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WEATHER
Cloudy with occasional rain today and Fri.; Max. Temp. Wed. 53, Min. 37, river 16.2 feet, rain .06 inch, south wind.

EIGHTY-SECOND YEAR

SNOW SLIDE IN IDAHO KILLS 2, POSSIBLY MORE

"Death Trap" Canyon Again Claims Victims; Seven Persons Injured

Mine Workers Shoveling in To Determine Whether Any Others Caught

WALLACE, Idaho, Jan. 4 (AP)—Residents of Burke and Church Hill were warned tonight to evacuate their homes in Mammoth canyon, where a snow slide claimed two lives and injured seven persons at noon today.

Cliff-like mountains rise steeply on either side of the canyon, and thawing weather made new slides imminent. Burke and Church Hill, small mining communities, nestle in the canyon near where today's slide occurred.

Mrs. T. J. Powell, wife of a Wallace cleaner and dyer, and their five year old son, Glenn, were crushed to death and Powell was buried under eight feet of debris.

County Coroner is Among the Injured
The other victims: Dr. H. C. Mowery, Shoshone county coroner, had cuts and bruises, possibly internal injuries.

Mrs. C. M. Stillwell, had bruises, cuts and shock. Franklin, her five year old son; Raymond Herring, miner; Lloyd Simpson, miner, cuts, bruises and shock.

Nearly 300 mine workers, aided by a steam shovel, dug into the debris tonight, seeking possible other victims and attempting to clear the highway and Union Pacific railroad tracks leading to Burke and the large Hecla mine.

GUY NEW HEAD OF DALLAS CHAMBER

DALLAS, Jan. 4.—(Special)—N. G. Galus was elected president of the Dallas chamber of commerce at the annual meeting held here tonight.

The chamber members voted to go on record as opposed to any reduction in the high school tuition and transportation law, and will have a speaker, Oscar Hayer, to outline the chamber's attitude when this matter comes up at the taxpayers' meeting here tomorrow.

The group voted support of the county court in any action it may take on the proposed budget.

Marlene to Go To Work, Studio Will Drop Suit

HOLLYWOOD, Cal., Jan. 4.—(AP)—Marlene Dietrich will go to work, the Paramount studios announced today and the studio will drop the \$182,850.06 damage suit filed against the German-born actress Monday in the federal court at Los Angeles.

Unknown Woman Victim of Crash

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 4.—(AP)—An unidentified woman, about 70, died in a hospital here tonight from injuries suffered when she was struck by an automobile while she was crossing a Portland street.

Just a Little Over 14 Millions In Gold; From Britain to U. S.



If you thought that the only gold remaining in the country is that in the nation's teeth, take a look at this. Those neat little boxes, shown being unloaded from the liner Majestic into armored cars at New York, contain \$14,000,000 worth of gold bullion.

HOLDUP STAGED AT PHILOMATH'S BANK

Car Used by Bandits Found Near Wren; \$2078.97 is Loot of Quartet

PHILOMATH, Ore., Jan. 4.—(AP)—Three robbers held up the Philomath State bank today, took \$2078.97 in cash and some travelers' checks from the bank and \$50 from the assistant postmaster, and escaped in an automobile driven by an accomplice.

State police reported later today that the automobile in which the bandits made their escape was found in a garage at the old Miller sawmill in Gelliaty's canyon, a mile and a half west of Wren.

Two of the men entered the bank at 11 a. m. and asked for C. W. Davis, president. When they made certain that Mrs. Cora Recotte, assistant cashier, and Erma Byington, bookkeeper, were alone in the bank, they called the third robber, who entered with his revolver drawn.

Complying with the gunman's order, Mrs. Recotte handed over the cash on the counter and the robber took in addition a bag containing \$50 in postal funds, which Mrs. Cummings was carrying.

THIRTY VICTIMS OF FIRE ON BIG LINER

Asphyxiated or Burned to Death; Most of Crew Reach Port Safely

CHERBOURG, France, Jan. 4.—(AP)—The magnificent south Atlantic liner Atlantic tonight drifted a smoking wreck in the English channel off the Isle of Guernsey, a tomb for 30 of her crew reported missing by the captain.

