

LUCKY BOARD TO OPEN STORES

BURK TURNS HIT-AND-RUN DRIVER FREE

Sheriff Cuts Sentence of Everett Battles More Than Half

Operator of Death Car Serves Only 139 Days Of Year's Term

Everett Battles, who was sentenced to serve a year in the county jail on August 18, 1933, after pleading guilty to failing to stop and render aid to Wah Hong, aged Chinaman, killed by Battle's car on Ferry street the night of July 15, was released from jail January 6. Though sentenced to serve 365 days in jail he was released after serving 139 days.

In the absence of Sheriff Burk, who is in California to return a prisoner to Salem, Deputy Sheriff Newell Williams stated that Battles was released on the theory that he was entitled to double time, an extra day of good time for working as trustee or otherwise, that he was entitled to go out in six months instead of nine months. Williams admitted that a mistake had been made in figuring that the figuring was done from July 21, the day he was received in prison after his arrest. He was not received to start.

JOHN CARSON CIRCUIT JUDGE

John H. Carson has been appointed circuit judge pro tempore under Chapter 137 of the laws of the 1933 legislature, the first such appointment to be made under the new statute.

His tenure is to cover the trying of two cases, one C. B. O'Neill against Robin D. Day and the other Ladd & Bush against C. B. O'Neill. Both cases revolve around the same subject matter, the Sod ranch, and various liens, encumbrances and complications involved in connection with that river bottom hop ranch.

The appointment was made on stipulation between the parties and as required by the statute approved by Circuit Judge Lewelling. The stipulation recites that Judge Lewelling's docket is set with cases for a considerable period ahead, that Judge McMahon when he returns to the city will be faced by criminal and other cases to try in his department and appointment of a pro tempore judge is asked to expedite the hearing.

GALE AND STORM HALTING SHIPPING

Astoria, Ore., Jan. 13 (AP)—Reaching a velocity of 60 miles an hour at times, a southerly gale that began last night was still raging here today. It was accompanied by a downpour of rain.

Religious Rebellion Against Nazi Gains Strength In Germany

Berlin, Jan. 13 (UP)—Revolt of Evangelical pastors against efforts to Nazify their religion approached a crisis today, with the revolutionists apparently gaining strength hourly. Ten regional bishops and 27 regional delegates met to nominate candidates for the national church council, or governing body under Reich Bishop Ludwig Mueller.

Reich Bishop Ludwig Mueller, confidante of Chancellor Adolf Hitler and chief target of criticism by evangelical pastors, showed signs of acute nervousness. Only a few days ago threatening to dismiss from the church any pastor who so much as discussed in a controversial way, his decrees, Mueller today was understood to have promised the rebels not to

Good Evening! Sips for Supper

By DON UPJOHN

With addition of a county agent to the list of county employees it will probably be necessary to swell out the alcove on the courthouse building in the remodeling job.

The candid advertisement of Olle Hammond, local oil distributor in last night's paper, advising all local or transient yeggs that the oil company's safe is always open for their inspection, with added note as to where to find the money, has attracted so much attention on the streets you'd almost think everybody around here is a yegg or a burglar.

Olle says the last five visits of burglars to his place has cost an average of \$15 a visit for cleaning up and repairs. Now if Olle would only leave the \$15 lying out by the safe to reward the yeggs for not tapping it we might pay him a visit some night ourselves.

Incidentally we note that Babe Ruth's salary has been chiselled down to a lousy \$35,000 a year. There was a time when Babe used to drag down almost as much as the annual stipend of a columnist, which shows that brains outlive brawn any old time.

We wish to remind all of the friends of the schools that it's up to them to get out to the school administration building on High street Monday and vote for the interests of those institutions. It is a chance to not only get a considerable amount of government dough, but it will furnish a lot of much needed work hereabouts in addition to materially adding to the value and efficiency of the schools. Don't overlook this bet, you voters.

We wonder if Rudy Vallee crooned to the court from those phonograph records he used in listening in on his wife's telephone conversations? Rudy's made a lot of money from phonograph records and it looks as though he may have a chance to save a lot more from this latest set he's acquired.

The Oregonian had a picture this morning of a car smashed into a pillar of a Portland bridge with advice that story could be found on Page 1. We spent so long looking at the picture that we forgot to write our column and haven't found the story yet.

The United States commissioner of education is quoted as saying that the average college man is doolie. That being the case why not put a college man on the board of higher education?

EAST SIDE POST EDITOR INDICTED

Portland, Ore., Jan. 13 (AP)—Jack R. Still, editor of the "East Side Post," a weekly community publication, was today indicted by the Multnomah county grand jury on a charge of criminal libel in connection with an article published Jan. 5 concerning Mayor Joseph K. Carson.

A warrant for Still's arrest was turned over the sheriff. Bail was set at \$1,500.

