

The Weather
Mostly fair but with valley fogs today and Monday, temperature unchanged; Max. Temp. Saturday 56, Min. 34, river 5.6 feet, clear.

Al Smith Flays Bourbon Socialist Trend

Voting Friday Will Be Light; Interest Lags

Uninformed Vote Likely to Defeat Every One of Measures Up

Resignations of Brown, Allen Highlights of Past Week

By SHELDON F. SACKETT
No great rush to the polls is going to occur in Oregon next Friday. The special election of January 31 is to be a vote on one seriously wanted. Official predictions are that not more than 25 per cent of the registered voters of the state will cast a ballot. In fact, no very satisfactory explanation has been offered why this expensive state-wide poll was necessary. All of the measures on the ballot could well have awaited the May primary or the November general election, two other occasions in 1936 when taxpayers must pay the costs of a statewide vote.

The sales tax, this time for old age pensions, provides the excuse for the election but two unsuccessful attempts to persuade Oregonians that a sales tax is an imperative necessity to keep the state functioning has left most observers cynical about either the necessity for the tax or any chance what ever it has for adoption. If Oregon in the depths of depression could not adopt a sales tax, the chances for its passage now are indeed scant.

Harry Hopkins Has Role in Matter

The last special session permitted itself to be razzle-dazzled on the sales tax. Harry Hopkins at that time sent out his ukase that once and for all, the state must assume full care of its unemployed. When upon the legislature added the \$1,000,000 it had already set up for old age pensions to the unemployment fund, tossed in another million the counties had set aside for old-age pensions and left untouched more than \$3,000,000 anticipated revenues on liquor taxes and taxes, in actuality the state will not require such a sum of relief money from its own treasury in 1936; the old-age pension funds could well have been left untouched until a 1937 session could have seen clearly how much the state was thereafter to need for old-age pensions and relief.

Governor Martin late yesterday came to the support of the sales tax which took forthrightly the governor who has opposed new taxes and in the campaign said he did not favor a sales tax. However, his present position is fair; he says the legislature explored all possibilities for old-age pension revenues and came, reluctantly to the sales tax as the only way to provide the money. The governor believes in old-age pensions; therefore he must support the tax with which to supply the money.

The tax is probably doomed to defeat, with or without aid of creative support. Governor Meier did all in his power to support a tax on two occasions and each time the new levy failed miserably.

Pension System May Worry Through

There is a chance that the existing old-age pension system will weather through until 1937. The pension act of 1935 as amended in the special session may not be operative until the state provides money to match federal funds. The reasoning is this: no sales tax; no money to match; hence no new pension act, thus the old act is in force. Some statehouse attorneys assert the new pension law is operative when Uncle Sam is ready with his money. In that event all old-age pensioners money the state and the counties have automatically go into unemployment relief funds and without sales tax income, the state and the counties are without a cent to go on with pension payments until the 1937 legislature can straighten out the tangle.

Jack E. Allen, state liquor administrator, walked out yesterday as he had threatened to do for months. He is the third man to hold the job since the commission started operations less than two years ago. From the early weeks of his administration—he succeeded Frank Spencer March 27, 1935—Allen has not been happy in his post. He did not get along well with Arthur McMahon, chairman, and while the administrator and the commission did not come to an open break, relations were strained. Little by little Allen's powers were siphoned away; Eugene Kelly, deputy administrator, and Otto J. Runte, supervisor, were entrusted with the actual executive work and Allen was left little but a title and a salary. Like his predecessor, Mr. Spencer (Turn to Page 2, Col. 4)

Bonus Bill Backers Celebrate; Final Senate Vote Due Monday



A group of proponents of the bill for immediate payment of the veterans' bonus registering pleasure at passage of the measure. It is up for final vote to sustain or override—nobody will predict the former—the president's veto, in the senate tomorrow. From left, Ray Murphy, American Legion commander; Senator Fred Steiwer of Oregon; Col. John Taylor, legion official; Senator James Byrnes of South Carolina and James Van Zandt, chief of the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Filled Cooky Next Parley on Labor Round Table Topic Trouble Delayed

Ideal for School Lunch; 45 Men of Packing Plant More Scandinavian Recipes Given Crew Idle; Previous Dispute Is Aired

Filled cookies constitute the recipe topic for this week's Round Table contest. This variety of cookie keeps moist much longer than others and is fine for school lunch boxes.

There is no limitation on the number of recipes which may be sent in. The deadline for them to be received at the Statesman office is Thursday noon, January 30. Three cash prizes are given weekly.

