

The Weather
Forecast: Tonight and Thursday fair with fog in the morning. No change in temperature.
Highest yesterday 36
Lowest this morning 27

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HIGHWAY SMASHUP CLAIMS LIFE

Comment on the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS.

THE RESOLUTION submitting repeal of the prohibition amendment to the states loses in the house of representatives by a margin so narrow that if six congressmen had changed their votes it would have carried.

Of the 212 Democrats voting, 169, or about four-fifths, were for repeal. The Republicans divided about even, 102 being for repeal and 100 against.

The problem of repeal, in all probability, will now go over to the new congress, which will be controlled overwhelmingly by the Democrats.

THE REPUBLICANS seem to have this idea:

"Well, the Democrats promised repeal. Now let them take the responsibility of providing it."

SIX LEADERS of a strike which has interrupted fruit packing in the Vacaville, California district, were kidnapped from jail the other day, taken out into the country, painted red, beaten and told never to return.

Perhaps they were trouble makers. But kidnapping trouble makers from jail, painting them red, beating them and warning them to leave and never return is no way to settle labor troubles in this country.

Such methods only lead to MORE trouble.

HUNGER marchers headed for Washington to petition congress for relief of their troubles, clashed with the police in New Jersey last week. The police, using clubs and tear gas bombs, came out ahead. There are varying stories as to how the trouble started.

The hunger marchers, of course, will settle nothing by going to Washington. It will take more than passing a law to end the depression and bring back prosperity and employment.

But neither will the police settle anything by clubbing a lot of poor devils, who may or may not have been misled by radical leaders.

We need more tolerance in this country.

TO THIS WRITER, one of the outstanding developments of the depression has been the patience and forbearance exhibited by the millions who have been out of jobs and hungry.

PRESIDENT-ELECT Roosevelt wants a simple and dignified inaugural ceremony on March 4, with expense held to the minimum. He has written to the governors of the states asking them to keep this in mind in their plans for participation.

He is right. This is no time for pomp and ceremony in the inauguration of a new president. The new chief executive will face grave responsibilities and his inauguration should be marked by simple and sincere determination to meet these responsibilities.

THE OLDEST spot in Oregon, geologically speaking, is located in Jefferson county, about 12 miles southeast of Madras.

Here, according to Dr. Edwin T. Hodge, professor of geology at Oregon State college is an area of several hundred acres that, according to science, is about 150 million years old.

To us of this generation, that looks like quite a ripe old age.

BUT don't jump to conclusions. The age of this earth is roughly estimated to be about a BILLION years. So, you see, this oldest spot in Oregon is a mere infant, some 850 million years behind the oldest inhabitant.

So we're not very old, after all.

THAT is quite all right, so far as this writer is concerned, and no tears will be shed over this showing of our extreme and callow youth. It is far more reassuring to reflect that Oregon is YOUNG, with its future ahead of it, than to have to think of it as very, very old, with its glories all in the past.

Generally speaking, those who get somewhere worth getting to have their eyes fixed on the future. Those who spend their time gazing backward never get very far.

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Oregon Weather
Generally fair tonight and Thursday but unsettled over mountains; local valley fogs over the west portion; no change in temperature; gentle westerly winds offshore.

WILLIAM SCHEBLE IS VICTIM; BLAME GLARE OF LIGHTS

Earl Scheble and Ned Holmes Also in Auto, Escape With Minor Injuries—Accident Near Jackson Hot Springs

Glaring headlights on the Pacific highway were blamed for an auto accident last night near the Jackson Hot Springs, a short distance from Ashland, that resulted in the death of William Scheble, 43, a resident of this city, formerly engaged in the cattle business in Klamath county. The accident occurred at 11:20 last night. Scheble died in the Community hospital at Ashland about 5 o'clock this morning.

Earl Scheble, 48, a brother of the dead man, and Ned Holmes, 35, a friend of the brothers, in the auto—a Pontiac sedan—escaped with minor injuries and bruises.

