

WEATHER
Unsettled with rain today and Sunday, continued cold; Max. Temp. Friday 38, Min. 27, river 3.5 feet; south winds, cloudy.

EIGHTY-SECOND YEAR

BAUGHN'S TRIAL MAY BE WOUND UP BY TONIGHT

State Rests, two Defense Witnesses Heard in Friday Session

Efforts to Show Robnett's Slaying Premeditated Totally Blocked

A procession of witnesses yesterday completed the state's picture of the killing for which William H. Baughn is on trial in circuit court here, and at 3:30 o'clock the defense opened its story, placing a character witness and a dentist on the stand before adjournment came.

The case will be resumed at 9 o'clock this morning, but it is considered unlikely it will be finished today. Arguments to the jury will likely go over until Monday morning.

Two links in the state's case were paramount yesterday: identification of the blood-stained pocket knife taken from Baughn by Constable Henry Smith of Stayton the night of the killing; and Baughn's statement when arrested by Smith that he "had differed with Robnett and figured he'd got him."

Premeditation Claim Evidence Blocked
Efforts of the state again yesterday to build up evidence of premeditation were blocked, when the court upheld defense objections to an attempt to show that Baughn had bought shells on the day of the murder.

S. O. Burkhardt, last of the 17 witnesses for the state, testified that Baughn told him the knife exhibited belonged to Baughn and that he did the stabbing with it. Burkhardt, former deputy sheriff here, also stated he saw no bruises or discolorations on Baughn on November 14, but a cut on his upper lip and a loose tooth.

Defense has attempted at several times to bring out on cross examination that Baughn's throat bore a bruise. Defense will today build up a plea of self defense, in which such a bruise is expected to figure. One of the two defense witnesses produced yesterday was Dr. O. A. Olson, dentist, who testified to removing a loose tooth from Baughn's mouth November 16, in which extraction a piece of jawbone adhered to the tooth. The state elicited the statement from the witness that in extractions it is not unusual for a small portion of the jawbone to adhere to the tooth.

Cross examination seemed to nullify for the time, the defense effort. Olson testified that two lower teeth of Baughn's were loose, that he observed a cut on the lip, but no other marks about the face. He said he did not see the throat.

Series of State Witnesses Heard
Witnesses for the state yesterday included Leonard Noe, also on the previous day. L. L. Jones, a neighbor of the Shocks who was being summoned to the Robnett house by Mrs. Shocker, and of the condition of the injured man when he arrived; Roy Elliott, forest ranger, who also went to the Robnett home, attempted to aid the dying man and brought him to hospital here in his car.

Everett Phillip, constable at Mehama, who told of the statement made by Baughn at Stayton; North Smith, who was with Officer Henry Smith at time of arrest; Charles Gleboier, who met Baughn going to the Newport store after the slaying; Roy Newport, to whose store Baughn went after the murder and who testified that Baughn had a rifle when he came to the store and with whom Baughn stayed most of the time until the officers arrived; Henry Beard, another neighbor, George Scott and Byron Davis.

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NEW TRIAL ASKED IN STARKER CASE

Motion for new trial in the damage action brought by Frank Monner against J. A. Starker as result of death of Francis Monner last February in an automobile accident, was filed by Monner's attorney yesterday.

Grounds for the new trial motion are error in law, and irregularity in proceedings of the defendant in jury, by which the plaintiff was prevented from fair trial.

Uncle Sam's Only Lady Soldier Veteran of Twenty-Five Years



On the eve of packing her kitbag before sailing for another "hitch" in the Philippines, Warrant Officer Olive L. Hoskins, who bears the distinction of being the only honest-to-goodness woman soldier in the United States army, looks back over her twenty-five years service with Uncle Samuel's fighting forces. And the only fault she has to find with her career is that she was denied the privilege of going overseas with the army during the World War. Miss Hoskins has been an army clerk since 1907 when she took a civil service examination in the Philippines. On the United States entering the World War, she did all in her power to persuade the powers that be to allow her to go "over there," but her request was refused. During the period of hostilities she was attached to an intelligence unit, a job she found interesting, if not so hazardous. Warrant Officer Hoskins will be eligible for retirement on pension in five years. But she declares she has no intention of leaving the army "while they need me."

