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MEIER AND HOLMAN STAGE BIG ROW

STORES, HALL ARE GUTTED IN TUESDAY FIRE

Early Morning Blaze Takes Moose Hall, Film and Radio Shop

USE IS UNKNOWN

Smoke Hinders Work of Firemen; Loss May Reach \$20,000

Damage which may reach \$20,000 was caused when an early morning fire gutted the Moose hall building at northwest corner of Seventh and Main streets Tuesday.

The flames, thought to have started from the rear of the Carl R. Baker film shop, swept through the rear of the hall, the adjoining Eugene Home place store and then burst into the Moose lodge hall above, virtually destroying the furnishings and fixtures of the hall.

Smoke Bothered Firemen

The alarm was turned in at 2:10 a. m. and when firemen reached the scene the building was filled with smoke and flames. Firemen battled the fire for more than two hours, the fire atmosphere adding to their difficulties.

No definite estimates as to the extent of the damage were available today as insurance adjusters start their work, but it was thought it might be close to \$20,000.

Both the film shop and the appliance store suffered heavily, their stocks being virtually destroyed by the fire, smoke and water while much of the furniture in the film shop was ruined. In the Moose hall, the end of the lodge room was burned, a piano ruined and the fur furnishings and fixtures damaged.

Stocks, Building Insured

The building, built in 1887 by the R. M. Day and owned by Mrs. M. Day, was considerably damaged by the flames burned out the partition between the two stores on the rear, did considerable damage to the rear wall and swept up through the floor into the lodge hall where the ceilings and walls were scorched.

The building was insured for \$11,000 while the lodge furnishings and fixtures were insured to the value of \$500. Charles Sigman, who handled insurance of the film shop and appliance store, said Baker had approximately \$5000 coverage while the appliance store was valued by Carl R. Baker at \$12,000 while stock and equipment in the appliance shop was valued at \$10,000.

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Weather News:

The mercury sank to 19 degrees today morning, eight degrees below the low mark of the morning before. The forecast:

OREGON: Cloudy with rain or snow west portion tonight and Wednesday late tonight or Wednesday; quite cold; moderate southerly winds offshore.

LOCAL STATISTICS: Minimum temperature Tuesday, 19 degrees. Maximum Monday, 28. Wind from southwest, 19 feet. Wind from southwest, 19 feet. Wind from southwest, 19 feet.

SLUAW TIDES: Wednesday, 4:48 a. m., 5:04 p. m.; low, 1:31 a. m., Thursday, high 5:26 p. m., 5:41 p. m.; low, 12:42 p. m., 5:17 p. m., Friday, high 6:33 p. m., 6:49 p. m.; low, 1:55 p. m.

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Moneyless Families Stop Wait For Prosperity And Its Corner

(Editor's Note: This is the third of a series of stories describing the remarkable growth of the "Back to Barter" movement.)

By ROBERT TALLEY (NEA Service Writer)

MONEYLESS families in southern California have stopped waiting for prosperity to round their corner. Aided by fertile fields, willing work, and co-operation born of necessity, thousands of unemployed in and around Los Angeles have built up a "Back to Barter" system that is feeding 100,000 people in one of the largest and most successful of many such movements throughout the nation.

Their system, known as the California Cooperative Exchange, feeds 100,000 people in one of the largest and most successful of many such movements throughout the nation.

The plan originated in a section near Los Angeles where hundreds were being saved from hunger by welfare bureaus. At the same time, thousands of tons of foodstuffs were going to waste all around them.

Market places were at work in the area.

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EXPLAINER!



Count Aisuke Kabayama, above, has been named by the Japanese government as an official envoy to come to the United States and explain the Japanese attitude on the Manchurian situation. He is a member of the House of Peers and vice-president of the Japan-America society.

TAXES TO BE PAID BY P. C. HOSPITAL

Dr. Kuykendall Issues View Of Eugene Hospital On Situation

Pacific Christian hospital will begin paying taxes at once and for the time being the controversy between the county and the hospital receivers is over.

