

LOCALS

The following cases have been set for trial in department No. 1 of circuit court for the January term: January 3, Randall vs. Southern Pacific company; 4th, Weathers vs. Kitchner; 5th, Kitchner vs. McDonald; 6th, Brenstetter vs. Coffenberry; 8th, Berberich vs. Burns; 10th, Carson vs. Liveley; 11th, Monner vs. Starker; 13th, Ball vs. Associated Oil; 16th, Bronkey vs. Olson.

Free diamond ring with every purchase of \$23.75 or over at Pomeroy & Keene's. 306*

Authority has been granted Isaac W. Miller and Rollin K. Page, executors of the estate of Fred J. Miller, to re-invest funds of the estate. 307

Half price on men's leather bill-folds, Shafer's Leather Goods store, 307

Order has been granted in probate in connection with the estate of Tosten T. Steen, allowing payment in full of a bequest of \$500 to an Old People Home in Norway, and payment of \$500 in partial settlement of a bequest to the town of Aals Sogn in Norway the money to go to a fund for the aid of needy old people in that town. 304

Blanket specials. We have them, just the thing for Christmas presents. Light colors, plaids or plaid, singles \$2.25, double plaids, all shades \$3.50; one lot four pastel shades, a \$6 blanket for \$3.95. Thos. Kay Woolen Mill Co. 304*

An answer has been filed in the case of Melvin Johnson against Anton Fresken in which the defendant is contesting a case to specifically perform a contract allowing payment in full of a bequest of \$500 to an Old People Home in Norway, and payment of \$500 in partial settlement of a bequest to the town of Aals Sogn in Norway the money to go to a fund for the aid of needy old people in that town. 304

Christmas shoppers! Smart new turtle-neck sweaters \$2.50. A. A. Clothing Co. Inc, 335 State. 304*

Ladd & Bush Trust company has filed objections to the final account of Joseph Bartrik as administrator of the estate of Christian Engl. The objector charges that the account is incorrect in that there is no statement of receipts and disbursements, no mention of the costs of administration, and other errors. 306*

Xmas tree light sets complete with 8 globes, guaranteed and approved for only 29c at the Metropolitan store. 306*

Order of partial distribution has been granted to Myrtle Hayes, executrix of the estate of William H. Getchell. 304

Lucille Cummings soloist on Miller's program of Christmas carols tomorrow at 8:45. 304

With the grand jury met again today no report was expected until next week. 304

Cut-rate prices on poinsettias, potted plants and Xmas wreaths at the Metropolitan Store. 306*

A delegation from Roberts appeared before the county court today in regard to information as to holding a meeting to vote on a proposition for the district and it was decided to hold a regular meeting. R. J. Bettencourt is present. 304

New Rayon pajamas with coats, special \$1.69; also new rayon pajamas, extra size \$1.95. Howard Corst Shop. 304*

The estate of Charles H. Helzel, minor, son of the late James G. Helzel, Salem attorney, was admitted to probate today with Clara A. Helzel his mother named as guardian. His estate is estimated at \$25,000, with \$15,000 in real property and \$10,000 in personal property. On the basis of the estimated value of this estate the total estate of the father was estimated at \$150,000, as he was also survived by his widow and three other children. The father lost his life at sea several months ago. 304

Auction tomorrow, 1:30 p.m. at Woodry's Auction Market. Christmas Special. 304*

Nearly an additional inch of rainfall during the 24-hour period ending Wednesday morning has brought the Willamette river up to 8.8 feet as compared with a minus measurement Saturday morning and the one foot level Sunday. The rise is more than two feet during the past day. Rainfall Tuesday was .97 inches, with that which started Saturday bringing the total precipitation up to 3.68 inches. 304

General Motors Radio, 10 tube super. New \$149.50. Special \$79.75. Eoff Electric, 347 Court. 306*

Stockholders of the International Airbrake Control company, of whom there are 200 in Salem, are expected to meet at the city hall at 8 o'clock Wednesday evening. The call comes from the committee composed of Dr. E. E. Herrick, H. S. Love, Dr. John Lynch, C. F. Johnson and K. G. Thompson. The equipment is manufactured by the Gerlinger plant at Dallas and will soon be given a test by the interstate commerce commission. 304

