

Weather
Unsettled with showers today and Monday, variable winds; Max. Temp. Saturday 41, Min. 31, river 17.5 feet, light northerly wind, cloudy.

Congress Meets
The special session was just a warmup; big issues face the regular session of congress starting Monday. Read The Statesman for full accounts.

EIGHTY-SEVENTH YEAR

Seven to Ten Million Jobless Says Census

City Attorney Race Assured Monday Night

Goodenough Will Contest With Paul Hendricks, Is Announcement

Heltzel, Emmons Receive Mention; no Changes Loom, Other Jobs

Although five city officials will be either up for reelection or replacement at the first session of the city council for the new year Monday night, but one of the offices is expected to be contested.

Alderman E. C. Goodenough definitely announced his intention to resign his seat on the council in order to run for the city attorneyship, now held by Paul R. Hendricks. Goodenough had serious thoughts of making a bid for the position a year ago but held off, thinking he did not have enough support in the council. Approached late last week, Alderman Goodenough said that he was in possession of enough pledges from member councilmen to swing his election.

Incumbent City Attorney Hendricks spiked rumors to the effect that he would relinquish the field Monday night in favor of another candidate. Hendricks said, "I have never said or intimated such a thing." He went on to say that perhaps in another year, if re-elected now, he would be ready to resign, but was up for reelection this year.

Other names being bandied about as possible candidates for the city attorneyship are John Heltzel and "Pat" Emmons. Attorney Hendricks' statement spiked the further rumor that he would withdraw in favor of Heltzel.

Unless a "dark horse" puts in an appearance, the other four offices open—city engineer, building inspector, sanitary inspector and health officer—will not be contested.

Mayor V. E. Kuhn definitely stated that Monday night's annual message to the council will be his last—that he would not be a candidate for reelection. Mayor Kuhn's message Monday (Turn to page 5, col. 8)

Two Families in County to Claim Real "Baby 1938"

Two baby girls, born at the Salem Deaconess hospital yesterday, can proudly boast—in the future—of being New Year's babes.

One girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Emmel, route five, one hour and three minutes after the new year was ushered in. She weighed nine pounds, three and one-half ounces at birth, and is the second child born to the Emmels.

The other, a six-pound, five and one-half ounce girl, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Lester of Scott Mills at 4:15 yesterday afternoon. She is the Lester family's first.

Oddities in the News

NASHUA, Ia., Jan. 1—(AP)—Weddings took place on the average of one every 12 hours during 1937 at the Little Brown Church in the Vale, famed marriage mecca near here.

The 744 couples who came to the picturesque country church to take their nuptial vows represented 18 states, Washington, D. C., and Honolulu.

Jan. was the leading month, with 156 ceremonies. The total number of weddings was one short of the all-time record of 745 set in 1930. A new one-day mark was set on Thanksgiving day, 1937, when 19 couples were married at the church.

NEWTOWNARDS, Co. Down, Ireland, Jan. 1—(AP)—Joseph Black, 45-year-old farm laborer, goes to work daily in skirts and silk stockings.

New Year's Deaths 201

Traffic Takes Heaviest Toll Upon Holiday

Fires, Drownings, Other Causes Swell Total, Largely in East

Ten Suicides Occur Upon Day When Many Hope for Better Year

(By The Associated Press.)
Death striking violently in the closing hours of the old year and the first day of the new took at least 201 lives to mar the nation's holiday celebration.

Traffic mishaps, with automobiles skidding and careening in the east particularly on damp and ice-covered streets, accounted for 156 of the fatalities reported from 36 states.

Fires, drownings, suicides, exposure and shootings added to the total. Two winter sports enthusiasts were killed.

At least 10 persons despairingly ended their own lives as 1938 was ushered onto the scene.

New York state's list of 24 dead was the largest. Twelve were killed in traffic accidents. Among the other five, were a man and woman poisoned by carbon monoxide gas as they sat in an automobile at the end of a New Year's eve celebration.

In an upstate storm, a 62-year-old woman was found dead in the snow.

Fifteen each were killed in Ohio and Illinois. Deaths over the nation included 11 by shooting, 12 by suicide, six by burning, four by carbon monoxide, two each by drowning and train, and one each by trolley, skiing, coasting and exposure.

