

Forecast: Tonight and Saturday rain; moderate temperature.

Temperature table with columns for Highest yesterday, Lowest this morning, Precipitation, To 5 p. m. yesterday, To 5 a. m. today.

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FEHL FAILS GAIN VOTES IN RECOUNT

Collapse of Sensational Charges Mayoralty Election Seen—Court Count of Two Precincts Upholds Original Total.

Complete collapse of the serious, if true, and sensational charges filed by the so-called "Better Government League," on behalf of Earl H. Fehl, oft-time candidate for mayor of Medford, against E. M. Wilson, successful candidate, now seems a foregone conclusion.

Recount for these two precincts conducted yesterday afternoon in the circuit court, before Circuit Judge H. D. Norton, showed no material change from the official count. Nothing wrong was discovered with any of the ballots.

The recount vote in the West Medford precinct showed: Wilson 219, Fehl 150. In the official count, Wilson received 219 votes, and Fehl 148, Fehl gained two votes.

The official count gave Wilson 132, and Fehl 81. Fehl lost two votes in this precinct. The count now stands as it stood in the official returns, viz: Wilson 1629, Fehl 1625.

Attorney Eyes Ballots The court allowed the attorney for Fehl to inspect the ballots of the two precincts today. The court will make up the case again tomorrow morning, when any further testimony and evidence will be heard.

Bonds for \$1000, with George A. Porter, Will H. Wilson, H. C. Hanson and W. W. Weaver as sureties, were filed this week to guarantee expenses of the recount. A new appeal for funds for the "Better Government League" was made yesterday in the Pacific Record-Herald. Contributors were advised they could leave their contributions at the law offices of Kelly & Kelly, Enright and Hanna, or the Will H. Wilson store.

SNOW THREATENS PENDING DECISION Indications of snow were noted here late today. The mercury fell to 29 degrees during last night. All highways out of Pendleton are reported to be treacherous, following a heavy frost.

Abe Martin cartoon featuring a man holding a sign that says "JOE RITE MARKS" and "DOE PINE MARKS".

Woolen Sock Best As Cash Container Treasury Declares

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—(AP)—The treasury has learned a woolen sock is better than a cotton sock to keep cash. It's this way: Two billions in New York state kept their money in socks. One used a cotton sock, the other a woolen one. There was a fire, both socks burned, the remains were sent to the treasury—new money, please. The treasury's damaged money experts identified \$230 out of \$340 which the wool sock had contained. The other was too far gone.

MOVIE COWBOY TWIRLED PISTOL IN FINAL ADIEU

Tom Mix Isn't Coming Home, Says Wife in Suit for Divorce—Gun Play Gave Fright.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 12.—(AP)—Tom Mix, hard riding and shooting cowboy of screen and circus has galloped away from home again and he isn't coming back.

Mrs. Victoria Mix, in filing suit for divorce here yesterday, said he left Nov. 26 and by way of emphasizing his statement that he would not be back, twirled a loaded gun on his trigger finger in midwest fashion. She was greatly frightened, she said. Mix had left home numbers of times before and upon his return declined, his wife charged, to reveal where he had been.

AGREEMENT ON DIAMOND LAKE ROAD PROGRAM

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 12.—(AP)—A forest highway program for Oregon for the 1932 fiscal year beginning July 1, 1931, calling for a total expenditure of \$1,953,000, was adopted today by the state highway commission, federal bureau of public roads, and Regional Forester C. J. Buck.

Approval of the secretary of agriculture is expected within a few days, and when this is obtained preparations for prosecuting the work can be made.

The projects and appropriations include: Tiller-Trail highway, \$35,000 federal; \$25,000 county; total \$70,000. Diamond Lake highway, clearing east end, 15 miles; \$23,000 federal; Union Creek grade, 5.3 miles; \$115,000 federal.

No Joke RUSSELL, Ky., Dec. 12.—(AP)—One man is dead here, another is being nursed, and a third is nursing bullet wounds, all because they refused to believe a holdup man was not a practical joker.

Ten Commandments Cited For Co-Eds In Selecting Best Type of Life Mate

EVANSTON, Ill., Dec. 12.—(AP)—A business girl seeking happiness in marriage will pick a husband, if she should, who... 1—He should be healthy enough to swim 25 yards in 20 seconds. 2—He should be willing to rear children. 3—He should be ambitious and industrious. 4—He should be willing to make you an equal partner. 5—He should possess tact and a good disposition. 6—He should be mentally stable. 7—He should not be a braggart. 8—He should be of good character. 9—He should maintain a good appearance.

BODIES OF 4 EXHUMED IN FARM YARD

Accused Man Leads County Officers to Scene of North Dakota Tragedy—Mother and One Child Still Unaccounted For.

