

GIRLS LEAP OFF PLANE TO DEATH

GOLD POLICIES SATISFACTORY TO PRESIDENT

Hoover's Advocacy of Return to Gold Ignored By Administration

Hot Debate Wages In Senate With Glass Attacking Policies

Washington, Feb. 21 (AP)—Former President Hoover's proposal for an immediate return to the gold standard stirred up a hot debate among senate democrats today in which Senator Connally (D., Tex.), contended the government was already on a gold standard but Senator Glass (D., Va.), asserted "we are on a fiat currency basis."

The controversy flared shortly after Secretary Morgenthau, the administration's financial spokesman, said he was "satisfied" with the present program and saw no reason to change through the policy still was on a day to day basis.

Connally, a Texas democrat who was one of the first to advocate devaluation of the dollar, started the senate discussion by contending Mr. Hoover was proposing to return

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LABOR DISPUTES PLAN OFFERED

Washington, Feb. 21 (AP)—A new labor disputes bill was introduced in congress today by Senator Robert F. Wagner, D., N. Y. He said its enactment would "stabilize and improve business by laying the foundations for the amity and fair dealing upon which permanent progress must rest."

The measure does not have administration support.

Wagner told the senate the temporary labor relations board set up last spring "is gradually but surely losing its effectiveness because of its inability to enforce its decisions." He proposed to make the board permanent, with unquestionable powers to settle labor disputes.

His bill amplifies the collective bargaining guarantees of the National Industrial Recovery Act. Wagner said that "employees attempting in good faith to exercise their liberties under section 7-A have met with repeated rebuffs."

The new Wagner bill would set up a permanent national labor relations board of three members to supervise the settlement of labor disputes.

CARLYLE CROUCH GETS LAKE POST

Medford, Feb. 21 (AP)—Appointment of J. Carlyle Crouch as chief ranger of Grater Lake National park was announced Wednesday by Superintendent D. H. Canfield. Crouch will leave his post as chief ranger as Mesa Verde park to report here within a month.

Canfield was recently advanced to the superintendency of the park from chief ranger. He succeeded Superintendent E. C. Solinsky who faces trial in federal court on a charge of manipulation of park funds.

Hoover Advocates Return To Gold To Restore Confidence

Tucson, Ariz., Feb. 21 (AP)—Smashing his self-established precedent of silence as a "private citizen," former President Herbert Hoover urges reestablishment of the gold standard to "restore confidence in our currency" as a needed contribution to "real recovery."

If the dollar were made convertible at the present 50 cents of gold, he said in a prepared statement here last night, "it would tend to check inflation, replace relief with real employment, and contribute materially to general recovery."

In his comment on the supreme court's gold clause decision, Mr. Hoover broke his consistent policy of refusing to express his opinion upon political matters—a policy he began when he left the presidency March 4, 1933. As recently as Monday he declined to comment on the

Good Evening!

Sips for Supper

By DON UPJOHN

Mr. Gosselin, nee Gosselin, private secretary to the governor, whose name appeared in these here columns from time to time as constant readers will remember, is tall, handsome and has the hair of a Viking, albeit's golden tinged. For this he is called "Pinky." The other day he approached one of the newspaper correspondents at the capitol.

"Just why do you boys call me 'Pinky'?" he asked. "My hair isn't pink, it's golden."

"Oh, well," said the newspaper correspondent, "then we'll call you 'Goldie'."

Tut, tut and fie fie, boy, not "Goldie" but "Joidie." There's no use calling him "Goldie" when you can't even pronounce it.

Aha, like a rejuvenation of the old story of Goldilocks and the three bears—Charles and Rufus and Earl.

In a grocery store not more than a hundred miles from here appears this sign, "Pickles, 20 cents a quart; gallon, \$1." That shows how a store can make money if it goes in for quantity selling.

NOT SISTERS—THE SAME LADY

Hammer—To Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Earl Hammer, route six, a girl, Lucile Claire, born February 18 at the Bungalow Maternity home.

NOT BROTHERS—BUT THE SAME SIB

The bomb sent to Huey Long from Oregon was wrapped in a copy of the Medford Mail-Tribune. Can one wonder that it was a dud?—From Tuesday's Sips.

A copy of the Medford Mail-Tribune was wrapped around Huey Long's "bomb." Is that why it proved a dud?—From Thursday's Statesman.