The article which the indictment described as false and scandalous, said it was turned over had been a charge made in the underworld to finance the mayor's trip to the Orient shortly after his election.

SCIENTISTS MISSING

Tokyo, Jan. 13 (AP)—Recent volcanic eruptions of Mount Fuji and Mt. Tadaichi Matsumoto, were reported missing today following renewed eruptions at Kuchinoerabu island, where they had gone to study the active volcano.

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ROOSEVELT TO REMOVE GOLD TO TREASURY

Metal Held by Federal Reserve System Totals \$3,600 Millions

Step Regarded As Necessary To Prevent Outside Profit

Washington, Jan. 13 (AP)—President Roosevelt was prepared today to take over the nation's largest hoard of outstanding gold—that held by the federal reserve system—as a preliminary or eventual permanent devaluation of the dollar.

He is believed to want all of this basic monetary commodity in the treasury, along with a proper proportion of silver, to insure the power of new moves affecting the nation-old monetary policy.

Just when the next step in the national managed currency program will come, Mr. Roosevelt is very carefully keeping to himself. One thing is certain, however: He intends to manage the new money program himself.

Arguments as to whether the administration could call in the reserve system's gold were answered calmly by the president late yesterday.

DROP PROBE OF FORD TAXATION

Washington, Jan. 13 (AP)—Examination of Ford Motor company tax transactions was halted abruptly by senate investigators today. They explained that the subject was not under their jurisdiction.

Witnesses were subpoenaed to testify about the Ford company's practice of converting cash into bonds at the end of each tax year were informed they need not appear. All inquiries received this reply:

"It has been decided that this particular tax question does not come within the province of the banking and currency committee. Therefore, this matter will be pursued no further."

The decision came as a surprise. The investigators frankly expressed disappointment in the testimony by Edsel Ford that cash-on-hand held by the company was not subject to Michigan state taxation.

Ford contended that inasmuch as his company was incorporated in Delaware, its cash was tax exempt under a Michigan statute which prohibits taxing "foreign corporations."

INSPECT SITES FOR FEDERAL HOSPITAL

Portland, Jan. 13 (AP)—Sites for the proposed \$1,250,000 government psychiatric hospital for the Portland district were being investigated today by a committee appointed by the local chamber of commerce.

The site must be donated, have gas, water and electricity available and be close to town, it was said. From 750 to 800 acres must be included in the grounds of the proposed structure. PWA funds will be used in constructing the hospital.

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STORMY DAY ON COAST OF OREGON

Portland, Jan. 13 (AP)—Warnings for south and southeast gales today were posted at all Oregon and Washington coast stations this morning. The storm was expected to diminish tonight. At 8 a. m. there was a 54-mile blow at North Head, at the mouth of the Columbia river,

246 Killed By Autos In State In Past Year

Deaths due to automobile accidents of Oregon highways during 1933 totaled 246, an increase of 19 over the previous year, it was reported by the secretary of state's office today. The December total of 28, or seven more than the same month in 1932 boosted the fatality list.

Persons injured last year showed a slight decrease, with a total of 4,315 as compared to 4,384 in 1932. Of this number 544 occurred in December, which was 121 more injuries than was reported in December of 1932.

Accidents occurring, however, were less for the year, a total of 20,241 being reported, as compared to 20,822 in 1932.

CHINESE REBELS LEAVE FOOCHOW

Foochow, China, Jan. 13 (AP)—The famous nineteenth route army, fighting for the rebel cause in Fukien province, was reported in retreat today before the nationalist government forces of General Chiang Kai-Shek.

Commanded by General Tsai Ting-Kai, chairman of the Fukien military council, the revolutionary soldiers were understood to have begun an orderly but full retreat southward along the Min river.

Heavy fighting has been in progress in the Min river valley north and northwest of Foochow, capital of Fukien province, since the nationalist armies drove southward several days ago.

The rebel chiefs in Foochow, Lia Chai-Sum, chairman of the Fukien government, and Chen Ming-Shu, chairman of the political council of Fukien and former president of the nationalist government at Nanking, departed by plane southward. Their destination was not disclosed.

It was believed that Eugene Chen, foreign minister in the revolutionary government, and other prominent separatists also had fled the city.

Tokyo, Jan. 13 (AP)—A Rengo (Japanese) News agency dispatch from Foochow today said a Japanese warship landed 300 bluejackets there to protect Japanese nationals in the event of disorders feared in connection with the expected early occupation of the city by Nanking nationalist government troops.

TO COORDINATE PWA ACTIVITIES

Portland, Jan. 13 (AP)—Members of the northwest regional planning commission, armed with charts and other scientific paraphernalia, were preparing today to conduct a diligent study of the plan to co-ordinate \$250,000,000 worth of P.W.A. projects authorized for the district.

