

Oregon: Fair east, unsettled probably with snows in the west portion tonight and Friday, not much change in temperature.

ANNUAL DOG PROBLEM IS DISPOSED OF

Compromise Reached at Meeting of City Commissioners Last Night License Fee to Increase Mar. 1 Male Dogs May be Tagged for \$1 During January and February, Cost \$3 Afterwards.

The annual dog question agitated the meeting of the city commission for awhile last night, with several citizens taking part in a verbal protest against the proposed ordinance amendment that would increase the license fee on male dogs to \$3, to allow for enough money to employ a dog catcher for six months instead of three.

For awhile the arguments waxed gaily, but finally they compromised, and both commissioners and townspeople went their respective ways satisfied.

Actually, the \$3 ordinance was not expected to be completely successful, and was drawn in a somewhat attempt to find out just how strong the city could reasonably go in this matter. This was ascertained last night, and both factions were content this morning with the result.

Compromise Satisfies All. A compromise cleared up the matter, and this year some male dogs will sport \$1 licenses and others will find their tags marked up to \$3—after the first of March.

As the matter now stands, \$3 licenses issued for male dogs up to Mar. 1 will cost \$1. After Mar. 1, however, corresponding with the state license law, the amount will increase. There is one difference, however, in the city and state laws. In the state law, the license fee is double for male and female dogs after the "deadline."

The city ordinance will provide for tripling the male dog license, while the \$5 license for female dogs will remain unaltered.

Andrews, Farnam Protest. Al Andrews and Hoy Farnam, representing a large group of dog owners in La Grande, protested against the original \$3 fee, but assented to the compromise. Both men expressed the opinion that the "best friend" that many men and boys have, boys who now are able to afford \$1 for a dog, even though he is a cur, would be unable to pay \$3 to keep the animal, regardless of his character, the men pointed out.

Even curs are at times the best friend man has," Mr. Farnam said. "Whether the time has come to eliminate that class of friends or not is a question. I don't feel that dogs should be jeopardized in general because some few owners permit their dogs to run at large and cause damage."

Playe Suggests Compromise. During the discussion, Commissioner Victor Melville pointed out that the time has arrived when the city must eliminate undesirable dogs, which—unlicensed—are permitted to run at large with damaging results. Commissioner Charles Playe suggested the \$1 and \$3 compromise and both Commissioner A. T. Hill and Commissioner Melville agreed that this plan would solve the situation. If a dog catcher is hired for half a year, the ordinance provisions making it mandatory to keep dogs up from 6 p. m. to 8 a. m. will be strictly enforced. License fees for last year amounted to about \$570, respectively.

With the Baker High school invasion of La Grande scheduled for tomorrow night, the Tiger basketball squad will face the O.-W. team tonight at about 7:30 o'clock in a practice scrimmage, according to arrangements made this morning. Coach Ira Woodie expects to try numerous combinations this evening, probably using most of his squad against the railroaders. An attempt was made to arrange this scrimmage for last night, but the school was unable to obtain the J. D. S. Recreational hall at the time desired.

The game with Baker will begin at 8 o'clock in the Recreational hall with Rufus Polgate, of Walla Walla, officiating. Seats may be reserved tomorrow at the Glass Drug, Inc.

WEATHER TODAY: 7-20 a. m.—four below. Minimum: five below. Condition: clear. WEATHER YESTERDAY: Maximum 15 above, minimum 6 below. Condition: clear. WEATHER JAN. 23, 1930: Maximum 35, minimum 3 above. Condition: snow 2 1/2 inches, moisture .20 of inch.

Frigid Weather Continues; All Highways Open

La Grande Enters 19th Day of Freezing Weather—No Relief in Sight at Present.

