

Weather
Fair today and warmer
Thursday; Max. Temp.
Tuesday 59, Min. 44; rain,
10 inch, river 5.2 feet, part-
ly cloudy, southerly winds.

Kelly-Nash Candidate Leads in Illinois

Roosevelt Talk To Cover Wide Range, Predict

Foreign Affairs as Well as Home Problems in Message Expected

Administration Leaders Plot Course; Huge Relief Bill Due

WASHINGTON, April 12.—(AP)—A presidential conference with cabinet members and administration leaders led to widespread belief tonight that President Roosevelt would outline his future course in many fields, including foreign affairs, to congress and the nation Thursday.

Mr. Roosevelt summoned five cabinet members and the chiefs of his major spending agencies to the White House to discuss a special message to congress and a radio address. The message is scheduled for Thursday, the radio talk tentatively for Thursday night.

\$1,250,000,000 WPA Request Expected

From a high administration official came word that the president would discuss a wide range of subjects, including international aspects. A recommendation that \$1,250,000,000 be appropriated for WPA's work relief project is likely, he said. The president is expected generally to disclose his decision on additional expenditures to "prime the business pump."

There was some speculation that the chief executive might reply to critics who have urged him to reassure business by announcing a moratorium on "reform" legislation. The possibility that he might discuss the sidetracked wage-hour and government reorganization bills also was discussed by newsmen.

Those called to tonight's conference included:

- Secretary of State Hull.
- Secretary of the Interior Ickes, who directed the huge public works program with which the administration sought to "prime the pump" in the early days of the New Deal.
- Secretary of Agriculture Wallace.
- Postmaster General Farley.
- Business Aid Backed By Morgenthau.
- Secretary of the Treasury Morgenthau, who said yesterday that the business situation required some government aid.
- Harry Hopkins, the work relief administrator, who has been the Roosevelt administration's biggest spender in the past.
- Jesse Jones, chairman of the Reconstruction Finance corporation, which congress recently authorized to make \$1,500,000,000 of long-term industrial and public works loans.
- James Roosevelt, the president's son, secretary and Stephen Early, his press secretary.

Earlier, President Roosevelt had interrupted his work on new relief spending recommendations to deny that he and Vice President Garner had engaged in a "tiff" about "pump-priming" expenditures or anything else.

FR Says Garner Denies Opposition Interview

In answer to the questions of newspapermen, he said he had called Garner's attention to a published article saying the vice president thought the administration was "pump-priming."

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School Board Abolishes Supervisory Position

Duce Extends British Embassy Welcome

Act Seen as Virtual Seal of Friendship Pact, Checkmate to War

London Cabinet Approval Expected to Be Given Italo Accord Today

LONDON, April 12.—(AP)—Italy virtually has sealed in advance a British-Italian friendship pact which diplomats said tonight "might avert an otherwise inevitable major war within two years."

Premier Mussolini did this by promising a welcome to British War Minister Leslie Hore-Belisha, who is to arrive in Rome April 22 to round out the new alignment.

Great Britain's cabinet was expected to give final approval tomorrow to the pact designed to alter radically the course of world diplomacy and reduce European tension. The agreement is to be signed Saturday.

