

Political Fireworks Mark Session's Start

Could Chosen To Supervise Plan Contest

Seattle Man Referee of Capitol Architect Choice, Decided

Coming Here Today. Will View Site, Get Data on Space Needs

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 2.—(AP)—The Oregon state capitol commission tonight named Carl Freilighusen Gould of Seattle as its technical adviser for the \$2,500,000 statehouse at Salem. Gould will prepare the regulations and requirements for the nation-wide contest among architects, the winner of which will be given the architectural contract for the structure.

Others considered for the advisory post included William B. Fayville of San Francisco, Myron Hunt of Los Angeles, Benjamin Winter Morris of New York, John Bakewell of San Francisco and Harold C. Whitehouse of Spokane.

Gould's fee will be \$2000 if the contest is open to all architects and \$1500 if only designated architects compete, the capitol commission decided.

The statehouse architectural work will entail an expenditure of \$150,000 or 6 per cent of the cost as designated by registered architects.

The commission estimated the contest, scheduled to start within two weeks, will extend three months. The public works administration approved plans for the competition.

Oregon's former statehouse burned last spring. Funds for the new structure are to be provided by the PWA.

The decision to retain Gould was reached following a conference the commission held with the architect here tonight. He is to go to Salem tomorrow to inspect the site and discuss space needs with state officials. He said he probably would require two weeks to gather information and another week to map out a program.

In addition to his fee, Gould is to receive expense funds during his absence from Seattle. Designed Campus at U. of W.

The Seattle man established the department of architecture at the University of Washington in 1914 and was professor in charge until 1926. He designed the university's campus setup and group plan and also did similar work for Washington State Normal. He is associated with Charles H. Bebb, supervising architect for the Washington state capitol, the Olympic hotel, Everett General hospital, Seattle art museum and Everett public library.

C. C. Heckler, acting administrator for the public works act. (Turn to Page 2, Col. 5)

First of Oregon Wagner Cases Up

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 2.—(AP)—Harry M. Kenin, trial examiner for the national labor relations board, refused to dismiss Oregon's first case under the Wagner labor disputes bill today.

The motion for dismissal was entered by A. E. Rosenberg, representing the Oregon Worsteds company of Portland.

The union charged the company with interference in the textile union, discrimination against the union in the discharge of the local president and dominance over a separate organization of employees.

The charges were filed with Charles W. Hope, of Seattle, regional director of the labor relations board.

The only witnesses called today were Roy T. Bishop, president of the Worsteds company, and Mrs. Myrtle Baker, now a WPA worker, who said on the stand she was discharged June 1, 1934, three hours after the company became aware she was a member of the textile union.

Many Mark "Townsend" On Registration Blanks

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., Jan. 2.—(AP)—The county clerk's office reported that many persons registered for the special January 31 election as "Townsend democrats," "Townsend republicans" or merely "Townsend." An assistant in the office said one elderly man asked for a check for \$200, apparently believing the proposed revolving pension plan was in effect.

Three Sudden Deaths Occur; Kyle to Face Murder Charge

Accused Says Shot Fired in Self Defense

Unknown Invader Choked Him in Dark; Didn't Recognize Sloan

Funeral for Broadacres Man is Set Saturday; File Charge Today

THREE SUDDEN DEATHS HERE, LAST 24 HOURS
Hugh Jean Sloan, 41, farmer at Broadacres, killed by John Kyle, 65, who claims he shot to repel robbery attempt by Sloan. Officers say Kyle was heavily intoxicated and attribute death to drunken brawl.

Lewis C. Caswell, 72, North Howell district, found dead on floor of his house, head on pillow, hands crossed. Caswell had written niece in Portland December 31 declaring intent to take his own life.

Mrs. Veva Melis, 34, mother of three small children, found dead in basement of parents' home, head immersed in water in laundry tub. Resuscitation with pulmotor fails. Autopsy held last night.

John Kyle, 65, a tall, thin, gray-haired farmer, was in the county jail last night facing a charge of first-degree murder for the death of Hugh Jean Sloan, 41, who was shot four times by Kyle in the early morning hours yesterday. Kyle admitted that he killed Sloan, "his best friend" because "someone" had attempted to take his money. (Turn to Page 2, Col. 4)

Traffic Fatalities At All-Time High

CHICAGO, Jan. 2.—(AP)—Motor vehicle fatalities reached a new all-time high of approximately 36,400 in 1935, the national safety council reported tonight.

Final tabulations showed an increase in automobile accident deaths of about 1 per cent over the previous record of 36,101 in 1934.

To emphasize the enormity of the slaughter, statisticians pointed out the number of persons who perished in traffic mishaps last year would populate cities the size of Santa Barbara, Cal., or Orange, N. J.