Excelling all previous "cold weather marathon" records in Oregon, the wave that started during the evening of Jan. 5 was well in its 19th day in La Grande, and another night of sub-zero temperatures was evoked up with the mercury touching five below here. Since the evening of Jan. 5, the official thermometer here has not registered above 32 (which is freezing point) and on the other hand has registered as low as 29 below zero, a no-waltz January record. The range, however, has been considerable, and the coldest maximum was 10 above, made the same afternoon of the day that saw 20 below weather here.

After a partly cloudy day, the sky was again clear this morning, and at 7:30 a. m. the official reading showed four below, with the temperature climbing and with no wind to augment the chill. Eight of the last 13 days have had minimum marks of below zero.

Old Oregon Trail Open. Heroic information that the Old Oregon Trail highway was blocked in the Blue Mountains was broadcast over the air late yesterday, but the officials of the state highway shops here this morning stated that all roads in this district were open. One route, currently in certain points in the Pacific Northwest yesterday, was that a 100-mile blizzard was raging over the Blue Mountains, but officers said that it must have been some other "Blue Mountains" because weather conditions in this locality were not unusual. The reports are known to have kept some people from making scheduled drives over the mountains toward Western Oregon last night, but their fears were allayed today when the actual condition of the highway was found to be good.

Many cases of frozen water pipes and mains continued to come in, and some believe that the frost is steadily going deeper and deeper into the ground. Many are leaving their water running day and night to permit circulation to stave off the chill.

Less fires have occurred this season. (Continued on Page Five)

Independents To Meet Saturday In La Grande

Two independent basketball teams, both declaring themselves contenders for the Eastern Oregon title, and both made up of La Grande men, will play each other in the L. D. S. Recreational hall Saturday at 8:30 o'clock. The Outcasts recently defeated the E. O. N. seconds decisively and Saturday's contest will be the first for the Outcasts, who appear to have an exceptionally strong lineup.

C. Moore, former center on the First Ward team, plays center for the Outcasts and local fans know of his ability. Others on the team are Stevenson, forward; M. Stoddard, Bud Beard, E. Baxter, M. Baxter and C. Baxter. The Outcasts lineup includes P. Newlin, V. Newlin, Patten, Waite, Berry and Thompson.

J. G. Snodgrass Again Elected Band President

J. G. Snodgrass was elected president of the La Grande municipal band for the year 1930, at the regular meeting of the organization in the Elks building Tuesday evening. J. L. Caldwell was elected business manager, Guy McMillan secretary, and Elmer McMann treasurer. Members of the board, in addition to the officers and director, who are ex-officio members, are B. P. Wylie and George Anderson.

Messrs. Snodgrass, McMillan and McMann have served the band in the capacities mentioned for the past several years and Mr. Snodgrass has been president of the organization since its inception.

Preparations are being made for the next public concert, which is to be given in the near future, and some very interesting games have been played. Much interest has been shown in the outcome of the contest.

Art Posten Wins Checker Tourney. The checker tournament has been completed with the results that Art Posten took first place with 43 games won and 15 lost. He received the first prize of \$6.00. Ray Searles ran him a close second with only one point difference by winning 44 games and losing 16. The second prize was \$4. Consolation prize of one dollar went to Bud Beard. Eleven players participated in the tournament and some very interesting games have been played. Much interest has been shown in the outcome of the contest.

SEEK RELIEF BYRD, MEN IN ANTARCTICA

United States Appeals to Five Ships in the Neighborhood.

HOPE TO AVOID FOOD SHORTAGE

Another Winter in Southern Regions Would Seriously Endanger American Explorers.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23 (AP)—Moving to the relief of the Byrd Antarctic expedition, which is threatened with having to spend another winter on the Ross ice barrier without sufficient food, the state department today asked the British and Norwegian governments to use their good offices in having ships now in the Antarctic region go to the relief of the party. In telegrams to the American ambassador at London and the minister at Oslo, Acting Secretary Cotton said the department had been informed that the vessels of the Byrd expedition might be unable to resupply themselves to reach America to bring out Admiral Byrd with his men and equipment.