One person in Massachusetts and one in Michigan died of heart failure while pushing automobiles out of the snow. In Indiana, one was killed by a falling tree.

Total deaths by states included: Alabama 2, Arkansas 4, California 11, Colorado 3, Connecticut 3, Florida 4, Georgia 8, Idaho 1, Illinois 15, Indiana 9, Iowa 2, Kansas 2, Kentucky 3, Louisiana 3, Maine 1, Maryland 1, Massachusetts 7, Michigan 5, Minnesota 1, Mississippi 1, Missouri 8, Montana 1, New Jersey 9, New York 24, North Carolina 3, Ohio 15, Oklahoma 3, Pennsylvania 14, Rhode Island 1, South Carolina 1, Tennessee 4, Texas 13, Washington 9, West Virginia 1, Wisconsin 7, Wyoming 1.

Former Convict Facing Charges

SACRAMENTO, Jan. 1—(AP)—Police tonight arrested Harold Gomerling, 42, a transient, when they found a pistol in his possession. Patrolman Ed Fricchetti and Bert Snyder, who made the arrest, said Gomerling admitted being a former inmate of Oregon state penitentiary. Possession of a gun by an ex-convict is a felony in California.

Lewis Relative Dies

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Jan. 1—(AP)—Dr. John C. F. Bell, 81, father-in-law of John L. Lewis, labor leader, died today. He practiced medicine for 50 years at Lucas, Ia.

President's Message Will Receive Unusual Attention

WASHINGTON, Jan. 1—(AP)—President Roosevelt worked today on an annual message to congress which seemed likely to bear down heavily upon the notes of tax relief, budget balancing and stronger anti-trust laws.

The chief executive discussed the general legislative situation at a "pot luck" luncheon with Speaker Bankhead at which arrangements were completed for Mr. Roosevelt to deliver the message personally to congress Monday.

Although Bankhead said he talked of numerous subjects with the president "up and down the line," the Alabamian gave no hint of what new legislative proposals, if any, the message would contain.

Burk Will Run For Congress, He Announces

Sheriff Enters Congress Race



Old Court Battle May Be Renewed

Senators Who Blocked Aim of President up for Election, Noted

WASHINGTON, Jan. 1—(AP)—Echoes of the old battle over the court bill, strangely infrequent in the special session, seem likely to be heard again in the regular meeting of congress beginning next week.

Within little more than three months comes the first primaries of the 1938 congressional contest. Illinois party polls to pick senatorial and other candidates fall on April 12 and on May 3 Indiana follows. From then on until late September several states will be holding primaries every month.

Special interest centers upon the Indiana primary. Senator Frederick Van Nuys, whose seat is at stake, was one of the half dozen senate democrats who booted presidential leadership on the court bill. During the long-drawn battle it was freely predicted that disciplinary party action would be taken against the rebelling senator.

One Man City's Suburb Suffers Storm's Ravages

BEND, Ore., Jan. 1—(AP)—W. A. Rahn, postmaster, storekeeper, service station operator, home-steader and only resident of the one-man town of Millican, reported that his "suburb," the McNutt Bros. construction camp, was virtually demolished by a storm this week.

He said a wind with an estimated velocity of 80 miles per hour destroyed the cookhouse, ripped the roofs from a dozen cabins and scattered lumber over a wide area.

Stock Judging Team to Compete, Ogden Events

CORVALLIS, Jan. 1—(AP)—A student stock judging team from Oregon State college, which left today for Ogden, Utah, to participate in intercollegiate competition, included Palmer Torvund, Silverton; Bob Sawyer, Delake; Joe Johnson, Enterprise; Kenneth Minnick, Union, and Billy Drinkwater, Burns.

Probe Asked Into Monopoly Charge

WASHINGTON, Jan. 1—(AP)—Representative Dies (D-Tex) called today for a congressional investigation of recent charges by administration spokesmen that big business, dominated by 60 families, had brought about the current economic recession in an effort "to liquidate the new deal."

Referring specifically to what he called "astounding charges" by Secretary Ickes and a Robert H. Jackson, assistant attorney general, Dies said he would introduce a resolution calling for the inquiry immediately after congress convenes Monday. He predicted the administration would support the measure "one hundred per cent."

