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EIGHTIETH YEAR

## SOLONS TINKER WHILE SESSION TIME DWINDLES

No Major Issues Decided in First 28 Days; Speed Becoming Essential

Saturday and Night Work to Be Rule Soon; 40 Days Won't be Enough

A legislature, unlike a '31 automobile, lacks quick starting power, pickup and getaway. As a result for four weeks the 36th session has been a number of days along, apparently in low-gear, although its 90 mechanics have been busy tinkering on various parts of the contraption resolved that the closing days of the 1931 session shall be made in record-breaking speed.

As a result of this slow-speed start, the accomplishments of the session are like profits in flask; all in the future. Save for a score or so of minor measures which evoked no debate, the only major legislative accomplishment of both houses has been the closing of the Rogue. The refusal to pass the Manning report asking a referendum on prohibition, the defeat of the McPhillips bus transportation repeal bill, the loss of Senator Woodward's attempt to let all voters pass on school bond issues and the refusal of the house to stand with the governor in his desire to appoint the Port of Portland commissioners constitute the major things the legislature has refused to do.

### Adjournments Early in Day

Otherwise the record has been one of short sessions, occasional debates, numinous public hearings, considerable work in committees and adjournment "until tomorrow."

Unless extraordinary speed is forced from the legislative machine, there will be three more weeks at least with a good chance that a fourth will be needed before the session adjourns.

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## CLARK OFFICER OF PRODUCERS GROUP

A. E. Newby was elected president of the Oregon Milk Producers' association at the meeting of the board of directors held in Portland on Saturday. Other officers named were R. W. Clark of Salem, vice-president; W. W. Henry, secretary-manager, and W. J. Carter, treasurer.

All chairmen and secretaries of local units of the state were called in at the Saturday meeting and an intensive campaign for increased membership was outlined.

During the past two weeks W. W. Henry, manager, had sent out letters to many producers who had not yet joined the association. By this method many new members have been added to the state organization and during the next 30 days an intensive membership campaign will be launched over the state. The present membership in the association is approximately 1200.

D. C. Howard, formerly field representative of the state organization, has resigned and C. E. Olsen was named to take his place. Directors of the state association expressed themselves as very well pleased with the response on the part of producers and the growth that the organization has made within the past year.

## Woman Killed by Unoccupied Car; Brakes Give Way

SEATTLE, Feb. 7.—(AP)—An unidentified woman, about 60, was killed here tonight when an unoccupied automobile sped through an intersection in the downtown district.

Police said the emergency brake apparently loosened, allowing the car to speed down a very steep hill into Second avenue, where it scattered pedestrians and struck down the woman and then crashed into a parked automobile.

Witnesses said the woman stood, apparently terror stricken, in the car's path. Frank Werberger, owner of the car, was being questioned.

## Young to Face Murder Charge

PORLAND, Ore., Feb. 7.—(AP)—Wong Foo Young, 38, known also as Jack Young, was held without bail in the county jail tonight on a charge of first degree murder in the death of Mrs. Rose Soo, Chinese.

NICARAGUAN CLASH MANAGUA, Nicaragua, Feb. 7.—(AP)—Headquarters of the Nicaraguan national guard reported today patrols of guardsmen clashed with two bands of insurgents yesterday.

## Will Assist at Cooking Matinee



## MEN ADRIFT ON ICE ARE SAVED AS WIND VEERS

21 Still Floating on Lake Erie Floes but Miss Peril of Rocks

57 Swept Away in Blizzard But 36 Make own way To Shore Safely

BUFFALO, N. Y., Feb. 7.—(AP)—A tickle wind snatched more than a score of fishermen from almost certain death tonight and whirled the ice floe on which they were trapped out into the open waters of Lake Erie once again, raising fresh hopes of what they could only hold out until dawn.

Only a few degrees from north by northeast to east, did the treacherous wind that sweeps Lake Erie shift, but it was enough to drive the ice floe away from the Black Rocks of Sturgeon Point where veteran sailors of the Great Lakes had feared it would be smashed to fragments with its living freight.

Twenty-one fishermen were missing from their homes tonight and all were believed to be drifting helplessly several miles off shore in the grip of waves lashed to fury by a driving wind which blew throughout the day.

The wind died late tonight but long hours still must elapse before the turbulent waters of Lake Erie would sink to their normal level.

Fifty-seven men in all were trapped on floating ice when a blizzard swept down upon the Lake out of the northeast cutting them off from shore by a blinding curtain of snow which, for several hours, was made more intense by fog. Thirty-six of these hardy Great Lakes fishermen fought their own way to shore over miles of broken ice and open water or were rescued by coast guard crews who fought their way through the treacherous waters of the lake to reach them.

Willa Campbell, home economist demonstrator for the Tappan Stove company, will conduct the cooking matinees this year, through the courtesy of the Portland Gas & Coke company. She will be assisted by Rita Conner, well known home economist in the city of Salem.

Few people can talk and at the same time get the baking powder in the cake or the milk in at the right time, but these young women get in all of the ingredients and tell the reason why and why not, at the same time.

