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TO RATION POWER IN TWO CITIES

Tacoma and Seattle Facing Acute Situation Account of Drouth — Federal Aid Expected—Vancouver on Reduced Schedule--No Rain in Sight.

SEATTLE, Wash., Nov. 30.—(AP)—With no rain predicted by the United States weather bureau, the Puget Sound area which receives power from municipal plants of Seattle and Tacoma and generators of the Puget Sound Power and Light company, today was faced with the necessity of rationing electric energy in order to conserve the rapidly diminishing supply.

Following conferences held in Tacoma yesterday between Governor Roland H. Hartley, Mayors Frank Edwards, Seattle and James G. Newbigin of Tacoma, and A. W. Leonard, president of the Puget Sound Power and Light company, plans were being made for selection of a power " czar" here Monday.

Telegrams received from Washington received hope for use of the airplane carrier Lexington as a supplementary generating plant.

Congressman Albert Johnson, Hoquiam, telegraphed mayors of the two cities that President Hoover was pleased with plans made for pooling all power output by both municipal and privately owned plants.

Although the Puget Sound company—united with municipal plants in telegraphing President Hoover that the power shortage was becoming acute and asked for use of the Lexington, the power company today offered to purchase the municipally owned lines' equipment serving customers outside the city limits of Seattle.

In Vancouver, B. C., where shortage has become as great as in the Puget Sound area, all street and interurban electric trains were ordered to greatly reduced schedules tomorrow. Cars were also ordered to halt speed in British Columbia city except during the peak hours.

In an effort to help the British Columbia Electric company to conserve water, the greater Vancouver water district today offered to supply New Westminster and thereby save one million gallons a day for the company, which could be used for power purposes.

PORTLAND, Ore., Nov. 30.—(AP)—While other sections of the country are suffering from weather unusually cold for this time of year, Portland continued to enjoy mild weather and there is no immediate prospect of a sudden drop in temperature, the United States weather bureau here said today.

Though the weather here has remained mild, it has been unusually dry, weather bureau statistics revealed. In fact, the month just ended, was the driest November ever recorded here with the one exception of November, 1890. The city has not suffered from the dryness, however.

EUGENE, Ore., Nov. 30.—(AP)—November was the coldest and driest month in the history of the local weather office, reports received here today revealed. The mean temperature for the month was 43 degrees, the lowest being 19 on November 21 and the highest 64 on November 1. Rainfall was only .50 of an inch. The river was lower during the month than at any time in record. Today it stood at a low record of 1.9 feet.

ATLANTA, Nov. 30.—(AP)—Held in winter's ice grasp, the south tonight watched with mingling a slowly sagging mercury that marked a continuation of the unseasonable cold which had caused directly one death and incidentally two others.

Two deaths were reported from Kentucky. John C. Smith, an 84-year-old farmer, froze in his cabin near Hopkinsville, and Abe C. Weakley, 56, a retired farmer, was burned to death in a fire that destroyed his home near Shelbyville, Ky. At Savannah, Ga. an aged negro was fatally burned by falling into a gas furnace.

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CRASH IN FOG INJURES PILOT, MAIL SALVAGED

Pasco-Portland Plans Hits Columbia River Bridge And Lands Aflame—Flyer Rescued By Workers—200 Pounds of Mail From East Safe.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Nov. 30.—(AP)—Clarence C. Price, Varney air lines mail pilot, was critically injured late today when his plane crashed into a fog-bound lift tower of the interstate bridge spanning the Columbia river between this city and Portland, carried into power lines on the municipal dock here and landed in a plot adjoining the terminal. The pilot was taken to a hospital here where physicians said he had a slender chance to live.

Most of the 250-pound cargo of mail the plane carried was damaged but only about one per cent was totally destroyed, Postmaster John M. Jones of Portland announced. Puget Sound mail suffered the heaviest damage, he said, but most of it will be re-routed and forwarded.

The plane, spectators said, burst into flame immediately after striking the ground. It was virtually demolished but workmen on the dock extricated the unconscious pilot from the ruins before the flames reached his cockpit.

Varney officials at Portland declared Price apparently had followed the river from Pasco, Washington, in order not to lose his bearing in the heavy fog.

Most of the mail, Postmaster Jones said, was from the east. It was transferred to Price's plane at Pasco and was to have been landed at Portland.

OUSTED PASTOR WINS VERDICT IN LIBEL SUIT

Five Methodist Church Officers Accused of Framing Up With Maid to Defame—Girl's Testimony Evidently Doubted—Award Is Surprise.

ROCKFORD, Ill., Nov. 30.—(AP)—Five officers of the Methodist church at Durand, Ill., were ordered by a jury to pay \$20,000 damages to their former pastor, John J. Logan Warren for the alleged libelous charging of his name with the charge of immorality.