The planning commission, made up of the chairman of the state planning boards in Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Montana, convened here with Marshall N. Dana, northwest regional adviser for the P.W.A.

Study of the Columbia drainage basin was to be conducted by respective planning commissioners Major R. F. Bessey, newly appointed technical advisor on regional, divisional and state plans, will advise the commissioners in this respect.

Besides Dana, those attending the conference included: E. F. Barker, chairman of the Washington planning board; E. A. Cox, chairman of the Idaho board; C. M. Thomas, chairman of the Oregon board; J. S. Seams, chairman of the Montana board, and Major Bessey, L. A. Campbell, Missoula, Mont., and Dan Noble, Lewiston, Mont.

APPROVAL GIVEN TO RFC EXTENSION

Washington, Jan. 13 (AP)—Final approval was given by the senate banking committee today to the bill to extend the life of the reconstruction finance corporation, but the committee failed again to reach an agreement on the administration measure to guarantee the principal as well as interest on farm mortgage bonds.

Chairman Fletcher said the provision for giving the agency an additional lending power of \$850,000,000. Proposals of a number of amendments to the home mortgage bill blocked final action on it, Fletcher said, but the committee will meet again Monday in an effort to reach a decision.

MAJORITY OF COUNCILMEN SEEK CHANGE

Council Likely To Prepare Amendment for Managerial Form

Submission at Special Election As Urged by Mayor Likely

A survey of opinion among city council members today indicates that the council itself probably will prepare and place on the ballot a proposed charter amendment for adoption of the managerial form of government in Salem. This means that the measure will, in all probability, go before the people at a special election in May.

Most of the aldermen expressed themselves as in favor of the managerial form and thought it would be proper for the council to initiate the proceedings rather than have the bill initiated by petition of the people. Should the latter method be used the measure could not be voted on until the regular election in November, since, under the law, matters initiated by public petition must be voted on at a regular election.

Mayor Douglas McKay started the movement for managerial government in his annual message at the first meeting of this year, the night of January 2. The council will follow up Monday night by authorizing the mayor to appoint a special committee of three aldermen to study that form of administration and prepare the necessary proceedings. Authority to appoint the committee was requested.

SAYS UTILITIES DESERVE CODE

Washington, Jan. 13 (AP)—The NRA replied today to challenges of other government branches with an assertion that public utilities "come clearly within the provisions of the national industrial recovery act" and may be placed under a comprehensive price levels of the commodities (corn, cotton and wheat) under discussions in 1926, the senator wrote Wallace.

The present price of wheat is 81 cents a bushel, indicating that although both cotton and corn have reached approximately two-thirds of their 1926 level, wheat has attained only about half that level.

ALASKA HIGHWAY PROJECT PUSHED

Washington, Jan. 13 (AP)—With approval of the five Oregon coast highway bridges over Coos bay, Astoria Bay, Yaquina Bay and the Siuslaw and Umpqua rivers as public works projects, Delegate Dimond, democrat from Alaska, has taken on new hope for his plan to build Alaska's portion of the proposed extension of the Pacific highway from Seattle to Fairbanks.

His bill asking \$1,970,000 for construction of the 174 miles of road, from Fairbanks to the Alaska-Yukon boundary line soon will be ready for introduction in congress.

Battleship Nelson Not Hurt on Reef

Portsmouth, England, Jan. 13 (AP)—The battleship Nelson's 12-hour visit to a gravel bank in the harbor yesterday evidently had no serious effects, for it was announced today that she will sail tomorrow to rejoin the other vessels of the home fleet.

County Agent To Be Chosen for Emergency Agricultural Control

Members of the county court are expected to meet Tuesday with County Agent Ballard and W. L. Teutsch of the extension service of the State college to discuss the matter of selection of a man for emergency county agent, whose duties will primarily be to handle the work of the wheat, hog and dairy controls in Marion county.

After the meeting yesterday morning between members of the wheat control committee and county commissioners Smith and Melson, the commissioners yesterday conferred with County Judge Siegmund at his home, where he is detained by a foot infection for a number of days. The upshot of this conference was that there will be another with the state college officials on the matter of who will be county agent. Court members would not say definitely today that the proposition

Delzell Held Slated To Succeed Farrar For Postmastership

The impending change in the Salem postmastership, held for the past 12 years by John R. Farrar, republican, is brought fresh to the public mind by receipt of official word by Farrar yesterday that his term of office will expire on May 20, and that because of his 35 years of accredited postal service he will then be eligible to a retirement pension under certain conditions.

Farrar says that he has requested the postoffice department for a demotion to clerkship at the expiration of his term and immediate retirement, which will entitle him to an immediate clerkship pension, minus 3 1/2 per cent deduction until he reaches the age of 63 years, the retirement age for clerks. He is now 61.

