

City News THE WEATHER Oregon: Cloudy, probably rain in western portion tonight; Friday, probably rain, moderate easterly winds. Temperature today: Minimum, 30 degrees, Maximum Wednesday, 45. Precipitation today, .01 of an inch. Stage of river, 4 feet.

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RAIL PLANS AFFIRMED

Added Tax Levy is Foreseen

ONE MILL MORE NEEDED, STATE LEADERS THINK

Cigarette Tax Plan Clung To by Governor and Committeemen

Cosmetic and Corporation Taxes Also Suggested As Possible

STATE HOUSE, SALEM, Ore., Feb. 19.—The legislature has not yet extricated itself from the state's financial snarl, although tomorrow is normally the last day of the session.

To meet the financial emergency the presiding officers of the two houses and other leaders have practically decided that the session must levy upon the people an additional one mill tax levy above the 1.0 mill levy by the tax commission last December.

The ways and means committee and the governor are still sticking to their plan for a cigarette tax, and may extend it to include cigars.

A 20 per cent instead of a 10 per cent tax on cigarettes is now talked. The reason for this is to get away from the proposed increase in the insurance tax. A delegation of insurance men appeared before the committee last night and protested against the increase in a way that also the committee.

Also the committee will stand for a cosmetic tax and an additional corporation tax. The normal school was again threshed over and Senator Dunn's bill to rehabilitate the Ashland Normal is still hanging in the balance.

GEORGE NEUNER MAY BE NAMED

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 19.—A special dispatch to the Portland Telegram from Washington today says: "Senators McNary and Stanfield today in writing joined in a recommendation to the president that he appoint George Neuner Jr., of Roseburg, United States district attorney for Oregon. It is expected that the president will concur in the recommendation and send in Neuner's nomination to the senate this week. A favorable report by the senate judiciary committee and speedy confirmation by the senate are expected to follow."

Agreement of Senators McNary and Stanfield on the recommendation of George Neuner, of Roseburg, to be United States district attorney for Oregon brings to an end a long contest.

Columbus TOOK A CHANCE AND DISCOVERED AMERICA TO DISCOVER A BUYER FOR YOUR USED FURNITURE use a WANT AD

Postoffice at Ruch Robbed During Night

MEDFORD, Ore., Feb. 19.—Several hundred dollars in cash and stamps were taken from the postoffice at Ruch, 12 miles southwest of Medford last night by unknown persons, who broke into the building by prying the front door open with an ice pick. The theft was discovered early this morning by Postmaster C. M. Ruch, who immediately notified the sheriff's office in Jacksonville, and postoffice authorities in Medford. Sheriff Jennings and a postoffice inspector are now at Ruch, but their investigation is said to be proceeding slowly because in spite of the muddy conditions surrounding the building no foot tracks were left either on the floor or the porch of the postoffice.

RIGHT-OF-WAY IS TO BE GRANTED TO MARKETING PLANS

WASHINGTON, Feb. 19.—The house rules committee today approved a resolution to give right of way to the Haugen-Co-operative marketing bill designed to carry out recommendations of the president's agricultural commission. Leaders said the measure probably would be taken up tomorrow or Saturday.

Meanwhile the senate committee held a meeting but gave no attention to the conference recommendations devoting its time to a bill relating to the packers and stockyards and administration.

Chairman Norris has expressed doubt that the committee will be able to "fully consider a co-operative measure in the time remaining of this session."

The house committee is working on another proposal along the lines of the McNary-Haugen measure which failed of passage in the last session, designed to promote the export of American products. Administration leaders in the house expressed doubt as to whether such a bill could be passed before March 4 adjournment although they predicted favorable action on the co-operative marketing bill.

Senate Farm Group Listens to More of Commission's Plans

WASHINGTON, Feb. 19.—Further hearings were held by the senate agriculture committee on recommendations of the president's agricultural conference. Chairman Norris told the senate yesterday that further extended hearings had been made necessary by "avalanche of protests" aroused by the conference proposal for the creation of a federal cooperative marketing board. He would predict when the hearings might be concluded in discussing the matter on the floor after Walter Petet, secretary of the national council of cooperative marketing agencies, had declared before the committee that any plan for federal control would be objectionable.

Taxation Conference At Washington Open

WASHINGTON, Feb. 19.—Delegates from more than 30 states were here today for the opening of a conference on inheritance and estate taxation, called by the national tax association to consider the problem of correlating federal and state taxation in this field. President Coolidge was to deliver the opening address.

