

The Weather
 Forecast: Cloudy, with snow for rain. Continued cold.
 Highest yesterday 43
 Lowest today to 5 A. M. 27
 Precipitation, 21 hrs., 5 a. m. 0.1

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

MEDFORD, OREGON, WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 30, 1929.

Weather Year Ago
 Highest year ago today 38
 Lowest year ago today 23

Today

By Arthur Brisbane
 Trouble—Spanish, Mexican.
 Which Bank Biggest.
 Uncle Sam Raises Germs.
 Lady Heath Joins Us.

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Primo De Rivera and his king, Alfonso of Spain, have a rebellion on their hands. There is always rebellion in Catalonia, always singing, "Weep, Weep, Catalonia." But this latest rebellion is said to have spread over Spain, affecting the army.

Alfonso breaks all speed laws, plays a hard game of polo, enjoys bull fights, always smiles and is popular. De Rivera is not so popular. Not everybody can do what Mussolini and Kemal Pasha can do.

Trouble continues in Mexico. "Rebels" dynamite a passenger and freight train. Three bombs demolished the engine and an armored car filled with soldiers was overturned.

A religious war is a bitter war.

British Columbia police, with "dough" bombs, capture 10 "tank-hob" religious fanatics. Doughhobbers think Providence doesn't want them to wear clothes, even in zero weather. call themselves "Sons of Freedom" and refuse to dress their children for school.

All religious ideas should be respected, but sometimes they put men off the track.

Which is to be the country's biggest bank? The National City of New York leads now.

The American Exchange Bank Irving Trust Company, headed by President Harry E. Ward, recently moved up to fourth place.

Now there is talk of creating a two billion dollar bank by merging the Guaranty Trust Company and the Bank of Commerce.

Between them these two banks would have more than two thousand million dollars.

What Charles E. Mitchell, head of the country's largest bank, would do if the first place were taken from him remains to be seen. He probably would do "SOMETHING."

The \$1,000,000 Stock Exchange seal will come in due time, also the \$1,000,000,000 investment trust and the \$5,000,000,000 bank. What would draw Jackson think of that "by the eternal."

Uncle Sam will raise influenza germs, try them on animals soon, possibly on humans later, seeking a remedy.

The Rockefeller Institute has been busy with those germs for some years.

The difficulty is to isolate the individual germ that causes influenza. Scientists only know that it is a germ small enough to pass through a porcelain filter.

Influenza germs don't like fresh air or the juice of oranges. So have plenty of both.

This country, fortunate in many things, reports a considerable drop in the number of influenza cases. The disease is spreading in Great Britain. In Glasgow the number employed have been put to work helping gravediggers. Six hundred and fifty-four died in one week.

Lady Heath, wife of Sir James Heath, a brilliant female flyer turns American, takes the oath of loyalty to Uncle Sam, and says she doesn't care what her husband thinks.

She wishes you to know that she has eaten her first "hot dog," like (Continued on Page Four).

WILL SCAN TAX BODY COST SHEET

Authority of Commission Is Questioned—Expenditures to Be Checked Up Before Approval of Bill for \$12,000 Expense—Labor Department Sustaining Bills Attacked.

SALEM, Ore., Jan. 29.—(AP)—The property tax relief commission, which has prepared a program of tax reform for the session of the legislature, is to be checked up in the matter of its expenditures before the Ways and Means committee decides to approve its bill of some \$12,000.

When this figure was made known at the committee meeting last night there was considerable murmuring, and some questioning as to what authority the committee had to increase its membership from the five provided by the legislative resolution two years ago to more than 30 members.

Senator Jones and representatives Collier and Potter were appointed a sub-committee to investigate. Senator Bell, though he believed the committee's expenses were reasonable under the circumstances, urged that the committee discontinue activities between legislative sessions by special committees from only one house of the legislature.

Representatives Norvell, Smith, Weatherston and Potter and Senators Strayer and Jones attacked the bill designed to make the state labor department self-supporting. One bill would increase the license fee of master plumbers from \$5 to \$25, another the license of electrical dealers from \$5 to \$25 and another would provide for a boiler inspection fee of \$5 and unfired pressure vessel inspection fee of \$2.

