

COLD RECORD FOR JANUARY ESTABLISHED

Mercury Drops to 20 Below Zero in La Grande Early This Morning.

MEACHAM REPORTS FORTY-TWO BELOW

Weather Man Fails to Promise Relief, Merely Predicting "Continued Cold."

Table with Oregon Temperatures: La Grande, Meacham, Enterprise, North Powder, Elgin, Telusnet, Echo, Kirk, Pendleton, Portland, Corvallis, Klamath Falls.

La Grande people who shivered in the wee small hours of this morning, and wondered why their bed clothing wouldn't keep them as warm as usual, had plenty of reason for their actions.

Only one time, according to government records, since 1886 has La Grande experienced a colder winter than that in December, 1919, when the record of 22 below was chalked up.

Water pipes froze up in many homes and plumbers, already rushed to distraction, had about them today this morning. More men than usual walked to work, leaving their frozen cars behind them.

All roads were open today and although some of the trails were running a little behind time, no real difficulties had been experienced.

Street thermometers forecast the cold early yesterday afternoon when they started dropping toward zero.

Little Real Discomfort Outside of trouble with ears and water pipes, the cold has brought little physical discomfort to La Grande, particularly since the heavy winds of a couple of days ago, have forsaken the district.

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STUDENT LOAN FUND BOARD IS APPOINTED

The student loan board of the American Legion has been chosen, and a board meeting will be held Monday, Jan. 27 for the purpose of election of officers, and of formulating rules for the administration of the funds to be loaned.

The selection of the board follows a decision of the post to have a scholarship fund, called the American Legion Student Loan fund, to provide money for students at the Eastern Oregon Normal school who have entered school, but due to financial troubles, would be unable to complete their work.

Weather Today: 7:30 a. m.—18 below zero. Minimum: 20 below. Condition: clear.

Weather Yesterday: Maximum 14 above, minimum 5 below. Condition: clear.

Weather Jan. 21, 1930: Maximum 15 above, minimum 9 below. Condition: snow, 3 inches, moisture .75 of inch.

Baker Team To Play Tigers On Friday Evening

Strong Bulldog Lineup Indicated—Rivalry Between Schools Indicates Thrilling Game.

Fresh from a number of victories over Union, Enterprise, Haines and other Eastern Oregon basketball teams, the Baker Bulldogs will invade La Grande Thursday night for a contest with the Tigers, to be played in the L. D. S. Recreational hall.

Baker, meeting Union last Friday, defeated the Bobcats 26 to 20, using most of the second team in the last half. La Grande lost to Union in the first game with the Bobcats here, playing with a team weakened by attacks of the flu.

New Players Ebbled: Beginning yesterday, five Baker students, who were declared ineligible during the football season, are eligible for the squad and two or three of them are said to be crack players, expected to bolster the strength of the Baker team greatly.

Following the game with Baker here Friday night, the La Grande team will go to Wallowa Saturday night. Wallowa defeated Baker by a small margin in a game about a week ago.

La Grande Hears King George In Talk Over Radio

This early morning, His Majesty, the king, had in his vast audience of countless millions of people several hundred millions in La Grande, Oregon, who were very enthusiastic "listeners in" to this epoch-making event.

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To the average La Grander, who donned bath robe and slippers, pulled down the window, turned on the radio, while the N. B. C. orchestra in America was playing "British Grenadiers," "America for God Save the King" and all four verses of "The Star Spangled Banner," there was a tremendous thrill when shortly after the announcer said "We are now tuning in to London, England," came this second message: "Our friends are asked to be patient, in two minutes King George will be speaking on the air."

The reception was very good throughout and each of the speakers was heard very distinctly. It required very little imagination, it is said, to picture the august company seated about the conference table as the representatives of the different countries, England, Italy, Australia, Japan, etc., made their introductory remarks, Prime Minister MacDonald, chairman of the great gathering, acting as the presiding officer.

HOOPER TUNES IN: WASHINGTON, Jan. 21 (AP)—Clad in a sweater and pair of old pants, President Hoover today sat in a basement room of the White House and listened to formal ceremonies opening the London arms conference.

Arriving at 5 o'clock the president dressed himself in the garb he generally wears while taking his daily exercise of throwing around the big medicine ball and went to a basement room where a high powered receiving set had been installed.

Man Wanted Here Makes His Escape

E. M. Baker, wanted in La Grande on a "bad check" charge, was arrested in Pendleton yesterday, according to word received by local officers, but escaped from his captors in the railroad yards.