But the council stated that due to the increase in the nation's population the death rate per 100,000 was about the same as in 1934—28.5.

Sweet Home Abandons PWA Aid Water Project

ALBANY, Ore., Jan. 2.—(AP)—Mayor G. H. Grusen of Sweet Home said today federal "interference" in the water project had resulted in the city council's vote to abandon the PWA water supply project started last week. Ten men were employed.

Winter Drought Ends; Coast Area Reports Some Damage

(By the Associated Press)
Oregon's "winter drought" appeared definitely broken today.

Sub-normal precipitation reported in many parts of the state during the closing months of 1935 was considerably augmented the first 36 hours of the new year by heavy rains and snow.

Most roads remained opened, however, and damage appeared confined principally to the coast area. A check on the south jetty of the Columbia river showed the nearly 200 feet of the 150-foot wide base of rocks has been washed away and huge boulders hurled into the river side of the sea barrier. Similar damage was reported from Port Orford last week when waves tore away a considerable section of that point's new dock.

Reconstruction to Be Started Soon
Gilbert E. Gable, president of the corporation developing the Port Orford area, said reconstruction work would begin as soon as weather conditions permit.

New Year's storms also took heavy toll in the Coast Bay area. Trees were uprooted at Coos lead and Arago state parks, the Coos Bay—Reedsport highway was blocked by branches and at least one car was damaged when it struck an obstruction, and a disruption in power service left Reedsport in darkness. Wire communications were hampered temporarily and train service was delayed.

At Bandon, a large crowd witnessed attempts to salvage the cargo of lumber and cheese from the gasoline schooner E. L. Smith, driven on the beach yesterday by high waves and wind. Coos bay's rainfall on the first day of the year was 1.30 inches. All parts of the state shared in the New Year's precipitation. In eastern Oregon, Baker reported 7 inches of snow for a (Turn to Page 2, Col. 5)

Mystery as to Means Of Caswell's Passing Scanned by Officials

No Wound nor Sign of Poison, but Letter Received by Niece in Portland Says He Planned to Take Own Life; Body Found at North Howell

MYSTERY surrounds the death of Lewis Orville Caswell, 72, who was found dead shortly after noon yesterday at his home on route 7 about seven miles northeast of Salem in the North Howell section.

Officials were perplexed to find the exact cause of Caswell's death. The body of the man was found lying in front of the stove on the kitchen floor. Police reported that everything in the house was in perfect order, and that there was no evidence of foul play.

Coroner L. E. Barrick and state police had about reached the decision that Caswell had died of natural causes when they were informed that a niece of Caswell, Mrs. Ara Magison of Portland, had received a letter from him written on December 31, indicating that he intended to take his life.

Thorough investigation revealed no bullet wounds and there was no evidence of poison, Barrick said. Indicating that Caswell was preparing to die, was the fact that his head was lying on a pillow, his body, dressed in his best clothes, was streched out straight on a rug and the man's (Turn to Page 2, Col. 1)

Find Woman Dead In Laundry Tray

Accidental Drowning Held Explanation; Fainting Spell Probable

Investigation of the death of Mrs. Veva Melis, who was found dead in a laundry tray at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter M. Smith, 1485 Center street, yesterday noon, leads officials to believe that her death was accidental. Coroner L. E. Barrick said last night.

No inquest will be held, Barrick announced.

Mrs. Melis was found, with her head under water in a laundry tray in the basement, by one of her small daughters. Efforts made by city firemen and hospital attendants to revive her were futile.

Fainting Spell Probably Cause
Mrs. Melis was said to have been subject to fainting spells. It is believed that she fainted and collapsed into the tub. Supporting this theory is a bump on the forehead which might have come from hitting the bottom of the tray.

Possibility that the death might have been a suicide was studied but officials point out that it would have been practically impossible for Mrs. Melis to volunteer for the act. (Turn to Page 2, Col. 6)

Wapato Lake Has Citizens Guessing

GASTON, Ore., Jan. 2.—(AP)—Residents of Yamhill and Washington county are keeping their eyes on the bed of Wapato lake these days. Some are anxious, others hopeful but more are just interested.

Wapato lake, formerly a 1,000-acre body of water fed by the Tualatin river, was diked off last summer as an improvement project costing \$30,000.

Many residents have voiced skepticism that the dikes will hold the river in check and prevent refilling of the lake bed.

Some are even hopeful the lake again comes into existence — it formerly was a favorite waterfowl hunting grounds. Ditches around the lake are filled with water.

Late Sports

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 2.—(AP)—Oregon State defeated the University of Southern California basketball team tonight, 45 to 40, in an overtime contest. The game ended with the score knotted at 39 all.

