

The Oregon Statesman

WEATHER FORECAST: Generally fair; cooler; gentle variable winds. Maximum yesterday, 54; minimum, 38; river, 5.9; rainfall, none; atmosphere, cloudy; wind, southwest.

SHOP EARLY!—Only 15 shopping days remain before Christmas. Do your shopping early and avoid the rush. You will find a new delight in this early shopping and also you'll bring happiness to the merchants and the post office clerks.

SEVENTY-SIXTH YEAR

SALEM, OREGON, WEDNESDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 8, 1926

PRICE FIVE CENTS

OREGON PAVES ONE-FIFTH MILE ROADS IN YEAR

Expenditures During Period Reach \$10,000,000 According to Secretary

\$2,290,409 FOR UP-KEEP

Roy Klein Submits Report to Governor Pierce Showing Total Receipts for Department \$10,888,900.

The state of Oregon laid only one-fifth of a mile of new pavement during the past year and resurfaced only eight and a half miles, according to a report submitted yesterday to Governor Pierce by Roy Klein, highway commission secretary.

Total of the highway of the state improved and unimproved, is 4468 miles, of which 947 miles are improved. The improved portion consists of 688.5 miles of bituminous pavement, 208.5 of concrete, 575.8 miles of macadam, 1747.5 miles of rock surfacing and 300 miles of unsurfaced graded roadway.

Among the improvements noted in the report is 342.6 miles of oiled macadam, 129.8 miles of rock surfacing and 149.7 miles of grading and widening. Expenditures during the current year aggregated \$10,018,492.75, of which \$3,744,425.85 was listed as new construction. Additions and betterments aggregated \$513,032.48, while maintenance was fixed at \$2,290,409.52. Other expenditures were listed as follows:

Cooperation on forest road work \$72,360.70; rights of way and property, \$24,351.26; purchase of park sites, \$20,745.61; road signs, \$12,024.98; operation of movable bridges, \$7377.18; enforcement of traffic laws, \$59,544.94; administration and general supervision, \$187,085.86; surveys, \$66,674.06; engineering in connection with county work, \$5894.14, and miscellaneous general expense placed at \$4995.58.

Bonds matured during the year aggregated \$1,197,000, while interest paid on bonds totaled \$1,722,741.65.

The two largest items listed as receipts credited to the state highway department during the current year were motor vehicle license fees, aggregating \$4,260,000, and gasoline taxes totalling \$3,918,149.20. Interest on bank balances amounted to \$38,372.94, while fines from violations of traffic laws aggregated \$33,538.05.

Federal aid was received in the amount of \$1,264,888.74, while county cooperation was \$715,701.37. Miscellaneous cooperation was listed at \$78,918.59, and net equipment earnings \$32,055.40. The balance on hand December 1, 1925, was \$1,452,458.44.

The report showed that the total receipts of the state highway department for the year aggregated \$10,888,900.73, which left a balance on hand on December 1 of this year of \$879,407.98.

CHICAGO CAFES SHUT BY COURT

SNUFFER APPLIED TO BRIGHT LIGHTS OF CITY

Decision Direct low at Those Who Carry Pocket Flasks to Clubs

CHICAGO, Dec. 7.—(AP)—The snuffer was applied to the bright lights in Chicago's downtown night life today by Judge C. C. Cliffe, who ordered three cafes closed for a year each under the abatement of a nuisance provision of the prohibition law.

The places ordered locked up were the Moulin Rouge, Friar's and the Lown Club. The decision was a direct blow at those who carry hip liquor into the cafes and there obtain the ingredients to mix with it.

The action, unique in prohibition enforcement in Chicago, was patterned after a decision recently handed down in federal court in Milwaukee. There was no presentation of testimony in court as to the purchase of liquor in any of the places closed, nor was there any liquor seized in any raids.

HUNTERS DISCUSS SAVING OF DUCKS

OLD TIMERS OF FRONTIER DAYS ATTEND MEETING

Exra-Meeker Points Out Present Depleted Condition of Wild Water Fowl

NEW YORK, Dec. 7.—(AP)—Old timers of the frontier days of America sat around the plush lobbies of the Hotel Pennsylvania today, and as official delegates to the 13th annual conference of the American Game Protective association, listened to the experts tell how to save ducks.