Easy come and easy go may be all right as a proverb but it doesn't apply to the legislature. It was easy enough for the legislature to come but nobody knows when it's going to go.

O, well, with a legislature the first 40 days are always the hardest.

As a rule a woman gets all the breaks. Maybe that's why the women prison wardens also get all the breaks.

The Oregonian had only two small pictures on the front page this morning. Probably making way for the exclusive wire photo of George Washington tomorrow.

Lack of Passport Blocks Honeymoon

Rome, Feb. 21 (AP)—Mrs. Madeline Force Astor Dick Piermonte said today she was ready to make every possible effort to regain her ex-pugilist husband's passport so they may embark on a second honeymoon.

As soon as Enzo recovers his papers, confiscated by Italian authorities on his arrival in Italy, Mrs. Piermonte said they hoped to tour the French Riviera.

FAMED CATTLE RANCH BOUGHT FOR PRESERVE

Government Pays \$675,000 for Historic Range Of 65,000 Acres

Land Stretches for 70 Miles From Malheur Lake—Back to Ducks

Portland, Feb. 21 (AP)—The historic P ranch, 65,000 acre cattle barony in southeastern Oregon, one of the last of the old great cow ranches in the northwest, was bought by the United States government today and—given back to the ducks.

A government check for \$675,000, passed from United States Attorney Carl G. Donoghue to Charles P. Hart, attorney for Swift & Co., interests, turned man's "progress" back 50 years; ended the existence of one of the most picturesque of the old time cattle ranches; completed the largest rural real estate deal in the northwest for years, and established one of the country's greatest bird sanctuaries.

The original P ranch, established in the gun-lighting days of the '70s by pint-sized Pete French who carried a hardy pioneer fighting heart in a shriveled five-foot body, stretched for 70 miles from Malheur lake to Steens mountain at the

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ASKS MUNITIONS BAN APPROVAL

Washington, Feb. 21 (AP)—In a short message asking reconsideration of the senate's previous action, President Roosevelt today renewed his efforts to obtain American ratification, without special reservations, of the international pact for control of munitions.

Mr. Roosevelt's message said: "In accordance with the senate resolution of Feb. 15, 1935, I return to the senate for further action the convention for the suppression of the international trade in arms and ammunition and implements of war signed at Geneva, Switzerland, on June 17, 1925."

The president's action was in accordance with a senate resolution by Senator Key Pittman, D., Nev., requesting him to return the convention for reconsideration. The senate last year conditionally ratified the arms control agreement.

The state department objected to reservations attached by the senate and the president therefore pigeonholed the ratification.

The department objected especially to a reservation by Senator William D. King, D., Utah, which said adherence to the treaty "shall not be construed as denying any right of sovereignty which the Kingdom of Persia may have in and to the Persian gulf or to the waters thereof."

INFIRMARY BILL SIGNED BY MARTIN

Governor Martin's signature today was on house bills 167 and 168, raising the salary of The Dalles justice of the peace from \$60 to \$75 per month and repealing the provision that the county must furnish him with office supplies. Representative Roscoe Krier, D., Wasco, was the author of the bills.

An infirmary for the University of Oregon was assured today.

Governor Martin signed H.B. 239, appropriating \$50,000 to be matched by student building fund fees for construction of the hospital.

FORCE HOUSE VOTE ON PATMAN BILL

Washington, Feb. 21 (AP)—A petition to force consideration of the Patman bill for paying the \$2,100,000 bonus in new currency, was filed in the house as a precaution against possible blocking of the measure in the house ways and means committee.

The petition was filed by Representative Patman (D., Tex.) who was the first signer.

In less than 10 minutes more than 20 of the required 216 had signed, gathering in the well of the house around the clerk's desk.

Liard Faces Mail Robbery Trial In Utah

John Knight Giles, alias Jack Liard, life term who escaped from the Oregon state penitentiary November 7, will not be returned to Oregon unless he is cleared of a federal mail train robbery charge at Salt Lake City. Liard was arrested in St. Paul a few days ago as a counterfeiter.

