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## NEW NATIONAL BANKING LAWS ARE NOW UP TO PRESIDENT

Senate Under Pressure of Cloture Rule Adopts Measure Yesterday

WILL SIGN THE BILL  
No Opposition is Expected to Develop From the Executive Office

WASHINGTON, Feb. 17.—(UN)—Under cover of the noisy farm relief discussion Secretary of the Treasury Mellon has quietly nursed through congress a sweeping bill relating restrictions on the national banking system and granting perpetual characters to federal reserve banks.

The last stretch of thin ice was passed over when the senate under pressure of a cloture rule, adopted the conference report on the Pepper-McFadden measure. It was approved 71 to 17. Now it goes to the president, who will sign it.

During the scanty debate charges were made that bankers and big financial houses had lobbyists at work around Washington.

Senator Wheeler, Montana, charged that an officer of the American Bankers association attempted to break down the opposition of Representative Hull by offering him legal business of banks. Attempts were made to "reach" other opponents, Senator Wheeler charged.

Following the vote, Senator Glass, offered a resolution calling for an investigation to learn whether banking interests had a lobby at work here for the bill. He said it had been reported that a \$100,000 lobby fund had been raised by bankers.

The feat of obtaining perpetual characters for the federal reserve banks eight years before the present 20 year charters expire is a feat never before accomplished in the financial history of the country.

This same charter question wrecked the First Bank of the United States under Madison when congress refused to renew the original charter. In the case of the Second National Bank—both of these banks being the early counterparts of the present federal reserve system, a national election hung on the issue of re-suming its charter and when Jackson won he killed the bank.

Many Provisions  
The Pepper-McFadden bill also contains many other sweeping provisions, hidden in the tangle of technical banking clauses. One is the branching banking provision which permits national banks to establish branches in states which permit state banks to have branches.

Another provision loosens up the amount of paper money issuable on gold reserves, permitting issue of \$2.50 in paper for every dollar of gold instead of holding the gold certificates to 100 per cent of the actual gold. It permits national banks to make five year real estate loans. The old limit was one year.

This far reaching bill has moved through congress under the hands of the leaders with scant attention being paid to it.

While congress was fighting over farm relief Mellon was watching for an opening. Then the farm bloc began to clamor for action recently, those behind the banking bill made a deal by which the bankers would help get a vote on the farm bill and the farmers would help get a vote on the bank bill.

Today Senator Caraway, Ark., democrat, made a humorous speech about Secretary Mellon's ignorance of farm life. It was very funny. And a few minutes later the senate, by passing the banking bill, erected a monument to the astuteness of Mellon that will stand as long as the federal reserve system lives.

## LOCALS ARE READY FOR MEDFORD GAME

Unusual Interest Shown as Day Draws Near for Championship Game

With an unusual demand for tickets, the Ashland-Medford basketball game, to be played on the Junior High floor Friday evening promises to be one of the best attended events of the season. Coach Cripe's players are undergoing some stiff workouts this week, and with his team again intact after undergoing the ravages of influenza, local fans are freely predicting that Ashland will be on the long end of the score.

This game is the first of what may be a four game series to divide the championship of Southern Oregon, and both teams have been pointed all season for this one series, as the winner has the honor of representing the district at the state tournament at Salem. This fact also accounts for the unusual interest that is being displayed in the first game by outside fans. Medford has repeated their request for additional tickets, but high school officials have held up on this, to give every Ashland fan ample opportunity to secure their tickets. They are on sale at Rose Brothers.

## COOS BAY DISTRICT SUFFERS FROM FLU

Sixty Students and Two Teachers Are Ill in Marshfield

MARSHFIELD, Feb. 17.—(UN)—Coos Bay school attendance marks are suffering as the result of an influenza epidemic among children.

About 60 students and two teachers are ill and unable to attend Marshfield high school, while over 75 students, including members of the basketball team, have been stricken with the malady from the North Bend high school. Grade schools on the bay also report a number of students out of classes due to influenza.

## AIMEE IS REFUSED USE OF STATIONS

Clergy and Broadcasters all Join Hands Against Evangelist

BOSTON, Feb. 17.—(UN)—Radio broadcasting stations here have joined forces with the clergy to prohibit the appearance in Boston of Aimee Semple McPherson, barnstorming evangelist of Los Angeles.