WILLISTON, N. D., Dec. 12.—(AP)—Breaking under constant questioning, Charles Bannon, tenant farmer, today told authorities the body of Mrs. Albert E. Haven was buried on the Haven farm where four other bodies of members of the family were found yesterday. A searching party left for the Haven place.

WATFORD CITY, N. D., Dec. 12.—(AP)—The recovery of four bodies, three of them from a grave dug in a floor of a farm barn, today led county authorities to say they were close to a solution of the mysterious disappearance of a family of six near Schafer last February. The arrest of Charles Bannon, on charges of embezzlement, led to the recovery of the bodies of A. E. Haven, who had lived on the farm; his sons, Daniel, 19, and Leland, 16, and an infant three months old, and Mrs. Haven and a three-year-old child still were missing. Bones of the latter child were also believed found, but identification was not certain. The victims apparently had been beaten to death with a hammer. The motive has not been learned.

Accused of setting four hogs which did not belong to him, Bannon was haled into court here for a preliminary hearing. The matter of the whereabouts of the Haven family came up during the hearing. Bannon insisted that they had gone to Colton, Ore., to live and that he had taken them to a train to begin their journey. After yesterday morning's court proceedings had ended, Bannon called his mother, a minister and his attorney and asked Sheriff C. A. Jacobson to take him to the farm. In a pile of refuse there, he told the sheriff, the body of the boy would be found. It was. Authorities said Bannon asserted Haven, who, he said, was mentally unbalanced, Haven, he is reported to have said, pledged him to secrecy and buried the body.

Reveals Burial Place After the first body was found, the sheriff took Bannon to Williston. Questioned there, he told the officers where other bodies were hidden. Working by torch light, the authorities followed Bannon's direction, dug in a trench in the barn where they found three bodies and what may be parts of another. Bannon is also reported to have told authorities that Mrs. Haven had killed her husband and three of the children with a hammer and that Bannon aided in burying them. Mrs. Haven, the officers were told, then fled with the infant.

DISCORD FLARES ANEW IN SENATE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—(AP)—Discord between the president and the senate threatened to flare again today, reports reaching the capital that President Hoover contemplated a veto of a statement against the foes of his relief program.

The senate in passing the emergency \$118,000,000 public improvements appropriation yesterday, struck from the bill without opposition a provision giving Mr. Hoover, if necessary, a free hand in the use of the money.

YOUNG WOMEN GUARDED BIG STILL



Ethel Miller, 23 (left), and Myrtle Ayres, 20, of Portland, Ore., were sentenced to six months in jail and fined \$500 each on conviction of operating a liquor still, occupying the entire floor of a house.

PACIFIC COAST LUMBER TRADE DUE FOR BOOM

Second Quarter of Next Year Will See Increased Activity in Northwest Industry.

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 12.—(AP)—Hundreds of business men from all parts of the northwest were in Portland today to attend the fifth annual meeting of the Pacific northwest advisory board of the American Railway association.

The business leaders were here to hear forecasts of industrial activity that may be expected during the first and second quarters of 1931.

An indication of what may be expected in the various committee reports was given last night by Colonel W. E. Greeley, chairman of the commodity committee. Colonel Greeley, as many other committee chairmen, called his group together yesterday for a pre-convention conference.

Greeley said, after the meeting, his committee would forecast increased activity for the Pacific northwest lumber industry by the second quarter of the coming year. He said the report would say the lumber industry is not enjoying great activity now and probably will not for several months. By late March, however, the demand should be on the upgrade, the report will say.

"We look for an increase in consumption in the second quarter of the year," he said. "We believe lumber and other building materials will share in the first blush of recovery from the depression. There is quite a bit of construction on the boards, and lumber stocks in retail yards are very low, although the mills have good supplies on hand."

DUNCAN ON TRIAL FOR MOUNT LIBEL

PORTLAND, Dec. 12.—(AP)—The trial of Robert Duncan, self-styled "Oregon Wildcat" on charges of criminal libel, was started today in Circuit Judge Kandler's court. Selection of a jury was expected to take all day. A crowded courtroom awaited the trial of Duncan, whose radio addresses last spring resulted in his conviction in federal court on charges of violating the federal radio act, which case is now on appeal.

The charges of libel are based on the complaint of Robert Monitt, manager of the Better Business Bureau.

RELIGIOUS HUSBAND RUINED HER HEALTH

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 12.—(AP)—Selling her husband made her pray for a half hour each evening and forced her to go to church in between. Mrs. Ruth Smith today sued her husband for a divorce. She said she had "so much religion" her health was wrecked. Smith is a grocery employee.