The victims either burned to death or were asphyxiated at their posts in a fire which swept the vessel with lightning rapidity. There were conflicting reports about how many were aboard as the vessel was en route to Harve without passengers for overhaul, but 127 men reached Cherbourg tonight in three vessels.

The Atlantic, owned by the Compagnie de Navigation Sub-Aquatique, was en route to Cherbourg, carrying 127 men and 127 women, and 127 children.

Oregon Briefs

NOT HALF FOWLS SOLD
ROSEBURG, Jan. 4.—(AP)—Oregon growers started loading the January pool at McMinnville today. It is expected the pool will amount to 7500 fowls, all destined for California markets in response to urgent orders.

McKinley Huntington, president of the association, reports that the members have marketed only about 40 per cent of their turkeys so far this season.

REQUIEM MASS TODAY
PORTLAND, Jan. 4.—(AP)—Mrs. Marie Howard, mother of Most Rev. Edward D. Howard, archbishop of the Roman Catholic archdiocese of Portland in Oregon, died last night at her home here. She had been in ill health for some time.

QUEER TANGLE ARISES
ASTORIA, Jan. 4.—(AP)—George Sigurdson, claiming election to the office of auditor and police judge at Warrenton, Ore., near here, today requested District Attorney Willis West to institute action in district court to force C. Barlow to surrender the office.

State Turkey Pool Opens Archbishop's Mother Dies City Office is Contested Mahoney Becomes Mayor

REPORT OF TRUCE OFFERS IS DENIED

Japanese say no Ultimatum Sent; Casualties in Fighting Heavy

TOKYO, Jan. 5.—(Thursday)—(AP)—Japanese casualty reports, given out today, show that Tuesday's fighting in the possession of the important Chinese city, Shanhaiwan, was one of the bloodiest in the 15 months of undeclared war between the Japanese and Chinese.

Four Japanese officers and fifteen enlisted men were killed in the bitter fighting in which naval, and land forces engaged, while three officers and 99 enlisted men and five Manchukuo guards were wounded.

The Japanese asserted they counted about 500 Chinese dead on the battlefield, including the regimental commander.

It was believed, furthermore, that Japanese air bombs and destroyers' gunfire killed many other Chinese, some of them civilians, at points some distance from the city.

RIVER REACHES HIGH MARK BUT DUE TO REGEDE

Falling at Albany; Level Here is 16.2 Feet but Rise is Leisurely

Coos-Railway Service Again Normal but one Highway Blocked for Week

The Willamette river appeared to have reached about the peak of the present high water at 11 o'clock last night at the 16.2 foot point, according to the weather bureau gauge. This was a rise of but 0.2 foot in eight hours and of 0.4 in 16 hours.

Employees in the city engineer's office reported virtually all of the trouble from overflow conditions in southeast Salem past Mission street, closed Monday on account of water rushing over the bridge, and other streets were open to traffic.

WAR DEBT TARGET IN SENATE DEBATE

Hiram Johnson, Borah and Others Discuss Issue; Farm Bill Looms

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.—(AP)—Pent up feeling on war debts touched off an uproar of debate in the senate today to contrast sharply with house calm as it passed the \$31,000,000 first deficiency bill today.

The senatorial discussion ranged from France's refusal to pay the \$19,000,000 installment due the United States December 15, to ways of getting out of depression's slough.

Senator Hiram Johnson of California, began it with an exhortation to honor President-Elect Roosevelt for declining to consent to the appointment of a commission to deal with the debts problem," Johnson said.

Others plunged in. Reed, Pennsylvania republican, a supporter of Hoover, Democrats or republicans, were not responsible for the moratorium, but that President Von Hindenburg of Germany inaugurated the move which led to its adoption.

Senator Borah, Idaho republican, said emergency relief and solution of other economic problems overshadowed the debts.

Late Sports

PORTLAND, Jan. 4.—(AP)—Pat Reilly of Boston, won on a foul over Al Karasick of Portland, in the main event of tonight's wrestling card here, after Karasick flayed Reilly with a battery of rights and lefts, then chased Referee Verne Harrington around the ring and ripped the shirt off his back. Reilly weighed 199 and Karasick 183.

