

SURFACE CALM AT STATEHOUSE NO REAL PEACE

Hoss Wins Last Tilt From Meier and It Ranks; Holman Is Quiet

Budget, Electric Rates and Education Tangle are Other Issues now

By SHELDON F. SACKETT
Outwardly summer dullness is the lot of the state capitol. Vacation season is on. Activity in departments has fallen off in step with general slackness in business throughout the state. Governor Meier who always makes news has been away for a week and may not be on hand at any time during the coming seven days.

Yet all is not calm, clear and quiet on the political sky. Possibilities for a thunder-storm are plentiful and may enliven the summer before it ends. The Meier-Hoss feud is not at an end. The secretary of state apparently won a victory in his opposition to quarterly licenses. The governor, momentarily checkmated, renewed hope when it was felt he could win on a quarterly system in cooperation with Rufus C. Holman, state treasurer. But Holman balked and left the state printer with some unfinished and worthless stickers to send to the garbage heap.

Governor Doesn't Relish His Defeat

Governor Meier does not like defeat. And defeat is so publicly watched a matter as the license matter and by Hoss smarts. No good purpose of the state will be served by the continuance of the feud. It is there and may break forth at any time.

State Treasurer Holman Is Keeping Exceedingly Quiet

He would like to have obliged the governor on the license deal but could not bring himself to accept millions of dollars in a manner not provided for by law. The thought that he is the eventual successor to the Bull-frog throne is always with the treasurer. If he can continue to exercise his self-praised independence and keep the essential support of Governor Meier in Holman's own race, the state treasurer will have proved himself a master strategist.

Henry Hansen is Continuing to Mull Over the 1933-34 Budget

Exact figures on the state's present financial situation are not available but from preliminary figures as of August 1, Hansen can well know that all the economies made by the state in the last 12 months will leave a big deficit for the 1932 year, nevertheless. The latest occasioned by a tremendous falling off in the excise, intangibles and income tax incomes, well be, well over \$1,000,000.

Restoring Part of Property Tax, Issue

Hansen is wavering whether to cut the next biennium's budget down a third or whether to ask the state tax commission to restore some of the direct tax on property which it now appears was too quickly abandoned.

Utility Commission is Soon to Promulgate Its Order on the Northwestern Electric Company in Portland

Persons interested in the utility business are exceedingly anxious to know how Thomas will treat the \$10,000,000 of the capitalization of the Portland concern. The \$52,000 annual payment made to Electric Bond and share is another moot question to be solved. If Thomas orders a rate reduction, how about the Portland General Electric company who would have to cut rates accordingly? The utility commission will go to Tillamook later in the month to hold a public hearing on the Mountain States Power company's operations there. Meanwhile Tillamook citizens will have decided August 9 by ballot whether to create a utilities district. Much opposition to the rates of the Mountain States Power company exists in Tillamook. The company's financial structure has been made the subject of a thorough-going investigation by the auditors of the utilities commissioner. When the facts are given out, the citizens of Tillamook may find rate reductions possible through a revaluation of the power company's holdings in that district.

Police Enforcing Auto License Law

Police Superintendent Pray and his associates have been going steadily on in their enforcement of the auto license law. The police have been courteous, helpful but firm. The result has been a dearth of non-licensed cars on the road and the filling of the garages. License moneys have come in rapidly but the pace has been slower than in 1931 and the state will probably receive considerably less money than was expected from license income.

Leile M. Scott's Return to the Highway Commissioner's Office

Probably clears the air in that situation. The governor is understood to have agreed to leave the highway commission alone although such a policy is out of character with (Turn to Page 3, Col. 1)

Hill Crowded Out of Win But is Proclaimed Champion Sportsman



Here is the finish of the 5000-meter Olympic race in which Ralph Hill, former University of Oregon runner and Klamath Falls farm boy, was nosed out by Lauri Lehtinen of Finland. Although Lehtinen zigzagged across the track to force Hill to break stride and to prevent the Oregon man from passing him, Hill refused to protest or complain, thereby winning special plaudits from the crowd that booed Lehtinen unmercifully. The officials, possibly for the sake of international good will, ruled that Lehtinen was the winner but Hill shares in the new record.