Minister's Visit First in Three Years

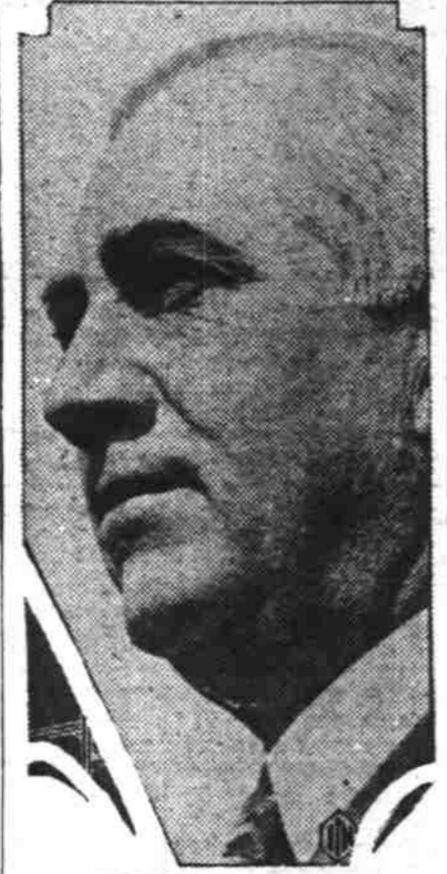
When Hore-Belisha reaches Rome it will be the first time in nearly three years that a British cabinet minister has visited Italy.

Mussolini's promise of a welcome came as a quick response to Britain's pledge yesterday to work through the League of Nations for recognition of Italy's two-year-old conquest of Ethiopia.

Reliable sources said it was essential for Britain to sell British-Italian cooperation to Mussolini before Reichsfuehrer Hitler visits Rome in May.

Diplomatic observers said the meeting of Mussolini and Hitler which is to follow may decide Europe's fate.

Becomes Head of Red Cross



NORMAN H. DAVIS
WASHINGTON, April 12.—(AP)—Norman H. Davis, 59-year-old diplomat of New York and Tennessee, received appointment from President Roosevelt today to be chairman of the American Red Cross. He succeeds the late Rear Adm. Cary T. Grayson.

Four Members Line up, Favor Copper Motion

Move Is "Step in Wrong Direction," Asserts Supt. S. Gaiser

Mrs. Wright Votes no; Grange WPA Project Given Committee

The Salem school board last night erased the position of elementary school supervision from the city school setup to bring to a finale a battle over the merits of the post that has at times made it close to a cause celebre.

The vote abolishing the position, which will cease to be at the close of the school year, came after an extended plea by Superintendent Silas Gaiser for retention of the position.

Four directors—Percy A. Cupper, W. Napthine, E. A. Bradford and Dr. L. E. Barrick—voted for throwing out the post while Mrs. David Wright, chairman of the board, alone voted against the action. Dr. Barrick explained his vote at length, saying that he was sorry the matter had come to a vote so soon and that his vote, coming after a majority was already assured, was essentially an indication of his desire for harmony on the board.

Reorganization Prospect Grows Seem

The abolishment of the post may be the beginning of a gradual reorganization of the school setup. It appeared.

The movement to end the position, motivated by the school board, has stirred up both proponents and opponents. Several women's organizations had asked that the post—previously held by Mrs. Carlotta Briedwell—be retained.

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Blossom Day Set for Sunday by Cherrians; To Follow '37 Route

Cherry Blossoms Expected to Be out in Full Unless Weather bad; Prunes Less Advanced; Route to Be Marked; Duns Moor Opens Home

With cherry blossoms giving promise of being in full bloom by Sunday, unless adverse weather intervenes, Salem Cherrians are going ahead with plans to hold their annual blossom day next Sunday, which is also Easter.

Blossoms in the prune growing districts are not so far advanced as cherry blossoms, and prune trees may not be in full on that day. By the following Sunday, however, cherry blossoms would be past their peak, the Cherrians believe.

The route used last year will be marked for the Blossom Day caravans and as a special feature "Bill" Duns Moor has announced that his home 1 1/2 miles north of highway viaduct will be open for inspection Saturday afternoon and all day Sunday. The home is a five-room dwelling reconstructed into a 10-room residence.

Stevens, Farr Throw Charges At Gill Backer

Aver Albany Supporter Connected With OCF; Gill Makes Denial

Says Hosh Given Space in Bulletin While Governor Paid

PORTLAND, April 12.—(AP)—While the two candidates reiterated their stand on the circumstances of whether there had been proper treatment of campaign material, new fire flamed today in the feud between factions of the state grange over the current leadership contest between Ray Gill, state master, and Ralph Perry, who would succeed him.