Robert Sawyer, member of the Portland boxing commission which is also charged with regulating wrestling here, was present and ordered Karasick's purse held up pending an investigation.

Reilly won the first fall in 10 minutes with a flying tackle, and 10 minutes later Karasick evened it up with a fall by means of a flying reverse headlock. Grappling for the final fall, Reilly grabbed Karasick around the neck and pulled him down with his free hand pumped uppercuts to the Russian's chin. Karasick retaliated with a series of piston punches to Reilly's jaw, knocked Harrington down and ripped his shirt off his back. Reilly won the match and awarded the match to Reilly.

In the semi-windup Henry Jones of Provo, Utah, 145, defeated Spike Ashby of Flint, Mich., 147, two falls out of three. Fred Marocco of Portland, 175, defeated Herman Olsen, Portland, 175, in the opener.

Heads Gridiron Rule Jugglers



Walter Okeon of Lehigh, who has been named chairman of the football rules committee to succeed the late E. K. Hall of Dartmouth, Okeon, one of the country's foremost authorities on the gridiron game, is also commissioner of the Football Officials' association.

NO DEMOCRATIC BLOC ACTIVE IN STATE SESSION

Bourbons Divided on Taxing Issues; Bitter Battle on Sales Levy Faced

Brown, Burke, Spaulding on "No" Side; Majority is Deemed Favorable

By SHELDON F. SACKETT
No democratic "bloc" to oppose or uphold specific legislation before the special session exists, prominent Democratic house and senate leaders declared yesterday. This is particularly true regarding the sales tax measures, democratic leaders yesterday indicating a diversity of opinions on the wisdom or folly of this proposal.

The interests of the state, not partisanship, is dominant with legislators, one prominent house democrat said yesterday, adding that he would not favor any move to form a coalition of the party which for the first time in many years has a considerable group in both houses.

While a survey of the democratic position quashed newspaper talk that a cabal was forming in those ranks against any new and special taxes, it was evident yesterday at the capitol that sturdy opposition to the various tax measures was developing.

Burke, Brown and Spaulding Opposed
The Brown-Burke, Spaulding, et al, group appeared certain opponents of new taxes, contending that expenses must be drastically reduced to prevent the need of new levies or if the latter are not to be made, that they shall not come directly from the consumer and the retailer.

Extension of the special session of the legislature into next week seemed certain here last night when house leaders thought it unlikely the sales tax bill would come out of committee until late today or probably until Friday.

WHOLESALE SEEDS PLANT IS DAMAGED

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 4.—(AP)—The A. M. Hand wholesale seeds plant of Portland was damaged to the extent of about \$8,000 by fire which broke out in one of the buildings today.

Ten fire fighting units, including two fire boats, fought the stubborn flames for more than an hour before they finally were able to bring them under control.

Fire investigator Roberts said the blaze, of undetermined origin, started near the elevator shaft on the second floor.

Five employees, in the building when the fire broke out, escaped without injury. A. M. Hand, president of the company, was one of those escaping.

HEAD OF GRANGE FIGHTS PROGRAM FOR SALES LEVY

Proposal Born in Wall Street, Propagandized by Wealthy Persons Seeking to Dodge Taxation, Says Ray W. Gill At Hearing; Applause Indicates Most of Gallery is in Sympathy With Organization's Stand

Speakers Question Validity of Deficit Claims, Voicing Challenge of Necessity for any new Revenue; Charles Galloway Defends Mississippi System, at Hearing Held By House and Senate Taxation Committees

THE state grange, through its official representatives, moved into action here last night against the proposed sales tax and judged by sustained applause and impassioned oratory, scored an initial victory in the impending legislative fight over the new proposal in state taxation.

Ray W. Gill, state grange master speaking in the house chambers before the senate and house committees on taxation, and a large audience, characterized a state sales tax as the "most vicious tax measure ever proposed in Oregon."