Exra Meeker, 96 years old, survivor of the Oregon Trail, was one old timer, and John J. McDermott of Courtland, N. Y., vice president of the New York Fish and Forest League, claimant of the old men's fiddlin' contest, was another.

Still another was W. A. "Scotty" Smith, of Point Barrow, Alaska, Arctic explorer and big game hunter, who held the record of coming from the farthest point north to find out why the game birds of the country are dying off.

The three listened to Dr. E. W. Nelson, director of the bureau of biological survey, say that western irrigation methods are drying up lakes and ponds and depleting the game supply. He said federal investigation and control are imperative steps.

Meeker, the oldest delegate present, recalled the early days when game, large and small, filled the west when he first made the Oregon Trail with an ox team. It was scarcer when he made the trip later in an automobile, and a year ago when he flew across the overland route in an airplane, he hardly saw a fowl.

AFRICA FEELS TREMORS

FOUR KILLED AND MANY INJURED IN ROCK BURSTS

JOHANNESBURG, Union of South Africa, Dec. 7.—(AP)—Violent earth tremors shook the Rand, South Africa's famous gold bearing region, this morning. The residents were greatly alarmed, but aside from two severe rock bursts in the Wolfwater gold mine, little damage was reported.

Four men were killed and many others, mostly natives, injured in these rock bursts.

RUMOR OF NEW WARDEN

JOSEPH KELLAR, ONE TIME STATE PAROLE OFFICER

Joseph Kellar, at one time state parole officer, but now at the head of an auto theft department with headquarters in Portland, spent yesterday in Salem conferring with Governor-elect Patterson.

Reports here indicated that Mr. Kellar was being considered for the office of warden of the state penitentiary.

POLICE HOLD BAISDEN

WARRANT ISSUED CHARGES RECKLESS DRIVING

EUGENE, Ore., Dec. 7.—(AP)—Ted Baisden of this city was arrested here today on a warrant issued at Salem charging him with reckless driving. Baisden is alleged to have driven his car against another one on the highway near Salem.

THEATRE OWNER DIES

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 7.—(AP)—Julius E. Mastbaum, president of Stanley Company of America and head of one of the largest chains of motion picture and vaudeville houses in the United States, died in Jefferson hospital today. He was 54 years old.

Senator Bruce, of Maryland, attacked the prohibition law in a senate address.

MANY INJURED AS LOG TRAIN LEAVES BRIDGE

One Killed and All Passengers on Car Hurt in Fall to Gulch

ENGINE STAYS ON TRACK

Loggers Leaving Woods on Green Mountain Branch of Kerry Timber Railway When Accident Occurs

ASTORIA, Ore., Dec. 7.—(AP)—One man was fatally injured, nine seriously hurt, and 30 slightly injured about 5 o'clock this afternoon, when the rear car of a logging train on the Green Mountain Timber company railway in eastern Clatsop county, about 25 miles south of Kerry, plunged from a trestle, and to the bottom of the gulch, 40 feet below.

Every man on the car was injured. The car was completely smashed.

Andre Anderson, 42 years of age, was terribly crushed and died on the way to Kerry. He leaves a wife and children in Norway and a sister in Seattle.

Five of the seriously injured have been brought to a hospital here. They are: O. E. Wells, back injured, and possible internal injuries; Sam Andrios, Portland, gash in the face, and probably broken ribs; John Spkof, Portland, cut on back of head; Nick Blackish, Portland, badly bruised and possible internal injuries; Charles Cameron, Vancouver, B. C., back injured. Four others of the seriously injured are being brought to the Astoria hospital by ambulances.

Eye witnesses to the accident were unable to explain the cause of it tonight. According to the story of men on the train, the logging train, made up of a locomotive and two flat cars, on which were riding about 95 men, was returning from the woods at quitting time to camp, over the Green Mountain company branch of the Kerry Timber company railway. The train was traveling at a moderate speed, and the accident occurred on a straight away. As the train was crossing a high trestle, about two miles from the junction with the Kerry main line, the rear car suddenly jumped the track, and plunged off the trestle. The coupling with the head car broke, and this car and the locomotive

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MONROE SECTION TO GROW BEETS

SOME TURNER FARMERS SHOW INTEREST IN PROJECT

Linn County Going Into Matter With View to Taking Considerable Acreage.