J. O. Farr, of the Ankeny grange, and W. H. Stevens, of the North Howell unit, both in Marion county, charged that A. V. Heyman, Albany, described as a supporter of Gill in his contest this month for re-election, "is, or has been, one of the officials of the Oregon Commonwealth Federation, political arm of the CIO."

Say Martin Charged \$125

They also asserted that the grange magazine had publicized without cost the case of Dr. J. F. Hosh, Bend, former president of the grange, who had been charged \$125.

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Igoe Predicts Victory Over Horner's Man

Rep. Lyons Is Nominated on GOP Party Slate for Senatorship

Negro Slain in Election Feud; Women Involved in Brawl at Polls

Associated Press reports from Chicago early today stated that Michael L. Igoe's lead in the race for the democratic senatorial nomination had dwindled from 70,000 to about 50,000 votes as late returns accumulated. Scott W. Lucas, backed by Governor Horner of Illinois, paced Igoe by almost three to one in the downstate areas. With 4,967 of the state's 82,926 precincts reported, Igoe had 485,806 votes against 433,822 for Lucas.

CHICAGO, April 12.—(AP)—Michael L. Igoe, spearhead of the Kelly-Nash faction, maintained a lead over Scott W. Lucas, the Horner organization's entrant, in the contest for the democratic senatorial nomination tonight.

As returns from the nation's first primary election accumulated, Igoe predicted he would win by 50,000 to 75,000 votes over the candidate backed by Governor Henry Horner in the center ring fight for supremacy in Illinois democratic ranks.

Horner Declares Outcome Not Decided

"Smash the machine," headed by Mayor Edward J. Kelly and National Committeeman P. A. Nash, contended, however, it was "too early to make any statement about the outcome."

With 4,967 of the state's 82,926 precincts reported, Igoe had 458,809 votes to 401,344 for Lucas.

Igoe ran his Cook county vote up to 324,047 to 219,434 for Lucas in 2,397 of the 4,377 precincts. Downstate, however, Lucas was favored by a margin of 70,697 to 43,436 with 884 of the 3,903 precincts reported.

In three of the four other major state-wide contests, the Horner favorites forged into leads.

In Cook county's outstanding test, the Horner-backed entrant, County Judge Edmund K. Jarocki, maintained a steady lead over the Kelly-Nash candidate, Circuit Judge John Prystalski, in

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Wheeler Darkens Rail Aid Outlook

Says Proposals Are too Far Reaching for Present Session's Action

Gill Says Power Fight not Closed

PORTLAND, April 12.—(AP)—Ray W. Gill, state grange master, said today his organization would not cease its fight for public power ownership despite the general defeat of a utility district proposal in portions of seven northwestern Oregon counties.

The grange will not announce a decision on the possibility of a new election policy until the state hydro-electric commission determines the status of a few units incorporated areas and municipalities which approved the district.

Gill said movements for elections had started in Linn, Lane, Hood River and Marion counties.

Mexicans Reject British Oil Note

Expropriation Held to Be Country's Rights; Pay Intention Cited

Revolt Against Bridges Quelled

ABERDEEN, April 12.—(AP)—Harry Bridges, president, and Matt Meehan, secretary, saw an incipient revolt in the ranks of their Pacific Coast International Longshoremen and Warehousemen's union quashed late today when delegates to the union's annual convention here voted down two motions which sought to limit the number of terms officers could remain in power.

With neither Bridges nor Meehan elected part in dissent, delegates rejected by voice vote a resolution of the Portland local to prevent any officer of the union from staying in office for more than a single term, and then voted down a similar resolution presented by the Aberdeen local which would have required officers to retire after two consecutive terms.

Loyalist Troops Try Wedge Drive

HENDAYE, France (At the Spanish Frontier), April 12.—(AP)—Fighting Spanish loyalist troops tried today to drive a wedge between northern and southern insurgent forces closing in on Catalonia, Spain's northeastern corner.