CHANGES IN GAME LAW NOT DESIRED

Corrigan Gives Figures to Show Enforcement now Efficient, Cheap

The state game commission is not in favor of cluttering up the game code with any more laws, members told the joint game committee of the senate and house at a meeting Friday.

"We will be satisfied to carry out the so-called 10-year wild life program without interference," Matt Corrigan, chairman of the state game commission said.

Corrigan suggested that the money now used in paying bounty on predatory animals be utilized for the employment of experienced hunters.

"The records show that the costs of conducting the state game department have decreased materially during the past six years," Corrigan continued. "This was made possible through reductions in salaries, cuts in operating expenses, and other retraining."

Corrigan said the game commission probably would introduce a bill later in the session under which it would have authority to designate open and closed seasons without waiting for legislative action.

Fred Wagner of Portland asked Corrigan to explain the attitude.

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The Day in Washington

By the Associated Press
President Hoover and President-elect Roosevelt agreed at conference to open war debt negotiations with Great Britain.

House judiciary committee approved bankruptcy legislation to help individual debtors and corporations.

President Hoover in statement expressed regret that democratic house did not approve his reorganization proposals.

Senator Robinson (R., Ind.), led criticism on senate floor of France's default in December 15 war debts payment.

TORNADO STRIKES, FIVE NEAR DEATH

Score Hurt Less Severely, Many Homeless; Town Buildings Damaged

PARIS, Tex., Jan. 20—(AP)—Five persons were injured so severely they were not expected to survive tonight as a tornado struck in the darkness in a farming community 40 miles northeast of Paris, injuring more than a score of others less seriously and leaving many families homeless.

Residents of nearby towns saw the towering cloud approaching, illuminated by flashes of lightning, and it was believed many persons escaped injury by fleeing to underground storm cellars with which most of the small town and farm homes of the region are provided.

Ten buildings were demolished at Manchester, including the church and the school building. Other structures torn to pieces by the twister were residences, business buildings and barns.

Roads of the countryside were nearly impassable and in the darkness doctors and rescue workers attempting to reach the scene had difficulty in locating those injured.

Intoxication is Charged Against Two Motorists

City police last night arrested two motorists on charge of driving while drunk. F. M. Caldwell, 28, of Portland, and C. E. Daugherty, 34, of 1595 South 12th street. Daugherty also was charged with causing an accident. His car struck a truck driven by Tex Bachman of Portland at Marion and Liberty streets. Damage to both machines was slight.

In jail, Daugherty protested that he was not driving his car, but that a youth who accompanied was.

Rain to Remove Portland Snow; Mercury Rising

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 20—(AP)—A light snow adding to Portland's heaviest fall in three years changed to a steady rain shortly after dusk today and Portland expected to see its white blanket disappear before daylight.

Higher temperatures prevailed and gave promise that the rain would continue. Burns, in the interior, saw the mercury drop to 15 degrees below zero early today while Pendleton in the eastern section reports heavy frosts and a minimum of 13 above.

RELIEF POLICY IS ANNOUNCED BY EXECUTIVE

At Least Half Million to Add to Federal aid is Request of Meier

Committee Headed by R. B. Wilcox to Administer Aid Through State

A message that Governor Meier described last night as a reminder to the legislature not to postpone consideration of relief measures was read before the house and senate Friday.

"I urge upon you the necessity of including in your plans for raising revenue the provision of a fund of not less than \$500,000 for unemployment relief," the governor said to the state's lawmakers.

"This problem is immediate and urgent. It involves the welfare of 60,000 registered unemployed citizens who with their dependents will suffer need during the coming months unless prompt action is taken."

The executive recommended creation of a seven-member state relief commission, to serve without pay and to be dissolved by executive proclamation when the present emergency is passed.

Most Act Before
Asking U. S. Funds
In oral comment later, Governor Meier declared it necessary that the state take definite action on relief before greater demands are made for aid from the federal government.

"Loans totaling \$980,538 have been made to 12 counties by the reconstruction finance corporation," the message said. "Indications are that additional applications will be made by a majority of counties."