HITLER SUPPORT IN GOVERNMENT ASKED

BERLIN, Aug. 6.—(AP)—While a wave of political terrorism swept through Germany today, the groundwork was laid for negotiations aimed at bringing about participation in the government by Adolf Hitler, leader of the turbulent national socialists. Hitler's headquarters in Munich made a great secret about where he was spending the week end, but political Berlin was convinced that in one of the Baltic sea-side resorts tomorrow he will tell General Kurt von Schleicher, the real power in the present ministry, what price the government must pay for his support. The latest suggestion in political circles is that Hitler will be brought into the ministry with-out portfolio and that his leading lieutenants—Hermann Goering, Gregor Strasser and Dr. Wilhelm Frick—will get cabinet positions.

Oregon Briefs

SALEM MEN ASSIST

PORTLAND, Aug. 6.—(AP)—A state-wide committee organized to fight repeal of Oregon's dry law at the November ballot will begin its work Monday, J. R. Ellison, Portland, general chairman, announced today. Committee members include: Edward Bailey, Eugene; Miss Bertha J. Beck and Thomas Bibb, Albany; Dr. Frank E. Brown, Dr. Carl G. Doney, Dr. M. C. Findley, H. S. Gile, Dr. M. A. Marcy, Sheldon F. Sackett and Thomas D. Yarnes, all of Salem.

AGREEMENT REACHED

PORTLAND, Aug. 6.—(AP)—Men working on federal aid emergency highway construction in this state will be paid 50 cents an hour, it was announced here today by the Oregon state highway commission and the bureau of public roads. It is the scale favored by labor as a minimum for public works projects, and is for a 30-hour

SHOWER OF STARS SET FOR THURSDAY

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 6.—(AP)—Astronomers predict the best shower of shooting stars in several years after midnight Thursday, Aug. 11. These flaming stars are the Perseid meteors, which have been visiting the earth annually in mid-summer for 1100 years. Usually they have to compete with moonlight, but this time the moon will be out of the way, for it sets around midnight. For this reason more than usual are expected to be visible. The Perseids are a vast elliptical ring of particles of cosmic dust and stones, two or three billion miles long, and about 50,000,000 miles wide. The great stream of dust circles the sun in a comet-shaped orbit. There is some doubt about the precise position of the dense portion of the stream, so that observers are warned to be on the lookout also after midnight the nights before and after Thursday.

Fight Dry Law Repeal Highway Wage 50 Cents Hitching Racks Needed Mazamas Go To Canada

WILL CLIMB PEAKS

PORTLAND, Aug. 6.—(AP)—Portland Mazamas club members left today for Vancouver, B. C., and from there will go to Black Tusk meadows. The Mazamas, mountain-climbing organization, will climb several snow-capped mountains near Black Tusk meadows. It is the first time they have attempted an invasion of Canadian mountain regions.

FOREST BLAZES RANGE THROUGH OREGON TIMBER

Homes of 50 Families Near Glenwood Threatened; Area is Evacuated

Valseltz Fire Controlled; Gale in Rogue Valley Creates Trouble

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 6.—(AP)—Fires ranged over several parts of Oregon today, the flames eating into green timber. The homes of 50 families in the Glenwood postoffice district were threatened. The worst fire in years in Curry county was tearing through White Cedar near the head of the Sixes river. The fire originated three days ago on Rowland creek.

The fifty families in the Glenwood district were taken from their homes as the flames bore down on them. Seventy men rushed from Forest Grove to night were attempting to save the homes. A fire at the head of Gales creek has extended over an eight-mile front and already covers 15,000 acres.

DALLAS, Aug. 6.—(Special)—

The forest fire which has been burning for the past few days in the Valseltz vicinity was reported today to have been brought at least partly under control. It was burning on both sides of the highway about 3 miles north and towards Valseltz. Little damage has been done so far as the area over which the fire is burning was all logged off some years ago. The fire line is about 4 miles long.

MEDFORD, Ore., Aug. 6.—(AP)—

A 24-mile-an-hour wind, going as suddenly as it came, (Turn to Page 8, Col. 3)

FIREMEN'S RATING DEFINITELY LISTED

Ranking of Salem firemen was put into the realm of certainty yesterday when the city recorder an order "fixing and classifying offices, places, positions and employment of the Salem fire department." All department employees are now officially listed as to position and time of entering the service. The department now consists of 25 men, 24 assistant chiefs, seven captains, an engineer, 13 drivers and 14 hosemen. William Iwan, assistant chief, leads the list for length of service. He entered the service on January 1, 1907. Next is Chief Harry Hutton who assumed his duties on January 1, 1915. Youngsters of the department are Floyd Smith, Sol Taylor and William Hendrickson, all of whom are drivers and took up their fire fighting activities here on May 26, 1930.