Chinese herbs for influenza. Charlie Chan Med. Co., 122 N. Commercial. 304*

The American Legion Auxiliary national championship trio of Salem will sing for the Lions club Thursday noon. Members of the trio are Mrs. Walter Zossel, Mrs. Dennis Bowe and Mrs. Mildred Wyatt, with Miss Ruth Bedford accompanist. Three needy families with a total of 18 persons, will be provided with a Christmas day dinner by the club. 304

Best haircuts, adults 20c, children 15c. 303 S. Winter. 304

Calls for relief among ex-service men are demanding considerable time of Allan Carson, commander, and William Bliven, adjutant of the 10th Central Postal Directory. They can only refer the callers to M. Clifford Moynihan, service officer, located in the Oregon building. All persons seeking relief are requested to get in touch with the service officer direct. 304

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Motor vehicle accidents reported overnight were: C. Hayes, Reedport, and J. B. Rogers, 2130 North Fifth at Commercial and Kearney. Max J. Pemberton, 979 Saginaw, and C. M. Inman, on Church. Edgar Man-

GREETINGS SENT PUERTO RICO BY ROOSEVELT

Albany, N. Y., Dec. 21 (AP)—President-Elect Roosevelt today called for "a vigorous, constructive program for the welfare and rehabilitation of the island of Puerto Rico, in a message from the New York governor's office directed to the Puerto Rico Christmas food ship, Coynyx, which sailed from a New York pier.

"I am familiar with Puerto Rico's many problems," Governor Roosevelt said, "and am confident that any philanthropic investment made in Puerto Rico will bring good and lasting returns.

"This Christmas ship for Puerto Rico will not carry toys or games or Christmas trees. Its cargo consists of food for the desperately needy children of our own American island.

Still non-committal on the subject of President Hoover's proposal that he join in the creation of an agency for dealing with world economic, war debt and disarmament problems, the president-elect is going ahead with his own affairs, with the prospect of a yachting vacation within a few weeks in warm southern waters.

Meanwhile, in the absence of any declaration from him as to his reaction to the Hoover proposals, Mr. Roosevelt's friends here shared the belief that he had accepted privately to the Hoover suggestion. These friends previously said it was their belief that Mr. Hoover's idea of a commission to treat with the three world powers was not in line with Mr. Roosevelt's views. The president-elect, they explained, has indicated his belief that whereas debts, disarmament and economics might have an ultimate interrelationship, they should be approached as individual problems.

HOOVER TO SAIL ON SATURDAY

Washington, Dec. 21 (AP)—Preparations went forward today at the White House for President Hoover to set sail from Savannah, Georgia, next Saturday, Christmas Eve, on a holiday cruise off the Georgia and Florida coasts.

Despite the approach of his scheduled departure from the capital, however, set for next Friday night, the president made clear to his aides that he might yet cancel the trip should developments on Capitol hill or in his war debts plans require.

As plans now stand, the chief executive and Mrs. Hoover and a party of guests will board the government inspection boat "Sequoia" and "Kilgus" at Savannah about noon Saturday.

For the next week or ten days, the president plans to drift along stopping where the fish are biting best or inspecting inland waterways.

White House automobiles will be dispatched to Florida so that the presidential party may take land trips at varying points.

Under present arrangements, the Hoovers would not return to the capital until around January 3 or 4.

17 JAPANESE DIE IN BATTLE TODAY

Mukden, Manchuria, Dec. 21 (AP)—Seventeen Japanese are dead, two are missing and four are seriously wounded today in a battle with Chinese forces. 30 miles east of Tashikiao 100 miles southwest of here.

A Japanese platoon of 40 soldiers was surrounded two days by greatly superior Chinese guerrilla forces until the survivors cut their way to safety, Japanese military reports said.

The conflict occurred in the course of wide, sweeping operations by the Japanese army in a triangle bounded by the Mukden-Dairen and Mukden-Antung railways to the sea.

A list of the manufacturing plants and state institutions which will be selected boys under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A. during Christmas vacation has been compiled. Groups of boys regardless of their affiliation with the "Y" will be taken under proper leadership to the various institutions. The first trip will be made at 9 a. m. Tuesday when the operations of the Valley Packing company will be witnessed. The paper mill will be visited Wednesday at 9 a. m. when the plant of the Western Paper converting company will be toured at 10:30 a. m. Present plans call for a visit of the pentagonary at 9 a. m. Thursday. Not more than 100 boys will be taken into the prison at one time. If more than that number shows up they will be divided into two groups, one visiting the penitentiary and the other the Kay Woolen mill. Friday will be devoted to the state house and supreme court buildings.

