

The Weather
Cloudy today and Saturday, possible light rains.

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EIGHTY-EIGHTH YEAR

Job Compensation Amendment Is Drafted

Arms Request Given Solons By President

\$552,000,000 for Defense Weapons Would Give 3000 new Planes

Congress Generally Is Calm, but Opposition Makes Stand

By EDWARD E. BOMAR
WASHINGTON, Jan. 12.—(AP)—An apparently responsive congress received from President Roosevelt today an urgent request for a \$552,000,000 emergency fund for more than 2,000 warplanes, additional naval bases and other defense weapons to meet new conditions of warfare.

Leaders promised to give the right of way to an arms expansion program which the chief executive said "changing world conditions" made "imperative."

Praised by numerous administration supporters as reasonable and conservative, the recommendations were quickly endorsed by some republicans as "imperial."

Some democrats also indicated they had some doubt about parts of the program, but there was no sign of any movement strong enough to defeat it.

"Minimum Requirement" Is Roosevelt's Message
"Devoid of all hysteria, this program is but the minimum of requirements," the president asserted in his special message.

Advising "as great speed as possible," he asked that \$450,000,000 be used to reinforce the army and the remainder devoted to the navy.

Proposing a vast expansion of the nation's air power, he earmarked \$300,000,000 of the army's share for a minimum of 3,000 planes, \$10,000,000 for training some 20,000 college youths annually as pilots, and recommended \$21,000,000 for new naval aircraft.

Facilities Being Building Included
The chief executive included \$44,000,000 to start work on numerous new naval air bases in the Pacific, and elsewhere, in accordance with recommendations last week by the navy's Hephburn board, which proposed fortifications for the long-unfortified island of Guam in the far east.

"To provide an adequate peace garrison" for the Panama canal, he asked \$27,000,000, and called for stronger seacoast defenses there, in Hawaii and the continental United States.

Included also was a suggestion for approximately \$22,000,000 of "educational orders" to enable industry to prepare for quantity production of munitions in the event of war.

Coupled with \$1,109,558,000 provided for the army and navy in the budget Mr. Roosevelt sent to congress last week, the new recommendations projected an aggregate national defense program of \$1,661,558,000, much the largest since post-World war 1920.

Of this, however, the president estimated that only \$1,319,558,000, included \$210,000,000 of the emergency fund, would actually be paid out of the treasury during the fiscal year starting next July 1.

Proposing an immediate start on the defense reinforcements, the chief executive asked that \$50,000,000 of the \$300,000,000 army air force share be made available immediately to put idle aircraft plants to work, along with \$5,000,000 to start construction on new quarters in the Canal Zone.

Convict Seattle Negro
SEATTLE, Jan. 12.—(AP)—A superior court jury convicted William Wilkins, 37-year-old negro "snorter," today of manslaughter in connection with death of William Edmonds, 35, negro. Edmonds was shot during a fight with Wilkins, who contended the weapon discharged accidentally.

New Farm Bill Launched in Congress to Answer Wallace

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12.—(AP)—A broad, cost-of-production farm bill, which its sponsors predicted would rally the support of practically all elements opposed to the present agricultural program, was introduced in the senate and the house today.

Described by Rep. Lemke (R-ND) as "a non-partisan answer to Secretary Wallace's challenge for a farm program," the bill had backing from farm state legislators of both major parties, including some administration democrats.

Senator Frazier (R-ND) introduced the bill in the senate. Other sponsors were Senators Wheeler (D-Mont.), Thomas (D-Okla.), Breaugh (D-S.D.), Capper (R-Kan.), Shipstead (FL-Minn.), Nye (R-ND), Russell (D-Ga.), McCarran (D-Nev.), Donahay (D-Ohio), Burke (D-Neb.), Johnson (D-Cole), Lammie (FL-Minn.), Guyer (R-S.D.), Holman (R-Ore.),

HOPKINS DENIES HE'D "SPEND AND SPEND"



Frankfurter Gets Committee's Okeh

Never Communist, Either in Party or Beliefs, He Tells Senator

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12.—(AP)—A senate judiciary sub-committee approved the nomination of Felix Frankfurter to the supreme court today after hearing the little Harvard law professor assert his faith in the American constitution.

He did so because for two days a procession of witnesses had denounced him as a radical, a communist, a disbeliever in things American and even, in some cases, had objected to his confirmation because he is a Jew and was born abroad.

