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ZERO WEATHER HITS MIDWEST

Severe Cold Wave Is Moving East and South; Atlantic Cities Shiver

MERCURY FALLING FAST

South Dakota City Registers 26 Below; Sixteen States Are in Throes of Severe Cold Blast

CHICAGO, Jan. 22.—(By Associated Press.)—From the Rockies east to Ohio and from Saskatchewan to the Gulf of Mexico, the country is shivering under a cold wave. Tonight the mercury will stay below the zero mark, but weather forecasters promise the beginning of relief tomorrow morning. The cold area is creeping east and south, and the entire Atlantic seaboard will next feel it.

Huron, S. D., was the coldest spot in the United States last night with a temperature of 26 below zero. The Twin Cities reported the season's coldest night of the year with 17 below.

In Chicago the mercury dropped to 5 below.

Freezing temperatures were reported from as far south as El Paso, Texas, today, and they will advance over the other gulf and southern states tonight, forecasts say. Sixteen states are in for below-zero weather tonight and numerous others will watch the mercury hover around the zero mark or a little above.

A little snow or wind is predicted over the greater portion of the affected area, but storm warnings have been issued for the region of the Great Lakes.

One death was reported in Chicago today as a result of the cold and there were numerous appeals to local welfare agencies for clothing and fuel.

NEW YORK, Jan. 22.—(By Associated Press.)—The cold wave caused the death of one man today in Perth Amboy, N. J., while in New York two men were taken to hospitals after they had collapsed in the street.

The weather bureau tonight predicted a steadily falling mercury throughout New York, New Jersey and the New England states with no relief in sight until Sunday.

Snow flurries ushered in the cold wave early today. In parts of the northeast region, orchards were budding yesterday and a few robins had returned.

Temperatures plunged precipitately, 20 to 25 degrees downward during the day. In New York the mercury dropped 25 degrees between midnight and 1 o'clock this afternoon.

The wind reached a velocity of 56 miles in New York city during the early afternoon. The snow was no more than a flurry in New York city, but was heavier through New England, varying from 1 1/2 inches around Boston to 5 inches at Eastport, Me.

HELD FOR BAD CHECKS

"BAD EYE DICK" WALSH IS LODGED IN COUNTY JAIL

Harold Leroy Walsh, 30, known to his former companions in the Oregon State Prison as "Bad Eye Dick" was arrested late Thursday evening and was placed in the county jail yesterday as a result of his alleged bad check operations in the vicinity of Jefferson, Turner, Astoria and Stayton. His home, he says, is in Marshfield. He waived preliminary hearing in the justice. Ball was not set.

Walsh was arrested in a car, believed to be stolen, and the possession of which he could not explain. He is said to have cashed a check for \$19.50 in Jefferson. The signature of Ben Funston, well known Turner man was used.

He has a long prison record, first appearing at the penitentiary here in January 1920. He was sent up from Portland on a six-year sentence of assault and robbery while armed with a dangerous weapon. Before that he had served a sentence in the Washington state reformatory. In September, 1922, he was paroled from the Oregon prison but was returned later from Roseburg as a parole violator.

Hail Cecil Vere Askbaugh As Brook's Strong Citizen

Mainly Due to Influence of One Man, Town Nine Miles North of Salem Takes on New Life and Activity Through Growth of Celery Industry

By Ella McMunn

"In the Thursday issue of The Statesman, featuring the development of the celery industry in the territory adjacent to Salem, the several thousand Statesman readers learned something more than that Brooks was a leading shipping point on the Southern Pacific railway.

It learned that this little town, nine miles north of Salem, has taken on new life and activity never before known in the 70 years of its existence, largely through the influence of one

In that way, as far as I know, he doesn't live up to his name at all. He does write verse; mighty good stuff, too, but he leaves out the suicide and similar unprofitable ways of spending one's evenings. And he paints pictures. Wonderful pictures that might well be termed painted poems. Also, he can make the camera talk. (Now I don't want anybody to grab that expression. I just thought it up and it isn't often I think of anything these days but my rheumatism.) Well, he does the most wonderful things in the way of photographs. The people in them seem not only to talk, but walk as well. His colored photographs of flowers call the very bees in from the fields, seeking honey. Some of them exhibited at the recent state fair elicited much favorable comment from competent critics.

PAROLE BOARD SYSTEM COMES UP FOR ATTACK

DISTRICT ATTORNEYS FAVOR ABOLITION OF BOARD

Operations Are Said to Give Rise to Speculation With Punishment

PORTLAND, Jan. 22.—(By Associated Press.)—Abolition of the state parole board, or a rigid restriction by law of its functions and powers, was recommended today in resolutions adopted by the district attorneys' association of Oregon at the closing session of its annual meeting here.

