

Witness Relates Hoover's Part In Michigan Bank Case

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F. R. SIGNS NEW LIQUOR TAX BILL

START FIGHT ON MORTGAGE FORECLOSURES

Governor Names 36 County Committees to Help Worthy Debtors.

BOARD FOR UNION COUNTY IS PICKED

George Benson, T. B. Johnson, E. H. DeLong, I. E. Chenault, Charles Bean Members.

Thirty-six committees of five men, one for each county in Oregon, were appointed by Governor Julius L. Meier late Thursday, the committees to bring about voluntary farm debt adjustments that will permit worthy debtors to avoid foreclosure and to help in the refinancing work of the farm credit administration.

Union county's committee consists of: George Benson, Union; T. B. Johnson, Cove; E. H. DeLong, La Grande; I. E. Chenault, La Grande and Charles Bean, Elgin.

Fred Phillips, of Baker, has been appointed chairman of the Eastern Oregon group of committees from Umatilla, Union, Wallowa, Baker, Grant, Harney and Malheur counties.

Members of the Wallowa county committee follow: A. M. Pace, W. J. Craig, Walter Franklin and Fred Mestrude, all of Enterprise, and Fred Himelewright, of Joseph.

Mr. Benson is at present a member of the Eastern county relief committee and, through banking connections, is well versed in local farm properties and the problems the farmers must meet.

Mr. Johnson is county commissioner, also a member of the relief committee, and is a farmer of the Lower Cove district.

E. H. DeLong has been very active in the farm allotment work in this county, and is head of the Grande Ronde Co-operative creamery.

I. E. Chenault and Charles Bean are both very well known in this valley and have been in close touch with farm problems.

Appointment of the committees was made at the request of the farm credit administration, O. M. Plummer, of the Oregon agricultural advisory council, was named general chairman for the state.

Crockett Visits Hatchery, Confers With Sportsmen

Ernest Crockett, of the state game commission, was in Union and La Grande yesterday conferring with sportsmen and officials at the Union fish hatchery with regard to rebuilding under the C. W. A.

Mr. Crockett has not yet publicly announced the plans for the work, which will involve \$15,000 of state and federal money.

WILL ROGERS says:

RIVERSIDE, Cal., Jan. 11 — The senate passed a bill yesterday that we only buy drinks from those who pay us. That had everybody rushing to the states this morning to see how Finland stood. I don't know what Finland's national drink is, but we better be getting used to it, for they are the only ones that have really paid in full. Whatever it is you can certainly run on it. I guess it's a "Nurul punch." Well I bet this scheme goes just like all the rest have. They have tried everything in the world to bring France to time. France is a nation that don't shame easy. Yours, Will Rogers.

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PRESIDENT'S DANCE TO BE HELD JAN. 30

Proceeds For Warm Springs Infantile Paralysis Foundation; 5,000 Cities in Movement.

La Grande will be one of 5,000 cities in the United States to hold a President's Birthday ball the evening of Jan. 30. This was announced today by a committee of three local men, appointed to take charge of the arrangements here.

SHAHER IS GIVEN YEAR IN PEN AND PAROLE BY COURT

William O. Shafer was found guilty of non-support of a minor child and sentenced today to serve one year in the state penitentiary by Judge J. W. Knowles in the circuit court.

S. D. A. CHURCH IN 2-DAY CONVENTION

Elder L. E. Esteb will preach at the service tomorrow evening at the Seventh Day Adventist church and the public is given an invitation to hear him. Several weeks ago, Mr. Esteb appeared in La Grande giving a lecture on "Armageddon." It will be remembered he is the son of Mr. Esteb, a former prominent lawyer in this community.

JUSTICE COURT PICKS LIST OF 1934 JURORS

Jurors to serve during 1934 in the justice court of the La Grande district have been selected by L. Denham, justice of the peace, and W. D. Hanks and Sherwood Williams, freeholders.

The following jurors were chosen: John T. Allen, Mrs. W. H. Alstott, C. E. Anderson, A. V. Andrews, S. F. Andrews, William Arrivey, Delbert Anson, H. S. Ball, T. W. Bates, A. L. Berry, C. L. Berry, Milan Blanchard, Robert O. Baxter, Charles Bedingfield, C. E. Bragg, Ella Britta, Ray Buell, Oscar Berger, C. W. Bunting, Alex Burns, Mary A. Black, R. J. Braek, J. W. Briggs, Jack Brandt, James Burk, Max Burk, C. W. Cain.