The jury verdict manifested surprise the courtroom audience which had heard the parents of a former deacon in the preacher's home support her sworn story of familiarity with Mr. Warren. The jury, asked by the unfrocked minister for \$50,000 redress for libel, returned its verdict before Judge Arthur E. Fisher after two hours' deliberations. The jurors made no comment on their findings.

The five church officers who succeeded in ousting their pastor from his pulpit and later from the Rock River Methodist conference were Albert E. Edwison, president of the State Bank of Durand; Henry Graham, grain company official; Postmaster George Fritz; Judd Van Sickle and Edgar Best. Mr. Warren accused them of trumping up the defaming story as a means of driving him from their parish.

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PLANES, DOG TEAMS RESCUE ICE BOUND FUR TRADERS



Pilot Frank Dorband's biplane (above) at Nanuk's side picking up a valuable load of fur and six persons to carry them to Teller, Alaska, from the stranded ship's position 450 miles away near North Cape, Siberia. A dog team (lower picture) similarly helps. Marion Swenson, (inset) daughter of the owner, one of the last to leave the Nanuk.

FEDERAL WORK BILL TO CURB OFFER 26C LB. AID ONLY WHEN ALIEN INFLUX LOCAL TURKEYS STATES ASSIST AGAIN TO FORE FOR YULE POOL

Oregon Solons Find String Attached to Big Hearted Offer — Dollar for Dollar Policy Is Joker Not Noted at Time of Proposal.

PORTLAND, Ore., Nov. 30.—(AP)—The Oregonian will say tomorrow what unless western states are willing to co-operate by matching the increased expenditures which the federal government is willing to make on road construction as a means of stimulating employment, they are unlikely to derive as much benefit from the programs, outlined at Washington recently, as was first anticipated.

Petitions, the newspaper will say, which have reached Senators McNary and Steiwer and other Oregon members of congress that the federal government give a tangible evidence of its willingness to ward off a possible stall in construction activities by authorizing completion of the Roosevelt highway, the Santiam Pass highway and the Mount Adams loop road while the others hope to see action speeded up on the Umatilla Rapids power project on the Columbia river.

The Oregonian will say that the Oregon members would be only too glad to obtain more federal assistance and co-operation on any of all these projects, but most of them have a string attached that was not noted when the announcement of increased federal appropriations for road and waterway construction was made.

WHOLESALE RAID HITS ROSE CITY

PORTLAND, Ore., Nov. 30.—(AP)—Following months of what officials described as "undercover" investigating, police tonight raided virtually an entire section of this city and arrested more than 200 men and women on charges ranging from vagrancy to morals violations.

Police Chief L. V. Jenkins, who personally conducted many of the series of raids, declared the drive had been directed at alleged gambling places, liquor establishments and disorderly houses. He said the raid started by prearrangement at 9 and continued by unarrangement at 11 o'clock.

Virtually the entire police force participated in the drive, the chief declared.

Western Hemisphere Lands Limited Along With Europe — 200,000 a Year Held "All Country Can Stand," But Not Offensive to Sister Republics.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 30.—(AP)—Proposed restriction of immigration from western hemisphere nations, long a controversial question, again will be placed before congress this winter, this time in the form of a bill which Chairman Johnson of the house immigration committee announced today he would introduce.

While the details of the measure have not been drawn up in final form, Johnson said one plan under consideration would limit entry of aliens from all countries or North, South and Central America to a maximum total of 50,000. This would be in addition to the 150,000 limit now in effect on immigration from all other parts of the world, and would allow a maximum of 200,000 aliens to enter annually, which Johnson believes "is all the country can stand."

"If based on the number of nationals of the various new world countries now in this all countries, a liberal maximum for several South American republics from which few immigrants have come, the restriction will not be offensive to Canada, Mexico or any other country of the western hemisphere," he said.

The last legislative effort to curtail entry of nations from other countries of the western hemisphere was made with the Box bill, offered in the last regular session by Representative Box, democrat of Texas, but which failed to reach a final vote.

INCREASE SHOWN IN PARK TRAVEL

WASHINGTON, Nov. 30.—(AP)—When vacation time comes, or when the crops were all in, an amazing total of 2,245,264 persons packed their baggage and visited the national parks and national monuments of the United States during 1929.

This broke all records for national park travel. Of the number 2,636,597 visited the parks, an increase of 158,499 over 1928, and 567,647 the monuments, an increase of 65,911 over the previous year.

Advance Price of 32 Cents All Raisers Will Get From Thanksgiving Pool, Advances Indicate, Owing to Market Collapse — Receive Christmas Receipts Wednesday — To Post Guarantee.