Three of Boston's largest broadcasting stations announced that she would not be allowed to use their studios or wave lengths. This announcement came after it had been reported from New York that her engagement to speak through WRNY had been cancelled.

Alleged financial inducements have been offered by Aimee's agents for the use of the churches, but they have been spurned.

## Would Tell Her Story for \$100

MARVELINE, Mo., Feb. 17.—(UN)—When asked today by reporters for the whole story of her elopement with D. V. Downey, former pastor of St. Bohaventure Catholic church here, Mrs. Downey, the former Maude Myers, said:

"For \$100 I will tell the whole story of the elopement."  
She intimated that her husband had written out a statement about the marriage and that he had entrusted it to her. She refused to let the statement pass from her possession.

"Money first and then the statement," she said.  
She said that her husband is working as a traveling salesman for a Chicago concern and that he would meet his former parishioners here soon.

## TERRIFIC RAIN IN SOUTHLAND CONTINUES TO CAUSE DAMAGE

Transportation and Communication Facilities Are Paralyzed

MANY LIVES ARE LOST  
Death Toll Known to be Twelve and May Reach as High as Twenty

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 17.—(UN)—Southern California is bending under the worst rainfall in history, was flood-bound today.

Twelve persons were known dead from the three days of constant downpour, while reports indicated that the death toll might reach as high as 20.  
Transportation and communication facilities were paralyzed, bridges were washed out and homes flooded by raging torrents running wild in normally dry river beds.

The weather bureau offered no relief, stating that the present storm would not abate before tomorrow night.

Intermittent rainfall and continued winds of high velocity from the ocean was the forecast.

One Line Runs  
Only one transcontinental railway line, the Southern Pacific, was operating and it was dispatching trains to San Francisco only. Its fliters were reported as much as five hours late. The Santa Fe reported its trains held up for precautionary reasons. The Union Pacific, following the accident to one of its fliters, four miles from Whittier, had temporarily suspended operations in southern California.

Last night the eastbound Los Angeles limited, driving through a terrific downpour, crashed through a bridge over San Antonio creek, bringing instant death to the engineer. An unidentified passenger was reported down stream, while two more were probably fatally injured and four others hurt in the crash.

In addition to those killed in the train accident, two fishermen, caught by the storm off Santa Monica, were reported lost. One youth was drowned when blown from a railroad bridge into a river there, last reports from San Diego said.

Eight have been killed in traffic accidents resulting from wet streets in Los Angeles during the past three days.

Conditions were said to be the worst in San Diego. Radio dispatches reported that the border town had been struck by the worst storm since 1850.

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## SOUTHERN CHINESE TAKE CAPITAL CITY

War Lord Entrusted With Defense of Shanghai is Retreating

SHANGHAI, Feb. 17.—(UN)—Hangchow capital of the Chekiang province, has fallen before the thrust of Cantonese troops and Marshal Sun Chuan-fang, northern war lord entrusted with the defense of Shanghai, was retreating before the victorious southern troops, authoritative information reaching here said.

The capitulation of Hangchow, pivotal point in the Chinese military campaign has imperiled Shanghai and threatens collapse of the defending northern armies.

Facing further attacks Sun was reported to have established his last line of defense at Sunkiang, on the forty miles from Shanghai.

STEWART TO WASHINGTON  
PENDLETON, Feb. 17.—(UN)—United States Senator Elect Stewart left here Wednesday for Washington to take the oath of office and make arrangements for other deals in connection with his trip there as senator from Oregon when the December term of congress convenes.

## Two People Made Happy

A valuable diamond ring and a gold watch returned to their owners in two days is the record established by the Tidings classified advertising department.

A diamond ring was lost the first of this week, a small advertisement in the Tidings Monday evening called attention to the fact that the ring had been lost. Shortly after the paper came out, Mrs. O. Winters informed the Tidings that such a ring had been found. The owner and the finder soon got together, and a small investment had made a handsome return for the owner of the ring.

Tuesday a gold watch was found. The finder brought it to the Tidings office, where again a little classified advertisement was set to work. Fifteen minutes after the paper came out, the watch was identified and returned to the owner.

What the Tidings has done for these people it can do for you. The advertising columns of "your home paper" are read every night by hundreds of Southern Oregon people. If you have anything to sell, buy, rent or trade, or if you have lost or found anything, put a little advertisement to work for you, then sit by and watch the results.