Government attacks on the central Catalonia front were said to have broken through insurgent lines. Objective of the assaults was to force insurgents to retire from some of the advance positions occupied since their westward march toward the Mediterranean started March 9.

From the south, where insurgents have tried to clip the narrow ribbon of coastal orange and nut groves linking Catalonia with the rest of government Spain, came conflicting claims of advances by both.

Chamber Supports Daladier Program

Request for Decree Power Goes to French Upper House for Vote

Late Sports

SEATTLE, April 12.—(AP)—Al Hostak, rugged Seattle Slav, knocked out Chief Paris, Okmulgee, Okla., Indian, in the fourth round of their scheduled 10-round main event tonight. Hostak weighed 157 1/2; Paris 152 1/2.

It was Hostak's 12th consecutive knockout, and his 15th since he began fighting as a middleweight.

PORTLAND, April 12.—(AP)—Two clever boxers, Kermit Stewart, 135, Portland, and Jerry Ponce, 135, Los Angeles, sparred six rounds to a draw in a slow main event fight here tonight.

Neither boxer would open up. Jerome Lewis, 164, Oakland, Klamath Falls, staged a head-to-head slug-fight in a six-round semi-final. The fight was a draw.

Buddy Peterson, 147, Portland, punched out a six-round decision over Al Nozak, 158, Salem, in a preliminary.

MONMOUTH, Ore., April 12.—(AP)—The University of Oregon baseball squad took an eighth inning lead to defeat Oregon Normal school, 7 to 4, today.

Oregon Normal 7 8 2
Oregon Normal 4 4 3
Matingly, Harding and Battleson; Erickson, Mohler and Lewis.

EUGENE, Ore., April 12.—(AP)—The University of Oregon tennis team defeated Willamette university 7 men to 0 today for its third straight sweep of the season.

Summary: Singles—Crane, Oregon, defeated Bennett, Willamette, 6-1, 6-3; Werachuk, Oregon, defeated Gilmore, Willamette, 6-2, 4-6, 8-6; Ellis, Oregon, defeated Gudekunst, Willamette, 6-1, 6-2; Zimmerman, Oregon, defeated Estes, Willamette, 6-1, 6-2; Mann, Oregon, defeated Bertelson, Willamette, 6-2, 6-4.

Doubles—Ellis and Crawford, Oregon, defeated Estes and Gudekunst, Willamette, 6-3, 6-3; Zimmerman and Crane, Oregon, defeated Gilmore and Bennett, Willamette, 6-4, 6-1.

Drop Indictments Against E. T. Mass

OREGON CITY, Ore., April 12.—(AP)—Circuit Judge Carl Hendricks today signed an order dropping a battery of public funds indictments against Sheriff E. T. Mass and his chief tax deputy, Jessie Paddock.

The action was taken on the recommendation of Assistant Attorney General Francis Wade, who declared prosecution would constitute a needless expense.

Indictments dismissed against Mass charged larceny of \$41,000 and \$637. His son, Deputy Howard Mass, recently was acquitted of a joint indictment on the latter charge.

Deputy Paddock had been accused of larceny of theft of \$1,273. Mass was acquitted last week. In another trial on the same charge, a jury failed to agree in the Mass case.

Modoc Point Has Freshet Flooding

KLAMATH FALLS, April 12.—(AP)—Sections of Modoc Point 20 miles north of here were flooded today as snow water, cascading down hills and canyons on the east side of upper Klamath lake, sought an outlet.

Sections of the plant of the Lamm lumber company were forced to close by water rising under the box factory and plowing mill and flooding belts and motors. Rowboats appeared in the streets of the village, with sidewalks awash although the water had not risen high enough to damage residences.

North of the village, the water formed temporary lakes on farmlands but had not yet flooded the Dalles-California highway.

