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FATAL FRIGID WAVE GRIPS EAST

BOOTLEGGERS CAUSE CONCERN TO ROOSEVELT

Imports Below Expectations—High Prices Probed—Tariff Lower

Johnson Bill Taking State Issues From Federal Courts Favored

Washington, Feb. 21 (AP)—President Roosevelt and his aides are concerned over continued activity of bootleggers and are investigating the prices of legal liquor.

This was made known today as newsmen gathered today at the president's semi-weekly press conference.

Joseph Choate, administrator of the federal alcohol control board, has reported that imports are below expectations.

The administration is seeking to determine if there is a shortage of supplies necessitating the high price of liquors, against which many complaints are being made.

A suggestion has been made for lowering the tariff on liquor imports as one method of approaching the problem.

Whatever happens, it was emphasized that Mr. Roosevelt wants to put the bootleggers out of business. To that end a serious study is in progress.

In response to questions President Roosevelt said he was very much

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EDITOR ELUDES TWO KIDNAPERS

Chicago, Feb. 21 (AP)—E. P. Adler, publisher of the Davenport, Iowa, Times and head of the Lee syndicate of newspapers, was attacked by two men in a hotel corridor today in an apparent attempt at kidnaping.

Slugged twice, Adler dodged the full effect of the blows and ran down the corridor from his room, ending his assailants. Officers said one of them was arrested.

In the room next to Adler's detectives found a large trunk in which air holes had been poked. They said it was apparent the two men intended to lock Adler in the trunk and have him carried out.

At 7:30 a. m. today Adler stepped from his room, locked the door and suddenly the two men jumped from the next door and slugged him with blackjacks. So severe were the blows that several stitches had to be taken. Nevertheless Adler broke away from the pair and summoned help.

PRIZES AWARDED IN BUTTER CONTEST

Corvallis, Ore., Feb. 21 (AP)—Ralph W. Waggoner of Clatskanie, won the senior cold storage butter contest at the convention of the Oregon Butter and Ice Cream Manufacturers association here today.

J. H. Bigler of Mount Angel won second place, and A. B. Swan of Carlton, third.

In the junior division, A. C. Madison of McMinnville was first, Jack A. Wright of Carlton, second, and Walter Groskopf of Clatskanie, third.

Salem Liquor Store To Open For Business At 11 A. M. On Friday

State liquor store No. 1, the first in Oregon outside of Portland, will open for business at 11 o'clock Friday morning, Roy Stewart, manager, announced Wednesday as final details in connection with stocking up were being completed. The store is located at 337 Court street in the Prime building. Stores at Astoria and probably The Dalles will also be opened at that time.

Because of the legal holiday Thursday it is impossible to open them through the force will on the job during the day getting everything in readiness. A special invitation for women to visit the store, not only the opening day, but any day, is given by Manager Stewart. The interior of the store has the appearance of a drug store and there is nothing that might prevent a woman from visiting the place, Stewart

Good Evening!

Sips for Supper

By DON UPJOHN

"Legal Liquors Add Zest to Every-Day Recipes," says the headline on the society page of the one-bone-dry Statesman today. This will be interesting advice to earnest housewives in these parts, who strive to please.

However, the Statesman article gives further warning that "generally speaking, foods to which liquors of huge alcoholic content have been added should not be heated to a high temperature, as the alcohol will pass off in vapor." This is a matter of moment, also, to earnest housewives who strive to please as the alcohol passing off into vapor is sure to reduce quite considerably the desired zest urged in the aforementioned. Zest is the best sauce for any dessert.

Society news should begin popping around here pretty quickly, as soon as the zest gets to working as it should.

Mr. Pete Stadelman, the new secretary of state, has called to meet in Portland next Saturday. It seems the new secretary of state has joined in the campaign to move the capital to Portland.

SAVING MEAT BILLS

John Graber reported in Harry Levy's yesterday and ordered some meat.

"My wife told me to go out this morning and kill one of the chickens said John. She said it was time for us farmers to use a little of our own meat around the place. So I pulled out the old gun, spotted a good fat hen, and blazed away. The hen took a couple of jumps and went back to eating. Next time I took a good bend and blazed away again. The hen jumped three times and went back to eating. Just then I happened to notice my car parked in the yard. Both back tires were flat. The first bullet went clean through the two of them. And then I noticed the spare tire was also flat. The second bullet took care of that. It cost me \$1.50 to get the tires repaired and the hen is still eating."

