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Forecast: Tonight and Wednesday  
sunlight and mild, probably with  
showers.  
Highest yesterday 48  
Lowest this morning 48

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## Comment on the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS  
HERE is a threat printed the other day in a Paris newspaper: "If the United States doesn't forgive her European debtors their war debts, Europe will withdraw all her gold from America."  
This threat is printed just 15 years after France was crying piteously to us: "We are bled white; you MUST save us from the terrible Germans."

THERE is no such thing, you see, as gratitude among nations. If we are wise, we will remember that the next time we are pleased with to get into a war that somebody else started.  
EACH year in this country, automobile accidents take a toll of 30,000 lives. That is a frightful total.  
It would be much less if all drivers would follow this simple rule: "Drive ALWAYS with your car under such control that you can stop it within the distance that you can see the road CLEAR ahead of you."

A MIGHTY and beautiful new bridge, spanning the wide mouth of the Rogue at Gold Beach, is completed and opened to travel. The opening of this bridge marks the practical completion of the Oregon Coast highway, formerly the Roosevelt highway, one of the most marvelous roads in all America.  
Travel guests of Oregon by the thousands will drive this wonderful road this summer, and each will go away more deeply impressed with Oregon as a state of outstanding and unapproachable beauty.

THE Oregon Coast highway, especially in its southern half, follows a bold and rugged coastline through a country of amazing natural beauty.  
Here it clings to a bare cliff, with the surf of the Pacific pounding on the rocks below. There it plunges into green jungles of fir and aspen and fern. Again it comes out on a high point, with miles upon miles of stern coastline in view in either direction. A moment later, it emerges upon smooth, sandy beaches.  
Over its whole southern half, at this season, it is perfumed by the sea breeze that grows in masses everywhere. Farther north, the rhododendrons appear.

AT PORT ORFORD, once a bustling city of ten thousand, the port of Southern Oregon and Northern California, is Battle Rock, an isolated boulder out from the beach, where once a little body of whites stood off hordes of Indians intent upon preventing the whites from obtaining a foothold in this Southern Oregon country.

As Gold Beach are the black sands that are leached alluringly with gold of mysterious origin, gold that thus far has resisted the best efforts of the mining engineers to recover it profitably, although many fortunes have been sunk in the attempt.  
It is from these sands that Gold Beach takes its name.

THERE is a feeling throughout interior Oregon, along the Pacific highway and The Dalles-California highway, that this great new Oregon Coast highway, with the wealth of scenic attractions, is a competitor of the rest of Oregon—a competitor that will lure travel dollars away, and thus prevent prosperity that might have come to the other regions.  
This writer does not share that feeling; does not regard the Oregon Coast highway as a competitor of other regions; looks upon it instead as an ASSET of all of Oregon.

In this state, we want guest travel in large and sustained volume, growing year by year. If we had only ONE highway through Oregon, the time would soon come when the people of California, where the largest number of our travel guests comes from, would soon have seen this highway from end to end and would soon be saying to themselves: "Oregon is a lovely state, with many outstanding attractions, but we have seen it all. So let's go somewhere else this year."

WITH MANY highways, tapping all parts of this lovely state of

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**Snow at Crater  
Rain in Klamath**  
KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., May 31.—(AP)—RAIN continued to fall here today, bringing the total precipitation for the current storm to 1.09 inches. It was the most rain that has fallen in any day since 1925. Snow fell all day Sunday at Crater Lake.

## WILL ASK BANKS GIVE GRAND JURY EVIDENCE—IF ANY

### District Attorney Plans Subpoena for Publisher of Accusations Against City and County Officials

District Attorney George A. Cochran said this afternoon that a subpoena had been issued out of his office, calling upon L. A. Banks, newspaper publisher, to appear before the grand jury which convenes tomorrow morning, to present any and all evidence he may possess, relative to alleged corruption in city and county affairs, miscarriages of justice, and other charges hurled in the past year. The newspaper publisher will be requested to present evidence upon which accusations have been made or sponsored by him.  
The subpoena was placed in the hands of Sheriff Jennings for service.

During the past several months, a barrage of accusations has been hurled at county and city officials, particularly the district attorney, attacking his honesty, integrity and conduct of his office. The sponsor of the charges in appearing before the grand jury will afford him an impartial body of opportunity to study and weigh the truth or falsity of the allegations and if the evidence justifies indictments, to return them.  
Josiah Hibberd of Rutte Falls is foreman of the grand jury. The other members are Mrs. Anna Carley of Medford; Leo B. Williams, Medford; Howard A. Hill, Medford; Irving Porter, Ashland; William Barber, Ashland and Reed Charley, Brownboro.