OFFICER SLAIN IN ELECTION RUMPUS

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Aug. 6.—(AP)—Light voting marked Kentucky's primaries today for United States senate and the lower house of congress, although ideal weather prevailed over the state. Only one serious disorder was reported. At Arjay, in Bell county, Deputy Sheriff Frank Bowman was shot to death and Henry Kirby, a miner, was stabbed during an election quarrel. Another miner was sought by officials for questioning.

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WALKER IS FREE ON BOND; LIBBY STILL IN HIDING

WINSTON SALEM, N. C., Aug. 6.—(AP)—Albert Walker, co-defendant with Libby Holman in the murder charge arising from the death of her husband, Smith Reynolds, obtained his release on bond today, while attorneys for the still missing Libby singer mapped their plans for a battle to keep her out of jail. Walker, 19-year-old chum of the young heir to tobacco millions, who was mysteriously shot a month ago today, was granted the still missing Libby singer mapped their plans for a battle to keep her out of jail.

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PIPES CANDIDATE

MEDFORD, Ore., Aug. 6.—(AP)—A. W. Pipes, former mayor here, said today he would file his petition Monday as independent candidate for county judge.

Jackson and Douglas Eye Empire Case

MEDFORD, Ore., Aug. 6.—(AP)—District Attorney G. A. Coddling said today that the Empire Holding Company cases, insofar as they concern Jackson county residents, would be called for consideration of the next grand jury. It is undecided yet whether this will be in mid-September or late October. Transcript of evidence and testimony in three trials already held have been received from the corporation commissioner's office.

The district attorney said he understood the corporation commissioner's office would produce evidence in Multnomah county and would be asked to do the same here. It is further understood that the Douglas county district attorney would bring the matter to the attention of the grand jury, if the citizens should file a direct complaint. The corporation commissioner recommended that future Empire trials be held in the three counties.

FRENZIED TRADING BRINGS STOCKS UP

Hopes of General Revival in Business Cause of Bullish Tendency

By CLAUDE A. JAGGER
NEW YORK, Aug. 6.—(AP)—A frenzy of trading such as Wall street had not witnessed in a half-day session in more than two years, the stock market completed a week of steeply rising prices with a big display of bullishness today.

The market was again swept upward on the wave of good cheer which has welled up with the more confident hopes of autumn business recovery, rather than by fresh indications of any marked change in the current business situation. Extreme gains in many issues ranged from \$1 to \$12 a share, and final prices were near the best.

WOOL BEING HELD FOR HIGHER PRICE

BOISE, Idaho, Aug. 6.—(AP)—A climb in wool prices that has carried the figures up to approximately double what they were last spring, has encouraged Idaho wool men to hold their clips, with bankers reported backing them in expectancy of still higher prices. Offers of 13 cents a pound were received in Boise today for clips which last spring drew offers of only six to nine cents a pound. Authoritative sources estimated a large portion of this year's clip is held by Idaho owners in storage in anticipation of better prices. The Idaho clip this year was computed by the United States department of agriculture statisticians at 15,035,000 pounds, from the backs of 1,920,000 sheep. This was a reduction from last year when the clip was 16,419,000 pounds from 2,134,000 sheep.

PEAK OF HEAT WAVE IS PAST; COOLER TODAY

Saturday Maximum but 97, Four Degrees Below Previous Mark

Smoke Will Continue With Fire Hazard Mounting in Forest Areas

	1932 Year	Max. Ago
Monday	79	97
Tuesday	90	93
Wednesday	94	84
Thursday	102	81
Friday	101	75
Saturday	97	75
Sunday	Cooler	88

For today and tomorrow, the forecast is cooler weather. Unless unexpected change should occur, the heat wave is definitely over for the present. Yesterday the maximum temperature fell to 97, four degrees less than on Friday. The minimum was 51. Picnic groups and other out-of-door parties may feel reasonably secure from rain. The weather forecaster predicts clear skies.

Smoke, however, will continue to clutter the atmosphere. The fire hazard is mounting rapidly with the forests dried out by the past few days' high heat. Cool and foggy at Coast Is Report. Salem residents returning from coastal points last night reported the weather there was cold and foggy, a decided change from conditions prevailing earlier in the week.