Norvell said he couldn't see the justice in a plumber doing \$1500 worth of business in a year paying the same fee as one doing a \$50,000 business. He favored a graduated scale. Representative Smith of Marion county opposed the bills in principle as building up bureaucracy.

"The license proposed is more in the interest of the bureau than of the people paying the fee," said Smith.

Representative Angel, chairman of a sub-committee on the bills, had recommended that they be introduced as committee bills.

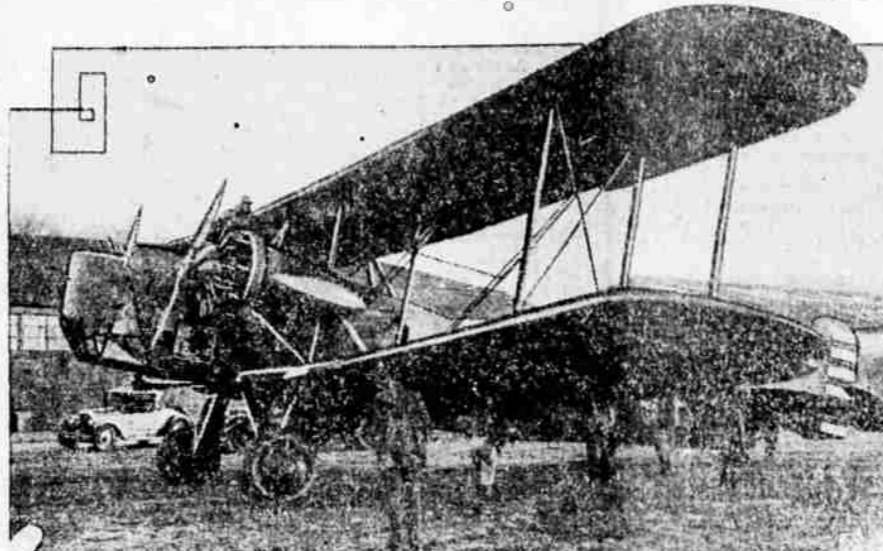
The bill Strayer introduced, which deals with the state bureau of nursing and children's hygiene, which seeks \$24,500. Dr. Stricker told the committee that Oregon has the lowest child death rate in the United States, but that preventable disease cost the state \$10,000,000 annually.

Would Tax Cuts. J. D. Miller, secretary of the food commission, who hopes to make his department self-sustaining by a fee imposed on restaurants, estimated that a 210 fee would raise \$25,000. Representatives Angel and Smith and Senator Kiddle were appointed as a sub-committee to work with Miller in preparing the bill.

A sub-committee headed by Representative Stevens reported on state-aided baby homes in Portland. All were given a clean bill except the Waverly home, where it is said that many babies were sick, and that one of the nurses informed the committee that a fire would be sure to cause loss of life. Lack of help at the institution was blamed mainly for the condition. A resolution was introduced yesterday, asking the state fire marshal to inspect the home.

The management of President J. E. Landers of the Moonmouth Normal school was lauded by Representative Smith, who visited the school. The expenditure of funds was judicious, the committee said, but a serious note of more high tuition fees for non-resident students. The same committee pointed to needs at the University of Oregon, particularly the need of an infirmary. President (Continued on Page Eight).

ARMY'S NEW BOMBING PLANE READY FOR TESTS



The army air corps' new bombing plane "Panther" is ready for performance tests in Washington. The plane carries 2,200 pounds of bombs and is equipped with five machine guns capable of keeping off enemy planes as it flies to its objective.

SENATOR DUNNE WASTING TIME IN LEGISLATURE

Multnomah Solon Angered By Sidetrack of Pet Highway Measure — Wants Market Fund Turned Over in Entirety.

SALEM, Ore., Jan. 29.—(AP)—Senator Joe Dunne of Multnomah and Columbia counties told the senate roads and highways committee yesterday just what he thinks of the legislature and of a citizen's efforts to accomplish anything by being a member of it.

Dunne, who is a member of the committee, wanted a favorable report on the Melzer and Robinson house concurrent resolution directing the state highway commission to widen the lower Columbia River highway.

"I am Columbia county's only representative in the senate," said Dunne, "and I want to get this resolution adopted."

"Never mind, Joe," said Senator Kiddle, "you'll be re-elected anyway."

