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Principal Events of the Week
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The 7,459,338 feet of lumber and logs exported from Coos Bay in December brought the year's business to 101,408,542 feet for the year 1928.

The Hull sawmill and planer shed at Lowell were destroyed by fire early Saturday morning. The loss was quite heavy, but the mill will be rebuilt at once.

There are now 30 members of the Coos County Egg association with an aggregate ownership of 12,000 hens, a considerable increase in the last few months.

Schools in the Umatilla district of Umatilla county have been closed and all public gatherings prohibited, several cases of scarlet fever being reported.

Dates for the annual state convention of the Elks lodge, which will be held in Klamath Falls this year, were set for July 17, 18, 19 and 20 by the Klamath lodge.

The Terminal Ice & Cold Storage company has started construction of a \$21,000 building at Salem which, when completed, will double the company's capacity.

Operating with trucks equipped with miniature derricks, cattle rustlers are inflicting heavy losses on central Oregon stockmen, according to information from Bend.

The state highway commission has awarded a contract to the W. H. Puckett company of Boise, Idaho, for grading 15.5 miles of the Central Oregon highway for \$102,225.

William M. Payton, who farms near Wingville in Baker county, suffered a \$3000 loss last week when fire destroyed his poultry houses and burned more than 500 laying hens.

Roy E. Cannon, Multnomah county superintendent of schools, was elected president of the Oregon County School Superintendents' association at its annual convention held in Salem.

Jail records at Klamath Falls reveal that 334 prisoners have been jailed during the year 1928, a record year in the history of the city. In 1927 469 prisoners were incarcerated.

Mrs. Mary Robinson Gilkey, the first white child born in Yamhill county, is still living and enjoying excellent health on the same farm near Dayton upon which she was born 82 years ago.

Judge Fee of the circuit court at Pendleton has ordered a final payment of 10 per cent to depositors of the failed Bank of Stanfield. This will bring the total dividends to .85 per cent.

While members of the family were absent from their home in Baker recently burglars backed a truck up to the rear door of J. H. Sullivan's house and carried away everything that was movable.

James Force and his wife of Riddle suffered serious injuries when their car skidded, due to icy pavement, and rolled off the highway grade at Dillard, while on their way to Coos Bay to attend a wedding.

The state land department transferred to the state treasurer during the month of December a total of \$130,360.92, according to a report prepared in Salem by George G. Brown, clerk of the state land board.

The Pacific Telephone & Telegraph company will expend \$305,000 in improvements in Salem during 1929, according to announcement made by officials. The improvements include a new telephone exchange building.

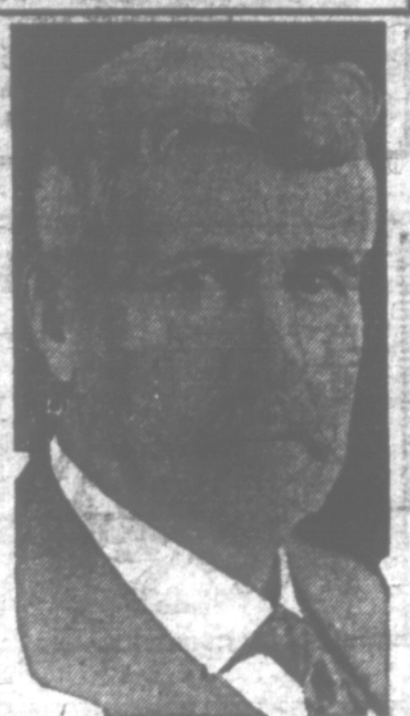
Possibility that the Pabst Brewing company will select the Willamette valley as the location for a plant to manufacture a special product for the treatment of diabetes, was announced by C. E. Wilson, secretary of the Salem chamber of commerce.

The dam at the Snellstrom Brothers sawmill at Vaughn, 24 miles west of Eugene, broke last week, according to word received in Eugene. A large volume of water swept the little mill town, carrying away five small houses, but no one was killed or injured.

David W. Laughlin, who died recently at Carlton, crossed the plains from Missouri in 1850 and cast his first vote for Abraham Lincoln. His brother, J. D. Laughlin, still resides upon the donation land claim near Yamhill upon which they settled in 1850.