Later today the officers here received word that Baker had been captured at Elgin and had been returned to Pendleton.

SUPPORT IS GIVEN TODAY TO NEW ROAD

County, City Forest Service to Have Part in Building Stretch.

DEFINITE ACTION AWAITS INQUIRY

Possibility of Securing Road to Mt. Emily This Year, Chamber of Commerce Believes.

If the project proves feasible at a price of \$1,000 and if the forest service will put up half of that figure, Union county and La Grande stand willing to raise the other \$5,000 this year for the construction of a connecting link in a road up to Mt. Emily, probably going via the Owsley canyon.

This was decided at today's forum luncheon of the chamber of commerce, and this afternoon County Judge U. G. Couch, County Engineer S. B. Moran and Albert R. Hunter, chamber of commerce secretary, were on route to Pendleton to carry the news to Supervisor Brevin, who has until this evening to forward his 1930 budget to Portland headquarters. He has signified his intentions of recommending action by the forest service to match the amount raised here.

The question of cost was raised at the luncheon, with figures given both at from \$10,000 and at from \$30,000 to \$35,000 for the road stretch within the county line. "The local plan is to go ahead with the road this year if it can be done for the lesser figure and if the forest service decides to cooperate as desired."

The matter was discussed at length at the luncheon in the La Grande hotel today, winding up with a unanimous vote. Those taking part in the discussion, led by President A. W. Nelson, were Mr. Hunter, Mr. Couch, Mr. Moran, G. H. Currey, H. E. Colledge, Mr. Kendrick, Charles Playe and Fred Hennings.

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The Skive River cutoff fight was reviewed during the meeting today, largely by H. E. Colledge and H. E. Brady, who headed the chamber of commerce during the two years of the fight. Tribute was paid to the work done by

FUGITIVE AGAIN IN COUNTY CELL

Frank Hoes, 29, Faces New Charge, That of Possession of Mash.

Frank Hoes, 29, a fugitive from the county jail since Nov. 16, is back in his cell today facing the charge of possession of an ill term on a new charge.

Hoes was arrested yesterday evening at 5 o'clock on Catherine creek by county officers, who also confiscated 150 gallons of mash while on the raid, they report. Hoes will be charged with possession of mash, Sheriff Jesse Beers said today.

The former charge, under which he was convicted, was possession of liquor. Hoes was fined \$250 and sentenced to 60 days, and had a conditional release two months when he escaped. He was a trustee at the time and was sent across the track to cut some wood. He returned at noon for lunch, and was not seen again by officers until his arrest last night.

Eastern Oregon Normal Team Will Play Albany, Monmouth This Week

The Eastern Oregon Normal school basketball squad will leave tonight on a three-game trip into Western Oregon, scheduled to meet Albany college and the Oregon Normal school at Monmouth, according to Coach Bob Quinn today.

Quinn's team has shown up much better since the Cheney game, resorting more to passing and less to dribbling, with a decided increase in the speed of attack. Cecil Poesy, who has been off the squad for the last 10 days because of illness, is back in shape and his addition strengthens the defense.

Resides Poesy, the following men will make the trip to Western Oregon: Captain Barrett, Housch, Crawford, Garden, Sullivan, Price, Paisley and McCully.

Present Naval Limitation Move Held Not Final

Secretary Stimson Tells Conference in London That it Must be Continuous Process.

LONDON, Jan. 21 (AP)—Declaration that the present effort at naval limitation is not regarded as final was made here today by Henry L. Stimson, the American secretary of state, in his address at the opening of the naval conference in the royal gallery of the House of Lords.

"Naval limitation is a continuous process," he said. "We regard disarmament as a goal to be reached by successive steps, by frequent revision and improvement. A solution reached today, however perfect, may not conform to conditions at a later date."

The chairman of the American delegation added that he and his colleagues were ready to remain in London until the problems were solved, until the opportunities were grasped and until the world was given an agreement that would carry it happily on to the time when the nations look over again in the same spirit to look over the situation anew.

Profoundly Impressed: "We are profoundly impressed and moved by the significance of the speeches we have just heard," he said, "the cordial and hospitable welcome extended to us by His Majesty the king and the wise analysis of our problems which has been so movingly presented by the prime minister. I am so convinced that all members of this conference share the lofty idealism that has been expressed in the two preceding speeches, that I look forward with confident hope to the success of our labors. I deem it an auspicious event that our first meeting at this conference in which there must be a spirit of understanding and cooperation should take place in the house of parliament which has for Americans a deep significance as the cradle of our jurisprudence and of our fundamental ideas of human liberty."