In answer to questions—mostly friendly questions from senators who enthusiastically applauded his appointment and wished only to set the record straight—he denied that he was nor ever had been a communist, either by party membership or by inclination.

To Senator McCarran (D-Nev.), the only member of the committee who interrogated him with any (Turn to Page 2, Col. 1)

Senate Confirms Pope Appointment Ignores Bridges' Claim It Is Illegal; 3 Other Choices Backed

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12.—(AP)—President Roosevelt's appointment of former Senator James F. Pope of Idaho to the Tennessee valley authority received senate confirmation today, despite a contention by Senator Bridges (R-ND) that it was illegal.

Bridges contended in vain that no vacancy existed on the TVA board because the ouster of former Chairman Arthur E. Morgan by President Roosevelt was "unwarranted and illegal."

Through a quirk of parliamentary procedure, the nomination already had been confirmed when Bridges began speaking, but at the request of Majority Leader Barkley (D-Ky.) the senate reconsidered in order to hear the New Hampshire senator.

When the vote came a chorus of "ayes" overwhelmed a handful of "noes," the latter coming chiefly from the republican side of the chamber.

The senate confirmed unanimously three other major nominations. These were John W. Hanes of North Carolina to be under-secretary of the treasury, Preston Delano of Massachusetts, a distant relative of President Roosevelt's, to be comptroller of the currency, and Ellen S. Woodward of Mississippi to be a member of the social security board.

Con Confesses Escape
PORTLAND, Jan. 12.—(AP)—Pete Bismarck, arrested here tonight on a vagrancy charge, confessed to Detectives W. L. Bryant and E. J. McCormick he escaped from the West Virginia state penitentiary in 1935 after serving three years of a 10-year sentence for burglary.

Moody Appointed Upon Game Board
Kenneth Moody, Bend merchant, was named a member of the state game commission by Governor Charles A. Sprague yesterday. He succeeds C. E. Riley of Klamath Falls who resigned.

Moody was approved by the Deschutes County Sportsmen's association, by the Redmond-Sisters Sportsmen's club, the Jefferson County Rod and Gun club and the Crook County Game Protective association.

Second Nazi Spy Draws Conviction
CRISTOBAL, Cz., Jan. 12.—(AP)—The second of two Germans, Robert Kurhig, 29, was convicted of spying in the Panama Zone by a federal court today and given until January 20 to file a motion for a new trial.

Judge Bunk Gardner was expected to rule on the same day on a similar motion for Hans Reichrich Schachow, 26, who was convicted December 16 of photographing vital defense zones.

Children Selling Narcotics, Report Populous Harlem Sector of New York Scene; 17 Are Indicted

NEW YORK, Jan. 12.—(AP)—A startling story of children selling narcotics in the streets of Harlem "as openly as though they were selling apples and with a good deal more success" was told tonight by treasury department officials as the indictment of 17 persons was disclosed.

Among those charged with conspiracy and sale of narcotics was Carlos Cubela, steward aboard the steamer Santa Maria which returned Secretary of State Cordell Hull and his party from the Pan-American conference in Lima.

Maj. Garland Williams, chief of the narcotics division here, said conditions in the populous negro and Latin-American section of Manhattan were "atrocious" and an "eye-opener" to his agents.

Assistant US Attorney Abel I. Smith said ten defendants were under arrest and others probably were in Cuba and South America. He estimated the ring had smuggled in about \$60,000 worth of one variety of narcotics on Grace liners from South America and large quantities of others.

Mexico Tells of Cedillo's Death
MEXICO CITY, Jan. 12.—(AP)—Ex-General Saturnino Cedillo, leader of an abortive uprising against President Lazaro Cardenas last spring, was killed yesterday in a brush with federal troops, the war department disclosed today.

Long-time dictator of San Luis Potosi state, Cedillo met death in the rugged mountains of that central Mexican region where he had found refuge from pursuing troops for seven months.

A Mexican Indian of about 46, Cedillo was secretary of agriculture in Cardenas' cabinet until 1937.

Missouri Sharecroppers Protest Plight: Claim They're Evicted
A Lionard sharecroppers of southeastern Missouri, mostly negroes, stage a demonstration along the highway to protest against alleged eviction from their shanties and the apparent intention of landowners to change from sharecropping to day labor in order to avoid sharing federal benefits payments with the workers. Secretary Wallace warned their benefits might be denied.—AP Telegram.