Returning to Medford, the Scheble brothers and Holmes were returning from Ashland, where they had journeyed to give some pork to a friend. On the return trip Earl Scheble was driving, with Holmes in the front seat and William Scheble in the rear seat. The auto was traveling about 30 miles an hour.

Near the Jackson Hot Springs, an auto with bright lights suddenly swung around the curve at the top of the hill and the glare struck Earl Scheble full in the eyes, it is said. While blinded, the auto plunged off the road and down an embankment, striking a power pole and later a billboard. William Scheble lit on his head and was rendered unconscious.

Taken to Ashland, Earl Scheble and Holmes, after considerable time, managed to halt a car driven by E. Wall, Portland, who took the injured man to the Community hospital in Ashland, where the injury was dressed. It was thought his injuries were severe but not serious. It was reported today that he sustained a fractured skull.

This morning Earl Scheble and Holmes were questioned by Assistant District Attorney George Neilson. They were released on their own recognizance, pending further investigation. The district attorney's office said the cause would be brought to the attention of the next grand jury session. The men were represented by Attorney E. E. Kelly.

Long a Resident
William Scheble was a son of D. Scheble, for many years a resident of this city and Ashland. He had lived in this and Klamath county all his life. He was engaged in the cattle business in Klamath county for many years. He was a bachelor. About three years ago he moved back to this city.

The state police and coroner also made an investigation of the accident. Earl Scheble and Holmes were detained by the state police, following the accident, until this morning for questioning.

EMERICK CASE IN PORTLAND COURT

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 7.—(AP)—In litigation in one form or another for the past one hundred years, the latest hearing in the case of John Nicholson Emrick opened in federal court here Tuesday.

This suit was brought by Jesse Jacob Emrick, who says he represents all legal heirs of the estate, against another branch of the Emrick family, to recover a document held by the defendants and said to cover title to property on Manhattan Island in the heart of New York city.

Vernon J. Emerick of Medford is alleged to have discovered the document giving title to the property. It was found, it is said, in the lining of an old trunk.

Automatic Bridge Table Does Work As Players Rest

Considerable interest is being shown locally in the novel Hammond automatic bridge table which is now being displayed at the People's Electric store. This remarkable table, a product of the Hammond Clock company, automatically shuffles and deals bridge hands in an amazingly short period of time without the slightest effort on the part of the players.

The Hammond table is now being demonstrated at the People's Electric store and is one of the first of its kind on the Pacific coast, according to C. O. Alexander.

Firemen Donate To Lion Kitchen

At the meeting of the Lions club this noon, Fire Chief Roy Elliott announced that the regular and volunteer firemen were donating \$10 to the Lions' relief kitchen.

Ralph Gordon, commercial manager of KMXD, was the speaker of the meeting.

Slash In Throat Saves Life When Food Stops Wind

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 7.—(AP)—Pronounced "dead" by a physician, Sam Harlin, a laborer, was brought back to life today by having his throat slashed.

Harlin was eating when a piece of food lodged in his throat. Dr. A. W. Lindberg was summoned and pronounced the man dead, and then in one final effort to restore life performed a delicate operation. He slashed Harlin's windpipe and with the aid of artificial respiration restored him to life. It was said he would recover.

5-FOLD PROGRAM FOR FARM RELIEF GIVEN CONGRESS

Farm Board Points Out Necessary Legislative Steps for Elevation Level of Agricultural Produce Price

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—(AP)—Congressional action to increase the income of the American farmer by elevating the general level of agricultural prices to a par with other commodities was advocated today by the farm board.

This multi-pronged program was assigned to congress in a special report on legislative recommendations which said the board's stabilization operations were powerless to achieve this end.

No hint as to the board's ideas on the form of such legislation was given except that the process should "pay the costs, if any, on a continuous and self-sustaining basis" and "provide an effective system for regulating acreage or quantities sold, or both."