AUTHOR DINED AND WINED BY KING GUSTAVE

Sinclair Lewis and Wife Among Nobel Prize Winners at Palace Party—Can Spin New Yarn.

STOCKHOLM, Dec. 12.—(AP)—When Sinclair Lewis returns to America he can spin a yarn which will outdo that of his own character, "the man who knew Coolidge."

He can write of a desecrating young American author of Sauk Center, Minnesota, who broke the bread of a king and ate food served from gold dishes. And, if he wishes, he may add: "They served real wines, sherry, claret, champagne and port."

Lewis and other Nobel prize winners were the honorees last night at a state banquet given at the royal palace by King Gustave. More than 90 guests were present, among them prominent Swedish royal, political and social figures.

Dinner lasted for more than two hours, and afterwards the guests engaged in conversation until his majesty withdrew to his private rooms shortly before midnight. Mr. and Mrs. Lewis went from their hotel in a taxicab through a driving rain.

ROSEBURG TURKEY SALES REPORTED

ROSEBURG, Dec. 12.—(AP)—Six carloads of turkeys shipped by Oregon growers on Thanksgiving markets, sold for \$45,749, according to a message received today from Herbert Boyer, assistant general manager of the northwest turkey growers, at Salt Lake.

The farm board, through the northwest organization, advanced growers \$25,485, leaving \$19,263, less association fees, to be distributed to growers.

The sale price was 31 cents for choice prime toms; hens 27, medium 25. Common grades will net growers 25 cents to 26 cents for toms and hens.

BURSELL SPEAKS COUNTY CONCLAVE

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 12.—(AP)—All but two of the 26 county judges in the state and 61 of the 72 county commissioners were in attendance today at the 25th annual convention of county judges and commissioners here. Governor-elect Julius L. Meier was listed as the main speaker this afternoon.

W.C.T.U. FOR MR. HOOVER SAYS HEAD

Mrs. Boole Assures President of Support in 1932—Has Stood By Dry Principles—New Prohibition Lineup Needed for Campaign.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—(AP)—Mrs. Ella Boole, president of the Women's Christian Temperance Union, said today after a call on President Hoover that the Women's Christian Temperance Union had supported President Hoover in 1928, is loyal to him now, and expects to support him in 1932.

"We told Mr. Hoover," said she, "that in the recent convention of the W. C. T. U. there was nothing but high praise for the way he had stood by the principles for which the W. C. T. U. has worked."

New Lineup Needed The strategy board to which he was appointed by the national conference of organizations supporting the 18th Amendment, in annual session here, would be all right as far as it went, he said, but would be "inadequate."

He proposed the establishment of local units throughout the country capable of uniting quickly into an organization "which no politician could ignore."

Insured at Birth MALDEN, Mass., Dec. 12.—(AP)—A gift of a \$1000 life insurance policy is made to each child born in the New Maplewood hospital here. Hospital authorities believe the practice unique in this country.

GIVE CONTRACT ON GRADING OF CAVES HIGHWAY

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 12.—(AP)—An emergency employment program providing jobs for 1500 men for a period of three months, opening of bids on about 73 miles of highway construction aggregating a cost of \$624,738.50 and awarding of some contracts to low bidders were the chief actions taken by the state highway commission yesterday.

The creation of jobs for 1500 men was described as the state's part in relief of unemployment, and effected as a result of a series of conferences of members of the commission and Governor Norblad. The work will be carried on in virtually every county.

Bids awarded included: Josephine county—Redwood Junction-Caves section of the Oregon Caves highway, 19 miles of grading and resurfacing. Washburn & Hall, Portland; \$129,860.

FRENCH, BELGIANS QUIT SAAR VALLEY

SAARBRUCKEN, Germany, Dec. 12.—(AP)—French and Belgian troops detailed for railway protection evacuated the Saar valley this afternoon, in accordance with the League of Nations decision of last September 12.

The evacuation followed to the letter the league decision which stipulated on September 12 that the last remaining French and Belgian defense forces should be withdrawn from the Saar "within the next three months."

Social Work Gain Weig. Economic Diet

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—(AP)—Three square meals daily for four healthy adults for a week for a total cost of \$19.41, an experiment, is described by a family, a magazine for social workers. Dietitians prepared the meals. The materials were purchased in the poor districts. Three social workers making the test gained weight, the other maintained the same weight.