A telegram received by Warden James Lewis of the Oregon prison today from St. Paul said Liard had been turned over to postal inspectors at Salt Lake City. He was arraigned at St. Paul yesterday and his bond fixed at \$25,000. The message (Concluded on page 14, column 7)

ANDREWS FLIES FLIGHT RECORD

Newark, N. J., Feb. 21 (AP)—The transcontinental record for transport airplanes was lowered by 23 minutes today by Leland S. Andrews, who shot across the continent from Los Angeles to Floyd Bennett airport, New York, in 11 hours, 34 minutes and 42 seconds. Andrews flew the same American Airlines plane that his brother-in-law, Major James R. Doolittle used in setting the previous record of 11:59 on January 15.

Newark, N. J., Feb. 21 (AP)—Leland S. Andrews, in a single motored monoplane, today set a new transcontinental transport record, covering the flight from Los Angeles to Floyd Bennett airport, New York, in an elapsed time of 11 hours 21 minutes and one second.

He knocked 37 minutes and 50 seconds from the previous record, set by his brother-in-law, Major James R. Doolittle on January 15.

Andrews landed at Newark airport at 2:25 P. M.

The 42-year-old American airline pilot lowered the record despite the fact he landed and spent 14 minutes at Washington, D. C.

He was flying the same type of plane—a Vultee all-metal, low-wing monoplane—as that used by Doolittle, his war-time buddy, in his record breaking flight. The ship was powered by a 750 horse power motor.

With Andrews was Henry Meyers, co-pilot, and G. D. Reyburn, radio operator.

Andrews did not touch his wheels at Floyd Bennett as has been the custom of record flights. Even if that should void his time to that point, his time of 11 hours 21 minutes one second to Newark would stand as a new mark.

HOLD CONFERENCE ON RECLAMATION

Washington, Feb. 21 (AP)—Representatives from 14 far western states met with Dr. Elwood Mead, reclamation commissioner, today for a "general discussion of irrigation problems."

Following the conference, called by Representatives Lea (D.-Cal.), and Taylor (D.-Colo.), acting house majority leader, the congressmen said they had no announcement to make.

"It was a very friendly meeting," Representative Pierce, (D.-Ore.), said.

"It was in executive session," Representative Ayers (D.-Mont.), added.

Representative Lea said the discussion was general and dealt with irrigation problems, present and future.

Mr. Mead, after the conference, said he believed any statement on the meeting should come from the congressmen, but he did say the \$4,000,000,000 proposed works fund was not mentioned.

LUMBER DEALERS MEET AT TACOMA

Tacoma, Wash., Feb. 21 (AP)—From six states—Washington, Oregon, Nevada, Idaho, Montana and Arizona—members of the Western Retail Lumbermen's association gathered here today for their annual three-day convention. Registration of 1,000 is anticipated.

Reports of officers featured this morning's session, including those of Henry W. Trask, Missoula, Mont., president; W. C. Bell, Tacoma, managing director; and Roy S. Brown, Spokane, secretary-treasurer.

Principal speakers of the day were W. J. Gilmore and Henry A. Colver, both of Seattle, representing the FHA; Nathan Eckstein, Seattle, and O. G. Hughson, field secretary of the Oregon state building congress of Portland.

BILL DRAFTED FOR CABINET GOVERNMENT

Hood Prepares Measure For Consideration of Governor

8 Departments Proposed And Board of Control Abolished by Plan

A cabinet form of government with eight departments, six of them under the governor and one each under the secretary of state and state treasurer, was drafted today by Budget Director D. O. Hood for consideration of administration leaders.

The plan, which would abolish the board of control, has been in Hood's mind for more than a year. It has been advocated, too, by Governor Martin. Secretary of State Snell and State Treasurer Holman are to be called into consultation on the program, but so far they are known not to have given the plan their approval.

The governor would head these departments: Executive, natural resources, public health and sanitation, public welfare, highways and commerce and finance.

A department of state would be directly under the secretary of state. Six division chiefs would head these groups: Records and documents, audit, state printing, motor tax and license, war veterans' aid, and

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MACON'S DESIGN HELD DEFECTIVE

San Francisco, Feb. 21 (AP)—A defect in the design of the dirigible Macon caused her to founder and fall into the Pacific ocean off Point Sur, central California, Commander T. L. Gatch, judge advocate of the navy court of inquiry, declared today.

Commander Gatch, summing up evidence before the court, asserted a preponderance of testimony brought the conclusion that "a sudden pressure from a gust of wind striking the after part of the upper fin (of the airship) transmitted the pressure to the forward part of the fin and the four holding-down bolts at the base of frame 174. To that frame was directed the pressure to the outer ring and from there to the diagonal girders causing a strain to be thrown on them and one or more gave away."