It is doubtful if the Reese Creek still raid, during which Everett Daack was killed will be re-investigated, as a regular grand jury, a special grand jury, with a special prosecutor named by the governor, and special investigators, working secretly and named by the governor, have made a thorough inquiry into the case without definite action. It was also a factor in the Pelt-Parry libel suit, and the last primary campaign.  
Calling of the petit jury is doubtful, owing to the docket being practically cleared. It was thought the petit jury would be called for next Monday but unless there is an increase of cases this will not be done.  
Circuit Judge H. D. Norton will leave Thursday for Eugene, where Friday and Saturday he will hear a case in the Lane county circuit court.

## LOCAL ARCHERS TOURNEY HOSTS AT FAIR GROUND

Archers of Medford, Eugene, Roseburg, Klamath Falls, and Arcata, Cal., yesterday participated in the second annual Southern Oregon archery tournament, sponsored by the local club, at the Jackson county fair grounds.  
Twenty-six were in line as shooters, 22 registered being men, and four ladies. In the metropolitan and American round, F. Tolonchik of Arcata took first place. L. A. Seaborn of Medford, second; and Mr. Peterson of Klamath Falls, third.  
The club shoot was won by Scott Darby of Medford, with Mr. Seaborn in second place, and Mr. Tolonchik of Arcata third. Shooting 375 yards, L. L. Dalry, Eugene, won the flight, or distance, shooting event, and Scott Darby placed second. Third position was held by Jack Frost of Arcata.  
Mrs. E. L. Ulrich of Roseburg was awarded first place in the ladies' Columbia and National round, with Mrs. Edna Coghil of Medford second, and Mrs. L. A. Seaborn of this city third.  
According to C. W. Davis, secretary, who was in charge of the event, a number of spectators gathered for the tournament, and enjoyed the all-day program.  
Announcement was also made yesterday of the Oregon State Archery association shoot to be held in Portland July 3 and 4, in which a number of local archers are expected to register. Plans are under way to invite the state association to Medford next year for its annual tournament.

## PILOT RECOVERING FOLLOWING CRASH

PORTLAND, May 31.—(AP)—Dick Gleason, veteran air pilot, was recovering today from injuries suffered in a crash in the Willamette river here Monday which took the life of his only passenger, Mrs. Anna Smith, 25.  
Breaking in of a propeller blade when the motor was turning up 1700 revolutions a minute, with consequent tremendous vibration which forced the motor from its mounting, was believed to have caused the accident.  
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## BASEBALL RESULTS

National.			
	R.	H.	E.
New York	2	4	1
Boston	7	11	0
Batteries: Schumacher, Parmelee and Hogan; Brandt and Hargrave.			
American.			
	R.	H.	E.
Cincinnati	1	10	2
Pittsburg	4	9	2
Batteries: Lucas and Lombardi; French and Grace.			
Chicago.			
	R.	H.	E.
Chicago	6	6	4
Cleveland	5	13	2
Lyon and Grub, Brown and Smith.			

ADD National  
St. Louis R. H. E.  
Chicago 1 8 1  
Haines and Wilson; Warneke and Harinet.

## VALLEY GROWERS MEET TONIGHT TO HALT PRICE DIVE

With the object of forming some sort of organization whereby market volume and prices may be under at least partial control to permit fair return to the producer, all vegetable and berry growers of the valley are being urged to attend a meeting to be held at 8 o'clock tonight in the Grange hall at Central Point.  
The meeting has been called by C. Dix and A. Jack, growers of the Grants Pass district, and other growers were busy today passing the word among farmers of the Medford district.  
Complete breakdown of prices, especially in the berry market, requires prompt action, according to one large grower, if the producer is to realize any profit on the season's crop.

PORTLAND, Ore., May 31.—(AP)—The greatest slump in the history of the local market occurred today when strawberries came to a new low record of 40 cents a crate in wholesale markets, although the general low price was down to 50 cents a crate. The greater supply of strawberries ever offered to consumers during one day was picked by Williamson valley and local growers.  
With three days' picking available and with the canner not in a position where general operations could be started so quickly, producers scarcely knew how to turn to turn to their present accumulations.

