

HERRIOT PUTS BLAME ON HOOVER

NO PROSPECTS OF MODERATION OF COLD WAVE

For Third Successive Day Thermometer Drops to 5 Above in Salem

Skating In Order—Floating Ice Hampers Water Service—Mains Break

Prospects for moderation of the cold spell that has gripped Salem and vicinity since last Wednesday afternoon went glimmering Monday morning which brought the third consecutive low temperature of 5 degrees above zero and the weather forecast of continued clear and cold. The mercury mounted to 31 degrees Saturday afternoon and to 29 degrees Sunday afternoon.

SEEK TO BLOCK HOOVER PLAN

Washington, Dec. 12 (AP)—A resolution disapproving the whole government re-organizing program submitted by President Hoover was offered today in the senate by Senator King, democrat of Utah.

Other reports were being started to block the realignments suggested by the president, on reasoning that the changes should be left to the incoming democratic administration.

LITVINOFF PLEADS FOR RECOGNITION

Geneva, Dec. 12 (AP)—A formal statement to the press interpreted as an indirect bid to the United States for recognition of Russia was made today by Maxim Litvinoff, Soviet foreign commissar, in connection with the announcement of resumption of relations between Russia and China after a break of more than three years.

PRINTERS VOTING FOR 5 DAY WEEK

Indianapolis, Dec. 12 (AP)—With votes tabulated representing one third of the membership on the five day week proposal, International Typographical Union officials today announced the plan was favored by 14,657 and opposed by 5,492.

Good Evening Sips for Supper

The weekly bulletin of the Klwanis club coming from the deft fingers of Willard Wirtz, club secretary, solves another of the town's mysteries. For long a lot of folk have wondered what the "E" stood for as part of the front handle of E. Fritz Slade, bank president, hydroelectric expert and father of the town's huskiest pair of twins.

Figures show that Judge Bean got the largest plurality of any opposed candidate running on the state ticket. His opponent was Roy Hewitt of Salem. But Roy has the perfect alibi—the Oregonian endorsed him a few days before the election.

Which party do you think got the worst beating when the democrats exchanged Brazier Small for Newell Williams? asks an inquiring correspondent. "Has Brazier a good set of teeth? Is there anything else false about Newell Williams besides his teeth and his brains?"

And why, asks another correspondent in the same mail, "do you pick on Newell Williams and Walt Thompson?" Well, Ben Bernie has his Walter Winchell; Bill Einzig has his Rufus Holman, and the county court has its Ed Porter and Billy Jones. So why shouldn't Newell Williams and Walt Thompson be entitled to somebody, if it's nobody but us?

The legislature is coming, and probably will be unique in legislative as it is coming for the avowed purpose of cutting down expenses.

It has been the habit to refer to legislators as sort of dampfool animals. But analysis will indicate that most of their dampfoolness has been done because they have been urged on to do it by a lot of dampfool constituents. The constituents themselves are now beginning to wake up so there is a good chance the legislature will backtrack and undo a lot of things it has done.

MAN FINDS WIFE DEAD BY BULLET

Grants Pass, Ore., Dec. 12 (AP)—Shot through the left temple, Mrs. Lloyd Johnson, 26, was found dead in the Johnson home by her husband, owner of the Moffatt-Crestmont City, Calif., truck line, here Sunday.

Diplomatic Records For Speed Broken In Debt Notes Exchange

Washington, Dec. 12 (AP)—The British-American debt debate reached a crisis today after a swift and dramatic exchange of new notes. London offered to pay \$55,550,000 next Thursday—conditionally. Secretary of State Stimson promptly rejected the conditions.

HOSS OUT FOR FLAT \$3 AUTO LICENSE FEES

Secretary Favors Restoration of Motor Vehicles To Property Tax Rolls

Tells County Judges He Favors Present 4 Percent Tax On Gasoline

A flat \$3 license fee for all private passenger automobiles to go entirely to the state, restoration of motor vehicles to the personal property tax rolls with the counties to receive the entire proceeds in lieu of their present one-third share in license fees, retention of the present 4 cent tax on gasoline without increase, and abolition of all refunds on distillate and gas as a means of meeting the demand for lower license fees without endangering the highway system of either the counties or state was advocated by Hal E. Hoss, secretary of state, this afternoon in an address before the annual convention of county judges and commissioners in Portland.

GERMANY WINS ARMS EQUALITY

Berlin Dec. 12 (AP)—Official circles today described as "a hundred per cent gain for Germany" the agreement reached at the Geneva five power arms conference which gave Germany assurances of arms equality.

RESTORE DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS IN EAST

Geneva, Switzerland, Dec. 12 (AP)—Maxim Litvinoff, Russian foreign commissar, this afternoon announced the reestablishment of normal diplomatic and consular relations between Russia and China, effective today.

O'BRIAN RESIGNS AS TRUST BUSTER

Washington, Dec. 12 (AP)—John Lord O'Brian, of Buffalo, N. Y., resigned today as assistant to the attorney-general in charge of anti-trust matters.