The executive committee like the house "two" organization itself, will be entirely extra-official so far as a congressional procedure is concerned. It will not have the power of subpoena and can administer oaths only with the witness's consent. The witnesses themselves will be voluntary and are to be asked to bear their own expenses.

Basil Russell, Dead Pilot, Was Known Locally

Basil Russell, chief pilot of the ill-fated air liner that crashed and burned, during the morning of December 31, Sunday evening, was known to a number of people in La Grande, having visited here occasionally on flights over here.

His parents live at Ontario, Ore. Harold O'Connell, local flier, was well acquainted with Mr. Russell.

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 21 (AP)—Grief-stricken relatives, stunned by the tragedy which Sunday snuffed out the lives of sixteen persons in the crash of a Transcontinental Transport-Madison air liner near Oceanwide, Cal., today prepared to take back their dead. The bodies will be delivered for burial following their identification at a coroner's inquest at Oceanwide.

Richard Cantillon, attorney, who returned from a fishing trip Sunday evening to learn of the deaths of his wife, Mrs. Dorris Cantillon, and her mother, Mrs. George A. Glover, has announced funeral services for Thursday.

Basil Russell, chief pilot of the ill-fated air liner, is survived by a widow and a 2-year-old daughter, Basil Jean. Russell was 28 years old, and had been in commercial flying since 1913. He was recognized by the company as an able and conservative transport pilot.

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EMPLOYMENT TIDE TURNS FOR BETTER

President Hoover Issues Report Made by Labor Department.

BIG INCREASE IN LAST TEN DAYS

First Jump in Employment in United States Since the Crash in Wall Street.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21 (AP)—President Hoover said today that the department of labor had reported for the first time since the stock market crash that the tide of employment had changed in the right direction.

The chief executive said reports for the last week showed that employment was on the increase and substantially so. "There has been a distinct increase in employment all over the country within the last ten days," President Hoover asserted. "The tide of employment all over the country has changed in the right direction."

Immediately after the stock market disturbance in November, President Hoover moved to stimulate the building of public works in an effort to prevent unemployment.

Bearing Fruit: Today it was felt in administration circles that the president's program to increase the development of public works in both the federal and state governments was bearing fruit.

WET BLOC TO CONDUCT ITS OWN HEARING

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21 (AP)—The militant and defiant "wet" bloc of the house went ahead today with plans for conducting its own hearings on proposals for the modification of the prohibition laws.

Under the leadership of Representative Charles Lathum of Maryland, an executive committee will be established to take charge of the hearings.

Prominent people from all sections of the country are to be invited to appear. Lathum says it will be prepared to make a sweeping investigation of conditions and recommendations.

The executive committee like the house "two" organization itself, will be entirely extra-official so far as a congressional procedure is concerned. It will not have the power of subpoena and can administer oaths only with the witness's consent.

Derailment Kills Two, Injures 25

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Jan. 21 (AP)—Two persons were dead today and 25 were suffering from injuries received in the derailment of Louisville and Nashville passenger train No. 4 last night near Trafford, Ala. 22 miles north of here. Ten of the injured were hurt seriously. The train was en route to Cincinnati from New Orleans.

Investigation At Rainier Is Asked

RAINIER, Ore., Jan. 21 (AP)—An investigation of conditions in the Rainier Union high school, sought by students in a petition to the board of directors, was postponed today because of inclement weather.

In the meantime interest was intense through the union high school district which embraces 12 school districts and serves five others. Thirty students, or about 12 per cent of the student body, signed the petition for an inquiry.

Aged Man Suffers From Exposure

AMITY, Jan. 21 (AP)—Steve McKinney, 78, is in a critical condition as a result of exposure and is suffering from badly frozen hands. McKinney, who lives alone on the place where he was born and raised, was found Monday evening tangled in a barb wire fence by a brother-in-law, Peter Burton, who notified the dark object in the fence and investigated. McKinney was unconscious when found, but was later revived and able to state that he had found himself out of matches and was crossing a field to a neighbor's home about three-fourths of a mile away to replenish his supply.

NEW MARATHON



The world's marathon bowling championship is claimed by George Kinder, 47-year-old Milwaukee pianist, who recently completed 50 hours, 20 minutes of continuous bowling during which he rolled 262 1/2 games. It wasn't physical exhaustion that made him quit—his thumb was badly split, blistered and torn, and he couldn't grasp the ball.