Explaining that the federal government held him personally responsible for proper disposal of relief funds, Governor Meier declared that magnitude of the situation exceeded the capabilities of relief effort and therefore advised creation of the relief commission.

Legislative action will be required to make enforceable the provisions under which federal funds are allowed, the message said. Loans, it was explained, are deductible from future federal aid highway allotments unless other arrangements are made for payment.

Every county that has received a federal loan has agreed to reimburse the state from its general fund or from its share of motor vehicle license funds in the same amount and time as federal aid highway funds are.

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23 LIVES ARE LOST IN GIGANTIC BLAST

MEXICO CITY, Jan. 20—(AP)—Twenty-three persons were reported killed and many injured in an explosion of 60 boxes of dynamite at Morelia today.

Complete details were lacking at first, but it was said the catastrophe was caused by the act of a henchman for the national roads commission.

A number of houses near the site of the reported explosion were said to have been destroyed by fire.

Those injured were being cared for in Morelia hospitals, according to reports.

Foreign residents were said to be participating in relief activities and giving heavily to funds for caring for the injured and destitute.

Transfer of funds from the veterans' state aid commission and from the highway commission will begin today as a means of saving off the threat of warrant issues. State Treasurer Holman indicated in a series of statements Friday.

A notification to the governor declared that the cash balance of \$37,710.02 in the general fund at start of business yesterday would be depleted within 24 hours, Holman advised the executive that unless directed to the contrary, his office would exercise an option authorized by the veterans' commission and transfer \$150,000 of its monies to the state general fund.

Another communication sent to Chairman Leslie Scott said the treasurer's office would without further notice make transfer from the highway fund to the general fund from time to time as needed. The action would be taken, Holman said, in accordance with an agreement reached orally with the highway commission at the financial meeting held in Governor Meier's office Wednesday.

Nice, but Let's See That Rival



Disagreeing with students who recently selected Miss Eleanor Arthur as the most beautiful girl at the University of Arizona, a board of judges composed of three nationally-known artists, has selected Miss Betsy Tuthill (above) as their choice for the most beautiful title.

Miss Tuthill is a tall brunette, the daughter of a minister, who is a sophomore at the university.

SCOUT YEAR OPENS; OFFICERS INDUCTED

Irl McSherry new President For Area; Report Shows Gain Despite Times

The year's work of Boy Scouts for this area was launched last night at a meeting of the Cascade Area council, held at the Marion hotel. New officers were installed, reports of the past year heard, and policies outlined for the new year.

The officers who will serve are: Irl McSherry, president; William Phillips, scout commissioner; Zeb Merrill, Albany, Dr. F. D. Brazeau, Dallas, Custer Ross, Silverton, Col. Clifford Irwin, Salem, vice-presidents; Willis Clark, treasurer.

President Irl McSherry announced the appointment of the following committees: Court of honor, Judge H. H. Belt, A. C. Haag, E. M. Page, J. T. Delaney; finance, Willis Clark, Tom Windishar; troop organization, O. E. Palmateer; camping, William Phillips; Carl Nelson, leadership; Howard Zinner, Rev. G. H. Swift; publicity, C. A. Sprague; reading, Dean George Alden; health, Dr. V. A. Douglas, Dr. B. F. Pound, Dr. C. A. Downs; civic service, Gardner Knapp; sea scouting, Herman Brown; rural scouting.

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Request of New Trial for Ream Eyed by Walker

DALLAS, Jan. 20.—In the case of L. H. Ream in circuit court here in which lawyers for the defendant asked for a new trial, Judge Arlie G. Walker today took the motion under advisement. Decision may be reached Monday.

Testimony was heard this morning in the Winslow vs. Delaney circuit court case, Judge Fred Brand of Hillsboro, presiding. At noon agreement out of court was announced and the case was adjourned.

Attorneys for Winslow were Custer Ross, Guy Smith, and for Mrs. Delaney, A. K. McMahon and Allan Carson.

Start Transfer of Funds To Avoid Warrant Issues

Another reverberation of the Meier-Holman feud was evident, in discussing the financial situation Holman charged "it is obvious that the governor desires to embarrass the treasurer's office and me personally."