Craven Convicted Of Convict Death
PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 12.—(AP)—Frank A. Craven, former deputy warden of the Philadelphia county prison, was convicted of involuntary manslaughter tonight for the death of one of four convicts last summer in superheated punishment cells.

The conviction carries a possible penalty of eighteen months to three years imprisonment. A jury of seven men and five women deliberated three hours. They ignored the prosecution's request for a second degree murder verdict.

The finding climaxed a week's trial in which evidence was presented that Craven was in complete charge of the prison when 25 convicts were herded into "londike," a punishment building heated by a battery of steam radiators for participation in a hunger strike.

She's 13 Today—Friday the 13th; Won't Tempt Fate
Little Dorris Jean Cutler, daughter of Jack Cutler, night desk sergeant of the city police, doesn't intend tempting fate any further today by walking under ladders, allowing black cats to cross her path or neglecting to pick up any pins she may see.

She has a good reason: She's 13 years old today, on this Friday-the-13th.

Briton, Italian Do not Yield On any Point

Meeting Is Held 'Draw' as Both Strengthen Favor at Home

Two Statesmen Explain Their Ideas but no Deal Is Reached

ROME, Jan. 12.—(AP)—Premier Mussolini and Prime Minister Chamberlain ended tonight their face-to-face talks in which they explained without completely reconciling their points of view on Europe's troubles.

Tomorrow Chamberlain will have a moving audience with Pope Pius XI.

Both Il Duce and the British leader refrained from entering into any deal whatever to settle any problems, including Italy's demands on France and the Spanish war.

Foreign observers characterized as a "draw" Chamberlain's latest appeasement trip, perhaps strengthening his position at home. A Chamberlain spokesman emphasized that nothing had been given away.

Fascists in Touch With Allied Nations
Mussolini likewise could show his followers that he had yielded nothing. Throughout the talks fascists were significantly in touch with diplomats representing Italy's allies, Germany and Japan.

It was understood an account of the British-Italian conversations had been given to German Ambassador Hans-Georg Viktor von Mackensen. He called this morning on Count Galeazzo Ciano, (Turn to Page 2, Col. 5)

Croppers Armies Remain Encamped Tattered Host Is Reduced by Rain; Investigation Asked by Planters

NEW MADRID, Mo., Jan. 12.—(AP)—Rain beat down tonight on sections of southeast Missouri, where 1600 men, women and children were camped in the open in a demonstration which brought demands today from planters for a federal investigation.

The rain reduced the ranks of the ragged army of farm workers and their families, gathered along US highways 60 and 61 since Tuesday in a mass protest against their economic condition. Landowners' claimed the demonstration was "unwarranted."

Meeting at New Madrid, 24 planters demanded a "fair and impartial" inquiry, preferably by the federal bureau of investigation, into the reasons for the demonstrations.

A resolution, which they sent to state and federal officials, contended the mass march to the highways was "instigated by certain agitators who are telling the people the government will give (Turn to Page 2, Col. 1)

Propose new Office, Auditor for County

Tighter Check Upon Funds Is Declared Aim

Marion Delegation Will Introduce Bill; Cites Several Purposes

Perusal by Auditors of State Also Would Be Made Mandatory

Establishment of the office of county auditor for Marion county will be proposed in a bill being prepared by the county's legislative delegation, Senator Ronald Jones announced yesterday afternoon. The measure probably will be introduced in the senate next week.

The auditor would be appointed by and be directly responsible to the county court. His duties would consist of setting up a master control accounting system, of auditing all claims as to legality and compliance with the annual budget, of making up budgets and of coordinating the bookkeeping carried on in all county departments.

The delegation's bill also would make it mandatory to have the affairs of all county offices, including those of the justice courts and constables, audited each year by the state auditing division of the department of state.

Recent Disclosure One Cause of Move
The pending investigation of the \$22,025 discrepancy reported by the state auditors to exist between fund balances and cash in the Marion county treasurer's office is one reason for the measure.

The legislators feel that the county's economy is hampered by lack of a uniform bookkeeping system, lack of coordination of financial practices and, as one member of the delegation described it, "the kind of a mess that everything is kept in now."

Senator Jones was appointed by the delegation to study the courthouse situation and make recommendations. This he has been doing in the last few weeks.

"I believe creating the office of auditor would be a worth while step," Senator Jones said. "And it would greatly simplify the task of making the annual audit."