After presentation of the problems involved in addresses by R. L. Bradford of New York, and Roy C. Osgood of Chicago, the program today called for the consideration of possible solutions.

TAX ECONOMY STRESSED BY MR. COOLIDGE

Present Federal Inheritance Tax Condemned in Talk By President

Amounts in Some Cases to "Confiscation," Chief Executive Declares

WASHINGTON, Feb. 19.—(AP)—Gradual withdrawal of the federal government from the inheritance tax field and greater economy in tax collection were recommended for public consideration by President Coolidge in an address at the opening session today of the National Tax association's national inheritance and estate tax conference.

The president condemned the present federal inheritance tax, amounting in its highest bracket to 40 per cent, declaring that in some instances it, with the state levies, "closely approaches, if it is not actually, confiscation."

"If we are to adopt socialism, it should be presented to the people of this country as socialism, and not under the guise of a law to collect revenue," he said. "The people are quite able to determine for themselves the desirability of a particular public policy and do not ask to have such policies forced upon them by direction."

Economy Necessary. Establishment of "economy in the income of revenue," is an equal necessity with economy in outgo of revenue Mr. Coolidge said, adding that the product of the local Marinello shop.

Several new entertainment features are on the bill for tonight, announced John Stark, manager, who says the auto show is making a greater hit than he anticipated, and that a record breaking crowd will be on hand tonight and tomorrow night, when the show ends.

Dealers Pleased. Automobile dealers are beginning to see results from the show in their sales reports the last two days, it is reported. Customers who examined machines at the armory have appeared at stores the following day for trial trips in the machines. The show is not only intended to stimulate automobile buying in Eugene, according to Mr. Stark, but is also designed to be educational, in giving the general public an idea of the latest models in all types of machines.

A feature of tonight's performance at the auto show will be a 20-minute entertainment by the Eugene high school quartet, composed of Miss Katherine Garrett, Miss Kathleen Powell, Miss Evelyn Hollis and Miss Katherine Guthrie, who will offer both ensemble and solo numbers. Miss Edith Pearson, high school interpretive dancer, will also give a solo number in Chinese costume.

The high school entertainment will be an advertisement for their musical play "The Bells of Barlesona" to be presented next Wednesday night in the high school auditorium. A large number of students from the Eugene high school student body will be present with their yell leaders, who will lead them in school songs and yells.

Widespread interest in the battle that "Handsome Hans" is making for life is evidenced today, especially in the underworld circles, where his operations have been the cause of considerable consternation in recent months.

1923 Income Tax Collection Urged

STATE HOUSE, SALEM, Ore., Feb. 19.—House bill 440 providing for the collection of unpaid 1923 income taxes was passed unanimously by the house this morning. The bill was introduced by the committee on assessments and taxation. It is virtually a re-enactment of the repealed state income tax law but will apply only on the unpaid taxes of 1923 and then go out of existence. The bill will be referred over to the senate for action.

EUGENE AUTO SHOW GAINING IN POPULARITY

More Than 2700 Gather to Witness Second Night's Armory Event

Entertainment as Well as Exhibition is Enjoyed By Big Crowd

Popularity of Eugene's 1925 automobile show was evidenced last night by a crowd which turned out to see it. More than 2700 spectators packed the armory to the galleries, and the program went through without delay, except a four-minute intermission while the models changed from street clothes to bathing suits.

The entertainment was well enjoyed by the big crowd of spectators, who applauded their approval of any particular design of costume or hat or swimming suit from Beard's, worn by any of the pretty models who strolled up and down the elevated runway to the jazz tunes of Novak's Vaudettes. Bathing suits appeared to evoke the loudest applause. Peggy Prevost's dance interpretations and the soprano solos of Kathleen Duffy made a decided hit with the crowd, while Beniah Blackwell's violin playing of "blues" brought down the house.

Models Busy. Models have been busy today selecting spring gowns from the stock of McMorran and Washburne. A feature of their performance last night was their distinctive hairdresses, the product of the local Marinello shop.

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King George is Reported Better

LONDON, Feb. 19.—A bulletin issued from Buckingham Palace this morning said: "His Majesty passed a better night. His progress, though slow, is satisfactory."

It is understood that no further announcement regarding King George's condition will be made today. Confident that his illness from bronchitis is progressing normally and that there is no great cause for fear or anxiety, it is said.

Chair in Picture Takes Part in Hearing



Helen Elwood Stokes, pictured seated in an arm chair, says the chair was in her mother's home in Denver when the photo was taken. W. E. D. Stokes says it was in the notorious Everleigh Club in Chicago. Mrs. Stokes says she will produce the chair in court to prove her husband guilty of maliciously defaming her character.