Atta boy, John. Patronize Salem stores. Think how you helped out the tire man, the butcher and sporting goods store.

ASK MESSAGE AGAINST BONUS

Washington, Feb. 21 (AP)—House administration leaders, alarmed by the soldiers' bonus drive, are preparing to ask President Roosevelt to send a message to congress rebuking the legislation. It was learned today.

They felt it was understood that only such action could hold the democratic majority in line, and the administration saved from an outright defeat in the house when the \$2,400,000,000 bonus-inflation bill came up March 12.

One prominent leader of the bonus group admitted today that a message "if it is frank enough" would carry enough weight to bring about defeat of the bill.

President Roosevelt's threat to veto bonus legislation at this time, relayed to the house by Speaker Henry T. Rainey yesterday came too late to stop the bonus petition from being completed.

House leaders said that some members who had signed the petition in the president's stand would carry enough weight to bring about defeat of the bill.

Democrats who have publicly favored the bonus and at the same time pledged full cooperation with the president were in a quandary. It was this large group that leaders hoped to swing by prevailing on the president to discuss the bill in a message.

SENATE RESTORES SALARY SLASHES

Washington, Feb. 21 (AP)—The senate by 41 to 40 today voted for full restoration of the 15 per cent government pay cut on July 1.

The action was taken on an amendment by Senator Pat McCarran, Dem., Nev. It was a defeat for the democratic leadership.

The senate previously had voted to restore 5 per cent of the reduction now and 5 per cent July 1.

FACTOR IDENTIFIES THREE KIDNAPERS

Chicago, Feb. 21 (AP)—Jake Factor, victim of a \$70,000 kidnaping plot, today identified from the witness stand three men accused of participating in the abduction. His story of 13 days of captivity was the state's last major blow at Roger Touhy, Gustave Schaffner and Albert Kator, for whom prosecutors seek the death penalty.

The former Halsted street barber appeared almost jauntily as he repeated testimony given in the previous trial of the three defendants, which ended with a jury disagreement.

At the beginning of his testimony he pointed out each of the gangsters and named them as members of the gang which took him from his automobile last June 30 and released him after payment of the ransom.

RARE BIRD DIES
East Lansing, Mich., Feb. 21 (AP)—Death has removed the male bird in what Michigan State college authorities said was the only pair of trumpeter swans in North America. The five-year old bird was operated upon here after an X-ray revealed a gland obstruction. The two birds were brought here from Holland four years ago, and were valued at \$2000.

HOUSE PASSES TAX REVISION BILL 388 TO 7

Republican Proposal for 2 Cent Postage Defeated 272 to 132

Most Comprehensive Change In Income Tax Laws Since Wartime

Washington, Feb. 21 (AP)—The house passed the \$258,000,000 tax revision bill today after defeating a republican proposal for restoration of the two cent postal rates.

The measure, drafted after six months study by a subcommittee goes to the senate where lengthy debate is expected on the numerous controversial provisions which were forced through the house under a gag rule.

The house passed the bill by a vote of 388 to 7.

Just before the final vote a republican effort to reinstate the bill to two cent postage rates was defeated, 272 to 132. The bill as passed continues the three cent rate for another year unless the president desires to lower it. All the republicans present voted for the two cent postage. They were joined by 16 democrats and four former laborites.

The measure is said by experts to constitute the most comprehensive change in the income tax laws since the war and had its origin in senate discussions of tax evasion. It was brought up in the house a week ago under a rule which prohibited all but committee amendments.

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30 HOUR WEEK IMPRACTICABLE

Washington, Feb. 21 (AP)—The opinion that such a flat work week limit as 30 hours cannot be applied to industry was expressed to the house labor committee today by Administrator Hugh S. Johnson of the NRA.

In his first capitol appearance as Blue Eagle chief, he said the NRA was a "much more flexible and intelligent way" to reach the end sought—more employment.

Gerard Swope of General Electric likewise opposed the 30-hour week as provided in the Connery bill.

"I think something has got to be done very promptly," Johnson said, however, "to shorten hours and raise wages."