Hupp, Trojan center, was high scorer with 15 points, and Tuttle, the Webfoots forward, was only a point behind.

MEDFORD, Ore., Jan. 2.—(AP)—The University of Oregon basketball team ended its current road-trip contests here tonight with a 45 to 20 victory over the Southern Oregon normal quintet. Patterson of Oregon was high scorer with 12 points.

The university team will return to Eugene tomorrow. Since leaving its home town last week, the Eugene five has won six games—three from Southern Oregon normal, and one each from Chico State, Utah Aggies and the Young Men's Institute of San Francisco.

Four Millions Available For Oregon Relief

Committee's Policy to Expend Only Small Portion of That

Will Match Outlays of Counties Which are Around Million

With the state relief committee taking over the burden of the care of all unemployables, needy persons in the state on a 50-50 basis, a checkup at the statehouse yesterday showed that Oregon had reserves of nearly \$4,000,000, in addition to 1936 county appropriations, which could be used for relief in this state if needed.

The sources of these moneys are:

1. A carry-over of \$579,911 left from the \$1,000,000 outright appropriation from the general fund made by the regular session of the 1935 legislature.

2. An authorization to expend \$2,935,745 from liquor profits and taxes, the residue of the \$5,500,000 appropriation made in the second special session of 1933 and the regular session of 1935.

3. Approximately \$400,000 which was left in the relief committee's exchequer when the federal government discontinued its outright grants to the state. Additional million may be provided.

In addition to these known sources, there is a possibility that an additional \$1,000,000 would be placed in the relief funds from the transfer of the 1935 old-age pension appropriation. This transfer becomes effective when the new old-age pension act is operative. The latter is not effective until federal funds for old-age pensions are provided.

To date the state relief committee has set a rule that it would only match funds provided by the counties. Since the aggregate appropriation by counties for relief in 1936 is approximately \$1,000,000, the state relief committee expects to expend only (Turn to Page 2, Col. 1)

Say Thelma Todd Markedly Morbid

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 2.—(AP)—Three witnesses told the grand jury today that Thelma Todd's vividly vivacious appearance, was, in reality, only a front for a deeply morbid and gloomy outlook.

They said she saw death as a happy release.

Three who testified, as the inquiry into the actress' death went into its second week, were Ida Lupino, pet English movie actress, Helen Ainsworth, modiste, and Robert Galer, Miss Ainsworth's business partner.

Miss Lupino told reporters, after she left the jury chambers, these facts:

"As far back as three years ago, Thelma was unhappy, positively dreary. She came to England to make a picture with my father, and I heard her say, many times, that she wished some accident would take her life."

"What's more, she did have a very bad heart. She was constantly fainting. Our physician told us, and her, that she would have to be exceptionally careful how she lived and worked, or she wouldn't live for more than three or four years. That news seemed to please her."

Market Building Being Considered For Use of Utilities Department

Negotiations were still being conducted for new headquarters for the utilities commissioner's quarters in downtown Salem, Dan Fry, secretary of the board of control, said yesterday. Fry had under consideration a number of proffered locations, one of which is the south half of the public market, under lease by Busick's.

The latter firm is using the space for warehousing supplies and has indicated a willingness to give a sub-lease. Some skylight would need to be installed in the store room, Fry said. The floor space is ample for the department's needs.

Three of Vets Groups Agree On Bonus Bill

Measure Which Will Not Specify Method of Payment Backed

Patman's Inflationary Scheme Still Alive; Race Is Forecast

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2.—(AP)—Leaders of three World War veterans' group announced tonight a cash bonus bill with their endorsement will be submitted when congress convenes tomorrow.

The announcement said it will be introduced by Senator Clark (D-Mo) and Representative Vinson (D-Ky) and McCormack (D-Mass). It would leave the method of financing in the hands of a payment up to the government.

A letter sent to each member of congress urging support for the measure said it would be known as the "American Legion-Veterans of Foreign Wars-Disabled American Veterans bill."

A prediction was made by Senator Robinson, of Arkansas, the majority leader, that bonus legislation that will obtain "executive approval" will be passed promptly.

Fourteen members of the house steering committee behind the Patman (D-Tex) bill, decided unanimously to back it "to final passage" although agreeing to modification should a majority decide to eliminate its provision for payment through \$2,000,000,000 in new currency.

The veterans' announcement was made by National Commander Ray Murphy of the Legion, which last year backed a bill by (Turn to Page 2, Col. 7)

Youth Movement Leader Here Now

Salem to Receive Its Due Share of Funds Says Supervisor Nelson

Salem is to receive its share of allotted federal funds for unemployed youth according to C. I. Nelson, newly appointed district supervisor of the National Youth Administration for district No. 3 of Oregon.