Should the party not be brought out, Mr. Cotton said, it was believed a serious situation might confront the explorers as their food supply would run low. Five Ships Nearby. Four Norwegian ships and one British vessel are in the neighborhood of the Byrd expedition, all believed to be capable of penetrating the ice pack. One of these, the Nilsen-Alonso, a Norwegian whaler, was reported steaming north through the pack, R. Cotton said.

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NORMAL DEFEATS ALBANY COLLEGE

Team From La Grande Opens Western Oregon Trip With Victory.

ALBANY, Ore., Jan. 23 (AP)—By a score of 54 to 25 the Eastern Oregon Normal school of La Grande defeated Albany college in a fast basketball game here last night. Although the first half was more or less even in point of play, with the score 29 to 13 for La Grande, the Albany players were unable to keep up the fast pace set by Eastern Oregon Normal.

Sullivan, of E. O. N., was high point man with 15 points. The La Grande players went to Monmouth today for two games with the normal school there. News of the victory at Albany college last night was received with joy here today by the Normal school, as this was the first appearance of a team from E. O. N. in that section of the state.

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Families Trapped In Big Lake Area

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Jan. 23 (AP)—Rescue crews, defeated in their first attempts by frozen flood waters, sought today to remove several hundred ice bound and water trapped families from the Big Lake area of Arkansas. Advisers from the stricken territory to Walter Over, national Red Cross representative at Elytheville, Ark., said many of the families were ill, without fuel and short of food. The mercury hovered around zero.

Plans Are Made For Basketball Tournaments Here And At Union

Plans for the sub-district basketball tournament here Mar. 7, 1930, and the championship tournament at Union Mar. 12, 13 and 14, have been worked out and all arrangements for the two events, with the exception of officials and a few other matters now being worked on, have been completed. Games will be played at the sub-district tournament here Friday afternoon at 2 and 4 and that evening at 8 and 9. On Saturday there will be games at 3 and 5 a. m., and at 7:30, 9:30 and 9:30 p. m., with four teams out of eight to qualify by double elimination to play at Union. Teams eligible to enter the tournament here are those in Wallawa and Union counties, excepting North Powder, which will play in the Baker sub-district tournament. At Union, four games will be played in the first round, at 6:30, 7:30, 9:30 and 9:30 Wednesday night. The second round will be disposed of Thursday morning and

Several Called Back On O.-W. System, Report

General Conditions Improving, Community Believes—Weather Also Creates Work.

A number of trainmen and engineers, employed by the O.-W. unit of the Union Pacific system in the second division, have been called back to work, it was learned in La Grande today. This news, coming as it does as a distinct relief to the unemployment situation, was welcomed by the community as an indication that the period of "slack business" was nearing an end.

The exact number of men returned to work was not known, as the superintendent and assistant superintendents could not be reached, as they were out of town. Other official details also were lacking.

Several times during a year, it is necessary to temporarily "lay off" some of the railroad workers, due to seasonal business conditions or other reasons.

The recent seasonal condition, which received considerable "word of mouth" publicity, was merely a usual one although many local people regarded the move with alarm, due to misinformation or unconfirmed reports.

In addition to the return of work (Continued on Page Five)

Cut Hole In Ice To Baptise Man

BEAD, Ore., Jan. 23 (AP)—A hole was cut through ten inches of ice here yesterday, and baptize W. P. Cahal, Bead resident.

Fuel Shortage In Missouri District

KENNETT, Mo., Jan. 23 (AP)—The fuel situation and fuel shortage in Dunklin county of the Southwest Missouri district was becoming more acute today as three deaths chargeable to floods and cold weather were reported here, and some fear was expressed that others may have frozen to death. The temperature was down to 17 degrees below zero last night. The second coldest night of the winter.