"That's all the good it will do me," Dunne retorted. "A man wastes his time coming here. It's just like a boy sniping against the wind; it all blows back on him and muddies him all up."

Over Dunne's protest the highways committee voted to take all measures that direct the highway commission to do certain things and consider them later at our time.

Dunne is also making a fight to keep Multnomah county's share of the state market fund all turned over to that county. In the one-half market fund there is a clause included particularly to keep Multnomah county, because of its much higher assessed valuation than other counties, from receiving too great a share of the fund. This provides that no county on any one year shall receive more than 10 per cent of the total one-half levy in the state. All over that amount is apportioned among other counties. Multnomah is the only county to which the provision applies.

Dunne got little encouragement from the other members of the committee. He said he would draft the bill anyway, and there was a tentative agreement between him and Senator Klepper that it would be made a Multnomah delegation bill.

Senator Klepper will present a bill that would make available to the public information contained on motor vehicle accident reports filed with officers and sheriffs.

District Attorney Hudson's investigation and if the evidence warranted, perjury charges they would be filed.

AL SMITH HAS VISIT AT HOME OF MR. HOOVER

Political Opponents Meet in 25-Minute Reminiscence of Campaign — Smith Wishes Host Luck, and Meant It, He Said.

MIAMI BEACH, Fla., Jan. 29.—(AP)—President-elect Hoover and Alfred E. Smith spent twenty-five minutes with each other Tuesday at the Hoover vacation home on Belle Isle, mostly reminiscing about events in the spectacular campaign last fall in which they were the principals.

Wearing his celebrated brown derby and formal morning clothes, the Democratic standard bearer of 1928 received Belle Isle promptly for his appointment with his victorious opponent. His inevitable cigar was very much in evidence as he stepped from the car in which he had driven from Miami.

Accompanying the former governor were John J. Backus, chairman of the Democratic national committee and William F. Kenay, life-long friend. Smith led the way up the short concrete walk to the door of the sun parlor where he and his companions were greeted by Lawrence Rieley, secretary to Mr. Hoover.

The president-elect in white trousers and shoes and a double-breasted blue serge coat stood just within the doorway and shook hands first with his late opponent and then with the other two. The visitors were made comfortable in two large easy chairs and the president-elect and the Democratic leader did most of the talking.

Governor Smith said afterwards that he had congratulated Mr. Hoover and wished him luck.

"And I meant it," he added, emphasizing each word.

SPAIN CRUSHES REBELLION BY MANY ARRESTS

MADRID, Spain, Jan. 29.—(AP)—Numerous rumors from various provinces in Spain were current today that there have been many arrests of high military and naval officers growing out of yesterday's revolt which the government has stated was completely crushed.

It is understood that in Ciudad Real, where an artillery regiment revolted, two artillery captains have committed suicide while three others fled to Portugal with a general who is supposed to have been the ring leader of the revolt.

LAST MEMBER OF EVERGLADE BANDITS SLAIN

Haywood Register, Leader of Notorious Ashley Gang, Walks Into Ambush—Preyed On Florida Coast Towns for Years.

WEST PALM BEACH, Jan. 29.—(AP)—When Haywood Register fell mortally wounded yesterday under a leaden hail from an ambush of officers, Sheriff "Doc" Baker finished a job he undertook four years ago when he set out to exterminate the notorious Ashley gang.

Register died with his boots on, and his arms outstretched in a gesture of defiance as the officers who attempted to return him to the state penitentiary and a life sentence for murder.

The last member of the gang of desperadoes, who from their hideout retreats deep in the swamps of the Everglades, preyed for years on the villages along the Florida east coast, escaped last December 5 from the state penitentiary at Balford, where he had been serving concurrent life sentences for murder and an additional 18-year term for highway robbery.

Yesterday he walked into an ambush, arranged with the aid of a friend of Register when the outlaw last Saturday held up and received \$2,000. The friend pleaded for the return of his money, and Register agreed, on condition that he be furnished transportation to West End, in the Bahamas islands.

Victim Tells Sheriff. The victim conferred with Sheriff Baker, and yesterday when he went to keep his rendezvous with Register in a hotel near Miami, he found a note pinned to the door of his room, which was followed by Register and his deputies, Baker, hidden behind a bush, called on Register to "throw up your hands."

