

FLOOD WATERS MENACE VALLEY

PROCESS TAXES DECLARED VOID WILL BE REPAID

Supreme Court Rules Taxes Impounded be Returned to Taxpayers
Refuse to Pass on Bankhead Cotton Act — No Decision TVA Act

Washington, Jan. 13 (AP)—The supreme court ruled today that \$200,000,000 of processing taxes impounded by the courts must be returned to the taxpayers, refused to pass on the validity of the Bankhead cotton act at this time and adjourned without ruling on the constitutionality of the Tennessee valley authority act.

BRITISH WARSHIP OFF ON "CRUISE"

Portsmouth, England, Jan. 13 (AP)—The battleship Nelson, flying the flag of Admiral Sir Roger Backhouse of the British home fleet, and the destroyers Westminster, Wrestler and Windsor sailed south today for a "spring" cruise.

SHERIFF GETS JOB OF HATCHING TURKS

The sheriff of Linn county has a job of hatching 3500 young turkeys on his hands unless he is able to dispose of that number of hatching eggs before nature takes its course.

America Sidetracked By Munitions Makers For British Orders

Washington, Jan. 13 (AP)—Evidence that some American munitions makers pledged themselves to fill British orders regardless of United States needs was introduced in a senate investigation today amid protests that they see no indication that such contracts as the U. S. government may place for their requirements even if augmented by Mexican situation will in any way affect present contracts between these companies and British government.

Good Evening!

Sips for Supper
By DON UPJOHN

For the benefit of eastern people making their home here for the first year we wish to advise that yesterday's rain and wind were very unusual. You might live here until darning near next spring before experiencing such a day again.

The storm, however, disclosed some rank discriminations. For instance, a lot of folks out Summer street way had water in their basements, but Van Weider, city councilman, and Jim Nicholson, city zoning commissioner, both escaped plumb free from this evil. It begins to show up why folks like to get on those kind of jobs. We understand that Ralph Cooley, manager of Bishop's, also was running true to form, getting two for one in his basement, according to report.

Jim Nicholson also got off doubly easy, yesterday being his day off and his assistant doing the standing job in front of the bank building during the wind and rain.

Members of the police force are trying to figure out W. W. Moore on this ticket business for the policeman's ball Wednesday night. According to the cops when Walt Thompson approached Moore to buy tickets Wally said he'd got some from Harry Smart. When Harry Smart tackled him, the story goes, he said he'd got a pair from Allee Winterstein and he told Allee he'd rounded up a pair from Walt Thompson. The boys figure on ganging up on him.

Report also said Carl Logan figured he couldn't go to a dance Wednesday night because he had to make a speech in Eugene Friday afternoon.

Jay E. House, for years well known Philadelphia columnist, died the other day. In a pre-mortem statement on column building he said he was a failure unless he created a dislike for himself among some folks. This gives a columnist a good yardstick to measure by, us for instance being able to measure off our success by Walt Thompson.

PRINTED WITH APOLOGIES.
The society editor of the Portland Spectator is doing some apologizing. In a recent issue she confused the marriage date of a prominent young Portland couple and consequently printed the following letter in her columns of the current issue:

"My wife and I noted with considerable consternation your statement in the current number of your esteemed publication, to the effect that we were married on December 19, 1934.

"Our son was born on March 19, 1935. An unfortunate inference might easily be drawn from a casual checking of these two dates, and I therefore feel compelled to rush to the defense of the family honor.

"We can furnish ample proof that we were joined in lawful wedlock on July 1, 1933. Regardless of our son's future career, his original credentials might therefore appear to be in order.

Yours very truly,
ALFRED E. PARKER.

"ROXY" DEAD
New York, Jan. 13 (AP)—S. L. Rothafel, who became nationally known in the entertainment world as "Roxy," was found dead in bed in his suite at the Hotel Gotham today. He was 52.

FINAL EFFORT BEGUN TO SAVE HAUPTMANN

Washington Attorneys Engaged — Lawyer Presents New Evidence

Governor Not Yet Certain Whether Reprieve Will Be Granted

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Trenton, N. J., Jan. 13.—Bruno Hauptmann today told his wife he was ready to undergo further questioning by any of the authorities.

He said he would tell anything he might have neglected to say. But he reasserted his innocence.

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Trenton, N. J., Jan. 13.—Bruno Hauptmann's lawyers, suddenly augmented by two Washington attorneys and bolstered by possible new evidence, swung vigorously today into a last ditch fight against his Friday night date with death.

Retention of Attorneys Nugent, Dodds and Neill Burkshaw, who a year ago saved a condemned man, was accepted as an indication that a new move was contemplated in the United States supreme court.