RIVER OF ICE CUTS OFF AID FROM VILLAGES

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 23 (AP)—Hemmed in by a river of ice on one side and unbroken mountains on the other, Lower Columbia river fishing villages today approached the crisis of isolation and telephoned and telegraphed appeals for supplies from Astoria, Ore., at the mouth of the Columbia, and Portland.

A tug, owned by the Arrow Tug and Barge company, Astoria, laden with several hundred loaves of bread, meat, butter and other food, smashed its way through an ice choked channel to within a few feet of the shore before Astoria, Wash., yesterday and brought temporary relief to the stricken town.

From Ducet Island, a prosperous farming settlement midway between Cathlamet and Westport, Ore., came serious reports today. The 1,000 residents of the island have food on hand for just ten days. Three stores on the island reported stocks practically exhausted.

Sarazen Winner Of Golf Tourney

AUGA CALIENTE, Lower California, Mexico, Jan. 23 (AP)—Gene Sarazen of New York City today won the first place prize in the Auga Caliente \$25,000 tournament, shooting a 295 for the 72 holes.

Sarazen's car was: Out 442 442 444—22 In. 645 442 444—36 63 295

NAVAL CONFERENCE FIGURES



Heading the naval limitation delegations now meeting in London are the above men: Dino Grandi, Italy (upper left); Ramsay MacDonald, Great Britain, chairman (center); Heijiro Wakatsuki, Japan (lower left), and Andre Tardieu, France (lower right).

Inland Empire Cold Is Causing Much Suffering

SPOKANE, Wash., Jan. 23 (AP)—Sub-zero temperature for the last two weeks in the Inland Empire of the Northwest today were taking their toll in human suffering.

At Juliaetta, Idaho, where the mercury had registered 20 degrees below zero, the town's only fuel dealer said that his supply of coal would not last until a shipment promised for next week arrived. He started rationing coal to residents today. Many families were reported to be suffering.

Emergency measures were adopted at Wallace, Idaho, where water pipes were frozen and reservoirs were being depleted. Pipes to one section of the town were cut off as the only means of allowing reservoirs to become refilled for fire protection. In other sections of the two main mains were frozen, cutting off many residences. The Coeur d'Alene river near Mullan, in the Coeur d'Alene mining section became jammed with ice and overflowed into business district basements.

At Dayton, Wash., double shift crews were working to keep the city water system intake mains open. If ice conquered, the town faced a serious water shortage. Similar conditions prevailed in many Inland Empire cities, where temperatures ranged from 29 degrees downward to 35. In many other towns of Idaho and Washington schools were being closed.

Worsham Is Taken At Mosier, Oregon

SEATTLE, Jan. 23 (AP)—William E. Worsham, former detective alleged "brains" of a gang which lost half robbery Arthur A. McCafferty, bail bondsman of eleven dollars, forfeited \$10,000 bail when he failed to appear for trial this week, has been captured at Mosier, Ore., Chief of Detectives Charles Tennant was informed early today.

SALEM, Ore., Jan. 23 (AP)—Governor Norblad will today grant the extradition of Thomas Thornton, who is wanted in Seattle on a charge of murder in the first degree, and who is now under arrest at Baker.

Rescue 100 Widows Of Gray Veterans

BLOOM, Miss., Jan. 23 (AP)—In a temperature of 29 degrees above zero, a hundred widows of Confederate veterans all about 90 years old, were rescued today from their dormitory at the Old Soldiers' home at Beauvoir, near here, as the building, a one story frame structure, was swept by fire. The blaze originated in the boiler room from overheating in the coldest weather of the year on the gulf coast.

Oregonians Meet With Executive

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 23 (AP)—Bankers and confidence, timbermen and educators, publishers and agriculturists gathered here today at the invitation of Governor Albin W. Norblad to discuss President Hoover's suggestion that large areas of government lands in Oregon be turned back to the state. Timber, mineral and oil rights to the land would be reserved.