## ASHLAND ACRES

"No, a man does not have to work his head off to make it go but he must work his head," said Harry Weagant, a Valley View rancher, who has proven that the head work goes a long way toward success.

He must not stop with head work, however, as he runs his own 24 acre place, cares for an 11 acre orchard near by, rents 40 acres of a neighbor besides doing considerable spraying for his fellow orchardists. "Most too much," he sometimes thinks.

He owns a Cleatrack tractor that he finds very efficient in getting the heavy work out of the way.

On the home place he has 10 acres of alfalfa, 11 acres of Orchard, one fourth pears and the rest largely Newton apples. Five acres of the orchard are young.

He finds that on the whole, the orchard has not proven a paying proposition but hopes that from now on it may show better returns.

He stills he considered a paying crop. Four tons to the acre in three cuttings is the yield he secures. Beside this he gets considerable pasture for his cows after the third cutting is off.

Thirty tons of this hay is fed on the place to the dairy stock, cows and some half dozen calves that Mr. Weagant raises each year.

"By raising the calves I have a cow or two to sell from time to time he said. "I never could make any great amount of money on cows," he remarked, "but they bring in ready money and afford me a market for my hay."

He has ten tons of hay to sell each year.  
How about your chickens; "best of anything," he replied quickly. "Some men make it best with cows and some do better with chickens, just depends on the man."

"Chickens' Pay"  
His flock of 225 birds has the run of the place up to wet weather, when they are kept inside. Mr. Weagant finds that they pay him a profit of \$2 per head. He buys his baby chicks.

He finds the pitfalls in the business in the little things. "With good stock and buildings close attention to business with eyes open, guided by the O. A. C. bulletin, and successful growers, one should make good with chickens," said he.

Mr. Weagant has been on this ranch for six years and from the start has been getting ahead.

He says he would not care to try to get along without the water, his ranch being in the Talent Irrigation District. He feels that the right man with \$2000 or

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## THIRTEEN ARE LOST IN SNOW SLIDE CAUSED BY HEAVY RAIN

First Eye Witness of Disaster Arrives in Fresno Today

BRINGS IN THE BODIES  
Avalanche Comes Without Warning and Snuffs Out Lives of Workmen

FRESNO, Cal., Feb. 17.—(UN)—Bearing the first eye witness description of the Big Creek snow avalanche which is believed to have taken the lives of 13 workers in the high Sierras, John Utterback, head caretaker of the demolished camp, arrived here late today.

Utterback started out of Camp 72 of the Southern California Company with the bodies of three companions killed in the disaster. He took them to El Prado, where they were transferred to a hearse and brought here.

"The avalanche came without warning," Utterback, a small wiry man of about 50, told the United News. "Coming during the night it struck the bunk houses with a terrific roar and the men within had no chance to escape."

Hears Screams  
"I was above the ravine and until I heard the screams and cries from below, I did not know what had happened. All was confusion in the darkness, the white snow looming up against the blackness of the wrecked houses, and survivors running around with excited calls to each other."

Utterback narrowly escaped death in a second slide which came after daybreak.

"I was working with five others, trying to pull bodies out of the snow," he said. "There was a yell, 'look out,' and I saw an avalanche thirty feet high bearing down upon us. I jumped to the right. The others ran to the left and were trapped."

Find Three Bodies  
The bodies of George D. Hollik, W. J. Hardy and Fred Labert were brought out by Utterback, who said that 13 were dead, with five others dying.

The caretaker was well known here and old friends, learning of

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## TWO HUNDRED MARINES SENT TO NICARAGUA

Action Indicates That Government is Determined to Preserve Order

WASHINGTON, Feb. 17.—(UN)—Two hundred marines and six airplanes have been ordered by the navy department to Corinto, Nicaragua.

The planes are to be used in reconnoitering work. The troops and equipment will be sent from San Diego, Cal., aboard the destroyer tender Melville.

This action is regarded here as further indicating the determination of the United States to enforce peace and order in the war zone.

## ITALIAN MOB ATTACK MURDER OF BOY

Court House Where Inquest Was Being Held Scene of Fight

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Feb. 17.—(UN)—An infuriated mob of twenty-five Italian men and women today stormed the courthouse lobby and attacked Edmund Godst, who on the night of February 10, provided a revolver with which a watchman shot and killed an Italian youth, Pete Lavella.

Godst received knife wounds on the head and neck and was severely pummeled. He is in a serious condition due to loss of blood.