The resolution set forth that the operations of the state parole board, since its establishment, have given rise to a condition where law violators speculate with the certainty of punishment.

The system of granting paroles which has been followed by the state parole board, the resolution states, permits law violators in great numbers of instances to receive double consideration of all extenuating and mitigating circumstances.

First, from the trial court at the time of passing of sentence; second, from the parole board on ex-parte presentations of the same mitigating circumstances and conditions urged before the trial court.

The district attorneys held further that a double system of paroles exists in the present law—bench paroles and paroles by the state parole board, making the proper punishment of law violators doubly uncertain.

The constitutional powers of the government, it was held, are sufficient to cover all causes of justifiable leniency after commitment by the trial court, and for that reason the state parole board was held to be unnecessary and not satisfactory.

The association recommended that the power to suspend first sentence from the bench be retained by judges.

Officers were elected as follows: President, John L. Foote, Columbia county; vice president, W. T. Miller, Josephine county; secretary-treasurer, C. W. Barrick, Tillamook county; executive committee, Stanley Myers, Multnomah county; Livy Stipp, Clackamas county; and Newton C. Cheney, Jackson county.

The association went on record in favor of a court of appeals of limited jurisdiction subordinate to the supreme court, because of the increasing volume of appeals from the circuit courts.

POLICE CHIEF IS SUED

SEIZURE OF ARMS BRINGS ACTION BY ATTORNEY

SEATTLE, Jan. 22.—(By Associated Press.)—Warren Hardy, Seattle attorney today made good his threat of Wednesday to sue Chief of Police Severson for \$22,525, the value Hardy placed on arms and ammunition seized in a raid Saturday night.

Leo Waite, at liberty on bond pending appeal on a holdup conviction and George Woodhull were arrested in the raid, but released when Hardy claimed ownership.

Hardy charged in his complaint that the arms were known to police to have been in his home since November 10 and were seized without writ.

FIRST HOP COMPLETED

LAS PALMAS, Canary Islands, Jan. 22.—(AP)—The Spanish seaplane De Plus Ultra has successfully completed the first part of its journey from Spain to South America, landing on the waters to the harbor here at 3 o'clock this afternoon—the time, almost to the minute, at which it was expected.

TRIPLETS WEIGH 34 POUNDS

CLAREMORE, Okla., Jan. 22.—Mrs. J. D. Shiffan, wife of a farmer, is the mother of triplets born a few days ago, weighing a total of 31 pounds. Two girl babies weighed 11 pounds each and a boy baby weighed 9 pounds. The babies are growing nicely says the father.

MINE OWNERS REFUSE TERMS

Operators Shatter Hope of Anthracite Settlement by Refusing Plan

HIGH HOPES ARE DASHED

Coal Mine Operators Declare Plan Accepted by Miners Fails to Meet Any Requirements of Situation

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 22.—(By Associated Press.)—Another effort to end the long drawn out coal strike was shattered today.

This time, it was the anthracite operators, who refused to go along after the mine workers had consented to go into another conference to consider a plan of settlement as a basis for negotiations.

All through the hard coal regions, which have been suffering from progressive paralysis of business during the long suspension, the joyous report that a settlement was about to be reached swept like wild-fire only to have the high hopes of all concerned dashed by the declaration of the mine owners that the peace plan was not acceptable.

The new plan was offered by the Scranton Times. The invitation of newspaper to Major W. W. Inglis, chairman of the operators' negotiating committee, to comment on the proposition brought a response from him which was construed by mine workers and others as favorable to a renewal of negotiations.

President John L. Lewis of the United Mine Workers, in a letter to E. J. Lynett, publisher of the Times, made public today, expressed his willingness to re-enter joint negotiations at the earliest possible moment. The statement given out by the press representative of the operators to counteract the false report follows:

"Regarding reports that the anthracite operators had accepted a strike settlement plan proposed by E. J. Lynett of the Scranton Times the Philadelphia office of the anthracite operators' conference states that Mr. Lynett's plan did not meet any requirements of the situation and had not been accepted by Mr. Inglis or the operators."

BANKING GAIN SHOWN

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 22.—(By Associated Press.)—The federal reserve bank of San Francisco in its annual report made public today, announced that it began the new year with total cash reserves of \$285,819,302 and total resources of \$443,837,730. Both show substantial increases over 1924.

FALL CAUSES DEATH

SPOKANE, Jan. 22.—(By Associated Press.)—As a result of injuries sustained when he slipped on an icy pavement here last week, John Russler, 61, a baker, died here today. At first it was thought that Mr. Russler was not seriously hurt, but intestinal complications caused his death.

FUND FOR AIR CRAFT DENIED

Navy Department Appropriation Measure Is Stripped by House Action

FURTHER CUTS EXPECTED

Open Breach Between House Committees on Naval Affairs Causes Legislative Sea to Foam

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22.—(By Associated Press.)—The navy department appropriation bill encountered a choppy sea in the house today, and was stripped by points of order of sections carrying approximately \$9,000,000 for new aircraft construction during the next fiscal year.