Following are more Scandinavian ideas received last week:

Swedish Pancake
1 cup ham or bacon, minced
1 tablespoon butter (if ham is used)
1 cup milk
4 tablespoons flour
1 teaspoon salt
Dash of pepper
Brown ham or bacon in large skillet. Beat eggs, add milk and salt and pepper. Make a smooth paste with the flour and a little of the liquid. Add the remaining liquid and beat until smooth. Pour this into the skillet with the

Barde No Longer Affiliated, Held

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 25.—(AP)—C. E. Hansen, state area manager for the Townsend revolving pension clubs, issued a statement today notifying the Townsend organization that J. N. "Jack" Barde of Portland, has no further connection with the Townsend movement in any official capacity whatsoever.

Hansen said the step was taken "on account of political activities" and because Barde "permitted to be formed the corporations known as 'Townsendites, Inc.'" for which papers were filed at Salem earlier this week.

The state Townsend headquarters here also said that Robert Zimmerman Adams, national coordinator for the movement who came here in September, had been "called to other fields," the Oregonian said tonight.

Burk Arrested on Pair of Newly Filed Indictments

Sheriff A. C. Burk was arrested yesterday and immediately released on his own recognizance on indictments which paralleled those of last spring which were thrown out in June, 1935, by Judge Fred W. Wilson of The Dalles on the charge that the grand jury had been influenced in reaching its decision.

Yesterday's indictments again recited that Sheriff Burk had negligently allowed a prisoner to escape from jail and also in another case had voluntarily permitted a prisoner to escape. Arraignment This Week Is Expected
Coroner L. E. Barrick, as required by law, "arrested" Burk and immediately freed him as Judge L. H. McMahon provided on the indictment where bail was waived. Arraignment is expected some time this week.

One indictment grows out of the release of Charles Craig from jail November 28, 1933, one month after he was incarcerated.

New Taxes or Inflation Now Leading Issue

Bonus Passage, Assured Tomorrow, Brings Up Tough Problems

Leaders Fail to Join in Either Proposal but Funds Necessary

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25.—(AP)—Sharp argument over possibility of new taxes or of inflation spread in congress today as a prelude to the apparently certain senate overthrow of President Roosevelt's bonus veto.

The baby bond measure, presenting the government with a bill for \$2,491,000,000 will be brought up fourth in the senate Monday for a final vote. Even the most conservative leaders predicted almost as thumping a repudiation of the executive's veto as the 324 to 61 house overthrow.

Majority chiefs on both the house and senate sides definitely moved today, however, to build a backfire against talk of new levies to foot the bill.

Deny Knowledge

Chairman Harrison (D-Miss) of the senate finance committee, one of the authors of the bond bonus bill, replied to reports that the president and his aides had suggested a proposal in mind with a prompt comment that "they haven't called me in."

Speaker Byrnes paralleled Harrison in denying knowledge of any "downtown" tax suggestions, adding his view that there was little possibility of new income taxes. He felt the income tax base should not be lowered and that taxes on higher brackets bring less money than "commonly is thought."

"You can't soak the rich and get any money by it," he questioned about any possible alternative tax, the white-haired speaker simply said: "Ask Morgenthau."

Few of the leaders joined in the talk of inflation. It was widespread nevertheless, with several plans advanced, and with one segment of the inflationary bloc planning a concerted effort when an appropriation measure is advanced to pay the bonus. Some have indicated a bonus money bill will be attached to one of the regular appropriation measures.

Wickersham Dies Suddenly in Taxi

NEW YORK, Jan. 25.—(AP)—George W. Wickersham, one-time attorney general of the United States and later chairman of the commission which recommended continuation of national prohibition, died suddenly today in a taxicab.

The cab driver who was taking the 78-year-old attorney on a short ride to a club luncheon with old friends discovered at his destination that his passenger was dead.

A heart attack was believed responsible for the sudden death. His most recent activity in the legal field was as one of the guardians of 11-year old Gloria Morgan Vanderbilt's property, during the litigation over the child's custody.

President Hoover appointed him head of the national law enforcement commission in 1929. In a voluminous report, the commission suggested penal reforms and a closer link between federal and state enforcement agencies.

Maritime Dispute Probe Requested

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 25.—(AP)—Only a thorough congressional investigation can end the increasingly threatening Pacific coast maritime dispute, both sides agreed today in declaring Assistant Secretary of Labor Edward F. McGrady's suggestion for a round-table conference would be useless.