It would direct a committee of seven house members to determine "who are the monopolies or nonopolists engaged in the sit-down strike to produce economic chaos" and to afford Ickes and Jackson an opportunity to "vindicate themselves from the grave charges that they are demagoging to arouse the hatred of the majority against the minority."

Water Service Here Bettered By new Mains

More Than 10 per Cent of Original Total in new Lines, Stated

Loop Circuit Near Edge of City to Improve Pressure Is Aim

New water mains representing more than 10 per cent of the 95-mile length of the distribution system when it was purchased August 1, 1935, for operation by Salem's municipal water department will have been laid by April 1 under present construction schedules, according to data compiled by Manager Cuyler VanFatten. This percentage does not include the 17-mile Salem-Station gravity supply pipeline.

The new mains already laid and materials for others to be put in by April together will have a combined length of 10,843 miles. Of this amount part consists of replacements of old mains and the remainder of mains in new locations.

General improvement of water service throughout the city as a result of this extensive main-laying program was predicted by Manager VanFatten. He pointed out that the program includes not only the big cross-town 12th street feeder but also numerous large cross-lines and several important links in the loop circuit eventually to encircle the entire city near the city limits. The loop lines connect up many old dead end lines to bring about better circulation of the water and also to increase pressure.

The breakdown of the program by sizes of pipe indicates the extent to which the pressure improvement made possible by larger mains is being carried. Of the 10,843 miles of new pipe, 9.32 miles consists of mains six inches or greater in diameter, 234 miles of four-inch and 1,289 miles of two-inch. All mains being laid are made of cast iron.

When the water commission had a long-time plan of development prepared by its engineers in November, 1935, approximately (Turn to page 2, col. 3)

France May Curb Arms Shipments

Rumania, Yugoslavia Eyed Askance; too Friendly with Fascist Pair

PARIS, Jan. 1—(AP)—Officials said tonight the French government had ordered a virtual embargo on armament shipments to Rumania and Yugoslavia, long France's allies, because of their growing friendship with Italy and Germany.

Members of the chamber of deputies disclosed Edouard Daladier, minister of national defense, had ordered suppression of government licenses for exportation of military supplies to those countries "until further notice."

This order, it was understood, was issued with the consent of the whole cabinet, which was said to be alarmed by the apparently pro-Nazi policies of Rumania's new premier, Octavian Goga, and the increasingly close relations between Yugoslavia's Premier Milan Stojadinovich and Italy.

Adrien Thierry, French minister at Bucharest, was said to have received instructions to ask Goga to explain his future policy with regard to France, Rumania's ally since the World war.

The cabinet was said to have recommended to Czechoslovakia that she take action similar to France's. Czechoslovakia's huge Skoda munitions works long have supplied arms to Rumania and Yugoslavia, her allies in the little entente.

The deputies emphasized that the temporary embargo was designed especially to bring the two nations "back to reason." Neither Germany nor Italy, with which they are accused of flirting, is believed by French leaders to have a position to finance rearmament efforts of Rumania and Yugoslavia.

Murder and Piracy Mark Cruise; Yacht Owner, His Killer Slain

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Two Million of Signers Getting Work Relief, President Is Told

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Its findings were based upon the fact that a voluntary registration of the unemployed conducted between November 5 and November 20, 1937, showed 7,822,912 to be, by their own testimony, out of work and wanting work, while a simultaneous house-to-house canvass in selected areas indicated that this total was but 72 per cent complete.

In making this report to the chief executive, John D. Biggers, administrator of the census, said it was important to bear in mind that "it is not to be assumed that because a certain number of people are jobless, the same number of jobs must be created to bring a return to normal conditions." He added:

"When the usual family breadwinner is idle, two or perhaps more members of the family may enter the labor market. Conversely, when the breadwinner is satisfactorily reemployed other members of the family may withdraw from the labor market.

"Then, too, you recognize, but it should perhaps be emphasized, that the number of people who reported themselves as unemployed should not be confused with the number of people who need financial assistance or relief. Many people consider themselves unemployed who are financially not compelled to work.

"Irrespective of their need, when they seek employment, they enter the labor market and compete with others who have jobs or vitally need jobs. They are therefore, a factor in the unemployment problem though they may never seek relief."