Farrar's notification brings into the spotlight the question of who will succeed him, and serves to intensify quiet campaigns that have been going on ever since the election of President Roosevelt, 15 months ago. It is a foregone conclusion that the appointee will be a local democrat.

Standing out among the avowed candidates for the post are W. A. (Concluded on page 4, column 4)

LOANS SOUGHT ON WHEAT HELD

Washington, Jan. 13 (AP)—Senator Pope (D., Idaho) turned today to senators and representatives from wheat producing states for aid, after his suggestion that wheat farmers be granted loans on their grain had been spurned by the agricultural administration.

His proposal for loans of 75 cents to \$1 a bushel for wheat held on the farm was answered by agricultural economists with a statement that such a plan "is unnecessary to achieve the goal set in the wheat recovery program."

The senator said he would try to enlist the support of every representative and senator from wheat producing states and get wheat the same benefits now afforded cotton and corn.

In a letter to Secretary of Agriculture Wallace, Pope declared that "it is apparent that wheat has not received the same benefits or a congruent gain as compared with other basic commodities."

"Allow me to point out the comparative price levels of the commodities (corn, cotton and wheat) under discussions in 1926," the senator wrote Wallace. "The average price of wheat in 1926 was \$1.54 a bushel. The average price of cotton was 17 cents a pound and the average price of corn was 75 cents a bushel. The present price of wheat is 81 cents a bushel, indicating that although both cotton and corn have reached approximately two-thirds of their 1926 level, wheat has attained only about half that level."

GENERAL STRIKE IN ANTHRACITE FIELDS

Wilkesbarre, Pa., Jan. 13 (AP)—A general strike, effective Monday, was voted today by 450 delegates attending a convention of the United Anthracite Miners of Pennsylvania.

Fifty thousand men in the hard coal fields will be involved, union leaders declared.

Hit-and-Run Driver Sought by Police

Portland, Jan. 13 (AP)—M. B. Henry, 65, one of three men injured late yesterday when their automobile was forced into a concrete pillar on the Burnside bridge by a hit-and-run truck, was in a critical condition today.

The other two, Thomas Sheets, 63, and Mat Madigan, were in good condition, the hospital said. All suffered severe shock, cuts, bruises and burns when their car crashed into the pillar and burned. Witnesses said a milk truck forced them into the upright, and then sped away. (Picture on Page 3 of Oregonian).

PLAN TO START BEFORE COURT PASSES ON LAW

Liquor Control Commission Holding Session in Salem on Policies

Agency Plan To Be Put Into Effect With Little Delay As Possible

By HARRY N. CRAIN
Contrary to previous reports there is a strong possibility that the state liquor commission may not wait until the courts have finally passed upon the constitutionality of the Knox liquor control act to set in operation its state control system of distributing hard liquors.

This was announced here this afternoon by Chairman McMoran of the commission following a three hour executive conference of the commissioners with George Sammis, administrator, at which Sammis presented his recommendations and plans for a state store and liquor agency set-up. Definite action upon the plan, together with designation of the number and locations of the stores and agencies will be made at a business meeting later in the afternoon. McMoran said:

"The chairman said that there is a strong possibility that, if an early (Concluded on page 3, column 4)"

SUE FOR TAXES UPON ALCOHOL

Washington, Jan. 13 (AP)—A drive to collect many millions of dollars of government revenue alleged to have been lost through diversion of industrial alcohol before repeal of the industrial alcohol ban was begun today with an \$8,140,515 suit against the U. S. Industrial Alcohol company at Baltimore.

The tax claim against the alcohol company, the department of justice said, grows out of an investigation which has been conducted over the past three years that resulted in the indictment of the U. S. Industrial company in Baltimore in 1930, and company's payment of a fine of \$10,000.

"There will be similar suits brought against other companies for large amounts in the near future," the department of justice said, "under the policy that the attorney general's office has decided in these matters."

SARAH J. GROUND DIES AT AGE OF 85

Portland, Jan. 13 (AP)—Mrs. Sarah Jane Ground, 85-year-old resident of the Columbia river country, was dead today. She succumbed at the home of her sister, Mrs. David Foulkes, Portland, Friday.

She was born in Oregon City, December 2, 1849. Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. V. Butler, settled in Oregon after coming by wagon train from Ohio.

Mrs. Ground for a time was a resident of Monmouth, Ore. Funeral services will be conducted there under the direction of Dr. Victor P. Morris of the University of Oregon faculty. She is survived by four daughters.

The Fifteenth Census Booklet

Here is a publication of great value to business and professional men and to students. It gives the fifteenth census figures, showing the population of cities of 2500 or over, the population of 200 leading cities in the order of their rank, the population of the several states, and finally the total continental United States and the detached territories. It is a useful, handy reference.

The Capital Journal Information Bureau, Frederic J. Haskin, Director, Washington, D. C.

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