SALEM, May 31.—(AP)—With the Salem district facing harvest time for the largest Marshall strawberry crop in its history, packers estimate that fully two-thirds of it lies uncontracted and is threatened with waste by going unpicker. One good authority places an estimate of 3000 tons of soft berries on the vines with not to exceed 1000 tons under contract. A double holiday period of their early pickings at improvised roadside stands, berries going at five cents a box and selling as fast as offered. But deliveries were so accelerated today that the price dropped to six boxes for 25 cents with indications they might be going at eight boxes for 25 cents before the day was over.

## PARCEL SERVICE HELD TOO SLOW

Several local complaints were voiced today regarding the insured parcel post service from San Francisco to Medford, which recent recipients of packages describe as entirely too slow.  
A package leaving San Francisco does not reach Medford until four days after mailing, one objector stated today, placing no blame upon local officials. The whole trouble, he explained, seems to be with the service between the bay city and Medford. Twice during the past two weeks parcels shipped by insured parcel post to him from San Francisco, arrived four days later in this city.

## LIONS' CLUB TO ROAR WEDNESDAY AT NOON

The local Lions' club will meet for regular session at the Hotel Holland tomorrow noon. It was announced today, following cancellation of plans for a picnic in Ashland Wednesday evening with the Lady Lions.  
Uncertain weather conditions necessitated postponement of the picnic, the club members stated, and no definite date was set for holding it in the future.

## LIBERAL PROH PLANK PREDICTED FOR G. O. P.

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## COPCO FRANCHISE GIVEN DEEP STUDY BY CITY COUNCIL

### City Attorney Refutes Charge Proposed Contract Not Carefully Considered—Statement Is Issued

Emphatically denying the charge the proposed California Oregon company franchise had not been read or carefully considered in all its phases by the city council, Frank Farrell, city attorney, today issued a public statement showing the agreement had not only been read, but had been studied not only by a special committee appointed by a Mayor Wilson, but by the citizens' budget committee composed of Dr. B. R. Elliott, A. C. Hubbard, Wm. C. Clemenson, Frank Runtz, Harvey Fields and Elmer Wilson. During the past five months, in fact, Mr. Farrell shows that meetings were held every two weeks, and that two meetings open to the public were also held. The final public meeting will be held at the council meeting tonight.

The statement of the city attorney follows: "Early in the year 1932 a special committee was appointed by Mayor F. M. Wilson for the purpose of making a study of the proposed franchise and collecting such data and information as might be of assistance to the council in arriving at a fair determination of the matter. This committee consisted of W. W. Allen, (Continued on Page Seven)

## NOT GUILTY PLEA ENTERED BY TRIO

When arraigned before Judge Glenn O. Taylor in justice court this morning, Lee Smith, Charles Erway and Stella Holmes pleaded not guilty to a charge of assault and battery, with each depositing \$50 cash bail. Time of trial has not been set as yet.  
The trio was arrested following a knife battle on South Front street last Thursday.  
On a charge of reckless driving, Lee Burns was today fined \$25 by Judge Taylor, and his operator's license suspended for six months. Burns was arrested on the Pacific highway between Medford and Ashland yesterday by State Police Officer James O'Brien.

## STATE WORKERS' PAY WOULD BE REDUCED

SALEM, Ore., May 31.—(AP)—The state board of control today passed a resolution calling for the reduction, readjustment and standardization of the salary schedule of all state employees, including those salaries fixed by law. The resolution, presented by Gov. Julius L. Meier, was passed unanimously.  
The governor as chairman of the board was authorized to appoint a committee of three to make a study of salaries and report its findings and recommendations to the board not later than July 1.

## AUTO CRASH KILLS MYRTLE POINT MAN

MARSHFIELD, Ore., May 31.—(AP)—David Davidson, 35, of Myrtle Point died in a hospital in that town today two hours after he had been injured in an automobile crash on the Roseburg highway 18 miles east of Myrtle Point. His wife is in the Myrtle Point hospital, where it is believed she has a broken back.  
They were returning from Yreka, Cal., in an automobile with Mr. and Mrs. Walter Boren of Myrtle Point.

