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WEATHER FORECAST: Rain; continued mild; southerly gales on the coast. Maximum temperature yesterday, 46; minimum, 43; river, 7.5; rainfall, .28; atmosphere, cloudy; wind, southeast.

SEVENTY-SIXTH YEAR SALEM, OREGON, SUNDAY MORNING, JANUARY 2, 1927 PRICE FIVE CENTS

CALM SESSION FORECAST FOR STATE SOLONS

John Carlin Will Announce Committee Appointments on First Day

CORBETT HEADS SENATE

No "Bolshevik" Minority Known to Exist to Scuttle Bills Sponsored by Majority of Legislature

PORTLAND, Jan. 1.—(AP)—When the 1927 state legislature convenes in Salem a week from Monday, there will be no semblance of an organization fight and attendant disorder, and from a precise and machine-like start, the legislators are expected to "carry on" through the 40 day period to an auspicious close. This, at least, is the prediction of those who have watched the preliminary proceedings closely, with an eye on the present assembly and with memories of past sessions.

There is no contest for the speaker of the senate nor for its president, nor is it known to exist any "bolshevik" minority out to scuttle bills sponsored by the majority.

Every member of the house is declared to have pledged his support to John H. Carlin as speaker, and about 24 of the 30 senators are said to have taken the same attitude toward Harry L. Corbett for president of the senate.

PIERCE HONORED GUEST AT DINNER

GOVERNOR GIVES ASSURANCE OF CONTINUED INTEREST

Several Voice Appreciation for Work Done in Promoting Flax Industry

Honoring Governor Walter M. Pierce, an informal dinner was given last night at the Spa, arranged by Dr. and Mrs. F. G. Franklin, and at which Rev. Norman K. Tully presided as toastmaster.

RIZAL MARTYRED FILIPINO LEADER

ANNIVERSARY OF DEATH OBSERVED AS HOLIDAY

Dr. Canse Delivers Address Calling Attention to Birth and Work of Hero

"Dr. Jose Rizal Mercado was one of the greatest minds the world has ever produced," Marcus Berbano, president of the Salem Filipino club declared in his opening address at the thirtieth anniversary of the death of the martyred Filipino leader.

GAS BLAST ROCKS BANK

Windows Shattered in Buildings Two Blocks Distant

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 1.—(AP)—The financial district was shaken by an illuminating gas explosion in the Crocker First National Bank building here tonight. Windows were shattered in buildings two blocks away by the explosion which destroyed the superstructure of the lower floors in the bank building.

THREE SLIGHTLY HURT

New Year's Accidents Take Toll: Several Autos Crash

Three persons slightly injured were the toll of New Year's day traffic accidents, according to reports turned in at police headquarters. H. V. Compton and a little girl were cut slightly when their car hit one driven by Herbert B. Deyell of Forest Grove yesterday.

VETERAN OPERATOR DIES

Telegrapher Succumbs Following Illness of Pneumonia

PORTLAND, Jan. 1.—(AP)—Alex. Graib, for more than 30 years a telegraph operator for the Western Union and in recent years in charge of the special wire in the Oregonian office, died here today following an illness of pneumonia. He was 67 years old.

MEXICAN EDICT ON OIL LEASES AWAITS ACTION

Oratorical Guns Boom in Bitter Criticism of U. S. State Department

WALL STREET ALSO HIT

Soto y Gama Declares All Latin-American Supports Stand Taken Against Northern Neighbor

MEXICO CITY, Jan. 1.—(AP)—Concurrently with the going into effect of the new petroleum and land laws, at midnight last night, the chamber of deputies, during the closing hours of its midnight session, heard violent oratorical attacks against the United States for its Mexican and its Latin-American policies.

POLICE TAG MOTORISTS

Washington State Highway Patrolmen Arrest Over 300

SEATTLE, Jan. 1.—(AP)—With orders to tag all motorists who had not applied for 1927 licenses, Washington state highway patrolmen started the New Year with more than 300 arrests.

TRAIN KILLS MOTORIST

Brother of Victim Only Slightly Injured in Crash

ELLENSBURG, Wash., Jan. 1.—(AP)—Glenn Hughes, 24, was killed near here today when his automobile was struck by a Northern Pacific train. His brother, Paul, was slightly injured.

CAPITOL REMAINS HIGHEST EDIFICE

GODDESS OF JUSTICE TOWERS ABOVE BANK BUILDING

State House 187 Feet; New Structure Only 145 Feet According to Report

Which is Salem's tallest building? Is it still the state house always prominent on the skyline, or the new First National Bank building now looming so sturdily downtown?

Inquiry yesterday seemed to indicate that the capitol still tops everything in the city by 42 feet. A surprising fact is that the gilded Goddess of Justice who stands high above the halls of justice below her in the Marion county courthouse is able to look across the level coping of the new bank building. Able to see she could but see Justice, however, sometimes said to be blind, is blindfolded so that she may weigh evidence impartially.

T. A. Livesley, Salem's mayor-elect and owner of the new bank building, said that a level placed on the coping along the roof of the highest part, showed that the Courthouse statue was just as high as the coping. Of course, the statue stands atop the clock tower several floor-heights above the building proper.

FEDERAL ROADS BEING LOCATED

UNIFORM TRAFFIC SIGN ONE FEATURE OF SYSTEM

Main Routes of Government Highways Will Bear Numbers in Multiples of Ten

WASHINGTON, Jan. 1.—(AP)—Approval of the final location of the United States system of highways by the federal government and by all of the states, was announced today by the bureau of public roads. It consists of approximately 80,000 miles of the most important roads and embraces ten transcontinental routes east and west and as many through routes north and south.