Richardsons Get Life Sentences

SEATTLE, April 12.—(AP)—Dell and Claire Richardson, convicted in the "bathub murder case," were sentenced to life imprisonment late today after Superior Judge Donald A. McDonald rejected their new trial motions. They were found guilty of the murder of Dell's bride, the former Clara Compton of San Francisco, who succumbed to pneumonia and a head injury last fall after submergence in scalding water in a hotel bathtub here last fall. The state contended the wife was slain to seal her lips about white slavery activities.

McKay to Direct 1938 Chest Drive

At a meeting of the board of directors of the community chest last night Sen. Douglas McKay was elected to direct the campaign organization for the chest next fall. He was authorized to create his own committee and outline a plan of work.

The board decided to employ no outside firm to assist in preparation. It believed the local people could carry out the work successfully this year.

Collections to the chest funds continue good, it was reported. About \$9000 remains to be collected out of the pledges which were stolen from the automobile seven social agencies, and provides money for charity relief.

Auto Thief Hits Silverton Twice

SILVERTON—Two apparently related automobile thefts were reported here Tuesday. The auto belonging to Walter Stroy was stolen from the Grassy Pond schoolhouse Monday night. Tuesday it was found in Silverton near the place from which Leroy Ferguson's car was taken.

Likewise a valuable telescope, a flashlight and other articles were stolen from the automobile of Dr. R. H. Stewart. Officers here were inclined to believe the thefts were the work of a fugitive from the state training school for boys. A car answering the description of Ferguson's was reported seen in Portland.

Chinese Claim Recapture of Chufu, Confucius Birthplace

SHANGHAI, April 13.—(Wednesday)—Foreign military observers believe the Japanese are in an extremely difficult military position in South Shantung province, where persistent Chinese counter attacks have put the Japanese on the defense along the 150-mile battlefield.

The Chinese said today they had retaken Chufu, birthplace of Confucius, on the Tientsin-Pukow railway in a hand-to-hand combat.

The Chinese said they occupied hills surrounding Yihshien, on a spur line east of the railway, in a night attack and were engaging Japanese defenders there after they drove the Japanese from Talerchwang, 25 miles to the southwest.

The Japanese were rushing reinforcements by the thousands in

Quintuplets Won't Appear, NY Fair

NEW YORK, April 12.—(AP)—Dr. Allan Roy Dufos said today an unofficial suggestion that the Dionne quintuplets appear at the New York world's fair of 1939 has been promptly rejected by their guardians.

"Of course such a thing is impossible," said the physician who brought the world's most famous five sisters into the world. "They will not appear in any exhibition."

Orange Crew Loses

CORVALLIS, Ore., April 12.—(AP)—The Sacramento, Calif., junior college crew, claimant of the United States junior college championship for the season, defeated Oregon State college oarsmen by five lengths in a race on the Willamette river today.

Oddities in the News

ALLENTOWN, Pa., April 12.—(AP)—Robert Wain told police he gave up \$2 without a struggle when a holdup man thrust what he thought was a revolver against his back. Later, he said, he discovered the "weapon" was a tube of shaving cream.

WASHINGTON, April 12.—(AP)—President Roosevelt vetoed today a bill authorizing the government to pay Peter Slettsma of Monon, Ind., \$3.50 for damage to his automobile and personal injuries to members of his family when a civilian conservation corps enrollee threw an empty whiskey bottle through the windshield.

Returning the bill to the house, the president said at the time of the occurrence on Dec. 1, 1935, three of the enrollees were "absent from camp without leave and were not acting within the scope of their employment."

The CCC youths were tried and convicted in a local court and dismissed from the corps.

ANCHORAGE, Alaska, April 12.—(AP)—An odd kind of sky-writing—"Eskimo Air Mail"—was disclosed here today with the return of the veteran Pilot Roy Dickson from a 7,500-mile trip into the Arctic.

His plane was covered with Eskimo writing. He explained the natives wrote messages which were read by friends in other villages.