The attack occurred after the postponement of an inquest into Lavella's death. Godst managed to break away from his assailants and ran across the court house lawn to police headquarters. The mob was incensed at Godst because he loaned a revolver to Edward Hartig, a watchman for the Southwestern Bell Telephone company, who used the revolver to shoot Lavella. Hartig said he caught Lavella and two other youths stealing lead from a warehouse.

## ITALY EXPECTED TO FOLLOW AFTER FRANCE

Refusal of France and Italy on Disarmament May Change England

WASHINGTON, Feb. 17.—France's refusal to participate in President Coolidge's naval limitations proposal is expected to be followed by a similar reply from Italy.

This still leaves the three major naval powers free to go ahead and it is President Coolidge's desire to do so if Great Britain and Japan are willing.

Although Great Britain has been favorable to the plan the refusal of France and Italy to participate may change her position slightly.

The government's next step will not be made known until it is seen what Great Britain and Japan plan to do.

The Italian reply had not reached here tonight, but authentic forecasts indicated it would be a refusal to join the negotiations.

## Oregon Town Buys Small Railroad

LA GRANDE, Ore., Feb. 17.—(UN)—The city of Union was in the railroad business today as the result of its purchase of a portion of the Central Railroad of Oregon.

The road, reputed to be the smallest in the world, was sold by the sheriff here Tuesday.

Many thousands due in back taxes brought on the sale. At a late hour a portion, of about ten miles, of the road was unsold, connecting Union with Cove.

Union bought it, paying \$1,110, presumably for the purpose of continuing rail connections with the main line of the O. W. B. and N. company.

La Grande—Third modern hotel of six or more stories, is projected for this year.

## VOTE WILL BE TAKEN ON THE INCOME TAX LATE IN JUNE

Secretary of State Checking Up on Earliest Possible Date

SPECIAL BILLS ARE UP  
Withdrawal of Corvallis Building Society up Financial Institution

SALEM, Feb. 17.—In the latter part of June probably Tuesday the 25th, the people of Oregon will be called to the polls to vote the income tax bill which was put through by the senate and the house by decisive votes. Secretary of State Kozser is checking up on the time which must elapse between the legislature and a convenient date for the special election.

The time must be given for the laws just passed by the present session to have referendum invoked against them.

In the house today Representative Buchanan announced the withdrawing of the bills asking appropriations for buildings at O. A. C. to clarify the situation. The house today faced the special consideration of appropriation bills for state institutions and indications were that it would take most of the day.

Bill Passes  
SALEM, Feb. 17.—(UN)—The Patterson income tax bill passed the senate and legislature late today by a vote of 27 to 3.

The measure was debated for two hours before the vote.

Senator Miller, chairman of the senate committee on taxation and assessment declared that there doubts were many senators who had different views as to what the bill should contain, but a condition confronted the state and the bill before the senate would meet the problem.

Some Opposition  
Opposing the bill were Senators Klepper, Banks and Upton. Klepper insisted that the remedy was to put the tax base back to three million dollars, where it was when it was cut down by Governor Pierce and then pass the Hamilton reassessment bill. This bill would increase the assessed value of the state from \$200,000,000 to \$500,000,000 and would do away with the necessity of an income tax. Klepper pointed out that the crisis was not so important that it required the imposition of a tax on the people.

He warned that the bill would meet with defeat when it is voted on.

Appoint Market Head  
SALEM, Feb. 17.—(UN)—Governor Patterson today appointed Seymour Jones, Salem, state market agent following the resignation of Charles L. Spence, who had held that office for the past two years.

Spence said his resignation was due to ill health and was to take effect immediately.

No Free Text Books  
SALEM, Feb. 17.—(UN)—By a vote of 16 to 9, the senate today voted to sustain an adverse report from the committee on education indefinitely postponing the bill which would provide free textbooks for Oregon schools.

Kill Pension Bill  
SALEM, Feb. 17.—(UN)—Supported only by Representatives Bronaugh and Mott, the house today killed the old age pension bill by 33 negative votes. Bronaugh and Mott declared that counties would save money by adopting the pension plan instead of taking care of indigents over 65 years of age at county farms or charitable institutions.

THREE AVIATORS KILLED  
SAN ANTONIO, Texas, Feb. 17.—(UN)—Three army aviators were killed during machine gun practice at Camp Stanley when two airplanes collided in mid-air late Wednesday afternoon.