Dr. Orville Waller, receiver of Pacific Christian, and County Judge Fred Fisk met Tuesday morning and made this agreement:

Payments on personal property taxes of the hospital amounting to approximately \$1,006.74 (two years) will begin at once, the county deducting 10 percent (\$100.67) from each monthly bill for county patients till April when the balance will be squared.

Payments on the real estate taxes, now delinquent approximately \$3,130.57 (two years) will not be pressed because the law grants three years grace. Furthermore land bondholders will not acquire full possession of the property till April.

Meantime a friendly suit will be brought to determine whether the hospital as such can still be classed as a philanthropic institution which would make it tax free.

Distribution of county patients between Pacific Christian hospital and Eugene hospital was not discussed, according to County Judge Fred Fisk. He said, however, that this matter was under discussion between the county doctor and the county commissioners.

In the past, the practice has been to leave this matter almost entirely to the discretion of the county doctor, Pacific Christian, as a rule has cared for the bulk of the county patients. Doctors of both hospitals say that the county rate of \$2.57 probably does not cover expenses in the average case, the work being valuable only because it provides steady cash against overhead.

"I think the matter has been settled quite fairly," said Judge Fisk. "If we lose the suit the money will be returned. If we win the taxes are paid. There has been no disposition here to follow any one side."

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FILIPINO BILL PASSED BY HOOPER

Senate Follows Lead By House; Lone Demo Is Opposed

ACCEPTANCE DOUBTED

Measure Provides Complete Freedom in Ten to 13 Years

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.—(AP)—Freedom for the Philippines was granted by the congress today, the senate voting to override President Hoover's veto of the independence bill.

A two-thirds vote was required. The house last Friday voted 274 to 94 to override the veto, more than the margin required.

The senate vote on rejecting the veto was 66 to 20.

The vote was five more than the required two-thirds of the 92 members casting ballots.

Acceptance Doubtful

Forty-five democrats voted with 20 republicans and the lone farmer-laborer, Shipstead of Minnesota, to override the president's veto and make the bill a law.

Under the new law, complete independence for the 34 year old American possession will be achieved in from 10 to 13 years, provided the island legislature accepts the act within one year from today.

Failure of the island legislature to accept it—and dispatches from Manila have carried strong objections to it from that quarter—would start the whole controversy over again, with doubt existing in some capital quarters that the new democratic congress will get as satisfactory a bill through perhaps as the best method of bringing about independence.

Galleries Cheer

Under the act, the new country would be known as "the commonwealth of the Philippine islands."

The 26 votes against the bill and in

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HOOPER ADVOCATES SALES TAX NOW

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.—(AP)—President Hoover, dispatching to congress his expected special message on budget balancing, today recommended that sales taxes be adopted immediately as the best method of bringing about an increase in federal revenues.

The president declared "it would seem the essence of good statesmanship" to spread a sales tax generally "at a low rate upon all manufacturers except upon food and cheaper grades of clothing."

Mr. Hoover maintained that by such a tax the government would be able to maintain a stable basis of income "during the period of depression."

"One of the most helpful contributions which the congress and this administration could give to the next administration," he said, "would be to enable them to start with the federal budget in balance and the federal finances in order."

Farmers Out After Sheep-Killing Dog

SALEM, Jan. 17.—(AP)—The death of an unknown killer—a sheep killer—was plotted by a group of farmers to the east of Salem who yesterday raised a fund to conduct a hunt for a dog credited with the death of some 50 sheep.

Three or four known sheep killing dogs had been slain in the vicinity, but continued raids indicated that some old master sheep killer was still working and had successfully eluded efforts to kill him. One rancher lost 28 sheep in one raid, Paul Marnach, inspector of county sheep claims, stated.

