

House Sustains Hoover's Veto

DEMOCRATIC TARIFF BILL IS REJECTED

Would Have Stripped Executive of Authority to Change Duties.

REVENUE MEASURE IS CHANGED AGAIN

Senate Finance Committee Votes Substitute For Five Cent Import Tax on Rubber.

WASHINGTON, May 11 (AP)—The house today sustained President Hoover's action in vetoing the Democratic tariff bill, which proposed to strip him of his authority to change import duties under the flexible provisions of the tariff law.

HOOPER BRISTLES
WASHINGTON, May 11 (AP)—In a bristling veto, President Hoover returned to the house today the Democratic tariff bill transferring from the executive to congress the power to alter rates.

His first objection was on the score of "the misimpression and uncertainty it may convey as to its purpose."

He contended that if the purpose of the act was to secure lower tariffs on the 35 per cent of American imports not on the free list, "it would seem that the direct and simple method of so doing would be to recognize that tariffs are duties applied to particular commodities" and that reductions should be made on the particular commodities believed to be at fault.

"As a matter of fact," he asserted, "there never has been a time in the history of the United States when tariff protection was more essential to the welfare of the American people than at present. Prices have declined throughout the world but to a far greater extent in other countries than in the United States."

TAX BILL CHANGED AGAIN

WASHINGTON, May 11 (AP)—The senate finance committee today voted to substitute for a tax on rubber imports in the revenue bill manufacturers' excise levies of three cents a pound on tire casings and five cents a pound on inner tubes.

The five cent a pound import duty

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PENDLETON IS CONSIDERING COLLEGE PLAN

PENDLETON, Ore., May 11 (AP)—The school board now is considering establishment of a junior college in the high school here with instruction available in a number of college courses. The board is investigating the legal phases connected with the proposed charge of \$25 tuition a term.

There are sufficient instructors in Pendleton schools at present with masters' degrees to enable them to teach in the junior college. It is considered a good plan as students unable to attend college because of lack of funds could take their work here without heavy expenditures.

Floods Expected Near Vancouver

VANCOUVER, Wash., May 11 (AP)—Waters of the Columbia river were today beginning to creep over lowlands as the stream reached a stage of 15.9 feet above zero reading, the highest it has been since June 24, 1929. No damage will result unless the river reaches the 17-foot stage, a mark weather bureau officials expect. Warm weather is rapidly melting heavy accumulations of snow in the mountains.

Hundreds of acres of rich pasture land will be flooded if the river continues to swell.

WEATHER FORECAST

Oregon: Generally fair to-night and Thursday, but becoming cloudy in north and west portions, probably with rains in the northwest portion; cooler northwest portion Thursday; moderate southerly winds offshore.

WEATHER TODAY
7 a. m.—52 above.
Minimum: 35 above.
Condition: Clear.

WEATHER YESTERDAY
Maximum 68, minimum 48 above.
Condition: Partly cloudy, above—30 degrees.

WEATHER MAY 11, 1931
Maximum 82, minimum 41 above.
Condition: Clear. Range—41 degrees.

Youth Suicides After Slaying Relative's Wife

Harold Young Resorts to Shotgun Charge to Escape Law—Herbert Meeker Implicated.

WOOSTER, O., May 11 (AP)—The suicide of a 10-year-old youth shortly after he was implicated in a relative's confession of murder, provided a startling climax today to an investigation of the slaying of the relative's wife.

The accused youth, Harold Young, fired a shotgun charge into his head just as officers arrived at his home, near here, to arrest him. His death came less than an hour after Herbert Meeker, a Wayne county farmer, named Young as the actual slayer of Meeker's wife.

Sheriff John Stevens, of Holmes county, said Meeker also implicated himself.

Nude Body Found
The nude body of Meeker's young wife, Gertrude, was found Monday morning lying in a creek near Millersburg. She had been killed by blows on the head.

About a mile away, officers found the husband's automobile with blood on the running board, wrecked against a tree. Search of the Meeker home later uncovered a blood-stained shirt.

Sheriff Stevens said Meeker related that the two men and the woman were riding in Meeker's automobile when Young struck Mrs. Meeker with a tire pump. Subsequent blows killed her, and the two men then attempting to cover up the crime, sent the

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Weather Favors Fine Exhibit At Flower Display

Because of the bright sunshine that is rapidly bringing the tulips and other spring flowers to maturity, the Neighborhood club which is sponsoring the annual flower show, anticipates an unusually beautiful display of blossoms Friday afternoon at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Stange. From 2 to 5 o'clock all flower lovers are urged to attend the show and see the display of prize winning flowers exhibited following the judging.