A daughter weighing 7½ pounds has been born to Mr. and Mrs. N. C. Hastings, 1765 South Capitol St. The youngster, who has been named Sylvia Gay, was born at the Salem general hospital today morning. She is the Hastings' first born.

Through the efforts of Bob Hutchins, members of the Rotary club contributed approximately \$50 to the weekly luncheon Wednesday noon. The money will be used by the club for charitable purposes. A mixed quartet sang Christmas carols and songs. It was arranged by William McGilchrist, Sr.

The members of the Zonta club will meet at the Marion hotel Thursday noon for luncheon and a Christmas program with Miss Alene Phillips in charge of the arrangements.

Mrs. Ruth Miles of Salem, who has been wintering in Medford with her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Miles, is seriously ill there, according to word received by friends.

Quarterly Dividend Declared by Talbot

Portland, Dec. 21 (AP)—Guy W. Talbot, president of the Northwest Electric company, announced Tuesday a quarterly dividend of 28 cents a share on first preferred stock to be paid January 3 to shareholders of record December 17. This is one-half the rate regularly paid by the company. With this dividend first preferred stock holders will have received dividends for 1932 amounting to \$6.13 a share instead of the usual \$7.

MEIER DENIES PARDON GIFTS

Oregon's governor, Julius L. Meier, will not issue Christmas pardons to non-life inmates in the form of pardon. The governor today reiterated the statement he made a year ago that no additional clemency because of Christmas would be considered.

The governor further stated he was giving consideration to pardon recommendations now before him in the usual form and that he would not alter his procedure because of the holiday season. Last year the executive did not announce any additional pardons at Christmas time.

OFFICIALS WORK SLOT MACHINES

Portland, Ore., Dec. 21 (AP)—Does a slot machine work for the player or the "house"? Lotus L. Langley, district attorney, Martin T. Pratt, sheriff, and L. V. Jenkins, chief of police, decided to find out.

They took turns putting 800 nickels through the intricate interior of a machine.

The chief pulled first. He put in 40 nickels and got back 12. The district attorney lost 11 times and there was no return. For \$2 in nickels Sheriff Pratt received 70 cents.

Chief Jenkins decided to give it another whirl and with a roll of 40 nickels he was rewarded with a return of \$1.85 and a slug that no one knew was in the machine.

Finally, when the bookkeeping had been completed, it was discovered that after disposing of \$40 in nickels, the players received \$24.65.

The exhibition was for the benefit of the grand jury that is inquiring into the matter of enforcing the law against slot machines, lotteries and other forms of gambling.

RELIEF TO VETS TERMED DOLES

Washington, Dec. 21 (AP)—Whether disability allowances to veterans whose troubles did not originate in service constitute a dole today precipitated a dispute before the joint congressional veterans committee between William M. Bullitt and Senator Robinson, republican, Indiana.

Bullitt, appearing for the National Economy league, which is urging reduction of about \$450,000,000 in veterans expenditures, described such payment as "a pure dole given to a man not because he was disabled but because he was once in the service."

Robinson leaned across the committee table and almost shouted at Bullitt:

"These allowances are not based on charity. I think that is a perfectly outrageous statement. You did not have any such idea in 1917, did you?"

Bullitt had told the committee "the fundamental principle of the economy league is that no payment should be made to veterans merely because they were ever in the service."

Among items which he said the league felt might be eliminated was disability allowance payment for non-service connected trouble, which he said would cost \$104,000,000 of the annual veteran relief bill.

"These allowances, however, you explain them, are nothing but a dole," he said.

3 YEAR CONTRACT FOR COACH PHELAN

Seattle, Dec. 21 (AP)—Earl Campbell, graduate manager of the University of Washington, announced today a new three year football coaching contract for Jimmy Phelan has been approved by the board of control and would be offered to the Washington mentor before he leaves for the east this afternoon.

"Every effort will be made to get Phelan to sign the contract before he departs," said Campbell.

ASK MORATORIUM ON RECLAMATION

Washington, Dec. 21 (AP)—Rep. Smith, Idaho, today asked congress to declare a moratorium on government irrigation project construction charges for the next two years.