The 32 cent advance paid to valley turkey raisers in the Thanksgiving pool of the Farm Exchange Co-operative, is about all they can figure upon, according to telegraphic advices received yesterday from G. N. Savage & Co., of New York City.

A general collapse of the turkey market due to a surplus of birds, and a tendency on the part of the buying public to lag, as a reaction from the Wall Street debacle, was given as reasons. At that, the Rogue River birds received the highest price of any section. The full returns on the Thanksgiving pool will not be available until late this week.

The Christmas turkey pool will open Wednesday, and so far the top price of 26 cents per pound will be offered. A guarantee fund of \$30,000 will be posted in the Jackson County bank to cover this advance. Grading and shipping will be under the same conditions as the Thanksgiving pool.

It is estimated there are 120,000 pounds of turkey left in the valley and available for the Christmas market. Ninety-two thousand pounds were shipped in the Thanksgiving pool. Ninety per cent of the turkeys offered were No. 1 birds.

With the 32 cents advance for the Thanksgiving pool, and the 26 cents offered for the Christmas pool, the average for the valley turkeys is 29 cents. This is from two to four cents higher than received by other coast district turkey raisers, it is claimed.

OREGON ROADS ON FEDERAL AID LIST MUCH GRATIFIED

WASHINGTON, Nov. 30.—(AP)—Seven thousand, four hundred and two miles of road in the United States and thousands were added to the other thousands of miles that have received federal aid in 1929.

Agreements were also negotiated between the bureau and Washington, Oregon, California, Idaho, Nevada, Utah, Arizona, Wyoming, Colorado, New Mexico and Nebraska, providing for a survey of traffic on the federal aid highway system within those states.

FRUIT HAUL BY ALTURAS NEXT YEAR

Espee Traffic Manager Assures Local Shippers Cut-Off Will Be Ready, and That 75 - Pound Rail Heavy Enough For Fast Schedule — To Establish Icing Facilities at Early Date—Mulchay Explains Many Details.

In response to a query from the Rogue River traffic association, J. H. Mulchay, traffic manager of the Southern Pacific railroad, has advised that organization by no later than the use of the Alturas cut-off in handling the fruit crop of the Rogue River valley, in the future or the present, 75-pound rails being of sufficient strength to permit of a fast schedule.

The traffic manager sets forth in his communication that the 75-pound rail is extensively used throughout the land, that an average of 100 carloads of freight is now handled daily over the Alturas cut-off, these cars being of greater weight than the average fruit car, and that next season the Southern Pacific expects to haul valley fruit over the Alturas cut-off.

It is further explained that the Alturas cut-off was not opened until September 25, two months after the opening of the fruit season, and it was impossible to place the line in first class shape for the 1929 business. It is also stressed that the fruit could have been hauled over the Alturas cut-off this year, but owing to the lack of facilities, the risk to the shippers was more than the railroad cared to have them take.

Traffic Manager Mulchay assures the local traffic association that it is the intention of the railroad to build being plants at Klammath Falls and Sparks, Nevada, for the proper handling of the 1930 fruit shipments, and that all other details, such as yard facilities, tariffs, rates, and schedules will be worked out by the operating and engineering departments in ample time for the 1930 business.

The letter conveys the impression that the Southern Pacific is just as anxious as the Rogue Valley shippers and growers to haul the fruit over the Alturas cut-off to put a 200-mile stretch of railroad in working condition.

The traffic association at a recent meeting, instructed its secretary to ask the railroad what its plans for the Alturas cut-off were, and about the theory advanced that the 75-pound rails were not of sufficient height for fruit train speed.

BRIDE SLAYER OF PORTLAND HELD

PORTLAND, Ore., Nov. 30.—(AP)—Walter C. Vokes, 28, was indicted by the county grand jury today on a charge of first degree murder. Vokes killed his 21-year-old bride with a razor on Nov. 6 and attempted to take his own life.

Edward Skoll, part-owner of the Harrison-Skoll foundry and machine works here, was indicted on a charge of assault with intent to kill. Harrison was shot in the face with a shotgun. He said the two had quarreled.

PORTLAND C. OF C. SAVED FROM NOOSE HE GOES TO CELL

SAN QUENTIN PRISON, Calif., Nov. 30.—(AP)—Leo "Pat" Kelley, saved from the gallows after he had spent 13 months in Condemned Row, today was back in San Quentin prison to serve a sentence of one to ten years for manslaughter for the slaying of Mrs. Myrtle Mellus, Los Angeles society woman.

In Senate Race



Joseph S. Frelinghuysen, former United States senator, has announced his candidacy for the republican senatorial nomination of New Jersey.

JOY AGAIN RULES THE RHINELAND

French Troops Evacuate Second Zone After 11 Years, and Bonfires Blaze At Monument to Kaiser — Rejoicing Broadcast Over All of Germany.