Three important meetings were held yesterday and last evening, in the campaign for sugar beet acreage, at Monroe, Albany and Turner.

The first meeting was at Monroe at 1:30, where Kenneth Miller and C. M. Dickinson were the speakers, explaining the object of the movement and the desirability of getting this new industry started.

Farmers Took Meeting. There was a large crowd of farmers present at Monroe, and they were vitally interested. A number of them were ready to sign up at the meeting, but it was decided that the best plan was to name a large committee of farmers, and it was arranged that way, with 20 to 25 to be named to canvass the matter in that section and have further conferences, perhaps with the factory field man, and complete the arrangements.

There is a lot of land in the Monroe district suitable for sugar beet growing, and the result of yesterday's meeting will be a considerable acreage there.

Meeting At Albany. The meeting at Albany in the evening was composed largely of business men, addressed by Mr. Miller and Mr. Dickinson. Mr.

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KOZER EXPLAINS NEED FOR ROOMS

SECRETARY FIRST URGED NEW STRUCTURE IN 1921

Finance Building Through Work of Highway, Bonus and Accident Bodies

Need for a new state office building to hold the state employees who now overflow the state capitol, going to downtown offices in both Salem and Portland, was stressed by Sam Kozar, secretary of state, in a speech before the Salem Kiwanis club at its noon luncheon Tuesday.

In 1899 the state had 350 employees with a monthly payroll of \$25,000, and in 1926 has 5375 employees with a monthly payroll of \$547,000, or \$6,500,000 a year. Mr. Kozar stated, in 1899 the state had the same capitol building it has now, and the supreme court building is the only new one.

The city of Salem gets one third of this huge payroll, he said, so the business men should invest-

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LIQUOR EVIDENCE STIRS AUDIENCE

'SICK FRIEND' NEEDED ALCOHOLIC STIMULANTS

Dry Chief Helped Sell to Quantity of Confiscated Goods from Vault

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Dec. 7.—(AP)—An unidentified "sick friend" who required an extraordinary amount of alcoholic stimulants figured in the testimony of government witnesses in the trial which began in the United States district court here today of Colonel Ned M. Green, former prohibition administrator for northern California and Nevada, charged with the embezzlement of liquor confiscated by the government in enforcing the Volstead act.

It was for this mysterious "sick friend," witnesses testified, that Colonel Green, retired army officer, abstracted varying amounts of assorted liquors from the basement of the sub-treasury building where confiscated liquors were stored and even from his own office in the business district.

Harold M. Charlton, a prohibition enforcement agent, described what he said had been several instances where Colonel Green, in the presence of Charlton and other prohibition agents, had removed bottles of liquor from the prohibition administrator's office. Charlton said that on one occasion, he had called Colonel Green's attention to the fact that the bottle he was carrying away bore a label designing it as evidence and

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PRIME CHOSEN GUN CLUB HEAD

ALL OTHER OLD OFFICERS RE-ELECTED AT MEETING

No Action Taken on Averill's Proposed Changes in State Game Laws

Dr. G. E. Prime was re-elected president of the Salem Rod and Gun club at a special meeting last night, and all the rest of last year's officers were re-elected with him. They are Clarence Phillips, vice president; G. A. McKay, secretary, and Carl Bahrburg treasurer.

No action was taken on proposals made at a banquet Friday night by Edgar F. Averill, state game warden, affecting the kind of deer to be killed, and making open season on Wednesdays and Sundays. These proposals will be considered at the next meeting two weeks from last night, and recommendations will be made to the game commission.

The club went on record as favoring the reappointment of E. F. Averill as state game warden and

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JUGO SLAVIA AFLAME OVER ITALIAN ACT

'New and Grave Situation' Regarded as Menace to European Peace

EVENTS DISTURB LEAGUE

Complications Foreseen and Mussolini's Expansion Program and Alliances May Strike Resistance

PARIS, Dec. 7.—(AP)—Trouble is seething over Italy's new treaty with Albania. Jugo Slavia is aflame with anger: her foreign minister, Dr. Ninichitch, resigned last night as a protest, and the whole cabinet headed by M. Ouzonovitch, followed his lead, to attract the world's attention to what he has described as the "new and grave situation," and what is generally regarded as a serious danger to central European peace.