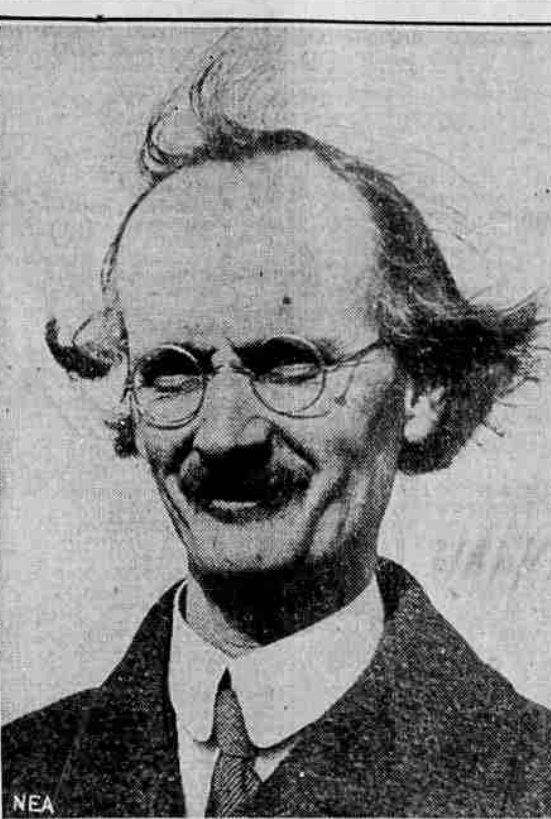
British Girl Fliers Both Hurt in Crash

NAIROBI, Kenya Colony, Africa, Jan. 17.—(AP)—Jean Page and Aubrey Cole-Barker, British society girls, who crashed in an airplane in the jungle 40 miles south of Nairobi, were both injured but were brought here safely today.

Miss Page, daughter of Sir Arthur Page, chief justice of Kenya, suffered a broken leg. Miss Cole-Barker sustained a broken arm.

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PRESENTING PROF. PICCARD!



It's Professor Auguste Piccard, the stratosphere man whose hair-raising experiences in a balloon took him farther away from this earth than any other man ever has been. The Belgian scientist is shown as he arrived in New York to begin an American lecture tour. Also to deny a widely published report that he had pulled the teeth of a neighbor's dog to keep it from biting his children. All he had extracted, he said were the thorns from garden rose bushes.

Roosevelt Supports Hoover Policy On Far East Question

NEW YORK, Jan. 17.—(AP)—A united front by President-Elect Roosevelt and President Hoover on the American policy in the Far East was indicated here today by the democratic leader.

Asked to comment on reports from Washington, that Secretary Stimson had reaffirmed the policy that this nation will not recognize territorial gains made in violation of treaty agreements, Mr. Roosevelt said:

"Any statement relating to any particular foreign situation must, of course, come from the secretary of state of the United States. I am, however, wholly willing to make it clear that American foreign policies must uphold the sanctity of international treaties.

"That is the cornerstone on which all relations between nations must rest."

Mr. Roosevelt wrote out this statement for newspapermen, and it was accepted here as showing complete understanding between the outgoing and incoming administrations on the far eastern policies.

It is understood Stimson in his recent conversation with the president-elect took up this subject in detail.

Mr. Roosevelt turned again today to international relations in his conference at his home here. Colonel E. M. House, adviser on foreign affairs to Woodrow Wilson, was a luncheon guest. Frank Polk, of New York, a former democratic under-secretary of state, also was on the calling list.

Norman Davis, member of the American delegation to the Geneva arms conference, will consult with the president-elect when he travels to Washington on Thursday. Both Davis and Polk are prominently mentioned for secretary of state in the Roosevelt cabinet.

It is taken for granted here that the American position for some time to come on the far eastern crisis is definitely settled; that is, it is to be a continuation of the present stand. So it is assumed the conferences with Colonel House, Polk and Davis will deal principally with new policies to be pursued on the economic and arms conferences.

Meanwhile, authorities have given no indication of intention to interfere with his continued stay here.

A report that they were planning to expel Insull was called to the attention of the Athens chief of police, who said he knew nothing of any such move. On the contrary, Insull's residence permit which recently expired, has been renewed.

It was generally understood his continued residence here was contingent on his acceptance of Greek naturalization, which appeared to be just what he was ready for.

Son Born to Wife Of Indian Prince

PARIS, Jan. 17.—(AP)—A son was born today to the Begum Aga Khan, young and beautiful wife of the wealthy East Indian prince who is the religious head of millions of Islamic Mohammedans.