He declared the tax was promoted in Wall street, propagandized throughout the nation and was a movement on the part of people with large incomes to escape taxation.

SESSION MAY LAST INTO COMING WEEK

Sales tax Bill out Late Today, Maybe Friday; Relief Bills in

Committee members said after the hearing last night that the committee would go into session after the house convened and adjourned this morning. An extended debate on the floor of the house impends.

Two additional bills, both looking toward unemployment relief and economies in government, have been prepared for introduction in the house. One by Representative Lewis provides a system of stamped script, payment of governmental expenses half in cash and half in script, and to provide jobs for the unemployed in self-liquidating projects.

The other, which will be introduced tomorrow, would arbitrarily reduce taxes levied by all tax-levying bodies in the state 20 per cent. The bill would apply in 1932 to taxes levied by counties, cities, school districts, road districts, drainage and irrigation districts, port districts and all other tax units in the state.

Deaths in Auto Crashes Fewer In 1932, Report

CHICAGO, Jan. 4.—(AP)—There were 13 per cent fewer persons killed in automobile accidents during 1932 than in the previous year, the national safety council estimated today.

Total fatalities were given as 29,000, the lowest toll since 1928 when 27,996 deaths were reported. Less traffic and more effective safety efforts were cited as the reasons for the decline in fatalities.

Dances Proposed to aid Police Radio Installation

Looking for some method of financing installation of a police short wave radio transmitter here, and knowing that scant assistance may be obtained from the city treasury, Chief Frank Minto last night inquired:

"Will the business men and other citizens back us up by patronizing a policeman's dance as they did several years ago?"

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The contents and buildings are owned jointly by the Hand organization and the Jenks, White Seed company of Salem, Ore., except for about 3,000 pounds of government owned seed.

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SNOWBISH MAN KILLED
SHERBURN, Wash., Jan. 4.—(AP)—John D. Bird, 54, of Snohomish, a candidate for the republican nomination for state land commissioner in 1932 and 1933, was killed tonight when his automobile left the highway two miles south of here and turned over in a ditch.

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Estimates proffered by a local radioistrian but the cost of a transmitter and receivers for the cars at \$900. He proposes to operate the station at his shop, with microphone connection at the police station.

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As a transmitter of 25 watts power, such as specified in the city's application filed with the federal radio commission, would be effective over a radius of at least 10 miles, city police believe state funds might be obtained for use of the station by state police, which would be inevitable.

Operation of the transmitter would make it possible for the day and night emergency officers, who now spend most of their time at headquarters awaiting calls, to cruise about the city, giving added protection.

The Day in Washington

(By the Associated Press)
Senators Johnson (R., Cal.) and Borah (R., Idaho) led debate opposing war debts cancellation.

President Hoover asked Secretary Hurley for report on Philippine independence bill with veto considered certain.

House passed \$31,000,000 first deficiency bill.

Senator Harrison (D., Miss.) proposed senate finance committee study of causes of nation's economic troubles to help find way back to prosperity.

Chamber of commerce of the United States proposed \$1,100,000,000 slash in federal appropriations as treasury reported \$1,150,586,500 deficit for six months ended December 30.

Charles Zorzan of Salem, speaking as a taxpayer, declared the state was not insolvent, and should avoid either a sales or property tax in 1933. He said the state should postpone its obligations like any other creditor.

Albert Slaughter, member of the executive committee of the state grange, characterized official statements about the existing state deficit as "clear as mud" and launched a biting attack on allegedly poor state practice in handling the item of unexpended legislative balances. He declared only a minor deficiency existed in state funds.

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Charles Galloway, speaking as a taxpayer, defended the Mississippi sales tax plan which preceding speakers had assailed as a courageous, modern system of taxation. "Many eloquent, passionate and incorrect statements have been made here," Galloway said. "I am willing to keep an open mind and to look for good and improvements in taxation wherever I find them."

Wanted Tax Persons Able to Pay, Claim
Galloway justified the proposed sales tax on the ground it was only paid when actual transfers were made and because it extracted some revenue from persons able to pay. He defended a three-part taxation system which (Turn to page 2, col. 5)