Much of the proposed new office's routine would consist of control bookkeeping and checking of claims now carried on in the office of County Clerk U. G. Boyer and Deputy Clerk C. C. Ward. The new setup would give the county clerk rather than the clerk full direction of such work.

The plan being outlined for the Marion county bill follows somewhat a system which has been in effect in Clatsop county for 15 years. Multnomah county also has a similar office.

Men in Forties Put Under Arms 200,000 Middle-Aged Are Mobilized on Loyalist Line in Catalonia

HENDAYE, France (at the Spanish Frontier), Jan. 12.—(AP)—The Spanish government mobilized the thousands of middle-aged men in Catalonia today to check insurgent encroachment along a 125-mile front.

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Legislative Sidelights: Here and there behind and in front of the scenes at the 40th legislative assembly.

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The clerks have complained that the filing places provided in the equipment are inadequate and poorly arranged and the company has volunteered to rework the desk to make it suitable. Some of the senators have complained that their desks are too small for suitable work but nothing can be done about it.

Guest Anderson was in the lobby as the first week closed and will be back from Portland to spend most of his time as the session gets under full swing. For 16 years he has been executive secretary of the Portland Central Labor council and since himself on the fact that every cent disbursed by the council in that period has been accurately and completely accounted for. Last year Anderson took part in 320 conferences between employers and employees. Yesterday he stated that 131 requests for an unfair listing were made during the year; 108 were withdrawn when a settlement was reached between employers and employees.

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Education Aid Bills Drafted; Equalize Cost

Two bills — each designed to make more efficient the elementary and high school system of the 36 counties in the state—were in process of preparation yesterday for introduction in the legislature with members of the state school superintendent's office and the attorney-general's staff collaborating in their preparation.

The measures will be designed to reduce the number of school districts in the counties of the state and to spread and equalize the taxation levied by the districts.

It was doubtful yesterday if the two bills would be ready for introduction for another week.

Recommendations for reduction in the number of school districts were made by Governor Charles A. Sprague in his inaugural address Monday.

The plan under consideration for tax equalization calls for the pooling of the county, state and irreducible school funds and their disbursement to the districts only when the latter have levied a certain minimum millage.

Consolidation of school districts would be pressed in a measure which would set up a county board to make recommendations of such grouping of districts. Final approval could come only by affirmative action of the state board of education consisting of the governor, the secretary of state and the state school superintendent.

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Picketing Law Says Governor

Federal Security Board Offers First Direct Advice to State

Dunne Talks to Officer of US Agency; Change to Help, Asserts

Prompt amendment of the Oregon unemployment compensation act to remove any doubt that it conforms to the requirements of the national security law was approved late yesterday by Governor Charles A. Sprague. The governor announced he would send a draft of a proposed bill to the legislature Monday, asking its prompt enactment into law.

Decision of the governor to submit the bill followed a telephone conversation between T. Morris Dunne, chairman of the Oregon unemployment commission, with an officer of the social security board in Washington. While the latter board has not announced its decision on the most question of certifying Oregon's unemployment insurance law, Dunne gained the impression that a restatement and reenactment of the law as regards the definitions of strikes and lockouts was desirable.

Amendment Will Be Helpful, Intimated
Washington officials intimated that remedial legislation by the Oregon legislature would be helpful in gaining certification for the Oregon law.

Governor Sprague made plain that the bill he would submit would not amend or repeal the present picketing law adopted by Oregon voters in November.

"I am satisfied that it was not the intention of the sponsors of the picketing law to interfere with ordinary operation of the unemployment compensation act and I feel certain that the legislature will reenact the present definitions so that Oregon's law will be certified, its unemployed workers receive compensation and its employers relieved of a double assessment," the governor said.

Draft of the proposed law is being made by Ralph Campbell, assistant attorney general, as detached service with the unemployment commission.

5 Marooned Men's Rescue Unaffected

JUNEAU, Alaska, Jan. 12.—(AP)—Unfavorable weather today prevented rescue of five men, including two passengers, marooned when Pilot Les Cook's plane was forced down Monday by motor trouble on the Iktika river.

Pilot Les Cope, who flew two other passengers to Tulsequah yesterday, was unable in return because of weather conditions.

Radio communication with Cook's plane was cut off today, and airmen expressed belief batteries had run down. The five men had ample clothing, and food enough for the remainder of the week.