Those steering its legislative course were unable to guide the measure to port before adjournment and tomorrow face a vote on an amendment to eliminate another section to provide \$300,000 for the navy to contract with the aircraft development corporation backed by Ford interests for an all metal airship.

The legislative sea was churned up by an open breach between the two house committees charged with the handling of naval affairs, Chairman Butler of the naval committee charging the appropriations naval subcommittee.

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COURT DEBATE BITTER

MOVE MADE FOR CLOTURE; MAY REACH AGREEMENT

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22.—(By Associated Press.)—The long threatened move for a cloture on the world court was made tonight in the senate. It was followed by a bitter debate of an hour, with signs at the end that some sort of an unanimous consent agreement to limit debate without resort to cloture might yet be reached.

Bearing the signature of 48 senators—24 from each side of the aisle—the petition for cloture was presented by Senator Lenroot, republican, Wisconsin, leader of the pro-court forces. Under the rules it may lay over for one calendar day, so in no event can a vote on it be had until next Monday.

Administration leaders declared they could muster at least 72 votes for cloture, which upon its adoption would limit each senator to one hour in the court debate. This number is more than the necessary two thirds majority to invoke the limitation rule.

SALEM DEBATE WINNER

WOODBURN HIGH SCHOOL DEFEATED BY BOTH SIDES

Salem high school debaters scored a double victory Friday evening when they won two victories over Woodburn in a dual debate. The score was 2 to 1 at both schools. The question read: resolved that the child labor amendment to the federal constitution should be adopted.

In the debate held in the high school auditorium here, the Woodburn team upheld the affirmative. In Woodburn, the Salem team affirmed the question.

Harold Tomlinson and Gaynell Beckett participated for Salem at the local debate, with Margaret Pro and Winston Williams debating for Salem in Woodburn. The Woodburn team here was Betty Ballillo and Fernie Tweedie.

The Salem high school won six points in the debate and Woodburn received two towards participating in the state championship contest.

Dr. E. B. Mittleman, W. H. Dreesen and Roy M. Lockenour, all of the Oregon Agricultural college, were the judges. Homer Richards acted as chairman of the evening. Orlando Hornsby is the debate coach for Salem high.

The next debate will probably be held here on February 12. Salem meeting the winner of the two other triangular contests.

MURDER QUEST FUTILE

MYSTERY IS ENDED WITH FINDING OF VICTIM'S BODY

SEATTLE, Jan. 22.—(By Associated Press.)—Finding the victim's body abruptly ended a murder mystery which started promisingly here today.

Three automobile loads of officers, including prosecutor Ewing Colvin, his assistant, Robert MacFarlane, sheriff Matt Starwich, deputy coroner W. J. Jones, six deputy sheriffs, and two trusty bloodhounds, rushed to a small building just north of Seattle's city limits where matted gray hair, blood and a number of discharged cartridges were strewn.

The bloodhounds led the officers to a well. A deputy was lowered. He brought up the victim, an aged billy goat.

Musical Sunshine Counts Says John Philip Sousa

Greatest Band Master America Ever Produced Leans Back in His Chair, Following the Concert, and Talks Freely for Statesman Readers

The greatest band master America ever produced settled back into his hotel room chair, unfastened one button for the sake of ease, and smiled as your own uncle might.

One more concert was over. The armory had been packed. "Every night a different audience. I never tire of appearing before them, and the funny thing is that all people of all countries cheer to some of the strains that have lightened the footsteps of many a weary doughboy."

He talked, not as Lieutenant Commander John Philip

Sousa, that man whose music has circled the world. Rather he spoke, with the complete ease and formality of some kindly, good natured relative.

"Which of your marches brings the quickest response?"

"I don't know," he replied. "Many would say the Stars and Stripes Forever. The first version for piano was written in 1896, just after I landed from Europe. Throughout the voyage I had been pacing the deck with the Stars and Stripes in my heart. I was homesick. I wanted America again. Gradually it developed. "Where do songs like that come from?" I don't know. One must be inspired, I suppose. No, I know that. You cannot write music until you have thought it all out, and then it goes on paper easily, and fairly fast.

SPECIAL COUNCIL MEET TO IGNORE LAW TANGLE

"WHO IS CITY ATTORNEY?" DOES NOT WORRY BODY

Conflict Between City and State House Wiring Laws Given as Reason

What's a little legal tangle between council members? Apparently not much, for a special meeting of the council has been called by Mayor J. B. Giesey for Monday night. The meeting is to be held in the council chambers at 7:30 "sharp."

Is the matter of the legal right of Fred A. Williams to hold his office as city attorney, or the claims of Chris Kowitz to be considered at this meeting? No, says the mayor.