'Women Fools'



"Women are awful fools," they fall for marceled hair and a good complexion. I'm tired of fooling them," declared Frances Orlando, 24, who told Oakland police she wore men's clothes for years, worked in lumber camps, and had been engaged to women in several western cities.

CARLOAD OF PORK FOR EAST OREGON

A third carload of pork from the United States government, for distribution to needy families in Eastern Oregon, arrived in La Grande today, according to J. H. Peare.

REV. KOPP AT CHURCH DINNER

Rev. Clarence A. Kopp, rector of St. Peter's Episcopal church, was among those who attended the dinner at the Church of the Redeemer in Pendleton in honor of the 16th anniversary of the consecration of Bishop William P. Remington. The event was held Wednesday evening.

CARTWHEELS



TWO SCHOOLS WILL JOIN IN 'PIED PIPER'

E. O. N. and Training School to Stage Opera Here on March 2

"The Pied Piper of Hamelin," an elaborate opera in three acts, will be presented by the Eastern Oregon Normal school and the J. H. Ackerman Training school March 2 at the Normal school auditorium. Miss Jennie Peterson will direct the music and singing, Miss Marjory Horton will coach the dancing and Miss Florence Day will have charge of the staging.

Anna J. Heiswenger wrote the libretto and Joseph W. Plokey composed the music for the opera, using as their theme the story of the Pied Piper who charmed the rats and led them out of Hamelin into the ocean. When the townspeople refused to pay him he charmed all the children away, except one little crippled lad who was unable to keep up with the rest.

Bradley Will Be Honored at Elks Meet Wednesday

Charles Bradley, of Portland, district deputy of the B. P. O. Elks, will pay an official visit to the La Grande lodge next Wednesday. Plans for his entertainment were completed last night at the temple.

Prince of Wales Refuses To Name Prettiest Girl

DENVER, Jan. 12 (AP) — Sorry, girls, but the Prince of Wales dodges the responsibility of deciding which of you is the prettiest.

Suffragette Campaign Likely

BOGOTA, Colombia, Jan. 12 (AP) — Amused political circles predicted a suffragette campaign against the city's mayor today.

CHARLES MACK OF 'TWO BLACK CROWS' KILLED IN WRECK

MESA, Ariz., Jan. 12 (AP) — Charles E. Mack, originator of the famous comedy team of Moran and Mack, known as the "Two Black Crows," is dead.

Wheat Today

The price of local cash wheat stood at about 51 1/2 cents bulk here today according to quotations at the Pioneer Flouring Mills, Portland cash 71 cents.

CHICAGO, Jan. 12 (AP) — Enlarged buying tested wheat about 2 cents a bushel maximum today to the top-most level since Dec. 12.

"Richest Girl" Finally Poses



It isn't often the closely guarded Doris Duke shows herself in public places and it's rare indeed that she consents to pose for a picture. But when cameramen spotted "the world's richest girl" joining in the New Year's fun at New York's swanky Mayfair Club, they persuaded her to accede to "just one." That dashing bachelorette with her is Harry Hurt, Jr.

BUSINESS TRENDS MORE FAVORABLE THAN PREDICTED

NEW YORK, Jan. 12 (AP) — Business trends thus far in January forecast a more favorable first quarter than was previously estimated, the Dun & Bradstreet weekly trade review said today.

U. S. OFFICIAL ON STAND IN BANK HEARING

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12 (AP) — A White House command "not to rock the boat" was described to senate investigators today as the cause of the government's failure to act during the Hoover administration of bankers' reports of bad banking conditions.

JURY COMPLETED IN WYNEKOOP CASE

CRIMINAL COURT'S BUILDING, Chicago, Jan. 12 (AP) — A jury was completed today to try Dr. Alice L. Wynkoop for the operating table murder of her daughter-in-law, Rheta.

DOUGLAS COUNTY HAS UNPAID WORKER

ROSEBURG, Ore., Jan. 12 (AP) — Douglas county has an un hired road worker.

A civil works crew was assigned to a project in a remote part of the county. As the workmen began digging along the road a farmer, residing nearby, came trudging down the road, carrying a pick and shovel. He tossed off his coat, and without a word to the foreman or other members of the crew began digging with the rest.