They were employed after the New Jersey court of pardons had refused Saturday to grant clemency to the condemned kidnap-slayer of the Lindbergh baby.

Bernard M. Finnigan, a Chicago lawyer, flew here to tell Gov. Harold G. Hoggman a story of three men who he said possessed \$22,000 of the Lindbergh ransom money. Captain John L. Lamb, head of the detective division of the state police, said today that Finnigan had written on March 28 last year that

NEW FARM BILL GETS APPROVAL

Washington, Jan. 13 (AP)—The administration's new crop production control program involving a system of soil conservation was formally approved today by the executive council of the American farm bureau federation.

The federation council also adopted a resolution recommending the retention of the act setting aside 30 percent of the customs collections for development of agriculture.

In his budget message to congress President Roosevelt recommended repeal of the act, terming it "unwise" and saying it had been passed without proper thought and deliberation.

FIND 8 BODIES OF 34 LOST ON STEAMER IOWA

Freighter Driven by Gale On Peacock Spit at Columbia's Mouth

Vessel Pounded to Pieces By Mountainous Waves in Storm

Astoria, Ore., Jan. 13 (AP)—The crushed hulk of the 410-foot freighter Iowa swayed to the swells in the grave of sand today while coast guardsmen searched for the bodies of its crew of 34 men. All were lost.

At 10:30 a. m. eight bodies had been reported found. Three had been identified.

In the worst hurricane the North Pacific had experienced in years, the States line freighter crashed Sunday on the sands of the south-western Washington coast. Mountainous seas hammered and battered her to pieces in a matter of hours. Waves crashed over her with endless cruelty, sweeping all life to destruction.

Captain Edgar L. Yates, veteran of the line, and his crew of 33, (Concluded on page 5, column 4)

ITALY NOT TO ATTACK BRITAIN

Paris, Jan. 13 (AP)—Premier Benito Mussolini has sent to Premier Pierre Laval his personal assurance that he will not quit the League and will not attack England, the United Press learned today.

Vittorio Cerutti, Italian ambassador, returning here after a week in Rome, brought official confirmation of Mussolini's two-fold promise to Laval, which was conveyed last week to Count Ciano de Chambrun, French ambassador at Rome.

The promises were:
1. Italy will not quit the league, even if further sanctions are voted.
2. Italy gives a formal pledge that she will not be an aggressor against Britain.

Cerutti, like de Chambrun, brought Laval no new Italian peace overtures, but the pledges were believed to have cleared the atmosphere greatly a week before the important league meeting at Geneva.

Observers doubted that new peace overtures would be possible at present, the occasion being unpropitious because neither side has gained a sufficiently crushing military victory.

MEEKER DIES IN FIRE ON HIGHWAY

Olympia, Jan. 13 (AP)—Curtis Meeker of Eugene, Ore., burned to death near here last night when his truck and trailer crashed off the Pacific highway and was destroyed by fire. Chief William Cole of the Washington state patrol said today.

The truck was loaded with ore concentrate. Cole said, bound for Tacoma smelter. The freight carrier was owned by J. H. Beck of Eugene.

State patrolmen reported to headquarters that evidently the driver had dropped off to sleep or that a front tire blew out causing the truck to swerve from the highway and crash into a telephone pole. The driver was pinned inside.

The crash occurred eight miles east of Olympia, the driver's body being burned beyond recognition. Identification was made through license plate numbers and the driver's license.

RICKREALL CREEK STAGES RAMPAGE



FLOOD CREST IN TWO DAYS

Portland, Ore., Jan. 13 (AP)—Rising flood waters held a menace to Willamette valley communities today. Edward L. Wells, federal meteorologist here, said the Willamette river was rising at all points and that it will continue to rise from Salem north for the next two days.

Wells said the Salem crest probably will be 24 feet, highest since 1927. Already the muddy waters have disrupted highway traffic between Salem and Albany. Monroe was almost isolated. Low-lying pasture lands and country roads were endangered.

At Eugene the crest probably will be 14 feet, Wells said, and he predicted 27 feet at Albany, and from 14 to 16 feet at Portland. He added that that amount of water in Portland "won't hurt anyone."

These predictions of floods came in a day of calm that followed the passing of gale-driven downpours in western Oregon. The heavy storm dropped three inches of rain in Salem in 48 hours. Portland had 3.17 inches in three days.

The Long Tom river rose over the West-Side Pacific highway at Monroe, causing all traffic to be routed through Harrisburg. The old highway between Salem and Silverton was seven feet under water from the Abiqua river. The highway at Jefferson was threatened by the Santiam river.