"We have been aware for days that there would be an effort made to thwart the efforts of this office to discharge duties with which it is vested by law, and from accomplishing its desire to protect the general fund and thereby keep the state off a warrant basis, so the governor could make a grandstand play of saving the day."

"The whole procedure is identical," Holman charged, "with the procedure adopted by the governor when persecuting Mr. Hone last year relative to publicity concerning the issuance of temporary automobile license plates."

In his statements relative to the transfer of funds to the general fund Holman specifically pointed out that he did not make any promise as to when funds loaned would be returned.

PLAYGROUND IN MT. JEFFERSON AREA OUTLINED

Boundaries for Primitive Region are Explained At Meeting Here

Issue of Excluding Marion And Pamela Lakes is Discussion Topic

Depicting the proposed enlarged Mt. Jefferson primitive area as having the best possibilities of any region in Oregon, F. W. Cleator, national forest recreation engineer, outlined the tentative boundaries for the new area and explained steps which would be taken to preserve its natural charm, for chamber of commerce directors, city and county officials and leaders in the Chemeketa club, last night. The move to create the new area was instituted by the Salem chamber of commerce.

The old Mt. Jefferson primitive area would be extended southward to include a total of 86,700 acres, an increase of 34,700 acres, he said. The new area, which is traversed by the famous Skyline trail, would be 45 miles in length north and south, and would include 110 lakes, of which 75 or 80 could be successfully stocked with trout.

Would Regulate Cutting of Timber
Impairing of recreational and scenic values of the area would be guarded against by stringent regulations of commercial timber cutting, grazing and road building. Establishment of commercial resorts and airplane landing fields within this area would be prohibited. Evacuation of signs, as far as possible, would be required to preserve the primitive atmosphere.

F. V. Horton of Portland, assistant regional forester, explained the establishment of the area. When the plan is agreed upon locally, it will be submitted to the national forester for action. Senator Charles L. McNary has been working for creation of the area.

As outlined, the area boundaries would run a few miles east of the North Santiam highway and extend south to within about a (Turn to page 2, col. 3)

CONTROL OF LIQUOR PROVIDED BY BILL

A beer bill which would create a liquor control commission and provide adequate machinery to prevent the return of the saloon will be introduced in the house Monday.

The bill will be sponsored by Representative Beckman of Multnomah county, who has made a three months study of liquor legislation and control in Canada. Beckman's bill authorizes the sale of beer in packages at drug stores, grocery stores and other retail establishments. It provides that none of the liquor shall be drunk on the premises where it is sold, with exception of restaurants and hotels.

Beer would be provided with meals in restaurants and hotels. Meals are defined in the bill in order to prevent small shops from taking advantage of the liquor privilege.

A tax of five cents a keg is levied against the beverage, and all distributors must pay a tax to the state. A \$50 tax would be assessed against brewers.

Late Sports

WALLA WALLA, Wash., Jan. 20—(AP)—A fierce second half drive by Whitman pulled a basketball game out of the fire here tonight and defeated Pacific university 43 to 38 in the first of a two-game series. In the first 10 minutes of play the Badgers ran the score to 12-4 in their favor and by the end of the half it stood 23 to 13 for Pacific.

Frank Clark, Whitman freshman, who was put in as substitute forward when the score was 14 to 4 against the Missionaries, led the drive to turn the tide in Whitman's favor.

SEATTLE, Jan. 20—(AP)—George (Wildcat) Rete, Eugene, Ore., welterweight grappler, took a one-half wrestling exhibition here tonight from Des Anderson, Tacoma, dumping Anderson in the fourth round with an airplane spin. Anderson was unable to return to the ring at the start of the next round.

In the semi-final, Henry Jones, Provo, Utah, welterweight, took two out of three falls to win from Ray Ryan, Los Angeles. The odd fall came in the fifth round with a whip wristlock.

MEDFORD, Ore., Jan. 20—(AP)—Medford high's basketball team won a rough and spectacular game from the Klamath Falls team 19 to 18 here tonight. The winning basket was shot by Howells, forward, in the last minute of play.