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Rain Ceases Here And River Falling

Roads Still Are Covered in Some Sections of Valley Nearby

New Year's day was rainless until evening when a light drizzle began, and the favorable condition permitted flood waters which had raged in the midweek to recede all over the mid-valley country.

There were still highways where low places were covered with water. Motorists had difficulty negotiating the Marion county approach to the Newberg bridge; and a pilot car was needed to guide cars across a flooded section of the Wallace road north of West Salem. The Willamette river, whose threat of danger faded Friday morning with a crest of 21.5, continued to fall and its (Turn to page 2, col. 4)

Large Amount in Taxes Paid Here During December

Nearly a quarter million dollars in 1937-38 taxes was distributed to the treasurer of Marion county and its subdivisions during December, turnover reports in County Clerk U. G. Bower's office show. Six large turnovers were completed last week by the sheriff's tax office in an effort to clear its books for the start of the new year.

The eight turnovers made in December totaled \$222,643.41, of which \$116,337.01 came from payments on taxes of 1936 and earlier years. Of the total amount, the city of Salem received \$55,460.51 and the Salem school district, \$41,015.37.

Tax collections by years as represented by December turnovers ran as follows:

Tax roll of 1930, \$6499.46; 1931, \$30,609.35; 1932, \$14,735.68; 1933-1934, \$11,251.70; 1935, \$13,074.53; 1936, \$20,166.29; 1937, two turnovers, \$106,306.40.

Late Sports

CORVALLIS, Ore., Jan. 1—(AP)—Oregon State college basketballers scored their third victory out of four games with Multnomah club of Portland tonight, winning 47-32 after the lead had changed eight times and six deadlocks had been made and broken.

The Beavers took an early lead but faltered to trail, 25-21 at half time. They rallied to hold a slim advantage most of the last half, although the score was tied at 38 all, and the "Winged M" had a one-point edge five minutes before the last whistle.

Art Merryman of Multnomah was high with 15 points. Hunter of the Beavers scored 11, and Romano and Rissman 9 each.

HONOLULU, Jan. 1—(AP)—A brilliant University of Washington team, scoring at will, thrilled 13,500 shirt-sleeved spectators in the Pele Bowl game here today with dazzling runs as it trounced an almost helpless University of Hawaii squad 53 to 13 here today.

The Islanders taking advantage of Washington fumbles pushed over both their tallies in the fourth period.

The Husky regulars sparked by Halfback Jimmy Johnston's brilliant running, scored four touchdowns in the first period and then yanked the field to the rescue for the remainder of the game.

Insurgents Claim Teruel Is Recaptured, Loyalists Deny

MADRID, Jan. 1—(AP)—A government war communique late tonight declared government troops still held blizzard slashed Teruel where insurgent attempts to recapture the strategic city were said to have been beaten back.

Terrific pressure from insurgent planes and artillery forced the government to give ground, the announcement said, but later one position was recovered. Madrilenos celebrated New Year's day by receiving the gift of 100 grams of sugar (about 3.5 ounces) and the right to purchase one egg each with their daily food rations.

The heaviest snow in seven years blocked street traffic and blanketed the gaping shell holes in downtown buildings.

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Pioneer of Films Dies at Seattle

SEATTLE, Jan. 1—(AP)—Funeral services will be held here Monday for Beverly B. Dobbis, pioneer motion picture cameraman, who came to the state in 1887. He died here Thursday.

Dobbis purchased the third motion picture camera ever used in the United States, paying \$3,000 for the machine. He established a studio in a tent on a sandspit at Nome, Alaska, in 1900, and won a gold medal at the 1904 St. Louis exposition for his Eskimo portraiture. His "Top of the World in Motion" was one of the first travelogues in the early days of motion pictures.

BALLADE OF TODAY

In the special session the congress fiddled, its members' thumbs were idly twiddled, with major issues they'd shadow box; now they must end their nice vacation and scan the problems of the nation; duck your heads for some hard knocks.

Says Black, "Women have been encroaching far too much on men's fashions. Look at the troupeurs you see film stars in. They're disgusting. What girls of today should do is to get back to the dainty things women wore in the 19th century. Since 1929 I've been wearing skirts. I suppose people think I'm odd but I don't care. Maybe it will help to bring sense back to women."