Smith said that "the low price being received for their products by the farmers on irrigation projects makes it absolutely impossible for them to meet construction charges in addition to charges for operation and maintenance."

The senate today authorized Secretary of Navy Adams to sell "at nominal prices" to states, cities and charitable organizations all non-regulation and excess navy clothing for distribution to the needy.

The action was taken under a resolution sponsored by Senator Shorridge, republican, California.

HI JOHNSON TO SEEK TO PUNISH FRENCH DEFAULT

Washington, Dec. 21 (AP)—Senator Johnson, Rep., Calif., moved today to penalize defaulting France and other nations which have failed to pay their obligations to this country.

Johnson said he would try to force to the senate floor a bill pending in committee which would bar from the American market bonds or other obligations of a foreign government which had defaulted on obligations to the government or the investors of the United States.

The bill is one of three introduced almost a year ago by Johnson after his spectacular investigation of foreign bond flotations in the United States. Defaults on South American securities prompted Johnson to sponsor the senate inquiry.

Famous Wall street investment bankers including representatives of J. P. Morgan and Co., and Kuhn, Loeb and Co., testified to details of profit and methods of distribution, previously unknown to the American public.

Johnson's bill would prevent a defaulting government or the political sub-divisions from offering securities in this country. The prohibition would be enforced by a maximum \$10,000 fine for a five-year prison sentence upon any person offering the foreign paper for sale.

"I am going to seek action on these bills before this congress adjourns," Johnson said today. "I shall urge the sub-committee to meet and report them to the judiciary committee defaults at the earliest moment and I hope to get action before adjournment."

Chairman Norris of the judiciary committee said he would assist Johnson in getting the bills reported to the senate, remarking "I'm for them."

Senator Austin, Rep., Vt., is chairman of the sub-committee which has had charge of the bills since last February without making a report.

The legislation is not aimed specifically at France since it would apply to all defaulting nations.

POSTMASTER SANTA CLAUS

Washington, Dec. 21 (AP)—So much is in the name of Santa Claus that the President, himself, now has to appoint postmasters for the little Indiana town that bears the title.

The influx of mail into the post-office there from persons seeking the postmark for Christmas cards, letters and packages, caused the office to be raised to third class rating.

Postmasters for third class offices have been named by the President instead of the postmaster general. Mr. Hoover today reappointed James F. Martin as Santa Claus postmaster.

Santa Claus, Ind. Dec. 21 (AP)—Reappointment by President Hoover today of James F. Martin as postmaster in this noted village means a continuance of service began 30 years ago.

Martin has been postmaster for nearly 15 years. Prior to that he was assistant postmaster. His work is light eleven months of the year, but thousands of letters and gifts are mailed to him prior to Christmas for remailing so they will bear the Santa Claus stamp.

The post-office is conducted in Martin's general store.

DECREASE SHOWN IN EMPLOYMENT

Washington, Dec. 21 (AP)—Industrial employment in general decreased 1 percent in the month ended November 15, and payrolls decreased 3.1 percent, the labor department reported today.

Employment in manufacturing industries decreased 8 percent and payrolls dropped 3.3 percent in the same period, the report said.

Employment increased however, in 43 of 89 manufacturing groups reporting. The agricultural implement division showed a 16.7 percent gain.

The metalliferous mining and bituminous mining divisions were the only major industrial divisions to report increases. Both reported approximately 4 percent gains in employment.

BAKERY WAGON LOOTED BY HUNGRY

Toledo, Ohio, Dec. 21 (AP)—A band of approximately 50 men and women today stormed a Wooster bakery company truck, and carried away 250 loaves of bread.

The driver, Lawrence St. John, was making a delivery to a grocery store when the mob surrounded his truck. He stood helplessly as doors of the truck were opened and the bread scooped out.

"We're going to meet you every morning," one of the mob shouted. Armed deputy sheriffs were ordered to accompany the driver on his later trips.

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Generous Retailer Cancels All Debts

Halifax, N. S., Dec. 21 (AP)—John Dregatis, who operates the largest retail grocery store in the mining town of Glace Bay, has made his customers happy by announcing he had wiped all their debts, amounting to \$8108 off his books. The majority of accounts were owed by people who have been hard hit by the depression.