Santa Claus Headquarters In City Hall

The basement of the city hall, underneath the central fire department headquarters, rivals the childhood imagination picture of what Santa Claus's own headquarters must look like up at the North Pole.

ASK CONGRESS TO PROBE B. E. F.

Washington, Dec. 12 (AP)—Congressional investigation was demanded today of last summer's bonus battle in which tanks and cavalry clattered down Pennsylvania avenue and sent the rag-tag bonus seekers shuffling northward in retreat.

DAVIS RETRIAL SET JANUARY 9

New York, Dec. 12 (AP)—Retrial of United States Senator James J. Davis on federal lottery and conspiracy charges today was set for January 9.

KLAMATH BANKER SHY IN ACCOUNTS

Klamath Falls, Ore., Dec. 12 (AP)—Shortage of \$4,727.97 in the accounts of John M. Glover, assistant cashier of the First National bank of this city, was announced today by President J. A. Gordon.

POPE FIRM FOR DISARMAMENT

Vatican City, Dec. 12 (AP)—The United States must insist on disarmament in return for any concession to Europe on war debts, Osservatore Romano, official Vatican organ, said today in an article reviewing the war debt claims.

NEW PROJECTS FOR HIGHWAYS TO BE DELAYED

Scott Outlines Commission Policies To County Judges Convention

Maintenance Must Be Continued Under the Makeshift of Economy

Portland, Dec. 12 (AP)—County judges and commissioners of Oregon, assembled in their 27th annual convention, today heard Leslie M. Scott, chairman of the state highway commission, declare that "the first duty of all of us is to ease, as best we can, the terrific tax burden of the people whose servanis we are."

SENATE DEBATES PHILIPPINE BILL

Washington, Dec. 12 (AP)—Prohibition, war debts, government economy, Philippine independence and entrance into the World Court troubled congress today as the short session entered its second week.

SPIDER BEATEN IN ALARM CLOCK BATTLE

Akron, O., Dec. 12 (AP)—A spider's battle to spin a web over the relentlessly moving hands of an alarm clock appeared ended, at least temporarily today.

Dry Women Vision Era Of Drunkenness If Beer Bill Passes

Washington, Dec. 12 (AP)—Significant action toward speeding a vote on prohibition in the senate was taken today as the drive for immediate modification of the Volstead act met staunch and heated feminine opposition before the house ways and means committee.

Special Session On Tax Problem Slated To Open January 3

Sales Levy or Other Substitute for State Property Tax Chief Business Scheduled for Attention of Solons; Wide Variety of Proposals Indicated; Unemployment Relief Up

By HARRY N. CRAIN
The 37th Oregon legislative assembly, composed of the senators and representatives elected in November, will convene here in special session on January 3, one week prior to the opening of the regular 1933 session, to attempt a solution of the state's financial problem and seek out a substitute for the state property tax, which the state tax commission now announces it will be necessary to levy to protect the state's credit, and to devise methods of unemployment relief.

HOUSE SUSTAINS COAST GUARD

Washington, Dec. 12 (AP)—The house today voted down an amendment to knock \$9,000,000 from coast guard appropriations after Representative Harlan, democrat, Indianapolis, charged that sum would go for prohibition enforcement.

ORDER FAVORS ROSEBURG ROAD

Washington, Dec. 12 (AP)—An order clearing the way for construction of the proposed highway from Roseburg to Diamond Lake along the North Umpqua river was announced by the federal power commission today.

GLASS FAVORED FOR TREASURY

Washington, Dec. 12 (AP)—President-Elect Roosevelt may press for his "new deal" as applied to the banking world by appointing Senator Carter Glass of Virginia, a collaborator in the federal reserve act, as his secretary of treasury.

UTILITY MANAGER SHOT BY EX-EMPLOYEE

Los Angeles, Dec. 12 (AP)—S. O. Haver, Jr., assistant secretary and employment manager for the Southern California Edison company, was shot and killed today by a negro who walked into his office and became embroiled in an altercation over a job.

EUROPE'S DEBT CRISIS LAID TO MORATORIUM

French Premier Says Hoover's Action In 1931 Caused Trouble

France Proposes To Pay With Reservations—Chamber to Vote

CONFESSON SOLVES SUITCASE MURDER

Rome, Dec. 12 (AP)—A three-weeks old mystery involving three suitcases containing the dismembered body of a woman was solved today with the confession, police said, of Cesare Serviotti, 47.

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STATE MILITIA CALLED OUT

Washington, Dec. 12 (AP)—Governor Ross Sterling's use of the state militia to enforce his order restricting production of crude oil in East Texas fields in the fall of 1931, today was found by the supreme court to be an unconstitutional use of his executive authority.

SHOPPING DAYS TO CHRISTMAS

Several of the witnesses provoked committee members to argument over the merits of prohibition. While committee members grinned at him, Representative Estep, republican, Pennsylvania, argued with Mrs. A. Haines Lippincott, one of the women who were with...