Punch will be served during the afternoon, and a musical program has been arranged by Mrs. J. T. Richardson, chairman of the flower show committee. The program will include selections by two of La Grande's prize winning organizations, the boys' quartet and the band of the La Grande high school, both of which are under the direction of W. W. Nusbaum, and which received second places in the state high school

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Al G. Barnes Circus To Show Here on May 23

Here's good news for the youngsters of La Grande—and the adults as well! On Monday, May 23, the Al G. Barnes circus will give two performances in La Grande, the first beginning at 2 p. m. and the second at 8 p. m. The circus this year will swing through Eastern Oregon from the west, playing first at Pendleton, then La Grande and next Baker.

There will be all the thrills offered by the Barnes circus in La Grande in former years, plus several new attractions. And one of them is a tribe of monster-tipped Ubangi savages from the Congo district of equatorial South Africa. It is the first year that they have been exhibited in this section of the state.

Myrtle A. Irvin Dies at Meridian

The body of Myrtle A. Irvin, who died at Meridian, Ida., yesterday morning, arrived here today. Funeral services will be held at the Summerville chapel at 2 p. m. Friday with Snodgrass and Zimmerman in charge.

Mrs. Irvin, the wife of W. J. Irvin, leaves her husband, four daughters—Mrs. O. C. Giles, Mrs. K. C. Walker, Mrs. W. H. Gooderham, all of La Grande, and Mrs. J. L. Sullivan, of Baker; one sister, two brothers and her father.

Mrs. George Abegg Dies of Pneumonia

Mrs. George Abegg, of Redmond, Ore., died this morning of pneumonia, according to word received by relatives in La Grande. Funeral arrangements have not been made.

She was Miss Maud Bartness before her marriage and was born and reared in La Grande, moving to Redmond about four years ago.

HUNTING FOR GOLD!



Over all the United States gold prospecting is on the upturn, and countless unemployed—and some employed, too—persons are panning for gold. Even in La Grande has the fever made its appearance, with scores seeking gold in Union and Wallowa counties this spring. In the top is a group of Colorado's unemployed learning how to pan gold under expert instruction. Below is Coyton Phillips, of Parsons, West Virginia, who struck gold ore assaying \$156.80 a ton, the richest ever found in the east.

Ask Verdict For Mayor Baker In Portland Trial

PORTLAND, Ore., May 11 (AP)—Arguments of defense counsel for a directed verdict of acquittal occupied the entire day in the trial of Mayor George L. Baker and four other defendants on malfeasance charges in circuit court.

PORTLAND, Ore., May 11 (AP)—Defense counsel in the malfeasance and negligence trial of four Portland city officials and a prominent contractor today moved for a directed verdict of acquittal.

The state last night rested its case against Mayor George L. Baker, City Commissioners Earl Riley and John M. Mann, City Engineer Olaf Laurgaard and C. Lee Wilson, contractor. The mayor and two commissioners are accused of agreeing to an overpayment of \$200,000 in the purchase of a municipal market site from a company headed by Wilson. Laurgaard and Wilson were indicted as accessories in the alleged transaction.

Verda Halling, of Union, won first in the girls' retold stories; Dorothy Hill, of Baker, received second; and Norma Hanks, of La Grande, third. Lillian Hildebrand, of the La Grande Second ward, and Winona Westenskow, of Imbler, also competed.

Lester Westenskow, of Imbler, received first in the retold stories for Vanguard boys, and was the only contestant in the event.

In the drama division Baker received first, presenting "In Secret Places"; Union was second with "The

KIDNAP CASE NEGOTIATIONS AT NEW POINT

NORFOLK, Va., May 11 (AP)—With a new scene of activities off the Rhode Island coast reported for his negotiations, John Hughes Curtis, Norfolk intermediary in the Lindbergh kidnaping case, was still absent today on a secret trip undertaken last week. The Virginian-Pilot said today it had learned that the negotiations are now being conducted off Block Island lying east of Long Island.

The reported shift in the activities came after repeated cruises out to sea from Norfolk had apparently failed in forming contact. Last week Mr. Curtis and Lieutenant George L. Richard, naval air pilot, left the naval air base here on a secret mission.

On his trip northward, the Virginian-Pilot said, Mr. Curtis was taken to a point at sea, where he went aboard a boat containing representatives of the kidnapers. The paper said Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh left the naval base here a day later.

RELEASE GASTON MEANS

WASHINGTON, May 11 (AP)—The release of Gaston B. Means, on \$50,000 bond was authorized today by Justice James M. Proctor in the District of Columbia supreme court.