When the export volume of Portland's water-borne commerce for 1928 was cast up at the close of business December 31 by the Merchants' Exchange, there was shown to have been 350,460,976 feet of lumber cleared for foreign ports, with a valuation of \$71,682,635, while the 1927 export lumber business measured 325,327,939 feet at \$7,062,246. General cargo dispatched during the year for offshore destinations represented a combined value of \$11,356,804 while in 1927 general cargo sent abroad was valued at \$10,199,946.

O. A. LARROZOLO



O. A. Larrozo, elected to the United States senate from New Mexico to complete the term of the late Senator A. A. Jones.

TARIFF REVISION TASK STUPENDOUS

Washington, D. C.—The stupendous legislative task of readjusting the nation's tariff structure got under way Monday when the house ways and means committee opened hearings on the more than 10,000 items that make up the 1922 act, at present in effect.

When the job will be completed is a matter of conjecture, although it is certain to come in the Hoover administration. In times past it has taken from nine months to more than a year to write new tariff laws, but republican leaders are agreed that only a small proportion of the items will need to be changed now and are emphatic in correcting the impression that a widespread general revision is contemplated.

On this basis, Chairman Hawley, of the ways and means committee, believes he will have a new bill ready by the middle of April. Some democrats, however, have warned against haste in preparation of the measure, declaring it would lead to an unsatisfactory law.

The hearing Monday opened on the first schedule in the 1922 act, which will form the foundation for the re-adjustment.

BRIEF GENERAL NEWS

In spite of a restless day, King George's condition remains unchanged, says a bulletin issued by his majesty's physicians.

A commission appointed to study the possibility of constructing a tunnel 20 miles in length under the Strait of Gibraltar has returned a favorable report. The cost was estimated at \$48,000,000.

The Chinese nationalist government has decided to appropriate \$5,000,000 Mexican annually from expected revenues resulting from the new tariff for purposes of reorganization of domestic and foreign loans.

The high council of the Salvation Army held an informal meeting in London and cleared the ground for action at the big conference to be held at Sunbury, Evangeline Booth, the American commander, was not at the meeting.

Pope Pius received a delegation of Roman nobility at Rome, headed by Prince Marcantonio Colonna. The visitors presented New Year's greetings and congratulated the pontiff on the sacerdotal jubilee which was celebrated throughout the world.

Jugo-Slavia King in Full Control. Belgrade, Jugo-Slavia. — The Jugo-Slavian constitution was suspended and its chamber of deputies dissolved by royal decree. All laws of the land will remain in force unless modified by royal decree. The decree followed a cabinet crisis last week in the course of which the government of Anton Koroshetz resigned January 2.

Air Mail Rate to Change. Washington, D. C.—Assistant Postmaster-General Glover, in charge of air mail, has announced that the department was preparing for a general readjustment of rates paid to holders of air mail contracts. All contractors carrying air mail for a period of more than two years will be summoned to Washington for conference.

Mid-West Blizzard Kills 11 People. Kansas City, Mo.—Frigid temperatures descended on the middle west and southwest Sunday on the heels of the worst storm of the season, which lashed the regions Saturday night and brought death to at least 11 persons.

Flu Toll in 55 Cities 32,000 Lives. Washington, D. C.—The influenza epidemic, now in its ninth week, has taken more than 13,000 lives in 55 principal cities, reports to the United States census bureau show.

HOOVER RETURNS TO WASHINGTON

President-Elect Arrives from
Goodwill Tour; Will Hold
Conferences.

Washington, D. C.—President-elect Hoover returned to Washington, D. C., from his Latin-American goodwill tour to find himself enveloped in a maelstrom of political discussion involving cabinet appointments, an extra session of congress, farm relief, tariff revision and a score of other matters that figured in his campaign.

Arriving at Old Point Comfort, Va., at 3 a. m. Sunday on the battleship Utah from Rio de Janeiro, the last port of call in South America, the president-elect came to Washington on a special train and immediately arranged to open temporary headquarters Monday at the Mayflower hotel, where he began a series of conferences with republican party leaders.

While Mr. Hoover had only one specific engagement—that with Senator Burton of Ohio—he planned to make an early personal report to President Coolidge on his Latin-American trip.

Mr. Hoover spent much of Monday acquainting himself with the whole domestic situation as it has developed during his two months' absence from the country. However, his close associates have flatly declared that he will offer no suggestions concerning problems before this congress, as he holds it highly improper for a president-elect to undertake to interfere in any way with legislative matters pending during the administration of his predecessor in office.