"They you, where's your card?" demanded the foreman. "I don't need no card," replied the farmer. "I'm not asking any pay, and you can't stop me from working. This county has been keeping me and my family from starving to death. When we ran out of food the relief office gave us grub, and when we needed clothing, the county gave it to us. Maybe now I can pay back part of my debt to the county. There's work to be done and just try and stop me from doing it." The foreman reported to the local committee today that his un hired, unpaid workman is the best in the crew.

JUST BEFORE PRESSTIME

RUDY VALLEE WINS POINT
BABE SIGNS FOR \$35,000
F. R. HAS GOLD AUTHORITY
LINDY READY TO TESTIFY

NEW YORK, Jan. 12 (AP) — A unanimous decision upholding Rudy Vallee was handed down by the appellate division of the supreme court today in denying Fay Webb Vallee an injunction to prevent Vallee from suing her for divorce in Mexico. Early this week Mrs. Vallee filed suit in Los Angeles for separate maintenance.

NEW YORK, Jan. 12 (AP) — Babe Ruth sprang a surprise on the baseball world today by coming to agreement with the New York Yankees on salary terms for 1934, involving a reported reduction from \$52,000 to \$35,000.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12 (AP) — President Roosevelt considers that he has all the authority necessary to take over the gold held by the federal reserve system.

NEW YORK, Jan. 12 (AP) — Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh is willing to testify at any time before the senate committee investigation air mail contract concerning his aviation financial transactions, he notified Senator Black, committee chairman.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12 (AP) — Up against a tough proposition even in their own party ranks out expressing confidence, Democratic advocates of the St. Lawrence waterway treaty with Canada today argued determinedly in the senate for ratification without perceptibly denting the opposition.

HONOLULU STILL THRILLED OVER RECORD FLIGHT

HONOLULU, Jan. 12 (AP) — Honolulu still thrilled today over the record-breaking mass flight from San Francisco of the United States navy's seaplane squadron under Lieut. Commander Kneifer McGinnis.

Through darkness, fog and other hazards of overseas flying the squadron came through without a slip in what the navy insisted was merely a "routine movement" and Commander

SENATE VOTE ON BONDS 'PAINFUL' TO THE FRENCH

PARIS, Jan. 12 (AP) — The United States senate's vote to prohibit Americans from buying bonds of defaulting nations made "a painful impression" on French government circles today.

NATIONALISTS CLAIM SUCCESS AT FOCHOW

SHANGHAI, Jan. 12 (AP) — The Nationalist government claimed today that its troops have isolated the rebel capital city, Fochow.

TOKYO, Jan. 12 (AP) — Two Japanese destroyers were under orders today to proceed to the coast of Fukien province where Chinese rebels are fighting national government troops.

REVENUE LAW EFFECTIVE ON TODAY'S SALES

Measure Expected to Bring \$500,000,000 to U. S. Treasury

RATE ON DISTILLED SPIRITS SET AT \$2

Tax of \$5 a Barrel Imposed on Beer, a Reduction of One Dollar Over Present Tax.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12 (AP) — President Roosevelt announced today that he signed the \$500,000,000 liquor tax bill shortly before midnight, thus making the major provisions of the measure applicable on today's sales.

The measure raising the levy on whisky from \$1.10 a gallon to \$2. This was the first bill passed this session and Mr. Roosevelt lost no time in making it a law.

The measure is expected by treasury and congressional leaders to provide from \$400,000,000 to more than \$500,000,000 a year.

The legislation reached the desk of Mr. Roosevelt just before 7 o'clock last night. He referred it to treasury officials for a quick checkup and signed it at 11:50 p. m.

The bill became effective today, with the exception of the stamp provision.

This requiring a one cent internal revenue stamp to be attached to every container of liquor to show the tax has been paid, takes effect in 30 days, but if the secretary of the treasury finds within 30 days it would be impracticable to do that he would be given an additional month to put it in force.

The \$2 a gallon rate on distilled spirits also included wine containing more than 24 per cent alcohol. The present rate is \$1.10.

Other levies are: Beer \$5 a barrel against \$8 now; wine, 10 cents a gallon up to 14 per cent alcohol, now 4 cents; up to 21 per cent, 20 cents, now 10; up to 24 per cent, 40 cents, now 25.

Champagne 5 cents a half pint against 12 cents; artificial carbonated wine and liqueurs and cordials containing wine fortified with brandy, 2 1/2 cents a half pint against 6; grape brandy and wine spirits used in fortification.

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