Gatch declared undoubtedly the failure of the diagonal girders punctured the gas cells allowing the tail of the ship to be unsupported and causing it to drop into the ocean.

"The loss we can only conclude from the evidence the court has gathered," the judge advocate said, "should be charged to profit and loss, and if we build another airship we can build her a lot better."

LOUIS LEE HELD EXTORTION CHARGE

Portland, Feb. 21 (AP)—Carl C. Donagh, United States attorney, yesterday filed a federal charge against Louis Lee, held in Salem after he reportedly sent a letter to his father, Jimmy Lee, Chinese, saying he had been kidnapped and that \$50,000 ransom was demanded.

Young Lee was arrested in Salem yesterday. He disappeared from his home last Sunday.

Donagh said he had been charged with violation of the extortion statutes and postal laws. Bail was set at \$5000.

The sheriff's office said today that a federal officer from Portland would take charge of Lee today or tomorrow. Meantime, he is in the custody of the sheriff.

OREGON ALLOTTED \$1,050,165 RELIEF

Washington, Feb. 21 (AP)—The federal relief administration announced today that February grants already allotted to 45 states totaled \$147,083,137.

Of this sum, \$145,000,000 was made available from appropriations to other agencies.

The grants included: Oregon, \$1,050,165; Idaho, \$728,885.

PARTY CLEANSING BILL DEFEATED IN HOUSE VOTE 27-28

With Five Absent, Reconsideration To Be Attempted; Measure Provides No Holders Of Remunerative Public Office Shall Be Eligible To Hold Position In Party Organization

By HARRY N. CRAIN

With five members absent the house just before noon today killed the "party cleansing" bill—House Bill 270 by Rankin—by a minority vote. The roll call showed 27 members voting for the measure and 28 against, but 31 are required for passage. The bill provides that no holder of a remunerative federal, county, state or municipal office shall be eligible to hold any position in a political party organization from national committee down to precinct committee.

Proponents of the measure immediately announced that they would move for a reconsideration with the five absent members, who were excused to attend committee meetings, present.

The roll call showed:

Yes—Alber, Barnes, Bolvan, Eckersley, Erwin, Fatland, Frazer.

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KILL INCOME TAX PUBLICITY

Breaking off in the middle of its debate on two bills providing for the creation of the office of jury commissioner in Multnomah county, the senate adjourned at noon today after an hour's discussion of the measures.

The two bills were considered, Senator Allan Bynon speaking for one which would create the office of jury commissioner at an annual salary of \$3000, such commissioner to be entirely responsible for the selection of the jury panel and the examination of each juror.

Senator Dorothy Lee backed the second measure, which would limit the power of the jury commissioner to examination of the names on the jury panel, and report his findings to the circuit court judge. His salary would be set at \$600 annually. She maintained that leaving the jury selection entirely up to the commissioner was placing far too much power in the hands of one man.

Unfavorable committee reports on three bills, two from the house and one from the senate, which would permit legislative committees to obtain copies of the taxpayers' returns from the state tax commission for legislative information, and would virtually throw open income tax returns to the public, were adopted by the senate, and all three were killed by indefinite postponement.

Sensors Stringer, Zimmerman, Carney and Burke opposed the minority report on all three bills.

EXECUTION STAGED BY WRIT OF ERROR

Trenton, N. J., Feb. 21 (AP)—Frederick A. Pope today filed a writ of error in the case of Bruno Richard Hauptmann, sentenced to death for the murder of the Lindbergh baby. The writ was filed with the clerk of the court of errors and appeals.

Lloyd Fisher and Pope, defense lawyers who have split with chief defense counsel Edward J. Kelly, went to the state prison where it was later announced that the writ had been served. This officially stayed the execution of Hauptmann, formerly set for the week of March 18.

TRADE IN REALTY SHOWING BETTER

New York, Feb. 21 (AP)—Tranquil lights from the residential division of real estate have given a ray of hope that conditions are improving in one of the most sorely depressed branches of American enterprise.

Although far below the normal level of pre-depression years, residential construction in January aggregated \$22,400,000 in the 37 states east of the Rocky mountains. It was 54 per cent ahead of December and 48 per cent greater than January, 1934.