Even the League of Nations is greatly disturbed over these events, advice from Geneva state, for Dr. Ninichitch was president of the last assembly of the league, and complications of a widespread nature are feared.

Jugo Slavia is a heavily armed nation with an estimated force of 200,000 men. It is feared, too, that Mussolini's program of expansion and alliances will run afoul of the "Little Entente," which in large measure was developed by Ninichitch.

The Jugo Slavs are reported as regarding the Italo-Albanian alliance as "disloyalty" to their country and other Balkan nations and the Belgrade newspaper Politika prints a statement from an unconfirmed source in Scutari that the pact contains a secret military clause, whereby Italy undertakes to go to the defense of the Albanian government if it need be.

Official quarters in Paris, however, are without confirmation of the existence of such a clause.

PHOTOS TO GO BY WIRE

FIVE CITIES INCLUDED IN NEW PHONE SERVICE

NEW YORK, Dec. 7.—(AP)—Persons in five cities will be able to exchange photographs by telegraph over the Christmas-New Year holidays, it was announced today by the American Telephone & Telegraph company. The cities are New York, Boston, Cleveland, Chicago and San Francisco.

Procedure to be followed by those desiring to transmit photographs is as follows:

Take your photograph to the telephotographic office in any of the five cities. Hand it to the clerk. A short time later a print of the portrait will be in the hands of the person to whom it was sent.

Greetings written on the original photograph also will be transmitted.

DOHENY TRIAL HALTED

DEFENDANT SUFFERING FROM CARBUNCLE ON ARM

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—(AP)—Illness of Edward L. Doheny forced a halt today in the oil conspiracy trial here, but a resumption of the taking of testimony is expected tomorrow. Suffering from a carbuncle on his left arm, the 70 year old defendant felt much better tonight, and his physicians predicted he would be able to be in court in the morning.

Justice Hoehling stopped proceedings today when it was found that Doheny was too ill to be present. Suspension of the trial until he could return to the courtroom was announced.

COUNTY TAXES LOWER

CUT DUE TO CHANGED ESTIMATE OF STATE FUNDS

Prospects now are that Marion county's taxes will be \$15,263.96 lower than the estimated budget calls for, it was indicated following the receiving of a report from the state tax commissioner. The lowering is due to a changed estimate of the amount of state taxes.

The state tax for Marion county was originally estimated at \$340,000, but the estimate turned in from the tax commissioner yesterday was only \$324,736. In view of this unexpected cut, next year's appropriation for market roads may be increased \$5000 by the county court.

WIRTH FORFEITS DRIVER'S PERMIT

OFFICER EDWARDS ARRESTS HIM FOR DRIVING CAR

Man Secured Second License After First Taken Away, Hearing Today

George Wirth apparently thought the judge was only kidding him when he took his driver's license away for a year following his conviction on a reckless driving charge in October, for George obtained another one for himself, and went right back to driving his car.

Last night Officer George Edwards, the same man who arrested Wirth early on the morning of October 10 following a pursuit that ended when Edwards began shooting, saw him driving a car in Salem. Remembering that his license had been suspended, Edwards stopped him.

Nothing daunted, Wirth pulled out another license, made out "George Worth" and dated November 13, 1926, just one month and two days after Wirth's arrest. When asked why he had obtained the new license, his only answer was that the judge "had not asked him for the first one."

Wirth's car was taken from him as bail on a charge of driving after his license had been suspended, and a hearing was set for 9 o'clock this morning by Brazier Small, justice of the peace.

When first arrested, Wirth had crashed into a car driven by Lark Tate, and fled, pursued by Officer Edwards. He was stopped near the state penitentiary after a chase from 21st street, only after Edwards began shooting and had dented his car with a bullet.

Wirth's car still showed the bullet hole last night, police stated.