Filipinos Beaten By White Mob In California Town

Bitter Feeling Reaches Peak When White Girls Are Employed as Dancing Partners.

WATSONVILLE, Cal., Jan. 23 (AP)—Filipinos who last night remained in the city hall under the protection of an armed guard after a disturbance with whites had forced them to seek sanctuary in the public building were escorted to their homes by police early today and told to "keep under cover."

Although many of the Filipinos nursed bruises inflicted by a mob of approximately 600 white men armed with clubs and whips, none was forced to seek hospital treatment.

Police Continue Guard. Police continued on their guard against further outbreaks. Little trouble was expected during the day, however, although a report that a group of Filipinos from Yuma, Arizona, were on their way here to seek work in the lettuce fields caused authorities to double their precautions. Bedding equipment owned by the Yuma, Filipinos was said to have arrived in town this morning.

All available police, including Sheriff Carl Abbott and six deputies from Monterey county, San Benito county, state traffic officers and city firemen, were needed to disperse the mob and rescue its victims. To prevent a renewal of hostilities, Sheriff Abbott and his men remained here throughout the night but no new disturbances occurred.

BORDER PATROL SHOTS BOATMAN

Walter Grundt, 27, Probably Fatally Wounded, Tells Story to Police.

DETROIT, Mich., Jan. 23 (AP)—Statements claiming that Walter Grundt, 27, who was shot by a customs border patrol inspector at Wyandotte last night, was attempting to land a liquor laden row boat were made today to ward Culver, assistant prosecuting attorney, by the two officers involved in the affair.

DETROIT, Jan. 23 (AP)—Accused by a customs border patrol inspector as he was disembarking from a rowboat at the foot of Maple street in Wyandotte shortly before midnight, Walter Grundt, 27, was shot by the officer and probably fatally wounded.

Grundt was taken to the Wyandotte general hospital, Wyandotte police said they had been unable to learn the name of the federal officer who did the shooting but officers of the border patrol said that the inspector had been disarmed and was being held for questioning by Col. Heinrich A. Pickler, collector of customs.

Grundt told police that he and a companion, whose name has not been learned, were rowing along the river front looking for a missing motorboat. He said that neither he nor his companion was armed and that there was no liquor in the boat. They decided to pull up at the Maple street dock, he said, but as he stepped out of the boat a uniformed man stepped up and shot him without warning.

With a bullet wound in his stomach, Grundt fell back into the boat which his companion immediately headed out into the current. Three miles from the scene the boat went ashore and Grundt's companion deserted him.

Grundt lay in the boat for nearly an hour before his groans attracted the attention of Charles Snell, a night watchman, who called police.

DAM BREAK AT BAKER FLOODS THREE HOMES

BAKER, Ore., Jan. 23—Breaking with a roar that was heard for several blocks, the dam of Kolb and Schreck irrigation reservoir near the city reservoir, gave way and poured nearly 3,000,000 gallons of water down the hillside into the basements of four homes and into the streets, which today were sheets of ice. The residence of John Sharak on Carter street was flooded and the family was forced to move to another location.

The exact cause of the break was not determined, but it is believed to have been the result of freezing or the digging of holes in the dam last fall by squirrels or muskrats. George Kolb, son of Adam Kolb, one of the owners of the reservoir, heard the noise of the breaking dam and rushed to the reservoir, where he found a stream of water four feet high rushing from a hole 19 or 15 feet in width. Within 20 minutes, a force of 12 men, including the employees of the city water department, were on the scene working in a frenzied effort to stop the flow. The workers were unable to control the rushing water,

FRANCE AND ITALY BARE NAVAL VIEWS

Southern Power Repeats Aspirations for Parity With Her Neighbor.

CONVERSATIONS CONTINUE TODAY

Every Delegation Expresses Satisfaction With the Tenor of the Day's Meeting.

