

The Weather — OREGON — Cloudy weather moderate temperature, occasional rains west portion; moderate westerly winds. Max. 47; Min. 37; River 8.9 falling; Rainfall .37; Atmosphere cloudy; Wind south east.

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BOURBONS ARE HELPLESS FOR 33RD SESSION

Seven Democrats in Both Houses Against Total of 83 Republicans; Three are in Senate Chamber

HALF OF NEW HOUSE LACKS EXPERIENCE

Twenty-Nine Making First Trip to Salem; S. P. Pierce Is Veteran

State senators and representatives have been visitors in Salem during the last few weeks, getting places to stop while attending the 33rd session of the state legislature which convenes at 11 o'clock Monday morning and final session activities were transacted by a great many of the sons who gathered in Portland over the week-end, and time-honored custom. With the return of these to Salem tomorrow for the opening and the message of Governor Pierce in the afternoon, there should be nothing blocking the way of a speedy organization of the session Tuesday and the lawmakers get right down to business for the next 40 days.

Everything needed for the 1925 session was placed on tops of the various desks yesterday, ready for the individuals to store the articles away as they suit. Meeting places for all the committees were plainly marked. The clock in the senate chamber, which has been standing still for many months, was primed and started so that the necessary adjournment in order to catch the 4 o'clock train for Portland almost daily will not be overlooked.

Democrats are in an almost hopeless minority this year, there being but a trio of Bourbons against a solid body of 57 republicans in the house and four democrats against 26 republicans in the senate, a total of 83 republicans against seven democrats.

BOARD URGES REFORMATORY

Recommendation Included in Biennial Report; Expenditures Three Million

Maintenance of the 11 state institutions cost \$3,017,735.03 for the biennium just passed, according to a report compiled yesterday by the board of control. This is an increase of \$217,511.82 over the previous biennium. Of the expenditures for the biennium just passed \$2,213,040.22 was spent for general maintenance and \$864,692.81 for special purposes.

Only one important recommendation was made, that when the training school boys is moved to Woodburn, the present site be remodeled and devoted to a state reformatory to care for boys too old for the training school and not "hard" enough to send to the penitentiary.

Sam A. Kozar, secretary of state, recommended that the legislature make provision for the construction of a new state office building on the vacant grounds north of the supreme court building, at a cost of \$500,000 to \$400,000, the cost to be taken care of by an annual tax levy to raise one-third or one-fourth of the amount each year for several years, construction to wait until the money is raised and on hand.

Affidavit Says Son Acted as Agent for Gov. Davis in Deal

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Jan. 10.—(By the AP.)—Glenn A. Davis, tailor-instructor at the Hutchinson, Kansas, reformatory, related in an affidavit made public by the Kansas City Journal-Post here tonight, that Governor Jonathan M. Davis of Kansas refused his request for a pardon from the Kansas state penitentiary after he had rejected a request of the governor for money. The affidavit states also that Glenn A. Davis, who is at liberty on parole after having served part of a sentence for murder, acted as the governor's agent in an attempt to collect a \$1250 bribe from Fred W. Pollman, who sought a pardon from the governor. Pollman was at liberty on parole. He was convicted of forgery in connection with the failure of the Layme, Kan., bank.

On December 18, 1924, the affidavit states, Glenn A. Davis went to the governor's office in Topeka, and asked for a pardon. "What are you going to do for me," the governor is quoted as asking. "I replied," Glenn Davis' statement asserts that "I could not do anything at all; that I didn't have any amount of money except my monthly check of \$109."

"The governor told me he was hard up; that he was in a worse fix than I was," the affidavit continues. "He said one favor calls for another, as he told me he thought maybe I would do a little something for him."

"I told him I was sorry—that he should have told me a year ago when I was up for parole and had plenty of money."

"He asked me again if I was sure I did not have any money."

MANY CHANGES OF OFFICIALS

Resignations and Appointments Set Record for Administration Changes

WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—Tonight ended a week of changes in high places in the government which perhaps never has had its equal except at a change of administration.

The upsets all came virtually without warning and in each case of a resignation a successor was named within a matter of a few hours.

These are the officers involved and the men whose resignations and appointments have been announced or indicated since last Monday morning:

Joseph McKenna, resigned after 27 years on the supreme court. Harlan P. Stone was named to the supreme court, forecasting his retirement as attorney general.