He intends to carry hour reductions further under the NRA.

Swope had included it as done through the present NRA set-up. Swope favored old age, unemployment and life insurance for workers, with both employer and employee contributing, and for worker assured of keeping his benefits on changing jobs—a plan he said had been adopted by General Electric.

Asked if the NRA had not failed to employ as many as had been anticipated, Swope said:

"The NRA has accomplished a great deal more than I had expected of it. It has done a remarkable job."

FOR FEDERAL HOME BUILDING

Washington, Feb. 21 (AP)—President Roosevelt is believed by some of his closest associates to be considering a request for congress at this session to put a federal-financing spur behind home building, cause of many billions over a period of many years.

Although disclosed to talk by cause formal announcement of the selection of a committee of 15 to get the legislation ready has yet to be made, officials said today the plans contemplate mass production of inexpensive homes by private enterprise, rehabilitation of existing homes, and clearance of slums.

The project would require expenditure of many billions over a period of many years, while a relatively new industry develops to produce homes to cost as much as 50 per cent less than at present.

The president was said to believe the program offered not only an opportunity to help business but would be of invaluable social importance and furnish an outlet for private capital.

The new idea would call for use of federal funds in such a way that part of the risk of building homes on a mass basis, as contrasted to the general individual construction now in use, would be assumed by the government.

GANNERY DAMAGE CASE BEING HEARD

Portland, Feb. 21 (AP)—The plaintiff's case in the suit for \$24,000 damages brought by Eva M. Palmworth, owner of Spang's landing below Salem, against the Hunt Bros. Packing company and the Reid-Murdoch company of Salem, was completed today and the defense offered its first testimony.

Mrs. Palmworth asserted that she called a chemist who testified that the bacterial count in water taken near the railroad bridge near Salem was 2,600,500 to the cubic centimeter. He admitted on cross examination that the samples were taken about 25 feet from the outlet of a sewer.

J. C. Fernick, former owner of Spang's landing, testified that he did a poor retail business because of the accumulation of dead fish and slime on the bank of the river.

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Seek Loan Of \$4,600,000 For Old Postal Site

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The action was taken in the face of a request from the chamber of commerce that the city allow private interests to purchase the site for an office building.

The chamber's request was made when it was learned that the treasury department contemplated raising the building and leasing the block for a parking lot.

BROWN ADMITS POSSESSION OF MORE LETTERS

Former Postmaster General To Scan Files for Removed Missives

Repeats Denial of Illegality In Awarding Mail Contracts

Washington, Feb. 21 (AP)—Walter F. Brown, postmaster general under former President Hoover, told the senate air mail investigating committee today that he still had in his possession "some letters" which he removed from the postoffice department when leaving office on March 4, 1933, and offered to examine his personal files to determine the exact number.

Responding to questions by Chairman Hugo L. Black, the former cabinet officer said the letters which he had not returned to Postmaster General James A. Farley were "extra copies I thought would be good things to have for my protection."

Included in the correspondence which Brown said he removed and did not return were copies of letters written to Senate Majority Leader Joseph T. Robinson and Chairman James M. Mead of the house postoffice committee in February, 1933, explaining the status at that time of airmail contracts let in the Hoover administration.

"How many more have you that you did not return?" asked Black.

"I can't answer that," Brown said, "but I'll be glad to look through my files and see how many. I took only additional copies of letters I thought would be good things to have."

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PLEA FOR CWA BY LA GUARDIA

Washington, Feb. 21 (AP)—Mayor Fiorello LaGuardia of New York couped a warning against "grave dangers" from discontinuance of the CWA with a plea for CWA financial aid to free cities from "the money lenders" in testifying today before a house committee.

The mayor testified before the banking and currency subcommittee considering a bill authorizing RFC direct loans to cities.

"The federal government must step in and not leave cities at the mercy of money lenders," LaGuardia said in describing the effect of the depression on municipal finances.

"It has got so that we are negotiating with the bankers but with money lenders who are telling cities how to conduct their government," LaGuardia said.

"I want to warn you too that it is too dreadful to contemplate—that of suddenly discontinuing the CWA program," he said. "There is not a mayor but lives in dread of what would happen. There is not a city that could possibly finance the necessary relief."