## Aviator Left Penniless By Disaster in Takeoff

SEATTLE, May 31.—(AP)—The last attempt to win Seattle's \$50,000 prize offer for a non-stop flight to Tokyo, Nathan C. Browne, nursed an injured shoulder today—the aftermath of his huge plane's 1000-foot plunge into the waters of Puget Sound.  
Meantime, aviators and business men who lauded his final attempt to start the long flight yesterday through a refueling, only to end in losing his plane and endangering five lives, were raising a fund to send him back to rejoin his family in Detroit.  
Without obtaining his permission, Browne's friends began the campaign last night, saying he deserved such aid.  
Earlier he had said, after being rescued from the waters and rushed to a hospital, apparently without regretting his venture and its disastrous ending.  
"Every time I had an investment in my plane, I risked everything I had. Now I have nothing."  
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## REDWOOD HIGHWAY FAVORITISM ROILS C. OF C. OFFICIALS

### Stage Line Agents Are Offered Bonus to Route Travelers Via Coast Road, Circular Discloses

That a determined protest against the proposed discrimination against the Pacific highway by the Pacific Greyhound Stage, Inc., will be filed with that company immediately was indicated today by officials of the local chamber of commerce. The evidence of discrimination against the Pacific highway and in favor of the Redwoods highway is contained in traffic department circular No. 97, issued May 15, by L. G. Markel, traffic manager of Pacific Greyhound Stage.  
The circular letter, which was sent to all offices of the stage company south of San Francisco and north of Grants Pass, offers to agents of the Grants Pass, or points north, to San Francisco or points south, and Grants Pass or points north. Likewise, a 50-cent bonus will be paid on each ticket routed via the Redwoods highway from the north, i. e., between Grants Pass, or points north, to San Francisco or points south.

Further evidence that the Greyhound Stages are desirous of increasing travel over the Redwoods highway, as against the Pacific highway, is contained in an additional paragraph in the circular, which tells of the advertising being done by the stage company in promotion of the Redwoods highway travel. The circular further says: "You, no doubt, as (Continued on Page Three)

## BIDS ON HIGHWAY WORK POSTPONED

SALEM, May 31.—(AP)—Opening of bids on state highway construction has been postponed from June 9 to June 23, it was announced today by H. B. Glatzer, secretary of the state highway commission. The contracts to be let will probably exceed \$750,000 and will be the last big letting of the year, the department has announced.  
The awarding of contracts was postponed in order to consolidate two groups of highway contracts and to get the major jobs under construction as soon as possible. H. B. Baldock, state highway engineer, said. Many additional jobs will be added to the original call, announcement of which will be made next week. In July several other jobs will be let to complete the construction program of 1932, Baldock said.

## CAPONE REFUSED NEW SURVEY OF TAX CASE

WASHINGTON, May 31.—(AP)—Wearface Al Capone, the Chicago gangster now serving a ten-year sentence in the Atlanta penitentiary for evading his income taxes, again, was unsuccessful today in getting his case before the supreme court.  
The court refused to reconsider its recent action declining to review his case.

## CHAMBER CHANTERS MEET AT ELKS' CLUB

Members of the Medford Men's chorus will meet at the Elks' club tonight for practice instead of at St. Mark's Guild hall, the regular meeting place, it was announced this afternoon. All singers are asked to be at the club at 8 o'clock.  
Formation of the men's chorus here is progressing favorably under the direction of James Stevens, local soloist.

## J. W. SCOTT' VETERAN CIVIL WAR, STRICKEN

John W. Scott, 86, well known local veteran of the Civil War, was taken to the Sacred Heart hospital last night in a serious condition, believed to be suffering from a stroke of paralysis, but is reported slightly improved today.  
Mr. Scott makes his home in this city with his grand nephew, Thomas Edsall of route 1.  
Talent Community Club Will Meet  
Talent Community club will observe annual guest day Wednesday, June 1. All the ladies of the community are cordially invited to attend the meeting. A varied program will be given and refreshments will be served.  
SALEM, May 31.—No opinions pertaining to Jackson county cases were handed down by the Oregon supreme court.

## Disaster Hits Tokyo Try



Disintegration of his plane in mid-air Memorial day during a refueling attempt after a takeoff at Tacoma for a proposed flight to Tokyo ended hopes of Nat C. Browne to collect a \$30,000 prize.

## WALKER'S FRIEND ON PAYROLL OF N. Y. BUS LINE

NEW YORK, May 31.—(AP)—J. Allan Smith, New York representative of the Equitable Coach company when the company was trying to get a city-wide bus franchise, testified today the company hired Senator John A. Hastings, friend of Mayor Walker, at a salary of between \$10,000 and \$12,000 a year to solicit for the favor of the franchise at the city hall.  
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While he thought there was a close friendship between Mayor Walker and Senator Hastings, Smith said, he did not think Hastings had any influence with the mayor.  
"Wasn't it his duty to solicit for the favor of the franchise at the city hall, as your employee?" asked Samuel Seabury, counsel for the committee.  
"He wasn't earning his money if he didn't do that," Smith replied.  
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## HOSS AND MEIER IN ANNUAL FUSS OVER AUTO TAGS