Irwin Funeral To Be Held Thursday

Funeral services for David J. Irwin, who died here yesterday at noon, will be held at the Snodgrass and Zimmerman mortuary at 2 o'clock tomorrow afternoon. He will be buried in the Island City cemetery beside his wife, who died 11 years ago.

Mr. Irwin leaves two daughters, Mrs. W. A. Turnidge, of Williams, Ore., and Mrs. J. B. King, of Oklahoma; three sons, Sam, of La Grande; James, of Portland, and D. W. of Bakersfield, Cal., and other relatives.

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300 MILLION SAVING GOAL OF PRESIDENT

Bi-partisan White House Breakfast Held With Economy Group.

ONLY A "GENERAL PLAN" IS OUTLINED

In Meantime Treasury Deficit is Approaching Two and a Half Billion Dollars.

WASHINGTON, May 11 (AP)—At a bi-partisan White House breakfast with members of the new senate economy committee, President Hoover today set under way a new money saving program in the senate along the same lines as that riddled by the house.

The drive specifically is aimed at a goal of saving \$300,000,000 or more through reduced appropriations and governmental consolidations. Many of the items of the original house economy bill were discussed, including the five-day week and payless furlough plan for federal employees. Secretary Maas was appointed spokesman for the group breakfasting with the president, a role he has assumed following all of the series of recent White House parleys.

Asked what had happened, he stated slowly, apparently picking his words with care. "We discussed economy along the lines of seeing how, through an economy omnibus bill, reductions in appropriations and authority for governmental consolidations, savings of \$300,000,000 or more can be effected for the fiscal year 1933."

Others who attended the break-

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JUDGE COSHOW MAY GO ON THE STAND TODAY

DALLAS, May 11 (AP)—B. W. Strong, of Roseburg, was the first witness called by the defense in the trial of O. P. Coshow on charges of devising a scheme to defraud, now in its second week here. "The state is taking testimony last yesterday following which Judge Arlie O. Walker denied the motion of Attorney Oscar Hayer for dismissal of charges and a directed verdict of not guilty. Coshow was to take the stand today.

Strong told of Judge Coshow's standing in Roseburg and said that he was considered a peaceful and law abiding citizen and that he had a good reputation. Mr. Strong stated that he had known Judge Coshow for about 35 years or more. Coshow was a stockholder of the Empire Holding corporation although he had been asked to subscribe.

Iceland Likely To Oust Prohibition

REYKJAVIK, Iceland, May 11 (AP)—Iceland today seemed likely to abolish prohibition soon. The parliament's commission was preparing a bill legalizing the sale of strong drinks within hours to be fixed by the various local administrations.

Prohibition was decreed in Iceland, under Danish rule, in 1913. In 1915 the parliament passed its own prohibition law.

Buck in International Home Town

FALMOUTH, Fla. (AP)—Shaw Buck's home town of Palatka is watching the box scores of the International league this summer to follow the young University of Florida athlete in his career with Montreal. Buck was a member of the Gator football squad last fall.

Three Fliers In North Not Heard From Since May 3

POINT BARROW, Alaska, May 11 (AP)—Mrs. Edna Christofferson, William R. Graham and George Laiblin, who expected to reach here May 3 on a flight from Nome, have not been heard from since that date. Rescuers' best believe, however, they are stormbound and safe somewhere along the Arctic coast.

The trio started out to search for the derelict ship Baychimo, abandoned in Arctic ocean ice by its crew last November, and expected to be back in Nome today.

It was pointed out stormy weather may have forced them down at Wainwright, Point Hope or some other coast settlement. Mrs. Christofferson, of Portland, Ore., and Graham, experienced Alaskan pilot, were last seen February for 11 days in Canada. They were heading north to make

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Wets Victorious in Ohio Vote

Two Men Killed In Attempt To Moor Dirigible

Airship Moves Up, Carrying Three on Landing Ropes—Two Fall to the Ground Below.

CAMP KEARNEY, Cal., May 11 (AP)—After dangling for two hours on a tall rope of the giant dirigible Akron, from which two of his comrades fell to death, Bud Cowart, a landing crew bluejacket, was hauled into the Akron at 1:15 o'clock today.

CAMP KEARNEY, Cal., May 11 (AP)—Killing two men in the third hour of unsuccessful attempts to land, with a third bluejacket clinging to the end of a landing rope, the world's largest airship, U. S. S. Akron was cruising around a temporary mooring mast here this afternoon.

