his party, including Representative and Mrs. Tilson of Connecticut, from descending to the platform.

Police reinforcements made a way through the crowd and enabled the secretary and his party to abandon the train. Two bands stuck up at this point competing with the applause of the crowd in bidding Mr. Hoover welcome amid this roar of republican nominees of the reception committee.

**Demo Band to Support Hoover**  
HUNTINGTON, W. Va., July 15 (AP)—Mrs. Frank N. Mann, former democratic national committee woman for West Virginia, today announced she would support Herbert Hoover, republican, nominee for president, at the November election. Mrs. Mann, an anti-Smith delegate to the Houston convention was quoted as national committee woman by the Smith delegates, who elected Mrs. Rose Birchard McCann to the committee to uphold the delegation.

In her statement today Mrs. Mann called on democratic women of West Virginia to support Hoover but to stand by the democratic state ticket. She said she would not support Smith because she was "too good a democrat to vote for a man who openly says he hates part of our constitution and who openly bids for repeal of the 15th amendment."

**SMITH IS SILENT**  
ALBANY, N. Y., July 15 (AP)—Governor Smith is keeping his plans for the immediate future to himself. He has not disclosed his program for the next few weeks and so far as known, he does not contemplate leaving Albany for any extended period before his official notification, probably about mid-August.

A date for notification certainly

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