Would Settle Debts
The board also urged that it be authorized to compromise debts now owed by farm cooperative associations and be provided either with additional money for the use of cooperatives or empowered to borrow funds on its own bonds or debentures for that purpose.

Net assets of the board's \$500,000,000 revolving fund were placed at \$140,000,000 "when all outstanding loans are appraised on a conservative basis."

"Except for the necessity of setting aside \$45,000,000 to cover the board's equity in wheat and cotton turned over to the Red Cross," the report said, "the present value of the revolving fund would be \$189,000,000."

"These amounts are left after deducting all losses on account of stabilizing operations, and setting aside liberal reserves against possible losses on loans now outstanding to cooperative associations."

Have Five-Ply Program
Along with the legislative recommendations, the board transmitted to congress its annual report which laid down a five-fold program for boosting the agricultural income. It advocated a general reduction in international trade barriers and readjustment of agricultural debts by agreement among debtors and creditors.

Holding that the present low prices of farm products must in general be ascribed to other causes than heavy surpluses, the board said any remedial plan should include:

JUICE OF GRAPE ATTRACTS THIEF

They might have thought it something else—the burglar who last night entered Paul Demmer's cellar at 748 West Fourth street—when they carried away 30 gallons of grape juice without disturbing the occupants of the house. The loss was discovered about 11 o'clock, the report filed with the city police shows, and according to Demmer, the theft occurred after 10 o'clock.

The heap was cut from the door, and four five-gallon kegs and one 10-gallon keg were slipped out.

Ship Abandoned On Clatsop Spit

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 7.—(AP)—Owners of the 410-foot east coast freighter, Sea Thrush, announced today they have abandoned the grounded steamer and have turned their interest over to the Columbia River Salvage company. The freighter went aground south of the Columbia river entrance in a dense fog Sunday.

Children Trapped In Burning Home

DURANGO, Colo., Dec. 7.—(AP)—Two children were burned to death near here last night when fire destroyed the home in which they had been left alone. The victims were James Clyde Atkin, 4, and his 17-months old sister, Anita Lucilla.

VETERAN BENEFITS GREATLY REDUCED BY HOOVER'S BILL

President Defies Clamor More Money By Drafting Legislation Calling for Slash of \$127,000,000

HOOVER BUDGET IDEAS
WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—(AP)—President Hoover's budget today warned congress it must watch the nation's purse strings, and recommended that it:

Enact a sales tax of 2 1/4 per cent.

Retain for another year the 1 cent gasoline tax.

Cut government salaries 11 per cent and in addition continue the present 8 1/3 per cent cut under the Furlough plan.

Reduce benefits to veterans by \$127,000,000.

Make appropriations of \$4,215,808,344.

Mr. Hoover also predicted a deficit of \$1,146,378,307 for the present fiscal year, and estimated a deficit of \$107,000,000 next year, unless the additional tax program and economy program are adopted. He did not mention war debts.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—(AP)—Defying the clamor for more benefits to World War veterans, President Hoover laid before congress today the draft of a bill to slash pensions, compensations and allowances to ex-soldiers by \$127,000,000 a year.

He departed from precedent by attaching this legislative proposal to his budget message, warning at the same time that upon its enactment, and upon adoption of other proposals of his, he depended a balance budget for 1934.

Veterans Rally Forces
While representatives of major veterans organizations rallied forces for renewing in congress the bonus-payment demand, and presented a united front against reductions, Mr. Hoover proposed that the huge annual veterans outlay be cut below the billion dollar mark to \$931,077,000.

First, in his bill the president proposed that, except for pensioners over 65 and those drawing benefits because of disability caused by active service or those who were under fire, payments of benefits be limited to those with net incomes, if single, under \$1,500 and if married, under \$3,500. A \$400 allowance per dependent was provided. Those not qualifying would cease to draw benefits after six months.

Would Bar Tax Returns
To enforce this provision, income tax returns data would be made available to the veterans administration. This is a wide departure from past practice under the income tax laws, which have held the returns generally inviolate.