This spectacular climax came on its fourth day out from Lakehurst, N. J., on its first transcontinental and longest voyage, marked by many difficulties. Naval officers expressed doubt the giant sky rider would be able to make its emergency mooring.

The first difficulties came in West-ern Texas, when balked by electrical storms it was held for almost a day above the plains east of El Paso. Finally it snaked through some

JAPAN'S ARMY TO LEAVE SHANGHAI

Nation Decides to Withdraw All the Rest of its Troops.

TOKYO, May 11 (AP)—The Japanese government announced today it had decided to withdraw all the rest of its troops from Shanghai. The announcement was made by a government spokesman at mid-day. He said the cabinet made the decision at a meeting yesterday.

The matter was laid before Emperor Hirohito this afternoon and approved by him, after which the general staff telegraphed orders to General Shirakawa, Japanese army commander at Shanghai, to bring all army forces there in readiness to return to Japan. The spokesman said the movement was expected to be completed within a month.

From then on, the spokesman said, Japan expected the United States and other powers interested in Shanghai to see to it that the terms

Second Cousin Of Ex-President Burned to Death

BOSTON, May 11 (AP)—Fred D. Pollard Jr., of Newton, prominent Boston attorney and a second cousin of former President Coolidge, Pollard's wife and a Boston youth were burned to death early today in a head-on collision of two automobiles.

Three others were injured in the accident which occurred on Commonwealth avenue across from the home of William Cardinal O'Connell. The third person burned to death was Thomas McCaffrey, 21, of Boston.

The injured were: George Heuser, 18, driver of one of the machines, Agnes Collins, 18, and Josephine Casey, 19, all of Boston.

John Cassidy, a taxi driver, who arrived on the scene shortly after the accident, drove his car repeatedly into the burning machines in an effort to split the cars apart and allow rescuers to drag out those imprisoned within. He was forced to stop his efforts when the flames threatened his own car.

The excavators penetrated 26 feet and dug through three cities each built on the ruins of another. Underneath these three, they said, is probably a fourth. The ruins of Sodom and Gomorrah were found in the top layer.

The houses were rectangular, indicating that the inhabitants had developed out of the primitive circular hut state. The floors of the homes in the upper layer were of stone and those in the lower of brick. In the floor were holes in which grain was stored.

The inhabitants were evidently dedicated to agricultural pursuits, judging from the number of agricultural instruments of silica or flint unearthed. Some instruments, of the same material, were for war. These included formidable mace-heads.

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Balancing The Budget Depends On Big Savings

Senate Finance Committee Declares at Least \$230,000,000 Must Be Taken From The Total.

WASHINGTON, May 11 (AP)—The senate finance committee, in its report on the billion dollar revenue bill submitted today in the senate, declared the measure must be accompanied by \$230,000,000 in savings to balance the budget next year.

The committee unanimously favored balancing the 1933 budget, pointing to deficits of the last three years. Defending the numerous increases in rates and the new levies provided by the bill, the report asked the nation to consider the benefits of a sound government fiscal policy.

"Your committee appreciates," said the report, "that the industries reflected in common with all other industries, have been and are seriously affected by the depression and consequent decreases in business activity and profits.

"It is realized that additional burdens at this time may seem unjustifiable and almost insupportable. It is not believed, however, that taxes at the rates proposed by the bill as reported by your committee impose undue burdens upon industry and commerce or will seriously retard a return to normal business conditions.

U. P. Will Lease All Property Of The O.-W. R. R.

PORTLAND, Ore., May 11 (AP)—Arthur C. Spencer, general counsel for the Oregon-Washington Railroad & Navigation company, announced here Tuesday that the stockholders of the line, at their annual meeting, had authorized the leasing, subject to approval of the interstate commerce commission, of all the railroads and miscellaneous physical properties of that company to the Union Pacific.

The Union Pacific for some years past has operated the O.-W. R. & N. Spencer said the action of stockholders was in accordance with a plan to vest in the Union Pacific the operation of all the railroads of its subsidiary railroad companies.

He said the change will effect substantially all accounting practices. Inter-company accounting which now occurs by reason of the operation of the properties by separate corporations will be eliminated.

Export Debentures Urged By Sumners

WASHINGTON, May 11 (AP)—Export debentures for farm products were urged today by Representative Sumners (D., Texas) as a remedy for agricultural conditions created, he contends, by an arbitrarily applied industrial tariff.

Before the house agriculture committee, Sumners diagnosed the problems of agriculture as two: merchandising and the protective tariff. For the first he advocated a system akin to produce exchanges; for the second, use of debentures.