"If there is any petty technicality standing between Williams and his right to be city attorney," declared Mayor Giesey, "we will attend to the matter at the next regular meeting of the council."

Fred Williams seems not to consider the two weeks' salary an issue demanding a fight. It is unlikely he will force the collection of two weeks' salary through the courts. It is just as unlikely that Kowitz will do so.

The meeting called Monday night by Mayor Giesey is merely for the purpose of conferring with electrical experts. All electrical contractors in the city have been asked and urged to attend the meeting.

There is, it seems, a conflict between the city ordinance regulating the wiring of houses, and the state law. It is merely the purpose of the meeting Monday night to draw up an ordinance for the city that will be in accord with the state law.

As for the city attorney question—like the rear license plate on a nautio, it seems to be a back number.

OFFICERS WILL SPEAK

CHAMBER OFFICIALS WILL TALK AT LUNCHEON

Members attending the Monday luncheon of the chamber of commerce will have the opportunity of hearing the men they have elected to office for 1926. The officers of the club are to be speakers on the program at the Monday luncheon.

Each will have the chance to tell what he thinks should be done by the chamber and for the chamber during the coming year.

George H. Grabenhorst, president of the chamber, will be principal speaker of the occasion. The other officers to speak are W. E. Burns, vice president; U. S. Page, secretary; Ross C. Miles, treasurer; U. G. Holt, social department; Otto A. Hartman, civic department; George P. Vick, agricultural department; Dr. E. E. Fleher, legislative department; H. O. White, king king of the Cherris; and E. M. Doughton, president of the Salem Business League.

IT DON'T SEEM RIGHT

WHAT'S THE MATTER WITH THE BUS; GETS REPLY

(Though this contribution is printed without signature, identity of the writer is known.)

She—"This is better than that old bus down on Twelfth street."

I—"Why, what's the matter with the bus?"

She—"Oh, I don't know."

I—"Isn't it better than the street car?"

She—"I should say not."

I—"That seems strange. It makes no noise, its seats are more comfortable, and it doesn't throw you about."

She—"That may be; I ain't never rode in it yet, but it just don't seem right."



LIQUOR BUYERS ABET CRIMINAL

Respectable Citizens Who Violate Prohibition Laws Are Condemned

SARGENT GIVES VIEWS

Bauditory, Murder and Bribery Flourish Because People Are Paying Criminally Inclined

NEW YORK, Jan. 22.—(By Associated Press.)—Attorney General Sargent has studied the relationship of prohibition and crime waves, and reached the conclusion that there is logic in the position of the person who, paid a bribe by respectable citizens for breaking the liquor laws, continues with a career of crime. In his first public discussion of prohibition enforcement since taking charge of the department of justice, Mr. Sargent asked the members of the New York State Bar association tonight whether "it is any wonder that banditry, murder, bribery and corruption flourish when decent citizens continually are paying the criminally inclined to take the risk of violating other laws."

The 18th amendment and the Volstead act, he said, are settled laws of the land and must be enforced and he urged the lawyers to give thought to the problem of enforcement that may be accomplished. The attorney general added that he would not be drawn into a discussion of other phases of the question, inasmuch as congress had acted on the whole matter, but desired to talk over the situation, "with a view to solving the enforcement problem by finding the real root of the trouble."

His division had nothing to do with offenses against the law committed from motives of jealousy, anger, revenge, passion and ill will toward society, he said, since every citizen had come to regard it as a duty to aid in the detection and punishment of such offenders and in correcting the conditions which make them offenders.

"But no one engages in the liquor traffic from any such motive," he declared. "Every person who sells liquor does it solely and only because someone will pay a price high enough to make a profit sufficient to offset the chance of detection, conviction and punishment. To put it differently, every such sale is the direct result of the offer and payment by the purchaser of a bribe to commit the offense. Is there any escape from this as a logical conclusion?"

"Now why do otherwise respectable citizens engage in such bribery? Because, they say, the law interferes with their personal liberty, in that they have an inherent right to drink whiskey or any other liquor if they choose. That is nobody's business but their own whether they shall or shall not injure themselves, and therefore no one may decide for them whether the use of liquor is or is not injurious."

Whether the policy of invoking and exercising the power in this particular matter when and as it has been exercised was wise or unwise is no longer open to discussion. It has been done. It is an accomplished fact. Not only is the law settled, but so all appearances, if we can judge of the mind of the people by the votes of their representatives in congress the determination that it shall remain settled and be obeyed is hardening day by day.

"Now what is the portion of the community who would prefer a definite policy, a different law to go to do about it? When I ask this question I refer to that portion of the substantial, self-respecting, decent citizenry who in all other things are law abiding; the citizenry who in all other matters—and indeed, in many things

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