Nelson has eight counties in his district which are the same as the WPA division. According to Nelson one advantage of the NYA is the cutting of red tape that has been accomplished. Projects will be approved in Portland, not having to go to Washington as other divisions have had to do.

The NYA is to aid the youth between 16 and 25 years, both men and women. The youths must be members of unemployed families to get the federal aid.

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Tozier Rings Bell For 64th Time, New Year's

HILLSBORO, Ore., Jan. 2.—(AP)—Albert Tozier, pioneer Oregonian and history authority, rang the First Methodist church bell welcoming the new year—fourth consecutive time. Tozier first rang the same bell in 1872 as a boy of 12. Several times he has traveled considerable distances to arrive here in time for the annual event.

Business Census of Oregon Begun; 150 Men Employed

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 2.—(AP)—A census to determine the business condition of Oregon was launched today by the works progress administration, using "white collar" employees who have been on relief rolls. The experienced administrative staff of the bureau, census department of commerce, has charge of the work which will continue two or three months.

L. H. Mattingly, jr., supervisor for Oregon, said here today about 150 men, taken from relief rolls, will launch the enumerating work. More will be added later.

Various Types of Business Included
Among the businesses to be surveyed are wholesale and retail trade outlets; insurance organizations; whether agents or brokers; real estate firms, including brokers and agents; bus transportation systems, banks and other financial institutions, amusement companies, business service organizations, non-residential build-

ing operations, construction companies, trucking and warehousing firms, hotels and contractors. All reports will be held in utmost confidence and can be examined only by sworn employees of the census bureau. "Not even the secretary of the treasury could see them if he wanted to," Mattingly declared.

Reports Expected By First of July
Preliminary reports by states will be available for statistical purposes as rapidly as they are completed, probably around July 1, Mattingly said. Later county and city reports will be issued in final form, as well as by "kind of business" classification.

The current business survey will develop statistical information that will tie in closely with other data obtained in the last decennial census.

Information to be sought in the survey includes the kind of business or type of operation, the (Turn to Page 2, Col. 6)

Republican Threat To Halt Broadcast Of Message Viewed

Rich of Pennsylvania May Object and Necessitate Two-Thirds Vote to Permit Session at Night

Leaders Take Partisan Sides; Demos Admit Publicity Angle But Hold Nation Should Hear Speech

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2.—(AP)—Political fireworks shot skyward on the eve of the new session of congress tonight, illuminating issues and inquisition—bent committees that probably will command public attention up to and possibly beyond national political conventions next summer.

As President Roosevelt consulted advisors on eleventh-hour insertions and deletions in his annual message on the "state of the union," democrats and republicans exchanged fiery retorts over the executive's plan to deliver it at an extraordinary joint session tomorrow night.

Permanent neutrality legislation and the yearly problem of the soldiers' bonus meanwhile clearly assumed top rank among the concerns of the leaders.

New investigations including one of relief administration, also were projected, adding to the long list already under way. Plans for introducing measures of great importance were announced, covering more elaborate old age pensions, huge appropriations for rural electrification, and farm relief.

Rich Threatens to Resign
The threat of a possible attempt to block tomorrow night's unusual session came tonight from Representative Rich, Pennsylvania republican. He said that if a study of the situation convinced him that the president had a political motive in seeking the night session, he would object. This would force house leaders to bring out a special rule and adopt it by a two-thirds vote.

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Tongue Point May Get Air Squadron

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 2.—(AP)—Carl C. Donough, United States district attorney, said today he had received a wire from Senator Charles McNary (R-43) informing him that the Tongue Point naval base at the mouth of the Columbia was being considered as the home port for a full squadron of 12 planes.

Donough said McNary conferred today with Rear Admiral J. K. Taussig in Washington and that the admiral declared possible the establishment of a squadron headquarters at Tongue Point was being studied, with the probability that a definite decision would be reached within a few days.

Donough is chairman of the Columbia River Defense league, active in efforts to obtain reconstruction of the Tongue Point site, dormant since the world war. He said the assignment of a plane squadron would mean the erection of hangars, barracks and possibly accommodations for several hundred men.

Adult Education Classes Growing

Registration in adult night classes jumped from 15 to 135 yesterday, Birrell, county supervisor of emergency education projects, announced last night.

In classes being taught, 14 registered for music, 13 for current labor economics, 13 for sewing, 21 for mining, 18 for fly-fishing, 30 for diesel engineering, 14 for Americanization, 10 for radio, and 5 for public speaking. Those indicating their interest in classes not now being taught were 5 for commercial, 3 for first aid, and 8 for psychology.