Variety Antidote For Drudgery

The only drudgery in today's housekeeping, with its wonderful ranges and astounding new methods of refrigeration, would be in making the same desserts for ten years and cooking the same meats in the same ways. It's eating the same old food day in and day out that gets monotonous. That's why the clever housewife is always on the lookout for new ideas—that's only one of the reasons for attending cooking matinees, buying new cook books, etc. It's a pleasure to fix our menu when it is filled with the unusual. When we have accomplished this, and have im-

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## Look at That Boy Go--Ah! It's Graham

NEW YORK, Feb. 7.—(AP)—Ladies and gentlemen of the newspaper reading audience—this is oyster cracker broadcasting from pier 6 of the Hudson river. We're all down here to see Graham McNamee take off for a holiday in Bermuda on the liner Duchess of York.

It's exactly 11 o'clock and a beautiful day. I wish I could describe this scenery to you, with the skyline of the city against the clear sky and the water lapping at the sides of the ship—here goes the liner away from its pier—maybe you can hear the whistles blowing—she's off, she's off.

But where's McNamee? Here he comes, running down the pier for all he's worth—ooooooook—at—that boy—go. Say, I've never seen anything like it folks this is a race to remember all your life. He'll make it, he'll make it. No, he's missed it.

It's just 55 seconds after 11 o'clock, folks, and McNamee has missed the boat by 55 seconds. But hold on. He's taking a tug. There he goes. It's gaining—gaining—it's alongside—there he goes, up the rope ladder, and he's aboard. Aboard. Now we'll turn the microphone over to Mr. McNamee: "Goodbye folks, Goodbye, we're off, everything's off."

You have been listening to Graham McNamee sailing for a vacation in Bermuda. The exact time is 11:02:30, eastern standard time—we now return you to our studios.

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## RIOT BREAKS OUT OVER BREAD PRICE

CHICAGO, Feb. 7.—(AP)—Serious disorder broke out tonight when police attempted to disperse a crowd of more than 500 persons in the Humboldt park district who had assembled to protest refusal of bakers to lower the price of bread from ten to six cents a loaf.

Police charged into the protesters and arrested five of them—two women, two men and a youth of 14. The crowd quickly gathered, however, and thronged through the streets bearing banners and posters demanding six-cent bread.

The outbreak had its inception several days ago when women of the district, convinced that ten cents was too much to pay for bread began picketing nine bakeries in the vicinity stopping prospective purchasers and advising them to boycott the bakeries.

The bakers retaliated by obtaining an injunction from Judge Dennis Sullivan. This afternoon a protest meeting was arranged in a west side hall attended by a capacity crowd vociferous in its demands.

Today it was announced that Ritchie—for President league branches had been formed in four additional states, bringing the number organized since the first of the year to 12.

## Ritchie Move is Under Way Now In 12 of States

BALTIMORE, Feb. 7.—(AP)—More than a year before the national party conventions, friends of Governor Albert C. Ritchie are attempting to set up organizations in every state to further his candidacy for the democratic nomination.

At the meeting broke up the crowd assembled in the street and began a march on one of the largest bakeries in the vicinity. Police appeared and made their arrests.

## Lad is Slain by Hit-Run Driver; Suspect is Held

PORLAND, Ore., Feb. 7.—(AP)—An unidentified boy, about 15 years old, was injured fatally here tonight by a hit-and-run motorist.

Later a man who said he was Ivan F. Sawyer, 38, of Portland, was arrested on a charge of driving while drunk and police began an investigation of the theory he was the driver of the death car.

## Report Chicago Needs New Cops

CHICAGO, Feb. 7.—(AP)—An entire new police force for Chicago was suggested in the report of the citizens' police committee, made public today.

The report said the committee is considering seriously the feasibility of seeking dismissal of the present force in its entirety, enrolling a complete force to operate under new statutes.

WAYS AND MEANS: What will be done with mounting state deficit, estimated to be \$4,000,000?

Will any curbing be done on increased appropriations asked for by state institutions of higher learning?

Will joint committee make good on its suggestion that budget must be balanced, no matter where ax falls?

AGRICULTURE: Will department of agriculture bill be enacted into law?

Will special tax be placed on oleomargarine to help butter producers?

## Hawley Like Tar Baby, He Say Nuttin'

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.—(AP)—The way of the tar baby worked again today, just as it did with Bre'r Rabbit.

Chairman Hawley of the house ways and means committee did not want to prognosticate about veterans' relief legislation and news reporters were laying a barrage of questions from every side.

Suddenly Hawley's blue eyes lit up as he recalled the Joel Chandler Harris stories and how Bre'r Rabbit insisted that the tar baby answer his greeting—how Bre'r Rabbit finally got all tangled up and angry without even a word from the patient tar baby.

"Remember Uncle Remus?" Hawley asked. "Remember tar baby and Bre'r Rabbit?"

As nods went around the circle, the chairman spread out his hands and blinked.

"Tar baby," Hawley impersonated, "he say nuttin."