Charles B. Warren was named attorney general. Charles E. Hughes resigned as secretary of state.

Frank B. Kellogg was selected for secretary of state, making a prospective vacancy in the ambassadorship to the court of St. James.

Continued support of the Muscle Shoals power project for public benefit was urged yesterday by Governor Walter M. Pierce in telegrams sent to President Coolidge and to United States Senator Geo. W. Norris, at Washington, D. C. In his telegram to President Coolidge, Governor Pierce said:

"The citizens of Oregon anxious to hope that you will lend your powerful influence to the end that the Muscle Shoals power project be completed at public expense so that this immense power may be preserved for the benefit of all the people."

To United States Senator Norris the following was sent:

"I congratulate you upon the splendid fight you are making for the Muscle Shoals development for the people. The millions of dollars the United States government has invested in this project demands that additional money be appropriated and this project completed and owned by the people of the United States for the public benefit."

AGREEMENT ON DEBT REACHED BY MINISTERS

Conference on Financial Questions Growing Out of German Reparations Brought to Close

DETAILS OF AGREEMENT ARE NOT YET DISCLOSED

Work of Drafting Resolutions Starts; US May Wait Two Years For Pay

PARIS, Jan. 10.—(By The Associated Press.)—The work of the finance ministers who have been in conference here for several days on financial problems connected with German reparations ended tonight when a general agreement was reached between the United States, Great Britain, Italy, France, Belgium and Japan on broad lines on all the questions on the agenda. The British and American delegations both announced an accord also subject to Washington's approval, on the question of payment of war damage claims to the United States.

The work will now be confined to the deliberations of the experts and the drafting committee's preparation of resolutions for ratification by a plenary session of the conference Tuesday.

Neither the British nor American delegations would divulge the details of the solution reached, but a note issued by the semi-official news agencies states that the Americans have agreed to wait for two years before sharing the plan of annuities or until Belgium has received the full amount of her priority. This is variously estimated at between 100,000,000 and 200,000,000 gold marks. Experts are engaged in fixing the exact figures.

On the other hand, it is known that \$15,000,000 now in the federal reserve bank, the proceeds of Belgium's payments under the Wadsworth agreement, will be released and become available to the United States treasury as soon as the present accord is ratified.

It is asserted in French circles that the French and British delegates have agreed to admit the United States to participation in the Dawes annuities on the reparations account, but extending the payments over a period of 26 years beginning September, 1926, reimbursing the sum due on the costs of the American army of occupation first, then the payment of war damages.

Sale of Death Weapon Results in \$50 Fine

BEND, Ore., Jan. 10.—Charged with the sale of a revolver—the one from which the bullet which ended the life of William H. Downing yesterday was fired, R. N. Buchwalter was arrested this afternoon. Pleading guilty, he was fined \$50. The revolver was sold to Downing a few days ago.

Mrs. Bessie Norton, the last person who saw Downing alive, and in whose apartment the pioneer restaurant owner came to his death, was arrested this afternoon and a formal complaint charging perjury was being prepared tonight. Mrs. Norton, testifying at the coroner's inquest was contradicted by other witnesses.

Story of Famous Galley Slave Repeated in Salem When Youth Is Forced to Steal

Local Jean Valjean Makes Mistake and Takes 80 Pounds of Butter From Truck Believing It to Be Case of Canned Goods

Jean Valjean suffered imprisonment in the galley, according to the story by Victor Hugo, because he stole to appease the hunger of little children. In Salem, a young man stole that there might be food for his parents at home. He too was imprisoned, and languished behind prison bars. The wheels of justice turned faster in Salem, and the young man did not rot in jail or become the hardened character that wended his way across the pages of Hugo's story.

Unusual circumstances surrounded the case that was called to the attention of police authorities, when an 80-pound case of butter was stolen from a truck recently. Developments disclosed that a young man was forced to make a decision as to the manner in which he was to secure food for his parents.

L. Farrow, the youth involved, is the sole support of an invalid father and mother who had suffered much during illness in the family. She too was poorly. Each week the young man would take his check home to his mother and by her careful management the necessities of life were provided.