Harry Bridges, militant longshore leader, has informed McGrady at Washington that "unless the United States government intervenes, there will be launched on the Pacific coast within a month a struggle which inevitably will achieve the proportions of a civil war."

In Washington, late today, the International Seamen's union convention voted to appoint a commission to investigate the entire maritime labor situation, thus endorsing Bridges' request to Washington yesterday.

Former Cabinet Member Called



George W. Wickersham, one-time attorney general of the United States and chairman of the commission which urged continuation of national prohibition, who died suddenly in New York Saturday.

Hunter Stresses Aesthetic Values

Beautiful Has Application to Economic, Social Progress, Stated

"The use of the beautiful has a directly applied relationship to the economic status of a nation and its social progress," Dr. Frederick M. Hunter, chancellor of higher education in Oregon, told members of the Central-Willamette Valley association of Phi Beta Kappa at their luncheon yesterday noon at the First Presbyterian church here.

"In America, in some very important phases of our quest for the beautiful we have been retarded," he declared. He ascribed the retardation in the appreciation of beauty in this nation to utilitarianism and the "demand for cheapness so often fulfilled by mass production. For a century and a half we have been a people busied with the conquest of a continent and its resources."

More Appreciation Of Beauty Acquired
Dr. Hunter said he was convinced the nation was trending towards the appreciation of the beautiful in its national life. "More and more we are coming to ask for the fruits of culture," he added.

"Our academic life must seek high and beautiful levels of appreciation, enjoyment and expression if we would be true to (Turn to Page 2, Col. 6)

Reactions Varied On Smith Speech

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25.—(AP)—Sharp criticism from administration Democrats, but an outpouring of praise from those critical of its activities tonight greeted the speech of Alfred E. Smith before the American Liberty League.

No sooner were the doors shut than a queue of persons, mostly women, began to form for the opening again at 8 a. m. today.

Senator Thomas A. Oklahoma democrat who attended the dinner: "The democrats can afford to hire Al Smith to make that speech everywhere. If he makes this often enough Roosevelt is sure to be reelected."

Assert Van Vlack Admitted Slaying

TWIN FALLS, Idaho, Jan. 25.—(AP)—Over the strenuous opposition of defense attorneys, a jury today offered a district court jury testimony that Douglas Van Vlack had repeatedly admitted the slaying of his pretty young former wife, Mildred Hook, and described how he shot her.

Walter V. Beesley, Associated Press reporter, Sheriff E. F. Prater and his deputy, A. C. Parker, chief of police of Buhl, Idaho, testified the defendant told them he killed the 22-year-old woman because he had promised her parents he would if officers were sent after the couple in their flight from Tacoma.
"She knew before she left Tacoma that I would if her father sent officers after us," Beesley testified Van Vlack told him in explanation of the killing.

Sales Tax For Pensions Need Says Governor

Serious Human Problem Causes Change From No-New-Tax Policy

Social Security Program Should Be Backed Up; No Other Source

Governor Charles H. Martin late yesterday broke his post-legislative silence on the controversial sales tax measures and in an extended statement came out unequivocally for the passage of the tax at the special election throughout the state next Friday.

In supporting the tax, the governor said, he was well aware he was breaking with his pre-determined stand of "no new taxes." "But we are confronted by a serious human condition," the governor declared referring to the need of old-age pensions in Oregon. "I cannot join with those who would sacrifice the aged in their necessities for the sake of maintaining stubbornly an economic theory. Therefore I support this sales tax whole heartedly, not because it is a sales tax, but because it is vitally necessary to bring aid and comfort, here and now, to thousands of aged men and women who are in distress, in want."

Only Avenue For Adequate Pension

Governor Martin made it plain in his statement that without the sales tax there could be no adequate old-age pensions in Oregon in 1936. All federal help will be impossible to accept he declared, although he said social security legislation was all-important in the nation. "Neither the nation nor the state can ignore its responsibility to the aged and destitute," he declared.

He made it plain, however, that another special session of the legislature would not follow a failure of citizens of Oregon to pass the sales tax. "I would be much distressed if the people of this state should reject this tax measure," he declared. "They would thus leave our needy old people in distress until the legislature shall again take up the then more difficult problem of old-age assistance at its regular session a year hence."

The governor said that he did not approve the findings of the (Turn to Page 2, Col. 6)

Thousands Honor Former Monarch

LONDON, Jan. 25.—(AP)—King Edward VIII went to his country home at Fort Belvedere to rest for the weekend today while thousands filed past his father's bier.