Instead, Register whirled, a blazing pistol in each hand. He emptied three pistols at the five officers, and was attempting to draw a knife when four bullets from the posse's pistols took effect.

The Ashley gang terrorized the lower east coast for many years, committing highway robberies and holding up banks, until four years ago, when Sheriff Baker and his deputies surprised the outlaws at Sebastian bridge near here. In the gun battle that ensued, four of the gang were killed and several captured.

Register, who assumed leadership on the death of John Ashley, Sanford Mobber, Ray Lynn and Shanty Middleton, was captured later, convicted of murder and robbery and sentenced to the state prison for life.

Job Ashley, another member of the gang, was killed some time later in a pistol duel with Miami officers and Ed and Frank Ashley went to sea and disappeared. Joe Tracy, another of the outlaws, is serving a life sentence at Balford.

Laura Upthegrove, reputed sweetheart of various members of the gang, committed suicide three years ago by drinking poison.

BRITISH AIR FORCE TOPS U. S. POWER

Admiral Hughes Submits Table On Comparative Naval Air Strength—Japan Ranks Third—4000 Increase Asked—U. S. Has Most Marines.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—(AP)—The naval members of the conference in the Washington arms conference was considered by the house appropriations committee in allocating money for the expenses of the navy in the annual supply bill.

Admiral Charles F. Hughes, chief of operations, submitted a table to the committee showing the comparative strength of the naval personnel in the Washington arms conference in which Great Britain's air force exceeded the United States by more than 10,000 officers and men. Japan ranks third.

Great Britain's strength was shown as 104,431; United States, 93,026; Japan, 81,505; France, 69,534; and Italy, 45,397.

Admiral Hughes asked for an increase by 4,000 of enlisted personnel to fill out the complements aboard the vessels in commission, which, he declared, were undermanned.

The United States, however, exceeds Great Britain in the number of marines, the former having 18,807 and the latter 10,454.

HIGHWAYS TO BE REPAIRED AND SURFACED

Oregon Commission Adopts \$1,225,000 Expenditure for Oiling, Repairing All Important Highways — Three Bridges Contracted

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 29.—(AP)—A lengthy and costly road oiling program for this year was adopted by the Oregon state highway commission here late yesterday at its regular monthly session.

The program calls for an expenditure of \$1,225,000 for oiling, repaving and resurfacing of portions of practically all important highways of Oregon.

Four contracts were let for supplying approximately 100,000 cubic yards of crushed rock for road repair work. These contracts were let as follows:

For Baker-Pleasant Valley section of Old Oregon Trail, \$47,914; to Joslin & McCallister.

Hillard-LaGrande section of Old Oregon Trail, \$29,667; to Clyde K. Belta.

The Dalles-John Day section of Columbia River Highway, \$64,684; to H. E. Rehmer & Company.

Hope Not Held to Survive Illness

PHILLY, Kansas, Jan. 29.—(AP)—Hope was expressed today for Margaret Hoover, who breathed naturally last night for the first time in eleven days. Margaret has been kept alive for days through heroic work of two Topeka firm, who have been administering oxygen, working in twelve-hour shifts. Despite the fact medical science held out little hope for girl's recovery, firm men persisted.

CONTINUE COLD IS PREDICTION IN STATE AREA

PORTLAND, Jan. 29.—(AP)—Continued cold weather, but with no danger of a treacherous ice storm, was forecast today by the government weather bureau. Unsettled weather in the west portion of the state tonight and tomorrow was predicted, with rain tomorrow in southwestern Oregon and along the coast. Fair weather appeared to be in store for eastern Oregon.

In Portland today the sun shone brightly during most of the day, and the deep carpet of snow began to turn to slush. At 5 a. m. today the thermometer stood at the 20-degree mark.

Pendleton today reported a crisp northeast wind with clear skies. Only a slight flurry of snow fell in Pendleton last night, and the mercury dropped to four degrees above zero.

Road conditions were reported improved throughout the state. By working all night maintenance crews had cleared the Columbia river highway, and it was open to motorists.

SEATTLE, Jan. 29.—(AP)—Cold and snow, which continued to hold the Pacific northwest today have brought three families in widely separated sections of the region—of water, fuel and cattle fodder.

Residents of Rosland city in central British Columbia hacked their way into adjacent creeks for their water supply when the reservoir and mains froze. A water delivery system was being instituted for use until warm weather thaws out the system.