AMERICAN COUNTRIES SIGN PEACE TREATIES

Washington, D. C.—Sweeping treaties of conciliation and arbitration for the pacific settlement of future differences between American republics were signed here Saturday by representatives of 26 states of the western hemisphere.

Gathered in Washington since December 10, the Pan-American conference on arbitration and conciliation concluded its labors and also looked back upon steps taken to reconcile the Bolivia and Paraguay boundary dispute.

Before adjourning the parley, Secretary Kellogg, its chairman, announced that Brigadier-General Frank R. McCoy, supervisor of the Nicaraguan election, would represent the United States on the international commission for the conciliation of the Paraguayan-Bolivian tangle, which had been constituted under the good offices of the conference.

Only Argentina, of all American republics, was not represented at the conference. The delegates of all other states agreed to three documents, namely, a general treaty of compulsory arbitration, an unlimited treaty of conciliation and a protocol of progressive arbitration by adherence to which countries could discard what reservations they might have made to the arbitration treaty at the time of signing.

Old Films Collected by Bosworth. Hollywood, Cal.—The first major step toward perpetuating the history of the motion picture industry was taken here when Hobart Bosworth, veteran film actor, presented the southwest museum with a pioneer motion picture collection.

WILHELM MIKLAS



Wilhelm Miklas, who has succeeded Dr. Michael Hainisch as president of the republic of Austria. He is a member of the Clerical party and formerly was a school teacher.

ALLOTMENT RECEIVED BY OREGON HARBORS

Washington, D. C.—A total of \$1,269,400, including \$600,000 for improvement and \$669,400 for maintenance, will be allotted to rivers and harbors handling Oregon commerce from the \$50,000,000 river and harbor item included in the war department bill reported to the house. These figures include \$240,500 for improvement and \$62,500 for maintenance of the harbor at Crescent City, Cal., which will provide an important water outlet for southwestern Oregon.

The Oregon allotments approved by the chief of engineers include \$355,000 for improvement of the Umpqua river and \$5000 for improvement of Tillamook bay and harbor.

The war department bill also will make available \$490,000 for additional construction at Fort Lewis, Wash., bringing the total amount appropriated and authorized for the building program there to \$2,242,000.

CUT DEBT \$726,603,316

Balance in General Fund on Last Day of Year Just Ended \$299,545,963.

Washington, D. C.—A reduction of nearly three-quarters of a billion dollars in the gross indebtedness of the United States during the last year was reported by the treasury, which issued figures to show that the debt had dropped \$133,557,742 during the month of December.

The gross debt December 31, 1927, amounted to \$18,036,352,461, while last December 31 it totaled \$17,309,749,135, a decrease of \$726,603,316. November 30 the debt was \$17,493,468,577.

The balance in the general fund the last day of the year was \$269,545,963, while the month previous it had amounted to only \$91,026,728.

Dry Law Inquiry Urged

Washington, D. C.—Two senators, Jones of Washington, a dry, and Edge of New Jersey, a wet, appeared to have reached an agreement on a resolution to invite Herbert Hoover, after he becomes president, to appoint a commission of citizens to investigate prohibition. Both have offered resolutions asking investigation of conditions under the 18th amendment.

A statue of Columbus 70 feet tall is to be erected at the port of Palos, in Spain, from which Columbus sailed on his famous voyage.

QUESTION MARK IS FORCED TO LAND

6 Days, 6 Hours and 40
Minutes Spent in Record-
Breaking Flight.

Los Angeles, Cal.—The army's endurance flight plane, the Question Mark, glided to a perfect landing here at 2:07:01 o'clock Monday afternoon after a historic and record-breaking flight of 156 hours 40 minutes 15 seconds. The ship had been in the air continuously for six nights and nearly seven days following its take-off here on New Year's morning at 7:36:46 o'clock.

The old refueling record, established by Belgians, was doubled when the Question Mark had been in the air 120 hours and 14 minutes at 7:40:46 a. m. Sunday and the German single load sustained flight record was doubled when the ship had been aloft 130 hours and 50 minutes at 6:16:46 p. m.

The end of one of the greatest flights in all aviation history came after a crew of five weary men had fought constantly against time and motors which piled trouble in a heap upon them an hour before the landing. Thirty hours before, their work seemed near an end when the motors balked, but it cleared away and the flight went on. This time, as though in protest to the great strain placed upon them, the motors sputtered, one went "dead" and with another rapidly failing, they forced the nose of the ship earthward.