JOB SITUATION IS NOT SO GOOD NOW

"No jobs available, many persons unemployed," is the substance of a report which D. D. Dotson, assistant manager of the U. S.-Y. M. C. A. employment bureau here, made yesterday to E. J. Stack, Portland, state labor director.

While harvesting and haying are in full swing, the flood of transient and local labor is more than enough to supply the demand, he said. Hop picking will provide more jobs in two weeks or so but in most cases crews are already arranged for. Last week 39 men and one woman were placed at work through the bureau. Sixteen men and six women applied for jobs. Twenty of the men were put on cutting wood, 10 at common labor, four at selling, one at farming and one at hanging paper. The one woman hired was a housekeeper.

Bolivia Leader Opposed to All Outside 'Help'

LA PAZ, Bolivia, Aug. 6.—(AP)—President Daniel Salamanca, denying the Bolivian dispute with Paraguay over the Gran Chaco affected American peace, attacked neutral intervention in a message to congress tonight. Bolivia's foreign relations were cordial except for the Paraguayan dispute over territory in our Chaco territories," President Salamanca said.

Salem Rotarians Hosts To District Assembly

Salem Rotary club will host this week to the district assembly for district No. 1 of Rotary International, which includes the states of the northwest and British Columbia and Alaska. Presidents and secretaries of the 71 clubs of the district will assemble here to receive a course of instruction in Rotary directed by William McGilchrist, Jr., governor of the district. Many will be accompanied by their wives and a total attendance of some 200 is expected. The sessions will be held at the hall of representatives in the state house Monday morning and afternoon and Tuesday morning. Special breakfasts and luncheons will be held at the Marion hotel and Monday night a buffet supper followed by cards and dancing. It will be held at Ilabac club, which will be attended by the delegates, members of Salem Rotary club and members from other valley clubs.

Shut Off Water When Siren Sounds

The extreme hot weather and increased use of city water leads Fire Chief Harry Hutton to direct users of water to shut off their irrigation lines when they hear the fire siren sound.

First Shipment Of Pears Ready

MEDFORD, Ore., Aug. 6.—(AP)—The first shipment of Rogue River Bartlett pears will leave for Portland tomorrow for export shipment. The picking and packing of the Bartlett crop will start this week and will be general by August 15. Some pears picked Friday in some orchards will be held a week or 10 days before they are shipped east.

University Grads Seek To Lay Merger Issues At Door of Corvallis

Maybe Schrader Was Looking for Something Cool

PORTLAND, Aug. 6.—(AP)—Police said that Norman Eugene Schrader, 20, Seattle, was arrested here today after he had attempted a daylight hold-up at an ice cream company office. Schrader was taken captive by citizens aroused by the screams of Kathryn Nevill, who refused to heed Schrader's warning to get into a vault. Police reported.

HEAVY WATER USE IS TAXING SUPPLY

Division of Irrigation is Requested; Turn off at Fire Signal, Asked

"All hands to the pumps" has been the signal at the water company plant the last few days. Ever since Old Sol climbed the ladder and threw the searchlight on this valley water consumption has taxed the capacity of the local plant. The consumption has been running 6,250,000 gallons per day. All pumps are working to maintain pressure, yet so great has been the drain off that the company was forced Saturday to ask a division of hours for sprinkling. Those living north of Center street are asked to sprinkle in the mornings and those living south to irrigate in the evenings. By dividing the demand during this hot spell the management hopes to be able to keep up pressure.

The fire department is asking that all persons who are irrigating turn off the water tap whenever the fire siren blows in order to insure adequate pressure for fighting fires. The fire alarm is four blasts of the siren. Fire out signal is two blasts. Friday the shutting off of water in the city, unknown to the water company, caused a shut-down of one hour. The caretaker at the ditch at Stayton decided this was a good time to do the (Turn to Page 3, Col. 1)

WALKER TO REPLY TO CHARGES SOON

NEW YORK, Aug. 6.—(AP)—In a bitter attack on his accusers, Mayor Walker tonight said he would appear at a public hearing called by Governor Roosevelt for Thursday to "settle the bill in the real truth" about "these foul and outrageous accusations" on which his removal is sought. He charged the testimony produced against him at hearings of the Hofstadter legislative committee had been "purposely manipulated."

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