Wirth was held in October on charges of hit and run driving, and of driving while intoxicated. He pleaded not guilty to the second charge, but on the first one Justice Small fined him \$100, sentenced him to 30 days in the county jail, and took away his license.

Wirth apparently obtained his new license as soon as he was released from jail, as it was issued just a month after his sentence.

KING HAS GOOD NIGHT

FERDINAND MUST UNDERGO SECOND OPERATION

BUCHAREST, Rumania, Dec. 7.—(AP)—King Ferdinand must undergo a second operation, which the attending physicians announce is necessary to complete that performed yesterday. They express the hope that the king will be strong enough to undergo the operation Thursday.

The royal patient passed a good night, and is reported to be progressing satisfactorily. When the surgeon, Professor Hartmann, was operating yesterday with the aid of a local anesthetic, the king, puffed complacently on his accustomed cigar. He started proceeding by telling the surgeons: "Well, gentlemen, let's get busy."

VISIT DAMAGED FERRY

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS INVESTIGATE AT BUENA VISTA

John Porter and Jim Smith, county commissioners will inspect the Buena Vista ferry today to see if it will be advisable to install a new ferry boat there. The ferry is not being operated now. Members of the Polk county court have also been invited to attend the inspection.

The old ferry boat, damaged in the recent flood, will probably not be repaired, because of its poor condition. A new ferry will probably be installed some time in the future if it is found advisable to do so.

Next Saturday and Sunday

FANCHON & MARCO'S
Gorgeous Stage Presentation
"RED ROBIN"
enacted by 25 artists and the feature photoplay
"FINE MANNERS"
Starring Gloria Swanson
will more than please the most critical audience. at THE ELSINORE

TAX AND FARM RELIEF URGED BY PRESIDENT

Message of Coolidge Deals With Many Matters of National Interest

RADIO CONTROL SOUGHT

Pledge of Economy on Behalf of Administration Made and Stand on Protective Tariff Reiterated

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—(AP) Conceding that there could be no great amount of legislation during the present session, President Coolidge laid before congress today a long list of recommendations in which temporary tax relief and attention to the farm marketing problem stood out prominently.

To the house and senate was left the task of fitting the recommendations to the necessities of the limited time at the disposal of the law makers before the 69th congress goes out of existence on March 4, next. Inasmuch as Mr. Coolidge touched on almost every point of pressing national interest, there can be no question that in going about their task the republican leaders will have at hand the desires of the chief executive.

While leaving the form of tax relief to be decided by congress itself, President Coolidge opposed any permanent reduction at this time, suggesting that "it is possible to grant some real relief by the simple measure of making reductions in the payments which accrue on the 15th of March and June, 1927."

As to farm relief, he urged a "sound solution," with the stipulation that it was necessary to "avoid putting the government into the business of production or marketing or attempting to enact legislation for the purpose of price fixing." The message, in addition to touching taxes and farm problems,

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BANK EMPLOYEE ENDS OWN LIFE

THIRD SENSATION IN RECENT WEEKS ROCKS MEMPHIS

Suspension of Business Strikes a Heavy Blow to Christmas Shoppers

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Dec. 7.—(By AP)—Memphis financial circles were stirred today by the third sensation within five weeks when business of the American Savings Bank and Trust company was placed in the hands of state bank examiners after an employee admitted shortages of \$300,000 and then killed himself.