As the great, black-bodied plane with its shining yellow wings touched earth almost upon the spot where it had left it so many hours before, a cabin door swung open and from it stepped the crew. In a milling crowd of laughing, cheering officers, they were the calmest of all, broad smiles spreading across their faces as they heard the acclaim to their efforts.

RUSSIA ASKS FOR U. S. RECOGNITION

Paris.—One of the first problems of foreign policy that President-elect Hoover, on taking office, may be obliged to consider is that of the possible recognition of the soviet government by the United States.

Eleven years have now passed since the relations between the two countries were broken, and the United States today is the only great power which has not yet recognized new Russia, although it is true that Great Britain, after recognition, felt obliged to sever official intercourse.

Just now Russian diplomacy is unusually active. A new commercial treaty with Germany, highly advantageous for the latter, has been concluded. Trial balloons looking toward a new treaty with Great Britain have been launched.

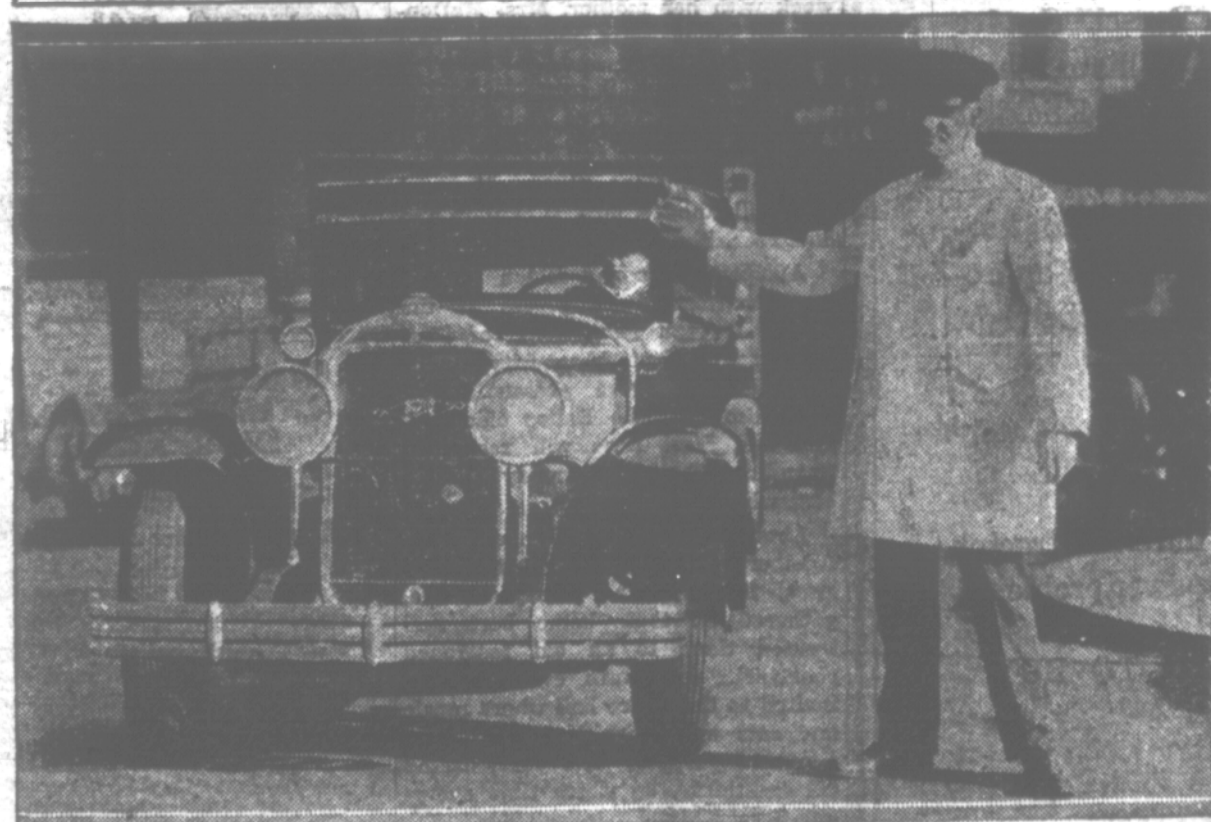
Foreign Commissar Litvinoff, in a sensational speech, has once more delicately suggested that the time is approaching for American recognition, adding that the circumstances are favorable for a settlement by negotiation of outstanding differences.