"There" came a time, however, that the check could not be presented to the mother. The young man was without work. Hunger pressed at the door of the home. The groceryman refused to give them further supplies, because already the account had reached the sum of \$60. The privation at home increased, and the young man redoubled his efforts to secure employment, but to no avail.

On his way in search of work the young man observed a case of goods in the truck. He thought it contained canned food, which could be used at home. He knew there was suffering there and the supposed food in the case would

RUSSIAN ARMY OFFICER SHOWS LOYAL SPIRIT

Blood Is Offered to Save Life of Former Commander in Czar's Battalion

SEATTLE, Wash., Jan. 10.—Captain Nelski Orloff, former officer in the army of Czar Nicholas of Russia, demonstrated his loyalty to General Alexander Ivanoff, Orloff's commanding officer during the world war in a drive against the Germans, when he his blood in an operation here today.

General Ivanoff, who has been working as a carpenter's helper, injured his spine Thanksgiving day while playing tennis. Since then he has undergone two operations. His condition became worse and word was sent to the Russian colony. Orloff, a recent arrival, presented himself at the hospital. At the bedside of the general Orloff saluted, bared his arm and extended it to the general, saying in broken English:

"All my blood is thine, comrade."

MRS. STOKES QUILTS ACTION

Illness Causes Plaintiff to Abandon Charges Against Her Husband

CHICAGO, Jan. 10.—The illness of her mother, the death of her father, and the subsequent impairment of her own health led Mrs. Heley Stokes, Denver, to ask that charges against her husband, W. E. D. Stokes, millionaire hotel man of New York, and others, for the defaming of her character be abandoned in a letter received today by State Attorney Robert E. Crowe, signed in the name of Mr. Stokes.

The case is set for trial Monday, but a continuance is expected because one of the attorneys representing the defense is engaged with another trial.

The state's attorney said, however, that an effort will be made to have Mrs. Stokes brought here to testify, but that the prosecution would proceed regardless. Indictments were returned against Stokes, Daniel Nugent, a New York attorney who had at three times served him in a legal capacity and several Chicago people on the eve of Stokes' second attempt to divorce his wife.

TWO THOUSAND IN NEW CHINESE WAR

Adherents of General Wu Pei-Fu Make Surprise Attack on Shanghai

SHANGHAI, Jan. 11.—(By The Associated Press.)—Two thousand troops under command of General Sun Chuan-fang, an adherent of Wu Pei-fu in the siege of Shanghai last fall, made a surprise attack this morning on the Sincow district in the outskirts of Shanghai, attempting to capture the arrival at Lungwha and drive out General Chang Ung-min, whose forces were subjected to a heavy fire.

The volunteer corps of foreign settlements have been ordered, and have erected barbed wire barricades in the approaches to the foreign quarters.

Fighting was continued this noon but the foreign settlements had little apprehension of danger.

MRS. WILLIS LAID TO REST YESTERDAY

Pioneer Woman Sleeps Beside Late Husband in the IOOF Cemetery

Her casket tenderly carried to its place by those whom she loved in life, the body of Mrs. Leonidas Willis was lowered to its final resting place in the family lot in the IOOF cemetery yesterday afternoon at 1:30, having been brought by auto from Portland.

As appropriate burial service was given by Rev. Martin Feroch, pastor of the Unitarian church of Salem.

The pall bearers were Col. Percy Willis, Eugene Willis and Horace Willis, sons; Edgar E. Willis, son-in-law.

Unless defalcation of a greater sum than already disclosed is shown by a complete check, depositors will sustain no loss, Mr. Minshall said.

HUGHES RESIGNS SECRETARYSHIP



The resignation of Charles E. Hughes from the office of Secretary of State came today unannounced at Washington, reports say. The rumor that a break with the administration had occurred is held unfounded. The resignation will become effective on March 4. Mr. Hughes is here shown with his daughter.

C. B. WARREN FILLS VACANCY

Former Japan Ambassador Named to Succeed Stone to Supreme Court

WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—Charles Beecher Warren, Michigan lawyer and former ambassador to Japan and to Mexico, is to fill the cabinet vacancy caused by the elevation of Attorney General Stone to the supreme court bench.