The memory of King George was honored at football games throughout the country. Audiences stood and sang "Abide with Me," the late monarch's favorite hymn and one which will be sung at his funeral Tuesday, and the national anthem was played. Thousands of schoolchildren used the Saturday holiday to pay homage to the late king.

LONDON, Jan. 26.—(AP)—When Westminster hall was closed for the night at 12:15 a. m., a total of 260,819 persons had passed by the bier of King George.

No sooner were the doors shut than a queue of persons, mostly women, began to form for the opening again at 8 a. m. today.

Compulsory Student Fees Issue is Depression-Born

Editor's Note: This is the second of four articles dealing with measures being considered at the special election Friday, January 31. This article concerns the student fee bill.

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Depression and the activities of a comparatively small group on the University of Oregon campus have brought before voters of all the state a matter which for two score years has never remotely considered as an "issue" necessitating a statewide vote. For years administrative authorities at state institutions of higher education made payments of fees for student activities mandatory. These fees, divided among athletic organizations, among publications, given for extra-curricular entertainment brought to the campus and used by the student body organizations directly, furnished a uniform assessment on the student body members and were not generally opposed.

Came depression coupled with a strongly led opposition to the athletic program at the University of Oregon headed by Richard Neuberger, dynamic editor on that campus, and the student body fee system suffered a severe attack. When Neuberger failed to induce the board of higher education to make fees optional an attorney-general's opinion was obtained that the board of higher education lacked legal authority to compel payment of fees, which in recent years have been \$5 a student a term or \$15 annually.

Decision Hampers Student Affairs
This decision, obtained in 1934, proved a check to student body affairs on all campuses. Budgets for student activities could not be accurately made, charges by students were made that the faithful campus member paid the tolls for students who did not pay their fees and thus supported the student extra-curricular activities.

In 1935 at the regular session of the legislature the Lane county delegation led out in introducing (Turn to Page 2, Col. 2)

Won't Take Hand in Campaign If Party Upholds Roosevelt

Class Warfare, Bureaucratic Control of Citizenry Declared Fruits of Government's Present Course

Democratic Platform of 1932 Greatest Such Document But Forgotten by Officials Says Co-Author

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25.—(AP)—In a searing denunciation of the administration as faithless to the platform upon which it was elected, Alfred E. Smith gave notice tonight he would "take a walk" during the presidential campaign unless Roosevelt policies are repudiated at Philadelphia.

There were only two recourses open to "disciples of Jefferson and Jackson and Cleveland," he told a cheering American Liberty league audience.

"We can either take on the mantle of hypocrisy or we can take a walk—and we probably will do the latter," he said.

The words fell upon the eager ears of foremost members of both major parties, some of whom had been asking whether the "Happy Warrior" of 1928 might not join an independent party movement at the expense of the new deal or possibly support a republican nominee. They found he left unanswered whether or how he might seek between now and June to bring about the "reestablishment" of party principles he advocated.

Awards Given Out At F.F.A. Session

Tom Miller of Silverton President; Reiling Is Winner in Contest

SILVERTON, Jan. 25.—Three young Silverton farmers won honors for the Silverton Smith-Hughes department and its instructor, Warren Crabtree, here today in the first state convention of Future Farmers alumni.

Tom Miller was elected president of the group at the morning meeting. Ray Reiling won first prize in the public speaking contest conducted in the afternoon and Herbert Jones was one of three to be awarded Master Farmer degrees for outstanding work. All three are graduates of the Silverton high school.

The convention resumed sessions Saturday morning at the Palace theatre, Kenneth Pettibone of Corvallis vice president, officers chosen were: eastern Oregon (Turn to Page 2, Col. 1)

Pele Is Revenged Hawaiians Assert

HONOLULU, Jan. 25.—(AP)—Superstitious Hawaiians saw the hand of Madame Pele, volcano goddess, in the flaming death of six army aviators.

Four weeks ago yesterday—in the face of the natives' dire predictions of disaster—Luke field airmen dropped bombs on Mauna Loa in a successful effort to stem a menacing flow of lava. Private John B. Hartman, who passed up a Christmas trip home to take part in the bombing, was one of those who died in the crash.

"That's Madame Pele getting even," said the Hawaiians. "We said it wouldn't do."

Jagar, government volcanologist, who directed the bombing attack, will be the next to go.

Drunk Driving Through Saturday Night Traffic Charged to James Long

Charged with drunken driving through Saturday night traffic, James G. Long, route six, was jailed by city police early last night. No other car was involved in the case, police said.

Melvin Miller, Capital hotel, was booked on a charge of speeding.