Senator Borah has served notice that he intends soon to present a new motion in the senate for recognition of the soviet.

Archbishop of Milan Is Dead

Milan, Italy.—Cardinal Tosi, archbishop of Milan, died Monday. He was 65 years old and succeeded the present pope as archbishop of Milan.

White Coats Urged for Traffic Officers



Due to loss of life and limb by traffic officers in cities all over the country during the past several months through inability of motorists to see the policemen on rainy nights, many Pacific Coast communities are now taking steps to equip traffic forces with white rubber raincoats to increase visibility during storms at night. Here Captain Charles Goff, with aid of a Silver Anniversary Buick, is demonstrating one of the new "safety" coats suggested for traffic officers in San Francisco.

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- Citrus Bar Soap, 6 bars for 25c
- One 35c and one 10c bottle Purex, both 35c
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Protect Traffic Police

Increasing accidents and fatalities to traffic policemen in cities and towns throughout the country during the past year have given impetus to a widespread movement for better safeguarding these public servants, according to information gleaned from a survey just completed.

Statistics reveal that traffic officers face their greatest danger of injury while occupying stations on storm evenings and it is to better protect them during these periods that initial civic efforts are being largely directed. One of the most serious students of the problem, Captain Charles Goff of the San Francisco traffic department, believes that much of the danger on stormy nights may be eliminated by making the officers more visible to motorists.

Taking occasion to strongly commend the street and highway safety campaign recently launched through the nation-wide organization of Buick dealers by E. T. Strong, president of the Buick Motor Company, Captain Goff recently detailed to a group of Pacific Coast Buick executives steps taken by him thus far in solving the traffic officer problem. At present he is investigating the feasibility of equipping his policemen with white rubber raincoats to replace the black slickers and hats now in use.

"The majority of mishaps to members of my force have occurred on rainy nights," he explained. "This has been largely due to motorists failing to see the policeman on account of his shining black raincoat and hat blending confusingly with the shifting black and glaring background. Safety experts have strongly recommended the use of white or other light colored coats for night wear. These, they declare, are easily visible under all conditions and will provide the much needed protection for our officers. We are at present examining several different submitted types."

With the aid of a Silver Anniversary Buick sedan, Captain Goff, after donning one of the new white coats, demonstrated its high visibility in the midst of traffic at one of San Francisco's busiest intersections.

Perhaps this generation doesn't know much about the constitution of the United States because it has to devote all its time to studying the traffic rules.

TEX RICKARD IS DEAD

Noted Sportsman Succumbs Following Operation on his Appendix. Miami Beach, Fla.—Death claimed George L. (Tex) Rickard, New York sports promoter.

He succumbed in a hospital here Sunday morning to complications which set in after an operation for the removal of his appendix New Year's night.

Mrs. Rickard, Jack Dempsey, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Field of New York, Dr. E. H. Adkins and two nurses were at the bedside when the maker of champions passed away.

He was stricken Tuesday at his home, but was not removed to a hospital until that night when physicians diagnosed his illness as acute appendicitis. An immediate operation was performed.

Rickard showed improvement and was pronounced on the road to recovery until Friday night when he suffered a relapse and peritonitis infection developed.

Oiling of Highways Found Successful. Salem, Or.—Oiling of Oregon's highways, which was started in a small way in 1923, has proved very successful, according to the biennial report of the state highway department which has been filed with Governor Patterson.

"The oiling program began in a small way in 1923," read the report, "and has been continued until there are 1100 miles of oiled macadam and more than 100 miles of bituminous macadam in the state."

Ford Makes Proposal to Egypt. Cairo, Egypt.—The newspaper Hiasu says that the Egyptian government is examining a proposal of Henry Ford that he construct at his own expense a macadamized road of 250 kilometers in length (about 155 miles) anywhere in Egypt and undertake its upkeep. In exchange the Egyptian government would allow Ford cars to enter Egypt duty free.

Chicago florists do a business of \$10,000,000 a year, but of course, some of the flowers are used for weddings.

No matter how many weddings a man may serve as usher, he is always more or less belaguered at his own.

Trotsky is described as being a man of very few words. After looking at a Russian dictionary we don't blame him.