FUND DISTRIBUTION MADE TO GROWERS

Within the next few days another distribution of one-half cent per pound will be made to the members of the North Pacific Cooperative Prune exchange, according to announcement today of M. H. Harlow, who represents the Eugene Fruit Growers' association, with the exchange which comprises nine units in Oregon. So far on the 1924 crop the members have received three cents a pound, Mr. Harlow states. The next meeting of the board of nine managers will be held at the headquarters of the exchange at Portland Monday, March 9.

Reports of last year are that a total of 10,400,000 pounds of prunes are yet to be sold. A total of 1,700,000 pounds are awaiting shipment.

Moonshine Fight Results in Death Of Anacortes Man

EVERETT, Wash., Feb. 19.—As the result of what the authorities term as a battle between moonshiners and hi-jackers Albert Kimball of Anacortes is dead and a brother, Dan Kimball of Anacortes, and Roy Thompson are in a Snohomish hospital seriously wounded. The shooting affray took place at midnight last night on a farm three miles from Snohomish occupied by Thompson and a companion. The county coroner, who investigated, says the place contains a large still.

The coroner, basing his assertions on statements made, he says, by the wounded men, declares that the two Kimballs apparently staged a raid on the place to obtain moonshine they believed was there. The place was first attacked with rocks and then a door was smashed in. A gun battle followed from which it is believed, only one man escaped unharmed.

Shoals Conference Is Before Senate

WASHINGTON, Feb. 19.—The conference on the Underwood Mussels Shoals leasing bill was before the senate today as the unfinished business. Managers of the measure hoped to keep it before the senate until a final vote is taken.

KLAMATH LINE TO BEND WILL BE N. P.'S AIM

President Charles Donnelly Of Northern Pacific is In Portland

Makes Announcement That Previous Plans Would Be Carried out

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 19.—(AP)—President Charles Donnelly of the Northern Pacific railroad in a statement here today, reaffirmed the intention of his company, together with the Great Northern railway to build southerly from Bend, in central Oregon, to Klamath Falls, Ore., as soon as the interstate commerce commission, determines the issues in the controversy involving the construction of rail lines through interior Oregon. Arguments in this case will be heard by the commission at Washington March 27.

Exceptions Cited. "The exceptions to the report of the examiner, filed by the Oregon Trunk and signed by the Northern Pacific and Great Northern (each owning a one-half interest in the Oregon Trunk) express correctly the view taken by the Northern lines of the questions now pending before the interstate commerce commission, and there is little that can be added to what they convey."

Expansion Seen. "The indications at present are that the lumbering industry in the vicinity of Klamath Falls will undergo, in the comparatively near future, a very considerable expansion. How soon this will take place is uncertain, because there is, I believe some division of sentiment among the leaders of that industry as to whether it is not now expanding too rapidly."

"But, however, this may be our purpose in building into this territory was to supply its transportation needs and, speaking for the Northern Pacific, I do not hesitate to say that our will be extended whenever it shall be made to appear that the available traffic will yield a return on the capital investment required for its extension."

BULLETINS

GENEVA, Feb. 19.—(By the Associated Press)—The convention adopted by the international opium conference was signed this afternoon by Australia, Belgium, Great Britain, Greece, Luxembourg, Holland, Persia, Portugal and Slam. Bolivia and Hungary signed partially and France, Germany, and Switzerland are expected to sign soon.

GRAZING FEES OPPOSED IN RESOLUTION WASHINGTON, Feb. 19.—The secretary of the interior would be authorized to waive all fees during 1925 for grazing on public lands under a joint resolution adopted today by the senate.

VETERANS INSURANCE CHIEF IS APPOINTED WASHINGTON, Feb. 19.—Lewis C. Joseph, district manager of the veterans bureau at Seattle, today was appointed chief of the insurance division at the bureau's headquarters here.

OIL STATION ROBBERS ARE SENTENCED MEDFORD, Ore., Feb. 19.—Robert Duff, Roland Eastwood and Steve J. Elak, who plead guilty to robbing the Union Oil station at Ashland last month, were sentenced to long prison terms late yesterday afternoon by Circuit Judge C. M. Thomas.

CALIFORNIA ATHLETIC RELATIONS RESUMED SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 19.—Stanford University and the University of California have lifted the ban of athletic ostracism from the University of Southern California. The three universities will resume athletic relations as the result of a peace conference held here last night by representatives of each.