Saturday night and Sunday morning the hurricane reached a velocity (Concluded on page 8, column 5)

LAWYER SLAIN IN COURTROOM

Chicago, Jan. 13 (AP)—A disgruntled lawyer shot and killed Attorney Christopher K. Kinney in circuit court here and then fired two shots at Judge John Prystalski, presiding. The judge ducked behind his bench and escaped.

The pistol wielding attorney, identified as John W. Koegh, 59, ran amok when Judge Prystalski ruled against him in a case he had argued for twenty minutes with Attorney Kinney.

Kinney dropped dead beside the judge's bench at the first shot from Koegh's small bore weapon. Koegh fired three more shots before one of the attorneys in the crowded courtroom knocked him out with a blow to the jaw.

One, aimed directly at Judge Prystalski as he sat on the bench, hit the judge's heavy chair. He ducked behind the bench.

Another of the courtroom crowd struck Koegh's arm, and the third shot, again aimed at the judge, ground into the ceiling. A fourth went into the floor.

CONTRACTS AWARDED FOR 3 ROAD JOBS

The state highway commission today announced the award of three road jobs for which bids were received last week. The jobs had been held up pending approval by the bureau of public roads.

The contract for the 122nd Avenue-Trousdale section of the North-Halsey street project, 82 miles grading and 5.72 miles concrete paving was awarded the Jacobsen-Jensen of Portland at \$66,589.

The Clackamas county oiling project was let to Edwin C. Gerber of Oregon City for \$48,143.50. Eight sections of county road, totaling 27.87 miles was included in the project.

RECORD RAIN SENDS STREAMS OUT OF BANKS

Crest of Willamette Flood Probably to be 24 Feet Says Weather Bureau

4.31 Inches Rain Driven By Gale — Highways Flooded, Wires Down

State highway and utility employees were taking stock of the storm Saturday night and Sunday which brought 1.43 inches of rain with a high wind in the 24 hours ending at 7 o'clock this morning. The past three days deposited a total of 4.31 inches of rain with the amount for January so far 8.55 inches, or 2.88 inches over the mean average for the entire month.

Flooded streams above Salem brought the Willamette river to over 22 feet this noon with a crest of 24 predicted. Additional lowlands were covered as the flood stage was reached.

Considerable damage was done to basements in Salem, chiefly in the (Concluded on page 7, column 4)

BONUS CHEERS TOWNSENDITES

Chicago, Jan. 13 (AP)—Chances of passing the Townsend pension plan at this session of congress looked brighter to the field general of the Townsend forces today as a result of house approval of the soldiers' bonus.

Asserting the bonus vote was "an admission by the powers that be of the soundness of the Townsend plan," Robert E. Clements, secretary and directing head of the pension movement, predicted addition of at least 100 representatives to the Townsend bloc in the house.

"The big argument for immediate payment of the bonus was the effect the money would have in increasing purchasing power," Clements declared. "That is precisely the argument for the Townsend plan."

"If it would aid business to increase the circulation of money once with the bonus, it should be much better to do it over and over again each month with pensions for our old people."

Not only did the bonus advocates use Townsend arguments, Clements said, but administration lawmakers indicated they would "revert to our system for raising the money." He explained:

London, Jan. 13 (AP)—Rudyard Kipling, poet of Empire, underwent an urgent abdominal operation today at Middlesex hospital.

He was taken to the hospital in an ambulance from the hotel in the west end at which he and Mrs. Kipling arrived Thursday. Within an hour A. E. Webb-Johnson, gastric and abdominal specialist, operated on him.

Mrs. Kipling, who arrived at the hospital soon after her husband, left upon being assured that Kipling's condition after the operation, was as satisfactory as could be expected.

RUDYARD KIPLING ILL IN HOSPITAL

New Bonus Bill Calls For Payment in \$50 Redeemable Bonds

Washington, Jan. 13 (AP)—Administration forces introduced in the senate today a new bonus bill providing for full payment of the face value of bonus certificates in immediately redeemable \$50 bonds. Senator Harrison (D., Miss.), introduced the bill and predicted to newsmen it would be "enacted into law."

It bore the names of Senators Byrnes (D., S. C.); Stetler (R., Ore.); and Clark (D., Mo.), as well as that of Harrison.

The Mississippians said no new taxes would be necessary to raise the needed funds at this time. Harrison announced on the floor the measure also had the support of Democratic Leader Robinson. The finance committee will meet later in the day to consider it as a substitute for the house-approved bill which

specifies no method of payment. The bonds to be issued would be in small denominations, Harrison explained, in the belief many veterans would not cash all of them immediately, thereby lessening the strain on the treasury.