By Byron Price (Associated Press Staff Writer) LONDON, Jan. 23 (AP)—Meeting in a friendly and helpful atmosphere, the delegates to the five power naval conference outlined their national viewpoint briefly at the first working session today and then resumed their private conversations seeking solutions of the various outstanding problems before them.

France and Italy shared the spotlight at today's session which was held in the Queen Anne's drawing room of St. James's palace with the public excluded. The conferees exchanged national viewpoints with the unsettled details of Anglo-American parity and many other vital topics thrust into the background while France outlined again her claim to a greater place in the naval world and Italy repeated her aspirations for parity with her French neighbor.

All Speak Briefly. The representatives of all the participating governments, including the British dominions, spoke briefly.

Henry L. Simson, the American secretary of state, said that he would not expand at the present time upon American naval needs as it was well understood that the United States was looking to the conference for as much actual reduction as possible. The secretary said:

"After careful consideration and consultation with my colleagues I have decided not to make any statement today as to the naval requirements of America. As requirements of all nations would particularly assist our deliberations. These requirements are well understood. They have been cheerfully recognized by the nation which is our host, which has through its prime minister agreed with us that equality in naval power between us is the basis upon which we can best promote the beneficial purposes of this conference."

Requirements Relative. "We also believe that the requirements for national defense on the part of the various nations of the world are necessarily largely relative on the general condition of the world and therefore if this conference can find a way by which general reduction can be secured, our own navy can likewise be reduced.

22 Men Perish Off Tampico In Severe Storm

TAMPICO, Mex., Jan. 23 (AP)—Twenty-two fishermen are believed to have perished in sinking of two fishing vessels off Tampico harbor during a storm.

Rescue boats did not find any sign of survivors after the schooner Jose Luis went down. There were 13 aboard. The Condo Sigfredo also foundered, and only one of its crew of ten was saved.

1,000 TOURISTS SAVED BUENOS AIRES, Jan. 23 (AP)—More than eleven hundred tourists from Buenos Aires were safe today aboard the Argentine war transport Vincente Fidel Lopez off the bleak shores of Tierra Del Fuego (land of fire) after the grounding of their ship, the Monte Cervantes, earlier on a rock in the straits of Magellan.

The Monte Cervantes, which is a German tramp designation and is owned by the Hamburg-South America line, went ashore on the island side of the channel through which Magellan sailed on the first circumnavigation of the globe.

Brush Fire Burns Ranch Buildings

SEATTLE, Jan. 23 (AP)—A brush fire which swept over a large mountain area between North Bend, Wash., and Seattle's Cedar river water shed today was reported under control after having burned several groups of ranch buildings and resisted fighters throughout most of the night. The fire was said to have started when a strong wind suddenly whipped the flames of a small brush burning operation out of control.

LIVESTOCK IS MAIN PROBLEM AT SESSIONS

PORTLAND, Jan. 23 (AP)—A livestock program for the state of Oregon is being considered by representative bankers for all parts of the state who opened their third annual bankers' agricultural short course today in the Livestock Exchange building in North Portland. The two-day session is under the joint auspices of the agricultural committee of the Oregon Bankers' association and the Oregon State college extension service.

"Approximately three-fourths of Oregon's area is grazing land suitable for livestock production on an extensive scale," said Eugene Courtney of Woodburn, chairman of the bankers' agricultural committee. "Sheep and cattle from these ranges constitute one of our chief sources of income."

Paul V. Maris, director of extension, opened the session this morning which dealt with livestock markets, grazing practices and livestock financing.

Prime Minister MacDonald, who acted as chairman, opened with a short, general statement and said afterward that the whole proceeding was most friendly. The session also completed its permanent organization and chose Sir Maurice Hankey as secretary-general. The session lasted but two hours, the meeting was most interesting, most informing and most friendly," said Prime Minister MacDonald later. "There was evident no hostile desire whatever on the part of the delegations to question one another."

The delegates went immediately from the palace to resumption of their many-sided conversations. (Continued on Page Four)