His nomination was sent today to the senate where prompt action is expected despite the fact that he was selected over Governor Groesbeck of Michigan who was

WASHINGTON BANK ORDERED CLOSED

Cashier Said to Have Taken Life After Defalcation Was Disclosed

OLYMPIA, Wash., Jan. 10.—Announcement by the state banking department today of an apparent defalcation of \$45,000 by C. E. Van Slyke of the Miners and Merchants bank of Chelan, Wash., was followed by an order closing the institution. Later information was received here that Van Slyke had driven his automobile off a bridge near Chelan and plunged 200 feet to his death.

Press dispatches from Wenatchee, near Chelan, said the cashier admitted to a bank examiner last night that he had defrauded, and explained how his records had been manipulated to cover up his defalcations. He also left a note for his wife, it was stated, announcing his intention to take his life. The sheriff was enroute from Wenatchee to arrest Van Slyke when word of his death was received.

The bank, organized in 1907, had been recognized as a thoroughly conservative institution, J. C. Minshall, state supervisor of banking, said. Deposits last December 21 were \$270,222, with a capitalization of \$25,000 and a surplus of \$45,000. Its cash reserve was equal to 45 per cent of the total deposits and a secondary reserve equalled an additional 10 per cent.

Unless defalcation of a greater sum than already disclosed is shown by a complete check, depositors will sustain no loss, Mr. Minshall said.

George W. Hug, superintendent of schools in Salem, was yesterday appointed a member of the next state textbook commission to serve for four years.

Other appointments announced by Governor Walter M. Pierce were R. B. Turner, superintendent of schools, Dallas; and Mrs. Marjorie Newberry, of Medford; Milton A. Miller, of Portland and A. C. Hampton, of La Grande were re-appointed to the board.

CHAS. HUGHES RESIGNS FROM STATE OFFICE

Desire to Recoup Personal Fortune Given as Cause; Rumor of Break With White House Is Untrue

FRANK L. KELLOGG IS SUCCESSOR TO OFFICE

Resignation to Take Place on March 4; Coolidge Expresses Regret

WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—Charles E. Hughes will retire from the cabinet on March 4, and Frank B. Kellogg, now ambassador to London, will succeed him as secretary of state.

Mr. Hughes has placed his resignation in the hands of President Coolidge with a reaffirmation of loyalty to his chief but with an insistent request that after nearly 20 years of public service, he be permitted to return to private life.

The president, accepting the decision expressed regret, warmly praised the retiring secretary's record of accomplishment since he took charge of the country's foreign affairs four years ago, and bespoke for him a "well merited repose" after the cares of public responsibility.

Familiar With Policy Ambassador Kellogg, already familiar with many of the outstanding problems of foreign policy through his service at a succession of European conferences, probably will come to Washington soon to serve for a few weeks in the state department before he takes his new post in March. His successor at London has not been selected.

Announcement of the impending change was made at the White House late today and was heard with surprise by the staff of official Washington. Mr. Hughes had indicated that he desired some time in the future to leave public office and recoup his private fortunes by resuming the practice of law, but some of those nearest him in official life believed he would remain for at least another year at the head of the state department.

Rumors Not True The suddenness of the announcement accentuated the rumors of a break with the White House which follow all resignations.

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SATURDAY IN WASHINGTON

The house completed general debate on the McFadden banking bill.

Charles Beecher Warren of Michigan was nominated to the office of attorney general.

The independent offices appropriation bill carrying \$452,529,617, was reported to the house.

The Wadsworth proposal for a commission to dispose of the Muscle Shoals question was rejected by the senate.

Officials and citizens tendered a farewell banquet to Jules J. Jusserand, the retiring French ambassador, and Mme. Jusserand.

The agricultural commission practically concluded its study of the livestock situation, with a report to the president on that industry in immediate prospect.

Appointment of Mrs. Mabel Walker Whitebrand as judge of the federal court for northern California was said to be under consideration by President Coolidge.

Announcement was made of the resignation of Secretary Hughes, effective March 4, and the selection of Ambassador Kellogg as London as his successor.

Secretary Hoover told the house aircraft committee three commercial groups were differentiating with lighter than air craft and the airship Los Angeles might be turned over to them for commercial purposes.

An arrangement was announced for continuing negotiations for the second nation provisions of the treaty of Versailles, incorporated in the German-American trade treaty, which provisions expired today.