## Y. W. CAMPAIGN IS TO START MONDAY

Over 50 Local Women Will Engage in Drive for Quota of \$7000

Recognition for the work done for Salem by the Y. W. C. A. and plea for liberal support of citizens in the finance campaign is contained in the following statement from Henry R. Crawford, president of the chamber of commerce, issued just before the annual Y. W. drive for funds:

"We all recognize that the Y. W. C. A. is doing splendid work in the community, useful work that should be appreciated by the people of Salem, "in its annual campaign for support beginning Monday, I trust our citizens by their pledges will make it possible for the association to continue its good work."

HENRY R. CRAWFORD, President Salem chamber of commerce.

Between 50 and 60 Salem women will start out early Monday morning to make the canvass of business houses and residents for pledges to the \$7,000 fund which the association is seeking to carry through its work for the present year.

Mrs. F. A. Elliott is in general charge of the campaign, and met yesterday with her captains and workers to outline final plans for the actual solicitations.

Teams. Captains Are Appointed

Captains of the teams are: Mrs. Helen Louise Crosby, Mrs. W. D. Clarke, Mrs. F. M. Erickson, Mrs. George Hug and Mrs. W. E. Anderson.

Mrs. Anderson's team will be composed of Mrs. J. M. Devers, Mrs. Leonard Nelson, Mrs. K. W. Fitzgerald, Mrs. Verne McIntyre, Mrs. W. J. Minkiewitz, Mrs. J. H. Farrar, Mrs. Frank Bowersox, Mrs. Fred Alvan Well, Mrs. M.

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## MEIER VIEW ON ROGUE CLOSING YET UNCERTAIN

Pre-Election Statement in Favor of Sportsmen Is Recalled

November Vote and Other Considerations may Change Outlook

By SHELDON F. SACKETT

What will be the fate of the Rogue river closing bill when it reaches the governor Monday?

It one belongs to the Senate Miller group of river closing enthusiasts the answer is immediate that the governor will sign it and the legislative battle on the Rogue, for this year at least, will be history.

Yet around the capitol this last week, after the bill had passed both houses and was being duly enrolled and signed, preparatory to submission to the governor, there arose persistent statements that Governor Meier would veto the bill and give the legislature a chance to show whether it was really for or against his views.

The idea of a veto, Rogue river closing proponents declare, is famous in view of Mr. Meier's pronouncement in Medford last summer that he wanted the stream reserved for sport fishing alone. The Rogue closing backers immediately picked this statement up and considered Governor Meier throughout the campaign as one of their own camp.

Possible Reasons For Veto Listed

There are three apparent reasons which may induce the governor to change his mind and to veto the bill.

1. The November vote. Mr. Meier has repeatedly said about "mandates of the people." He is of the majority and similar statements. Now the vote of the people has number, who are against closing the Rogue. Mr. Meier as governor sits on a risky teeter-totter. If he swings to the Medford speech and his own pronouncements, he goes against the people. If he vetoes the bill, standing with the people, he becomes inconsistent with his own statement. The situation is one where the people's vote and a candidate's platform do not coincide and yet the candidate won the election.

2. Clash over the port bill. Whether the governor may hold the whip hand on the matter after all, as he is said to be holding threat of veto of the Rogue river bill over the heads of those who have refrained from joining the yes-line on the port of Portland vote.

3. The pressure of the commercial fisheries. It is to the Josephine and Jackson county solons or to the legislators who are supposed to have traded votes on the port matter remains to be seen.

But in all events, Monday will see a big test in the situation.

Some Major Questions as Yet Unanswered by 36th Session of Oregon Legislature

UTILITIES: Shall Meier hydro-electric power conservation measure carry despite admitted conflict with federal law for some purpose?

Shall single commissioner be given power of utility regulation, with or without help of "advocate of the people" as proposed by Carey and Harlan?

What will be the fate of the grange power bill providing for generation and distribution of electrical energy by large districts?

TAXES: Shall 1929 intangibles tax, partially collected, be kept by state or returned to taxpayers?

Shall tax on income from intangibles be enacted, effective 1930 and thereafter?

Shall Representative Mott's resolution to ban direct ad valorem tax on property for state purposes, pass?

Will penalty be eliminated on delinquent taxes and 12 per cent interest rate reduced to eight?

GOVERNMENT EFFICIENCY: Shall state constabulary be established, abolishing traffic, game and fish warden, fire warden, and prohibition department organizations?

Shall Crawford bill prevail putting all independent commission funds into general fund for legislative budgeting and control?

HIGHWAYS: Shall one-mill tax on market roads be abandoned and money from license and gas taxes be pro-rated to counties in lieu of this tax?

Shall new short-cut route to coast from Portland be put on highway map?

PROHIBITION: Shall Upton bill to amend Oregon "bone-dry" law to make it conform to Volstead act be passed?

PUBLIC WEAL: Shall free textbooks, paid for by school children, be provided by legislative enactment for all school children?

Shall system of old-age pensions, beginning when applicant is 65, be provided for, each county to provide needed money?

SPECIAL MEASURES: Shall Tualatin tunnel bill be