The chairman of the Democratic national committee spoke during a bridge party sponsored by the Massachusetts Democratic victory campaign committee last night and his address was broadcast for the benefit of approximately 100 other Democratic bridge parties throughout the state.

30 Hurt In Riot in New Zealand

WELLINGTON, N. Z., May 11 (AP)—Ten men were sent to the hospital and 20 others were less seriously hurt today when police, swinging their clubs, broke up a riot by 3000 unemployed.

The mob grew unruly during a campaign for a soap box. When police ordered them to disperse they threw sticks and stones and the police charged.

134 Bodies Washed Ashore at Annam

HANOI, French Indo-China, May 11 (AP)—The resident-general was informed today that 134 bodies had been washed ashore in the state of Annam since a typhoon struck the territory last Wednesday.

Five hundred lives were lost, 600 houses destroyed and fleets of small fishing boats sent to the bottom.

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ANTI-SALOON LEAGUE MEN LOSING OUT

Sentiment in Ohio Turning Moist, Anti-Prohibition Forces Say.

ROOSEVELT AHEAD IN WEST VIRGINIA

"Alfalfa Bill" Snowed Under in Early Returns—Tabulation in Mountainous Area Slow.

COLUMBUS, O., May 11 (AP)—Ohio primary results for Republican nomination for governor in 6914 precincts out of 8701 in the state were: Republicans: Beatty 10,171, Brown 10,219, Cooper 9,230, Ingalls 245,724, United States senator, Republican, 5,554 precincts out of 8,701 in the state give: Bettman 161,941, Bracher 15,846, Coxey 27,854, Miller 16,880, Taber 111,237.

WETS WIN IN OHIO

COLUMBUS, O., May 11 (AP)—Decisive victories for anti-prohibition candidates in Ohio was indicated today by partly complete returns of yesterday's primary election.

Most of the candidates endorsed by the Anti-Saloon League apparently were defeated by wide margins. Although there was no direct vote on the prohibition issue, the primary results were interpreted by anti-prohibition forces as indicating that sentiment in Ohio has turned toward the moist side.

Most of the wet-dry fight was on the Republican ticket, where David S. Ingalls apparently was nominated for governor and Gilbert Bettman seemingly nominated for U. S. senator.

Ingalls, assistant secretary of the navy for aviation, and Gilbert Bettman, Ohio attorney general, campaigned on platforms for liquor law repeal. Buckley Unopposed Senator Robert J. Buckley, a wet, was unopposed for the Democratic nomination for re-election, and Governor George White, favoring a prohibition referendum, and also seeking the Democratic nomination for re-election, had an easy victory over his one opponent, Galen Starr Ross, Columbus lecturer.

GROUP OF 600 WILL COMBAT RECALL MOVE

PORTLAND, May 11 (AP)—A group of nearly 600 business and professional men of Portland had organized today in opposition to the proposed recall of Mayor George L. Baker and City Commissioner John M. Mann, to be voted upon May 20. Milo B. Mack, president of the East Side commercial club, heads the movement which is opposing the efforts of what is known as the "Children's Committee of Fifty," with whom the recall movement originated. Membership of the latter organization never has been published.

"A aroused citizenry," Mack said, in grinding itself to battle against that little group that is, we feel, not acting in the best interests of Portland in pressing a needless recall."

The two city officials were accused in the recall movement of negligence and inefficiency in office.

Boy, Playing With Matches, Is Burned

PORTLAND, Ore., May 11 (AP)—Paul Ludwig, seven years old, died in a hospital here today from burns received Tuesday while playing in his home with matches. He was a son of Rev. and Mrs. L. Ludwig, of Portland.

Wheat Today

CHICAGO, May 11 (AP)—Responsive to official announcement suggesting 345,000,000 bushels less winter wheat would be harvested this season than last year, wheat rose today to the highest price attained since April 28. Unofficial advices telling of crop improvement since the government data was sent in. Topmost quotations were made in the final 30 minutes.

Wheat closed unsettled, $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ to 1¢ above yesterday's finish, corn $\frac{1}{4}$ ¢ to $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ up, oats $\frac{1}{4}$ ¢ to $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ advanced, and provisions $\frac{1}{4}$ ¢ to 20¢ down.

PORTLAND, May 11 (AP)—Due to the Tuesday government report, fractional advances in the price of wheat were scored for options today. Sales totaled 200 bu. July. Closing on May was up $\frac{1}{4}$ ¢. July $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢. September unchanged and December $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ up.

On the merchants' exchange cash wheat was unchanged.