The child was born at the American hospital in the Neuilly district. Mother and son were reported doing well. The Aga Khan III, the father, is at Cannes on the Riviera.

Portland Bandits Steal Ambulance

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 17.—(AP)—Police speculated today on the question of whether the recent shooting of two bandits was connected with the kidnapping of a woman in the criminal gang.

Those speculations were based on a report that the two bandits were seen in the vicinity of the kidnapping.

MANAGER PLAN FOR COUNTY IS GIVEN SUPPORT

Tax League President And Others Find System In Favor

KEENEY IS OPPOSED

Crowe Suggests Idea Better Adapted To Cities Than To Counties

By TOM POTWIN

The manager plan of government for Lane county?

County officials and business men are turning this question over in their minds now that it has been introduced in the legislature and a number voiced approval and disapproval of it Tuesday.

W. W. Harcombe, president of the Lane County Taxpayers' league; F. L. Chambers, Eugene business man; and Major James H. Tierney, head of the organized reserve officers, supported the plan and County Commissioner O. E. Crowe, although skeptical of the result for the county, suggested that the city of Eugene might well try the manager plan out first, and if it works the county might take it up.

Keeney Opposed

County Assessor Ben F. Keeney led several others in putting thumbs down on the plan.

Senator Jay H. Upton of Bend introduced a manager plan bill in the legislature Monday and a resolution with it by which it will be referred to the people in the form of a constitutional amendment. The plan would be optional with the counties under the bill and amendment.

The measure would eliminate all present elective offices but the county school superintendent and establish an unpaid board of commissioners. The commissioners would appoint the manager, who would in turn appoint the heads of three departments of county government—the departments of finance, public works and public welfare. The school superintendent would still be elected to head the department of education. The manager would set the salaries of

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NATIONAL ECONOMY LEAGUE IS RAPPED

SALEM, Jan. 17.—(AP)—Congressman-elect James W. Mott vigorously assailed the "propaganda" of the National Economy League which he said seeks to reduce the payments to ex-service men, in an address before the American Legion legislative meeting here yesterday.

All but three counties in the state were represented by the 200 legionnaires who attended. Following brief speeches and committee work, the executive council of the session adopted the following resolutions:

Endorsing the continuance of the national guard as a unit in the national defense organization with the appropriation recommended in the governor's budget.

Opposing repeal of the criminal syndicalism act.

Endorsing work of the child welfare committee of the legion, as now organized.

Favoring continued appropriation of \$10,000 for employment of a service officer at the veterans' hospital.

Opposing abolition of the county indigent fund.

Recommending no further educational aid be provided for veterans, and that the commission be abolished.

Search For Missing Aviator Is Planned

BASEL, Switzerland, Jan. 17.—(AP)—Capt. W. L. Hope was waiting today for a break in the weather to permit a search by air for his friend, Bert Hinkler, who left England Jan. 7 on a speed flight to Australia.

Hinkler, who formerly held the record, was attempting to beat the world's mark of 8 days, 20 hours, 49 minutes set last year by C. W. A. Scott. Hinkler was expected to make a first stop on the 13,000-mile journey at Brindisi, Italy, but it was feared he never got across the Swiss Alps.

NEW ENGLAND FEELS QUAKE

NEW BEDFORD, Mass., Jan. 17.—(AP)—A slight earthquake shook this morning early today, but no damage was reported. Dartmouth and Massachusetts reported that the tremor lasted about four seconds. Buildings were shaken but no injury reported.

NEW SPEAKER!



Representative Joseph W. Byrns, of Tennessee, chairman of the powerful house appropriations committee, here is shown in his new portrait. He may become Speaker of the House next March.

FARM ASKS D. A. R. MEMBERS TO VISIT

Cooperative Wants Group To Get First Hand Information

An open letter issued Tuesday to members of the Daughters of the American Revolution to visit the Cooperative Farm was the aftermath of the little flurry Sunday when a few members of the D. A. R. called official and active workers of the Congregational church to halt the forum in that church Sunday evening when Isaiah Thomas and Alton Bristol from the farm spoke.