WATER COMPANY READY TO DICKER ON PLANT PRICE

Elliott Says Oregon-Washington Firm Will Dismiss Suit Over Validity of Bond Issue if Agreement Made on Figure City Will pay; Council Takes no Action but Indicates Bond Validity Should be Tested

Question of Whether Negotiation Would be Legal Since Offer Made in Accordance With Charter Amendment Was Rejected, Raised by Townsend; Amount Company Will ask Withheld by President

At a specially convened session of the city council yesterday afternoon President E. C. Elliott of the Oregon-Washington Water Service company submitted a proposition that the city and the company endeavor to agree on a purchase price and then enter into a contract or option agreement and avoid the expense of a condemnation suit.

He said that in event such agreement was made the company would consent to the dismissal of the pending suit with prejudice over the validity of the bond issue of \$2,500,000 which was voted in December, 1931.

While the city council did not reject the proposal the opinion was generally expressed that the suit should be continued for a definite determination of the validity of the bonds.

President Elliott stated that the elongation of the controversy was unsatisfactory both to the company and the city, that a condemnation suit would be expensive to both sides and productive of delay.

He said he recognized in the present state of the bond market it would not be possible for the city to market a large block of bonds. Accordingly he proposed that if a price could be agreed on the city and company enter into a contract under which the city could take over the plant and payment could be made as soon as the bonds could be sold. Any additions or improvements in the meantime which the city ordered would be added to the agreed purchase price.

Alderman Townsend raised the question whether the city could purchase by negotiation after the company had rejected the offer submitted in accordance with the charter amendment. He read from the rejection, the council should proceed either by condemnation or by building a new system. Attorney Keyes, for the water company, said that if a price could be agreed on it could be validated in a friendly condemnation suit.

Alderman Frank Needham asked Mr. Elliott: "Could you say what your figure would look like on a blackboard?" Elliott hesitated to state any definite price until he knew the city was in a mood to negotiate but said that whenever the city was ready to talk business he would come prepared to state a price.

Alderman Hughes and Hendricks voiced the opinion that the pending suit should be prosecuted, which would then settle any question over the validity of the bonds.

The meeting concluded with the proposition left before the council by the water company executive to be considered by the council and taken up further at its option. Mayor Douglas McKay presided.

Drum Corps Not Yet Appraised of Roosevelt Plans

Members of Salem drum corps still await answer from President-Elect Roosevelt to their letter of inquiry as to the Washington inaugural trip in March, Manager T. B. "Tom" Hill announced last night.

Prospects for the corps' participation in Roosevelt's inauguration are based on a comment dropped by him concerning the corps while campaigning in Portland last fall.

Car Thieves are Busy; Get Three On Friday Night

Automobile thieves working here last night made off with three machines, city police were notified. Cars stolen were: Light coupe, Oregon license number 33-320, belonging to Valley Motor company; light sedan 1930-215, owned by A. S. Johnson, 1875 South High street, and a light delivery wagon, number unknown, operated by the Peacock cleaners.

Lad Killed When Bobsled Tossed In Truck's Path

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 20—(AP)—Snow, indirectly claimed the life of Michael Hughes, 19, here today as he was killed while coasting with other children on a hill near his home.

The boy, descending the hill on his sled, struck an obstacle and was tossed under a wheel of a passing truck, police said. Officers investigating stated the truck driver was not at fault.

Beer regulation bill forecast for introduction in house Monday; proposes liquor control commission and machinery to prevent return of the saloon.

Bill to permit banking introduced in senate, hydro-electric measure to carry out development authorized in November election introduced in house. Grange plans similar bill to be introduced Monday.

POLITICIANS TO PAY
PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 20—(AP)—A circuit court jury Friday heard four members of the "Norblad for governor" committee responsible for certain printing claims growing out of the campaign.

NAZI LEADER SLAIN
DUESSELDORF, Ger., Jan. 20—(AP)—Communists, attacking a group of Nazis, tonight shot and killed Wilhelm Wetekamp, a Nazi storm troop leader.

Legislative Happenings
Legislature adjourns until Monday; 102 bills so far introduced in house, 57 in senate; about 20 voted on in branch where introduced.

Governor Meier presents fourth special message, relative to unemployment relief; recommends half million appropriation and creation of state relief commission to supervise relief funds.