DINNER GUESTS SERIOUSLY ILL

Food Poisoning Attacks 50 to 60 Men and Women in Sacramento.

SACRAMENTO, Cal., Jan. 21 (AP)—Between fifty and sixty men and women guests at a dinner given by Camella City circle No. 1102, Foresters of America, here last night were reported ill today either at their homes or in hospitals.

Doctors attending cases in local hospitals declared that "five or six" persons might die from the effects of a poisoning that wrecked them violently for several hours.

Physicians who attended other cases in private homes declared their patients suffered considerably.

Dr. Howard Hall, city health officer, was working on the matter today, obtaining samples of the food served at the banquet for chemical analysis to determine the source of the poisoning.

Dr. Samuel L. Wells, who attended ten of the stricken guests, declared that judging by the symptoms the illnesses might be ptomaine but that the victims were taken ill too quickly after eating.

Dr. J. B. Yates, who attended six cases, declared the illnesses might be ptomaine but that "it was a queer food poisoning."

The dinner was given in honor of Mrs. Nellie Kramer and Mrs. Lulu Lehman, both of San Francisco. Mrs. Kramer is grand chief companion of the state order, and Mrs. Lehman is supreme deputy of the organization. Mrs. Kramer was reported an illing "very ill."

The guests at the affair were served a creamed dish of chicken and veal. From all indications those who partook of this course became ill.

His denial was in answer to charges in a suit for an equity re-levatorship for the corporation filed by Mrs. Susie Dryden Kuser, of Bernardsville, N. J., one of the principal stockholders.

The statement said in part: "I deeply resent the published statement taken from the bill of complaint filed by Mrs. Anthony R. Kuser in federal court. Whatever else may happen to me, I propose to maintain my honor. There is not a word of truth in the assertion that I have speculated with the money of Fox Film or Fox Theatres corporation, or with the funds of any company with which I have ever been concerned."

It is also stated that I have received hundreds of thousands of dollars in salary. In point of fact I relinquished my salary three and a half years ago and never since received a dollar.

Cancer Killing Serum Produced In California

Medical Agencies of University to Co-operate in Its Development.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 21 (AP)—Discovery by two San Francisco surgeons of what they called a "cancer killing serum" was disclosed today when it became known that medical agencies of the University of California had decided to co-operate in further experiments with the substance.

The originators, Dr. Walter Bernard Coffey, chief surgeon of the Southern Pacific hospital, and Dr. John D. Humber, his colleague, specified that the serum was not to be regarded as a cancer cure but asserted that it was able to kill cancerous tissues. Dr. Coffey said it produced "striking results" in one case.

Notable Advance: Dr. Karl Meyer, director of the Hooper foundation of the University of California, described the discovery as "the most notable advance made in the field of cancer research" and as being "of the utmost possible importance."

Dr. John G. Gwary, prominent San Francisco surgeon, said the serum had "proved itself potent in killing malignant tissues," but that at this stage it would be inadvisable to hail it as a cancer cure.

The serum is derived from the outer layer of the adrenal glands of sheep and was asserted by its discoverers to have the power, when injected into the human body, of "destroying the tissues of the malignant areas."

Dry Department In Oregon Ends Year With \$8996

SALEM, Ore., Jan. 21 (AP)—The sum of \$60,000 annually to which the state prohibition department is entitled by law from the proceeds of fines in the counties for violations of the prohibition laws had all been acquired by the end of August, 1929, says the annual reports of George Alexander, state prohibition commissioner, and no further money was paid in by the counties during the rest of the year.

The department began the year with a balance on hand of \$270,53, and the total received from the counties by the end of August was \$50,204.96, making total receipts of \$52,874.54.

Expenditures during the year totaled \$43,878.10, leaving a balance at the end of the year of \$8996.44.

The largest items in the expense account were \$12,366.57 in the cost of maintaining and operating eight automobiles, and \$27,243.02 in salaries and wages for the commissioner and his agents.

Negro Shot Down By Coast Patrol

MIAMI, Fla., Jan. 21 (AP)—Overhauling a rum laden speed boat after a three mile chase on the Miami river early today coast guardsmen shot a negro member of the crew and seized approximately 200 macks of liquor. Two companions, who the negro said were white men, escaped.

Leon Sanders, 28, the negro, was shot in the thigh by coast guardsman Harry A. Jackson, Ferdinand, Fla., of picket boat No. 9031 as he attempted to flee.