The recently completed semi-annual survey of the national association of real estate boards gave an inkling of what might be expected in the residential building field when it disclosed space shortages in a number of large cities, especially in single family dwellings and small apartments, and a gradually rising trend in rentals.

DU BOIS GIRLS END LIVES ON PLANE FLIGHT

Daughters of San Francisco Diplomat Carefully Plan Suicide

Grief Over Fate of Flying Corps Officers Leads To Tragedy

Naples, Feb. 21 (AP)—Jane Du Bois, who plunged to death from an airplane today in England, was reported to have been engaged to marry Flying Officer John A. O. Forbes, killed last week in the crash of the British flying boat "Ace of Diamonds."

Her sister, Elizabeth, also killed, was likewise reported engaged to Flight Lieutenant Henry Longfield Beatty, commander of the "Ace of Diamonds."

(Copyright, 1935, by Associated Press) Uplminster, Essex, Eng., Feb. 21—Two beautiful American girls, Elizabeth and Jane Du Bois, the only children of a United States consul general, plunged from an airplane to death today. Friends said they started on their last flight

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FIREMEN'S BILL BEFORE HOUSE

Faced with 63 measures, of which 31 were house and 27 senate bills, the house sent the Oregon senate income bill back to committee, eliminating one of the controversial measures slated for special order of business and spent the remainder of the morning in passing a number of bills of minor nature. The decks were cleared at noon for the discussion of the policemen's and firemen's pension bill which was scheduled for a 2:30 o'clock discussion. The Sunday closing bill is listed for special order of business Saturday morning at 11 o'clock.

Other bills passed provided for interest on county orders; relating to bids for work and supplies; extending common user privileges of public utility facilities to municipalities; providing for the approval by the state board of health of laboratories in which infectious material is examined; clearing existing property taxes; granting special laws in regard to the collection of temporary licenses for certain classes of trucks employed by the state emergency relief administration; authorizing the highway commission to compile information to compile information with respect to highways and public parks; providing for elimination of secondary state highway bonds; validating proceedings regarding the issuance of bonds for building and remodeling and relating to the private sale of bonds by school districts for repairs or construction as requested by the federal emergency act.

PLAN TO DIVERT MILLAGE TAX

Pressure to divert the entire half million dollars millage tax for higher educational institutions to the general fund will be brought upon the ways and means committee and Chancellor W. J. Kerr late today, it was indicated by reports emanating from the executive offices.

This proposal will be definitely urged upon Kerr who will confer with D. O. Hood, state budget director and members of the ways and means committee.

It was further indicated that this would be urged even to the extent of closing down one or two of the normal schools. The schools, it was reported, to be closed would be the La Grande normal school and the Ashtland normal school. If savings cannot be made in any other manner.

Investigation, it was hinted, will also be made into the large staff employed by the general headquarters of the state board of higher education at Corvallis.

GOVERNOR HELPED PUSH MAN'S AUTO

Charleston, W. Va., Feb. 21 (AP)—Ernest Pugh's automobile stalled near the state capitol, so the Huntington man called on three obliging passersby to do a little pushing. In a letter of apology to Governor H. G. Knupp he wrote:

"To few in this life does it fall their lot to look in the rear vision mirror and see there reflected the face of the governor of a great state pushing on the back of his car."

Compromise Reached On Coast Bridge Tolls With Highway Board

A compromise plan for solution of the controversial question of removing tolls from the coast highway bridges, now under construction with PWA funds, which has threatened to resolve itself into a major legislative battle, was announced today following a conference between Governor Charles H. Martin and members of the state highway commission.

The commission in conjunction with Governor Martin will propose to the federal government that the \$4,200,000 loan for the coast bridges be transferred in the form of a grant to reconstruction of the Columbia river highway between Troutdale and Bonneville and Cascade Locks, a distance of 26.5 miles. In return the state would assume the obligation of repaying the \$4,200,000 loan for the bridges out of state revenues without toll charges and would also assume the obligation of maintaining the bridges.

Reconstruction of the Columbia river highway between Portland and Bonneville, most of which is narrow and crooked, has been necessitated by the construction activities at Bonneville dam and the cost of this reconstruction would otherwise fall upon the state. It was explained by Leslie M. Scott, chairman of the highway commission.

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