SALEM, May 31.—(AP)—The second conflict between Governor Julius L. Meier and Secretary of State Hal Hoss over automobile license numbers for the governor's private car, broke out in the meeting of the state board of control here today. Last year the governor requested special numbers and was refused, and his request this year for numbers 1, 2 and 3 was again denied.  
Governor Meier today accused Hoss of breaking his promise to Meier, which he said was made several weeks ago, in which he said Hoss had promised him the low license numbers. The executive asked him why he did not receive the plates which were awarded last Saturday.  
"I didn't want you wanted those numbers," Hoss replied.  
"You have a very poor memory," the governor retorted. "You promised me those plates at a board of control meeting and these men heard you."

## HAMMONDS HAVE NARROW ESCAPE

B. B. Hammond and family of this city had a narrow escape from death or injury when the auto in which they were driving to the coast over the week-end, suddenly plunged forward into the bank when the steering gear became defective. The accident occurred on the Redwood highway a few miles west of Kerby, where a road skirts a high precipice.  
Mrs. Sarah Hammond was driving at the time. Virginia, the little daughter, sustained a slight cut on the chin. No other member of the family was hurt.  
The Hammonds returned to Kerby and awaited repairs from this city. Hammond is local manager of the Pacific Telephone company. In speaking of the accident today, he said: "We drew a lucky number."

## LOVER KILLED BY FORMER HUSBAND

PORTLAND, Ore., May 31.—(AP)—Edward Burton, 29, Seattle mechanic, died in a hospital here today from bullet wounds received Saturday night in the apartment of his fiancée, Mrs. Christine Cook, 21 years old.  
Police have been unsuccessful in their search for John H. Cook, 24, former husband of the woman, accused of having shot Burton twice when he found him with the former Mrs. Cook. Witnesses told detectives the two men quarreled and Cook fired two times.  
Burton's condition was such that physicians were unable to operate for removal of the bullet, one of which penetrated his chest.

## HOOVER FAVORS BROADENING OF SALES TAXATION

### President Goes Before Senate With Plea for Revenue to Meet Emergency Condition in Finances

WASHINGTON, May 30.—(AP)—A weary and rebellious senate overrode President Hoover and his own finance committee today to put new taxes in the revenue bill.  
The senate accepted the demand of the president voiced in a dramatic personal appearance, for \$245,000,000 additional revenue in the tax measure but it scorned all his suggestions on how to raise it.  
WASHINGTON, May 31.—(AP)—Within a half hour after President Hoover today endorsed a special manufacturers sales tax before the senate, its finance committee again rejected this disputed levy. The vote was 12 to 8.  
The committee then approved a cent a gallon tax on gasoline estimated to yield \$150,000,000 of the \$215,000,000 it was seeking.

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## GARNER TESTIFIES TO DIRE NEED OF RELIEF MEASURE

WASHINGTON, May 31.—(AP)—Speaker Garner testified to the house today and his finance committee today in support of his \$2,309,000,000 relief program.  
He was the first witness, as he entered the big hearing room, he was the object of attention from a crowd of curious spectators.  
Chairman Collier, who has been sick since he collapsed in January, resumed the gavel, replacing Acting Chairman Crisp.  
Garner demanded that the committee report favorably a bill providing for direct relief to aid "the starving and suffering people in this country."

## THIRTY LEAVE FOR BATTLE ON BEETLE

Thirty men, comprising the same group, hired by the government last year, left this morning for the Grater national park, where they will inaugurate their annual battle for destruction of the pine beetle.  
Fred Patton of Ashland is foreman of the crew and will be hiring no new men for this year's campaign against the destructive bugs.

## Pope Celebrates 75th Anniversary

VATICAN CITY, May 31.—(AP)—Pope Pius, XI, celebrated his 75th birthday anniversary here today, celebrating a special mass of thanksgiving in his private chapel. Only a few officials of the papal household, as well as his sister, Donna Camilla Ratti, and his niece and nephew by marriage, were invited.

## WILL ROGERS SAYS:

SANTA MONICA, Cal., May 30.—Paul Block, the wealthy newspaper man of New York, is an old acquaintance of mine, and I knew he had a boy, but I had no idea the boy was so interested in downtrodden mayors.  
At that time I was mayor of Beverly Hills, and I know I was worse off than Mayor Walker, I had to furnish my own car and got pinched in it and had no salary at all, and had to keep my screen stars out of court.  
Sure, there was always a lot of people out here claim I was overpaid.

Will Rogers  
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