The letter from the farm reads: "May we extend to members of the local chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution a cordial invitation to pay us a visit on a Friday evening, our evening at home."

"Undoubtedly, you would rather reach a conclusion based on actual observation than hazard a conjecture founded on mere hearsay. Signed, Cooperative Farm."

It is understood that a group of the D. A. R. members will visit the farm. Officials of the D. A. R. organization did not care to be quoted on the matter Tuesday, although they expressed regret that the name of the organization had been used when some members objected to the forum program. The D. A. R. officially took no action against the Cooperative Farm and the subject was only informally discussed at the last meeting, it is said.

"Prince" Pleads Guilty in Court

NEW YORK, Jan. 17.—(AP)—Harry F. Gerguson, the bogus "Prince Michael Romanoff" of countless pranks and petty crimes, pleaded guilty today to federal indictments bearing a possible maximum sentence of 55 years.

When Judge John C. Knox declined to impose the suspended sentence the "prince" had apparently expected, the former orphan asylum boy who hid his humble past under a false mantle of royalty tried to withdraw his plea but this was not allowed.

LATE NEWS FLASHES!

SALEM, Ore., Jan. 17.—(AP)—Senate today confirmed Governor Meier's appointment of F. E. Callister of Albany to the state board of higher education. His term will expire in 1941. Senator Joe E. Dunne was the only senator voicing disapproval.

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STATE CAPITOL, Olympia, Wash., Jan. 17.—(AP)—Nelson Robinson, state representative of the 32nd district in King county, was unseated by a vote of 94 to 5 in the house of representatives today. He was removed because of his conviction in King county on a statutory charge involving a minor girl. He was pardoned by former Governor Roland D. Hartley.

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NORTH JUDSON, Ind., Jan. 17.—(AP)—Four men robbed the American State bank of more than \$2,000 today. Kidnaped Assistant Cashier Frank Wanek and used him as a shield in escaping.

NEW YORK, Jan. 17.—(AP)—Lieutenant Edwin Francis Conway of Seattle, Wash., commander of the U. S. naval aviation reserve base at Floyd Bennett Field, was killed today in an airplane crash.

NEAR BLOWS AS TEMPERERS ARE LOOSED

Treasurer Threatens To Slap Governor At Board Meet

CHARGES ARE HURLED

Einzig and Hoss Side With Chief; Housecleaning Is Demanded

SALEM, Jan. 17.—(AP)—Legislative activities here today took second place to the meeting of the state board of control which developed into an out and out break between Governor Julius L. Meier and State Treasurer Rufus C. Holman during which heated charges and just as heated counter charges were hurled in rapid succession.

So intense did the situation get that at one point Holman told the governor that "you're being governor is the only thing that keeps you from getting your face slapped." This followed remarks by the governor that "it is pretty near time to apologize to the public for my appointing you."

Hoss Backs Meier

Holman retorted, "Yes, and it is getting pretty near time for me to wear sackcloth and ashes."

The arguments resulted from recent legislative suggestions issued by Holman in which he charged "secrecy" and "Reign of Terror" characterized the management of the office of the board of control.

The arguments culminated in the governor moving for a legislative investigation of the board of control, which motion was carried unanimously. The board as a result will request the investigation at once, and Holman was asked by the governor to present his charges.

Secretary of State Hal E. Hoss participated in behalf of the arguments and himself as members of the board which were being intimidated by the charges of the treasurer.

"Reign of Terror" Convented

The tense atmosphere was sensed when the meeting was opened by the statement of the governor that "We will now convene the 'Reign of Terror'." Only the Associated Press representative was present when the out-

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116 SINGLE MEN APPLY FOR WORK

One hundred sixteen single men have applied for work in the road camp started Tuesday by the county court and the Sluslaw national forest, according to R. S. Shelley, forest supervisor.

Thirty men at a time will be employed at road building, although plans are in progress for an increase in the number to be employed.

Construction of a suspension bridge over the Sluslaw river near the Giles Fowler place will be started first, and then clearing of the Sluslaw road which will eventually connect Walton and Swishome will be started.

C. W. Weltz of the Sluslaw forest staff has gone to the camp to serve as foreman.