DEATH CLOSES LONG SERVICE SEN. OVERMAN

Distinguished North Carolina Democrat in Senate 28 Years—Was Aid to War President.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—(AP)—A sudden illness today took from the senate one of its oldest and most highly regarded members. Leo Steiner Overman of North Carolina closed 76 years of life and 28 of service in the senate chamber, shortly before 1 o'clock this morning. An indisposition of a few days' standing had suddenly



ASSOCIATED PRESS (UNDERWOOD) LEO S. OVERMAN

turned dangerous yesterday afternoon when he suffered an internal hemorrhage. He had rallied and was expected to last through the night at least, when late at night unexpectedly he was stricken by a second hemorrhage. Death then was inevitable. His body will be taken to Salisbury, N. C., his home, for burial.

After a political career already distinguished, Overman entered the senate in 1903 and soon became a leading figure in the democratic party ranks. During the World War, particularly, he became essential to President Wilson. His snowy white hair was acquired in the heavy war tasks which included service on five major committees. He sponsored the anti-vice powers more sweeping than any ever exercised by an American chief executive, and was the author of much vital legislation of that day.

OFFICERS ARREST 12 EUGENE BOOTLEGGERS

EUGENE, Ore., Dec. 12.—(AP)—Lane county, Eugene and state officers last night swooped down on 12 alleged purveyors of intoxicating liquor. Alcohol, moonshine and beer were confiscated.

Oregon Weather. Rains in the west and snow turning to rain in the east portion tonight and Saturday; moderate temperature. Southerly gales on the coast.

"What a Mess!" Says Hubby After Slaying 17 Rattlers

ELFRIDA, Ariz., Dec. 12.—(AP)—Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Williams of Elfrida today laid claim to the rattlesnake killing championship of the southwest. While hunting they stumbled on a nest of rattlers and after the smoke cleared away tallied up the score: Number of snakes killed, 17. Longest snake killed, 6 feet.

Shortest snake killed, 3 1/2 feet. Total weight of 17 snakes, 56 pounds, 9 ounces. Length of snakes, placed end to end, 50 feet 5 inches. Most rattles on one snake, 13. Number of snakes escaping, none. Comments: "My gosh! What a mess. Hurt, dear?" "No, but I was never so scared in my life."

\$8,000,000 STOLEN BY LOAN HEAD

Civic and Social Leader of Hollywood Brands Self 'Dirty Crook'—20,000 Depositors Are Victims of Nine Year Peculation.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 12.—(AP)—Gilbert H. Beesemyer, building and loan association executive was indicted today on 10 counts of embezzlement.

HOLLYWOOD, Cal., Dec. 12.—(AP) Branding himself a "dirty crook," Gilbert H. Beesemyer, secretary-manager of the Guaranty Building and Loan association of Los Angeles, and civic and social leader, confessed today to defalcations that may total \$8,000,000. He was taken to jail and a charge of grand theft playacted against him.

President of the Building and Loan association, the North American Bond and Mortgage company and the Guaranty Holding Corporation are affected by Beesemyer's confessed peculations, which extended, according to the financier's admissions, over a period of nine years. At least 20,000 depositors in the Building and Loan company are numbered among the victims of the defalcations.

Bank Involved The Bank of Hollywood, which failed to open its doors last Monday is allied with the companies affected.

The confession of Beesemyer, widely known in Pacific coast financial circles and a moving spirit in Hollywood's civic and social life, disclosed, State Building and Loan Commissioner Chas. A. Whitmore said, the most amazing and elaborate peculations of their kind attempted in California in recent years.

Beesemyer's confession, which followed a statement by him that there was "something wrong" with his handling of the association's funds, resulted when the board of directors of the building and loan concern met to ascertain reasons for the failure of the Bank of Hollywood to open Monday.

After several hours of questioning following Beesemyer's confession the financier, who is 45 years old, asked to be permitted to say goodbye to his invalid wife and aged mother.

After his wife, Matilda Beesemyer, collapsed upon hearing that the financier was being taken to jail, police restrained Beesemyer from bidding his mother, Mrs. Sophia Galwas, goodbye, fearing the 80-year-old woman could not stand the shock.

SPANISH MILITARY FORCES IN REVOLT

MADRID, Spain, Dec. 12.—(AP)—A military revolution was started in Spain today on the heels of widespread labor troubles which have continued for several weeks.

The seething political situation in Spain boiled over at the town of Jaca near the French border, where 3000 infantrymen and artillerymen opened fire on the town.

When the news reached military headquarters at Madrid, troop trains were ordered to converge upon Jaca in an effort to suppress the rebellion.

WILL ROGERS says: BEVERLY HILLS, Cal., Dec. 12.—See by the papers that the government is not going to purposely bump you off with poisonous denatured alcohol; they are going to let you live but make you suffer. They claim this new ingredient they put in makes the smell something like a cross between garlic and bad eggs. Going to take more than bad odor to stop this new bunch of drinkers we go. They will just slide a clothes pin over their nose and go right after it. All you will have to do is dilute it with "Jockey Club" cologne.