The work of designation has been under way almost a year and was finally approved by the American Association of State Highway Officials in November. The purpose of designating the final location was to establish a main system of highways for the nation, the unimproved sections of which would be given priority in improvement, and to eliminate confusion as to route designation, marking and safety signs.

FLIERS ARRIVE SAFELY

Fifth Leg of Good-Will South American Flight Completed

SALINA CRUZ, Mexico, Jan. 1.—(AP)—Making a perfect landing inside the breakwater of Salina Cruz, notwithstanding a terrific gale from the north, the Pan-American fliers finished the fifth leg of their good-will flight at 12:48 o'clock this afternoon. They made the 150 miles flight across the Isthmus of Tehuantepec in one hour and fifteen minutes.

FIVE DROWN IN LAKE

People Returning From Dance When Accident Occurs

NELSON, B. C., Jan. 1.—(AP)—Five residents of Arrow Park, on the west shore of upper Arrow lake, were drowned early today when the boat in which they were returning from a New Year's Eve dance from East Arrow Park, across the lake, capsized.

MURDER SUSPECT HELD

Man Disappeared From Scene of Slaying of Kirkland Girl

SEATTLE, Jan. 1.—(AP)—After a hunt over more than a thousand miles, Owen Griffith, 33, was jailed here today as a suspect in the slaying of Letitia Whitehall, 14 year old Kirkland girl, near Seattle Oct. 30.

AUTO ACCIDENT FATAL

Garage Man Survived by Widow and Nine Year Old Daughter

SANDY, Ore., Jan. 1.—(AP)—Ralph Johanson, 32, garage man, was killed instantly this morning when an automobile he was driving overturned. Ralph McKinney of Estacada, who was with Johanson, was not seriously injured. Johanson is survived by his widow and a nine year old daughter.

MEXICANS SEIZE CHURCH

Building Owned By Methodist Episcopal Foreign Mission

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ALABAMA GETS 7-7 TIE SCORE BY LATE RALLY

Blocked Punt Gains Touchdown for Crimson Tide in Final Period of Game

CARDINALS SCORE EARLY

Series of Fumbles Wrecks Stanford's Chances of Victory in Annual East-West Football Contest

ROSE BOWL, PASADENA, Cal., Jan. 1.—(AP)—Alabama's Crimson Tide, the pride of southern gridirons, battered long and without defeat the Stanford dyke until within four minutes of play here today, then rolled into brilliancy at a lucky break and tied Palo Alto's chances of victory into a hopeless knot with a 7 to 7 tally.

The Stanford Cardinal failed to register again, but beat off every attack launched by Alabama until Wilton attempted to punt in the dying moments of the game. The punt was blocked by Winslett and rolled back to Stanford's 11 yard line, where Wilton recovered it himself, but it was fourth down. Alabama took the ball and in five bucks sent it over the goal line. Caldwell's toe converted and the score was even.

QUICKSILVER MINE SOLD

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YMCA NEW YEAR'S OPEN HOUSE HELD

COOLEY-PEARSONS, NIGHT JUNIORS WIN

Livesley Speaks on Work of Organization for Year; Other Addresses Made

A crowd estimated at 2500 people swarmed the YMCA gymnasium lobbies and club rooms during the whole of yesterday afternoon and evening to attend the organization's New Year's day open house. Three separate programs were held, beginning at 2 p. m. and lasting until about 10 at night.

The program in the main lobby consisted of a radio broadcast of the Stanford-Alabama football game, a concert by an orthophonic loaned by Moore's Music House, and evening musical program and speeches.

A greeting speech was given by O. P. Coshow, state supreme court justice. T. A. Livesley, who will become mayor of Salem Monday night, gave an address in which he told of what the organization could do in the coming year. Dr. E. L. Steeves also spoke.

A program for children was given in the boys' lobby. Refreshments were also served there. The lobby was decorated with flowers furnished by C. F. Breithaupt and A. G. Walker.

WINE AND BEER SOUGHT

Missouri Democrat Announces Drafting of "Wet" Measure

WASHINGTON, Jan. 1.—(AP)—Repeal of the prohibition amendment and modification of the Volstead law to permit the sale of light wines and beer will be sought by Representative Cochran, democrat, Missouri, a new member of the house. He announced today that he had drafted measures providing for both, and also intended to join the "wet bloc" in the house.

VISITORS SHAKE COOLIDGE'S HAND

FOREIGN DIPLOMATIC CORPS HEAD LINE OF GUESTS

WASHINGTON, Jan. 1.—(AP)—Washington's chief social event of the year, the New Year's White House reception, was held today under ideal conditions, the ceremony affording one of the most colorful and picturesque scenes ever witnessed at the executive mansion.

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ARMED GUARDS HALT STEALING IN QUAKE ZONE

Fifty Shocks Center in Cal-exico and Mexicali Wrecking Buildings

MANY SLIGHTLY INJURED

Radio Reports Indicate Heavy Swells Prevent Steamer's Passengers Returning from Shore

CALEXICO, Cal., Jan. 1.—(AP)—Martial law followed New Year's hilarity across the international border here today when the first of a succession of more than fifty earthquake shocks centering in Cal-exico and Mexicali caused damage estimated at more than \$2,000,000 throughout the entire Imperial valley, in the United States and Mexico.

Governor Abernardo Rodriguez, of Lower California, declared martial law in Mexicali which, with Cal-exico shared the heaviest damage. Governor Rodriguez' orders closed all saloons in the city until further notice. The sale of liquor was prohibited during the crisis.

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