PIERCE AND MOTT SIGN

Portland, Ore., Feb. 21 (AP)—Two Oregon representatives and five Washington representatives signed the petition for a vote on the bonus bill, according to a dispatch from the Journal's Washington correspondent. Major General Charles H. Martin of Portland, and Samuel B. Hill of Spokane, were the only two non-signers.

ABRAMS, CHEERED BY FEELERS, ALL SET TO ENTER PRIMARIES

By HARRY N. CRAIN

The gyroscopic attraction of the whirlpool of politics centering about the office of secretary of state is strong upon Colonel Carl Abrams, member of Marion county's house delegation in the legislature and predecessor to William Einzig as secretary of the state board of control. Since Governor Meier first made known that he had chosen P. J. Stadelman to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Hal E. Hoss and it was noted about that Stadelman had no intention of seeking to retain the office by election, Abrams has been cautiously edging closer and closer to the rim of the whirling funnel.

Today there were indications that he is weakening and is just about ready to hop in, come what may.

For a week he has been "making contacts" with a view to ascertaining what the reaction to his candidacy might be. Apparently the "it's going to be pretty hard to keep out," Abrams said this morning. "I'm like the prisoner before the court who said, 'when the evil'"

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RUSSIANS BAR JAP FISHERMEN

Tokyo, Feb. 21 (AP)—A new diplomatic tilt between Japan and Russia over fishing grounds in North Pacific waters confronted Tokyo and Moscow today.

A foreign office spokesman said Japan will protest strongly to Moscow over a serious breach of the international agreement, and will consider steps to obtain a remedy.

Waters belonging to Russia and fished by Japanese under the treaty arrangements perfected three years ago were the focal point of the dispute. Fishing rights have been a source of trouble ever since the Portsmouth treaty was signed in 1905.

A recent agreement fixed the exchange rate between the two countries at 25 sen (a sen is the Japanese cent) to one rouble, and allowed Japanese to purchase at an annual auction in Vladivostok the right to fish on certain grounds.

Diplomats saw a new menace to continuation of negotiations with Russia over sale of the Chinese eastern railway to Manchukuo, since the negotiations concern exchange rates and Moscow was reported to be adamant on the new rate.

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BLIZZARD KILLS 25 IN ATLANTIC COAST STATES

Many Towns Isolated, Traffic Demoralized by Heavy Snowfall

Cold Wave Extends To Florida With No Relief Apparent

(By the Associated Press)

Cold that knifed to the marrow staggered the east today as it strove to shake off paralysis caused by the "worst blizzard since '88." At least 25 persons lay dead, struck down by the storm.

Many towns were still practically isolated, transportation systems crawled at a snail's pace in numbing spots, and whistling winds imperiled shipping. The mercury plunged toward zero, and the cold glazed the land with ice, hardening snowdrifts that impeded traffic.

No immediate relief was in sight. The frigid wave extended as far south as Florida.

New England, hardest hit by the slashing 60-mile gale, was still buried in many places under snowdrifts 6 to 12 feet deep. There were at least nine dead there, 10 in New York City, and six in Pennsylvania.

New York will spend \$2,000,000 to dig out of the snow that now

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FRENCH JUDGE SLAIN ON TRAIN

Dijon, France, Feb. 21 (AP)—Police announced today they were investigating the possibility that Serge "Handsome Alex" Stavisky, founder of the Bayonne Municipal pawnshop, was an international spy selling information to the Nazis in Germany.

Dijon, France, Feb. 21 (AP)—The mutilated body of Judge Albert Prince of the court of appeals was found today on a railroad track near here. A blood stained knife was nearby.

Police said they believed the judge was murdered.

Judge Prince was the former chief of the financial section of the Paris courts. Police said they believed his death might be linked with the notorious Stavisky case—the collapse of the Bayonne Municipal pawnshop which Serge Stavisky founded and whose failure caused a loss of \$40,000,000 to French investors.

The slain man was to have testified today in Paris in the Stavisky case.

Police revealed he had been lured from the capital by a fake telegram which said his mother was gravely ill in Dijon.

Reconstructing his death, the police said Stavisky killed him in the compartment of the train by which Judge Prince was hurrying out of the coach into the path of another train.

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