LADY FURNESS SEEKS DIVORCE

London, Dec. 21 (AP)—Lady Furness, an American beauty who married into the English peerage, filed suit for divorce today against the shipbuilding magnate.

The Associated Press was informed the grounds for the suit will be misconduct. The suit is expected to be quiet, with no more publicity than necessary.

Lady Furness, formerly Mrs. Thelma Morgan Converse, is a twin sister of Mrs. Reginald Vanderbilt of New York, and a sister of Mrs. Benjamin Thaw Jr., of Pittsburgh.

Since her marriage in 1926 Lady Furness has been prominent in English social circles and seen frequently in the company of the Prince of Wales at charity balls and at other events which she attended.

She is a daughter of Henry Hays Morgan, former American consul general at Buenos Aires.

GERMAN DEBT REVISION ASKED

Berlin, Dec. 21 (AP)—Alfred Hugenberg, chief of the nationalist drive for revision of Germany's private debt abroad.

Addressing an American newspaper correspondents' luncheon, Dr. Hugenberg advocated a reduction of interest rates on short-term indebtedness from their present five percent average to one and one-half percent.

"Such a revision would mean an estimated loss to United States creditors of at least \$20,000,000 a year," Dr. Hugenberg declined to say whether he would seek to have such drastic treatment applied to Germany's long-term indebtedness, but at least left the inference that debts also might be affected.

He declared he would vastly prefer to see this debt reduction accomplished by mutual agreement, but that he could conceive of a situation in which Germany would be forced to act unilaterally.

Hugenberg advocated negotiations along these lines at the expiration of the present agreement in February, when the rate of approximately 6,000,000,000 marks (nearly \$1,500,000,000) comes up for decision.

"Germany is consuming her capital," Hugenberg said, "and she is continually growing poorer. Her creditors must choose between getting their capital back and receiving interest payment from us. We want to repay the capital, but to this end the interest rate on short term debts must be kept at one and one-half per cent."

TRIO HELD FOR AUTO THEFT AT MEDFORD

Medford, Ore., Dec. 21 (AP)—Otto Ruter, 23, Central Point; Arthur Rod, 23, St. Paul, Minn., and Gladys Gresham, 19, Jacksonville, are held in the county jail by state police charged with a series of auto thefts in this city the past two weeks.

The trio was arrested early this morning, after a wild auto chase over narrow, country roads. Ruter, driver of an auto stolen from the streets of this city last evening, is alleged to have attempted to force the pursuing police off a steep embankment to elude capture. The state police fired five shots, before the trial halted in a barnyard.

Ruter, the state police say, is on parole for a burglary committed in this city, three years ago.

UNEMPLOYED TO ORGANIZE FRIDAY NIGHT

Organization of unemployed workers and farmers will be perfected at the Union hall, 455 Court street, Friday evening at 8 o'clock when Fred Walker, of Portland, will speak on "The State Fight Against Hunger." The organization is preliminary to the proposed "hunger march" upon Salem which is scheduled for January 8. Headquarters of the state hunger march committee are 245 1/2 Alder street, Portland, with Louis Olsen chairman.

All delegations coming to Salem are being requested to display banners and posters and should be a massed group, according to instructions being sent out. Groups such as unemployed organizations, unemployed citizens' leagues, civic emergency federation, unemployed council, committees of action, breadlines, flop houses, state relief crews and all unemployed organizations are urged to elect delegates with other groups such as the American Federation of Labor unions, workers' fraternal and benefit organizations, grange, Farmer Union, United Farmers' league and farm committees taking part.

The mobilization will take place in Portland for a mass demonstration January 5 at 2 o'clock, coming on foot, trucks or automobiles. Delegations are asked to bring sufficient food to carry them from points of origin to Salem and return and to provide themselves with blankets. A state hunger committee of 15 with an executive committee of seven was established at the state conference early in the month.

Stagnant and demands of the hunger marchers are "We Demand Immediate Cash Relief"; "No forced collections of rents or debts"; "All war funds to the unemployed"; "No evictions, no shutting-off of water, light and gas"; "Unemployed workers to handle relief distribution"; "No discrimination against single workers"; "moratoriums on foreclosures, taxes and rents"; "Make the rich pay the taxes"; "We demand unemployment insurance" and "repeal the criminal syndicalism law."

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