Shutting down of a score of mills and logging camps in Grays Harbor, western Washington, has created a crisis in hundreds of homes that cannot find fuel. The mills, which furnish almost all the fuel of the district, have exhausted their supplies, while the scant handful of coal dealers have many more orders than they can meet.

To add to their troubles, nearly 5000 men have been thrown out of work in the county by the indefinite closing of the mills.

MOORE AND FIVE CODEFENDANTS DECLARED GUILTY

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 29.—(AP)—A federal court jury today returned a verdict convicting Roy Moore, termed by police as "the king of northwest hoodlums."

Moore and five co-defendants, also convicted stood trial on charges of conspiring to violate the prohibition laws. The government accused Moore of extensive liquor operations in Washington and Oregon.

The co-defendants were: Elizabeth Moore, Roy's wife; Clarence Cornell, Harry Huff, Elwood Roy and John Andrews. The jury recommended leniency in the case of Mrs. Moore and Cornell.

DRY FUND WOULD DO NO GOOD

Mellon Repeats Opinion Against Adding \$24,000,000 to Enforcement Appropriation—House Committee Plans Send Controversial Bills Conference

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—(AP)—Secretary Mellon, in a letter to Chairman Anthony of the house appropriations committee today, reiterated his opinion that the proposal to appropriate an additional \$24,000,000 to enforce prohibition would not accomplish the purpose intended.

The secretary said that under the terms of the amendment the fund would not be available for any purpose except that of increasing the personnel of the bureau of prohibition and the department of justice. It could not be used for an educational campaign, he declared, and even such essential incidental expenses as rent, office equipment, supplies and traveling expenses could not be paid from it.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—(AP)—The house rules committee today approved a plan for sending the deficiency appropriation bill, with the controversial prohibition and tax refund amendments, to conference for the purpose of smoothing out differences between the house and senate.

After the committee decided on this course, Representative Tilson of Connecticut, Republican house leader, said the question probably would be taken up in the house tomorrow and that while ordinarily debate would be limited to one hour, he was willing a longer time should be used.

The question was sent to the rules committee yesterday after the house had involved itself in a parliamentary tangle.

ASHLAND WILL BE HOST TO BANQUET OF LINCOLN CLUB

For fourteen successive years the Lincoln Club of Jackson County has held banquets in Medford and they have been second to none in the state or on the coast.

At a meeting of a number of members of the club last night at the Hotel Medford, it was decided that, owing to Astland always rolling up good Republican majorities for the ticket, which they did in the last election and in order to pass the honors around.

To hold the Lincoln banquet in the Lincoln Hotel in Astland this year, which will be on the evening of Tuesday, February 12th.

Committees have been appointed and are at work to make this one of the best meetings the club ever held. A prominent speaker will be secured and a snappy program is being arranged.

The number of tickets will be much smaller this year and if you desire to attend see or notify Col. Holmes or Fred Schreffel of Medford, or G. M. Greene of Medford Homes of Astland.

Further particulars will be given in the newspapers from time to time.

Will Rogers Says:
 NEW YORK, Jan. 30.—(AP)—I said he didn't know Hoover was in Florida. Yes, he has been there since November. Hoover invited him over at 9 o'clock, and Al said, "I am a big town boy, I don't get out that early." Then even at 11 A. M. had to go without his breakfast. That's a tip for you, Al. All the boys we are electing presidents these days are early risers. Kenny went along to referee, Raskob to try and pick up a contribution to the Democratic deficit. Yours, WILL ROGERS.

The Noted Dead

PARIS, Jan. 29.—(AP)—Mrs. Anna Bowman Dodd, an American writer, died today.

Mrs. Dodd was the widow of Edward Dodd, an English capitalist. She was a newspaper writer in New York in the '90s for the Tribune and Evening Post and later wrote many articles for American magazines. She also wrote travel books on France, England and Turkey. Her best known works after the war were "Hercule France" and "Up the Seine to the Battlefield."

BOOTH OUSTER IS HALTED BY COURT

LONDON, Jan. 29.—(AP)—The high council of the Salvation Army, prevented from deposing General Bramwell Booth and electing a successor by an injunction granted in chancery court this morning, is making plans for a new meeting at which representatives of the general will be heard.