COBLENZ, Germany, Nov. 30.—(AP)—The French tri-color that replaced the stars and stripes over the famous old fortress of Ehrenbreitstein after the evacuation of the American troops from the Rhineland was hauled down for the last time today, as the French soldiers began to evacuate the second Rhineland zone.

Most of the French soldiers marched to the Mostelle railway station and entrained for Metz. An automobile column of sixty cars left for Nancy.

The lowering of the tri-color and the hoisting of the German republican standard on the castle above the historic Rhine was the signal for celebrating throughout the Rhineland tonight.

The evacuation proceeded quietly, but the people later gave vent to their joy at being free from the yoke of foreign occupation that has lasted for eleven years. Only a few Germans watched the French soldiers depart. There were numerous camera men present.

Hundreds of bonfires were lighted on the Rhine and Moselle hills. Firework displays burst from the bridges over the Rhine and from Ehrenbreitstein, where the American army hoisted the Stars and Stripes in 1918.

Church bells rang out the news of freedom at Coblenz and Aachen, (Aix la Chapelle) prominent officials of the Reich presided over festivities to which they brought the congratulations of the government and all the rest of Germany. It was "Der Tag" for every Rhineland in the evacuated zone.

At Coblenz thousands of persons gathered at the "Deutsches Eck," at the confluence of the Rhine and the Moselle, where there is an imposing monument to be former Kaiser.

With bonfires burning brightly above Ehrenbreitstein and on the opposite bank of the Rhine and with hundreds of persons carrying torchlights, the meeting made an impressive spectacle.

Dr. Wirth, the Reich minister for occupied territories, brought greetings from the government. Brass bands played martial and religious music. The entire mass meeting observed three minutes of silence as a tribute of respect to the war dead.

TAX SLASH FIRST JOB OF SOLONS

Vare Case and Tariff Confuse Regular Session of Congress, Opening Monday — Budget Message of President Tuesday — "Young Guard" Rally to McNary.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 30.—(AP)—Preparing for the opening of the first regular session of congress in the Hoover administration, Republican leaders on Capitol Hill today assigned tax reduction as the first job for the house but found the unsettled tariff bill and Vare case confusing the senate program.

A move was started to defer again the consideration of the right of Senator-elect William S. Vare, of Pennsylvania, to a senate seat, but Senator Norris, Republican, Nebraska, asserted he would demand a vote next week on his resolution denying Vare admittance to the senate.

Whether the Vare case is set aside temporarily or is decided next week—it comes up automatically upon Tuesday by previous agreement—the senate will plunge once more into the tariff dispute leading over from the special session shortly after the opening formalities have been concluded.

The Norris resolution would deny Vare a seat because of expenditures of more than \$600,000 by his ticket in the 1928 primary campaign.

The house expects to get the \$160,000,000 tax reduction resolution to the senate before the end of the first week and leaders of both parties in the senate are prepared to lay aside their other worries some time before Christmas to permit a vote there.

Thus tax reduction, the Vare case and the tariff appeared tonight as likely to command all attention before the Christmas recess.

Brief and perfunctory sessions are in prospect on Monday. After going through the formalities of opening the senate will adjourn as a mark of respect to the late Senator Warren, of Wyoming.

On Tuesday President Hoover will transmit to congress his first message on "The State of the Union," a 12,000-word paper, and then both branches will get to work.

The next day the annual budget message will be transmitted from the White House; it will be read by clerks and referred to the house appropriations committee which for some days has been at work on the group of bills to provide funds for governmental departments and agencies during the next fiscal year.

On the eve of the new session, the faction-split Republican majority in the senate showed signs of getting together.

Senator McNary of Oregon, who was put forward as a spokesman of the "Young Guard" Republican regulars, virtually was assured the post as assistant party leader today by Senator Jones of Washington, announcing his retirement from that post because of the heavy work facing him as chairman of the appropriations committee which he will head in the approaching session.

CONVICT, 80, FREED FROM JOLIET, TO GET AUBURN CELL

CHICAGO, Nov. 30.—(AP)—There is nothing quite like a nice warm penitentiary, says George Ferguson who has spent 52 years of his 80 years in first one, then another.

Advised that he was to be released from Joliet penitentiary, Ferguson wrote to the warden at the Auburn, N. Y., prison stating that while serving a term there under an assumed name he violated his parole. Auburn officers met him at the Joliet prison gates yesterday and Ferguson expressed genuine pleasure at seeing them.

"I've lost contact with life outside," he said. "I wouldn't know what to do if I were free. You've a nice place at Auburn; but I won't knock Joliet. It's nice, too."

PORTLAND (AP)—The validity of Portland police regulations which make it possible for officers to tow citizens' automobiles to city garages from parking places on public streets will be tested in District Judge Hendrickson's court soon.