Dawes Misses His Majesty's Speech

LONDON, Jan. 21 (AP)—Ambassador Dawes, one of the seven American naval delegates, did not hear King George's address opening the naval conference today.

The American Ambassador was delayed by the dense fog which rested over London and did not arrive at Westminster Palace until after his majesty's speech had been delivered, and translated into French and the monarch himself had departed.

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., Jan. 21 (AP)—The trial of John G. Wright, plumber, accused of shooting to death Sydney Darling, hotel owner, started here this morning. Thirty-two witnesses have been called by the state and defense, Mrs. Edna Sweetman, who was with Darling's mother in a nearby room at the time Darling was shot in the kitchen, is ill in Sacramento, Cal., but attorneys agreed not to postpone the trial for her testimony.

KING GEORGE OPENS NAVAL CONFERENCE

Six-Minute Speech in London is Broadcast Throughout the World

CO-OPERATION OF BRITISH PLEDGED

Conference Organized With Ramsay MacDonald Nominated by Stimson as Chairman.

LONDON, Jan. 21 (AP)—George V, King of England, formally opened the five-power naval conference this forenoon with a six-minute speech broadcast over a world-wide radio hook-up. He pledged Great Britain's cooperation in the conference effort to limit navies, and expressed a hope that an agreement would be reached which would prepare the way for a general disarmament treaty.

It was his majesty's first public appearance since his illness of last year. His face was ruddy, his step firm, his voice rich and full of confidence—loud enough to carry even to the corridors outside the gallery of the house of lords where the delegates and a few invited guests convened.

Conference Organized: Immediately after his address was concluded the conference was organized formally, with nomination of Ramsay MacDonald, premier of Great Britain, as chairman by Colonel Henry L. Stimson, American secretary of state and delegation head.

The entire assemblage rose and stood respectfully as his majesty passed out of the room. Mr. MacDonald took the chair vacated by the monarch and immediately upon his designation as chairman began his own address, urging in an eloquent speech the necessity for enlightening the spirit of confidence among peoples and thus paving the way for an agreement to halt competition in naval construction.

"The whole world," he said, "expects that we shall liberate and negotiate a new assumption that having put our hands to a pact of peace we mean to respect our signatures."

Gives Hoover Credit: The British prime minister gave President Hoover credit for initiating the present conference. "After several attempts had been made unsuccessfully to get such an understanding between the United States and ourselves as would make a wide international agreement possible," he said, "President Hoover, who I have newly appointed to London, proposed to me that we should explore our differences once more."

Colonel Stimson addressed the assemblage when Mr. MacDonald had concluded his speech, remarking that the present effort at naval limitation was not to be regarded as final by any means. "Naval limitation is a continuous process," he said, "we regard disarmament as a goal to be reached by successive steps, by frequent revision and improvement. A solution reached today, however perfect, may not respond to conditions at a later date."

Fleets Cooperation: Colonel Stimson pledged the cooperation of America to further endeavor in behalf of disarmament, both land, naval, and in the air. "Our efforts to contribute to the success of endeavors in other fields will continue unabated," he said. Other delegation heads followed in alphabetical order, the Canadian, Colonel J. L. Raiston, coming next.

BANK MANAGER RETURNS FROM CHILLY "WALK"

WORLDY, Idaho, Jan. 21 (AP)—Michael M. Kraemer, manager of the Bank of Worldy, who disappeared leaving the bank's money unguarded, returned home early today while police sought him half frozen, he said only that he had "been out on the tracks."

Kraemer opened the bank yesterday morning, accepted several deposits, and opened the vaults for the day's work, but customers who called an hour later found the vaults open, the keys on a table and money on shelves in the cages. Kraemer was not there.

Mrs. Kraemer, unable to explain her husband's absence, told officers that he had worked almost night and day for several weeks to clear up his bookwork. She thought it possible that the strain might have made him ill.

The directors voluntarily ordered the bank closed today while a state examiner checked over the accounts. They emphasized, however, that they did not believe any discrepancies would be found.

TWO MEN HELD

VALLEJO, Cal., Jan. 21 (AP)—Two sailors from the navy supply ship Orca were held on open charges here today after A. J. Haskins, 76, died in a hospital from injuries received in a severe beating.

SAN DIEGO, Cal., Jan. 21 (AP)—Three sailors aboard the U. S. destroyer Talbot were injured seriously late yesterday afternoon when caught in a blast of fire between decks.