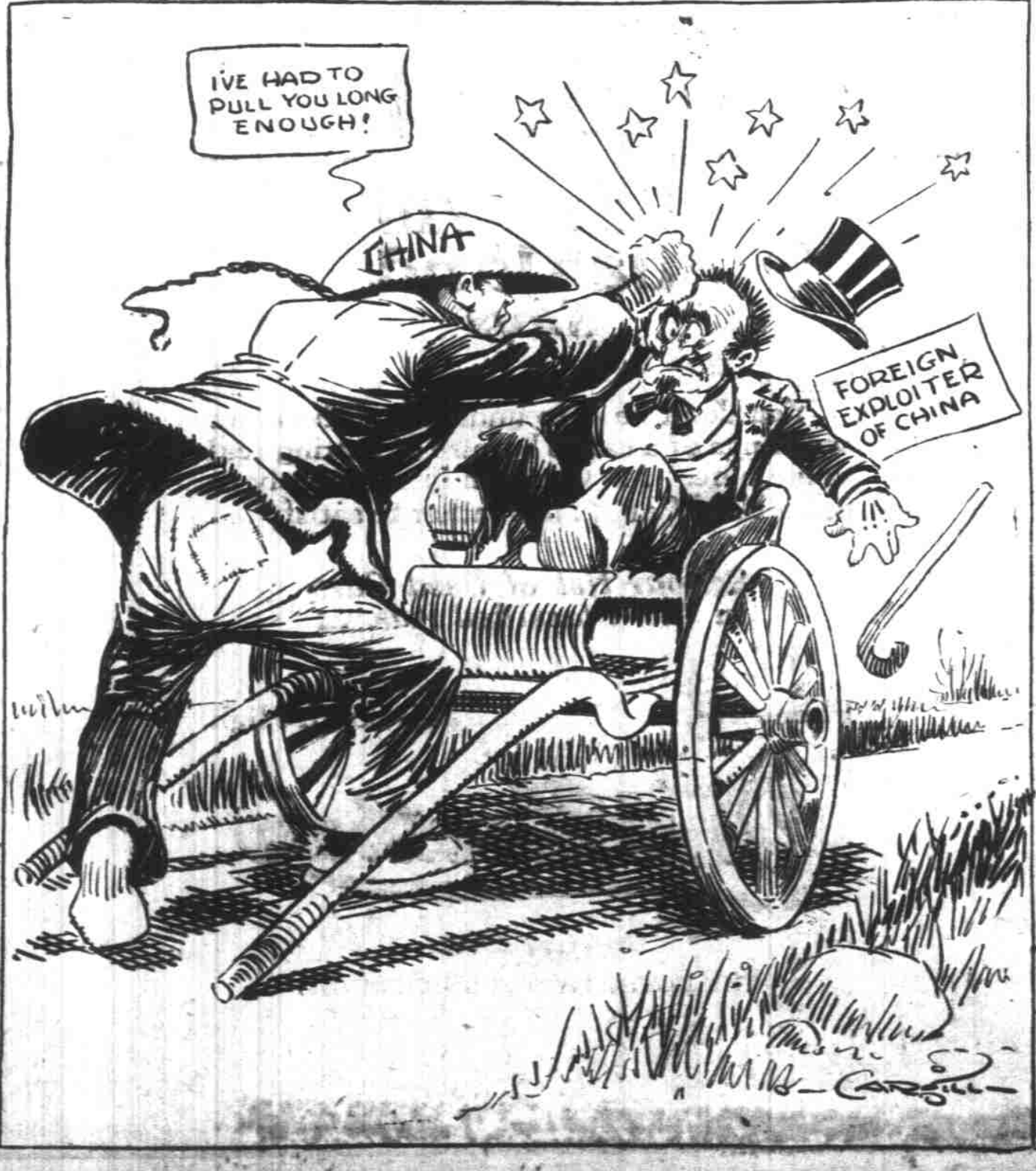
Clarence Henochsberg, assistant cashier and teller, fired a bullet into his heart after telephoning Abe Plough, Memphis capitalist, of the shortage, and saying he would kill himself unless help could be obtained to save himself and the bank.

Accountants at work on the books of the institution tonight sought to fix the extent of the bank's losses and to discover the relationship if any between Henochsberg's activities and shortages found last Thursday on the disappearance of Rush H. Parke, clerk in the same bank. Parke was still missing tonight. His alleged defalcations were set at \$105,000.

Today's developments recalled the flight October 27 of Courtney Glisson, young teller of the Bank of Commerce and Trust company and disclosure of \$465,000 shortage in his accounts.

Glisson's whereabouts, too, remained a mystery, but the bank's operations were not affected, because Glisson's shortages was made up from undivided profits and his bond.

Suspension of business struck a heavy blow to Christmas shoppers. The bank mailed out last night 6,000 checks for \$235,000 to holders of Christmas savings accounts. Depositors who have lodged a weekly sum with the bank for 50 weeks past were a large part of the throng which milled about the closed doors today.



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