Income of the year preceding application for benefit or preceding passage of the act would be used to determine eligibility, but provision

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ELKS TO SPONSOR DANCE SATURDAY

A charity ball will be held this coming Saturday night by the Elks' lodge at the temple for all Elks and their friends and a large crowd is expected for the pre-holiday event. Money realized on the dance will be turned over to the Elks' Christmas charity fund, which is spent in preparing Christmas baskets for the needy in all sections of the county.

Dancing will begin at 9:00 o'clock and continue until midnight and arrangements are in charge of Bob Strang, Grover Corum and Charles Gilbert.

FIRE DESTROYS ORCHARD HOME

Fire Monday night completely destroyed the ranch house on the Young & Hall orchard in the Coker Butte district of the valley, causing a loss of \$3500, partially covered by insurance.

Cause of the fire is unknown but is thought to have been caused either by a spark from the chimney or a defective flue.

The household effects of Delbert Cook, foreman of the orchard, were destroyed. There was no insurance. At the height of the blaze power wires, with which the electric pumps were operated, were burned, shutting off the water power. Adjoining buildings were saved by a bucket brigade that carried water from a nearby ditch.

Owners of the orchard said today they would rebuild at once.

Dry Repeal Takes Short Session Spotlight



Associated Press telephoto giving a general view of the 73rd congress as it convened in the capitol at Washington, D. C., to consider liquor legislation, foreign debts and emergency relief.—(Associated Press Photo).

BREWERS DEPICT BEE RAS BRINGER GOOD BUSINESS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—(AP)—Witnesses for brewers depicted beer as a bringer of good tidings for business and the federal treasury, in testimony before the house ways and means committee on the Collier bill today.

Advocating a brew of four per cent alcoholic by volume, Levi Cooke of Washington and R. A. Huber of St. Louis—on behalf of the United States Brewers' association—estimated at \$5 a barrel tax would enrich the treasury \$350,945,000 a year.

Addressing the committee before a crowded audience, Huber said the beer he supported could cause \$360,000,000 to be spent to rehabilitate breweries and 300,000 men would be given work.

With the present brewing capacity in the country at 18,000,000 barrels annually, he said, a 40,000,000 barrel capacity would be needed before long.

HUNGER HIKERS LEAVE CAPITAL

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—(AP)—As the bulk of the self-styled "hunger marchers" turned back to their homes in various parts of the country today, special police permission was granted for 100 World War veterans among them to remain here for a few days.

Plans were laid by the leaders of this group to appear before congress with petitions asking bonus payment and protesting the eviction of the bonus army by federal troops last July 28 after fatal riots.

The permission was obtained by Emanuel Levine, leader of so-called "rank and file veterans," from Major Ernest W. Brown, police superintendent.

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LEGION LEADERS MAY ABANDON BONUS PAYMENT

Attacks by U. S. Economy League Get Under Skin—Concentrate on Keeping Benefits Already Enjoyed

By JAMES McMULLEN
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NEW YORK, Dec. 7.—LEGION—The National Economy League is getting under the American Legion's skin. National Commander Louis Johnson's verbal assault on Archie Roosevelt was a symptom. The Legion is taking the league seriously enough to alter its lobbying program. Instead of pressing for spot payment of the bonus, Legion activities will be concentrated on preventing the elimination of any benefits now granted to veterans. An elaborate trench warfare is being prepared.

Paid members of the National Legion staff have had to accept a cut. There is a feeling in upper Legion circles that income from dues is going to take a drop and the pay cuts are an effort to forestall a deficit.

FUSION—The official fusion movement headed by Joseph M. Price to elect a New York mayor next year is having its troubles getting started. If Tammany puts through a sufficient number of economy gestures the essential financial and business elements are apt to say that their objective has been achieved and they go to all the fuss and furor of a fight? To date at least the chief menace to Tammany's supremacy comes from within the city Democratic organization. McCooey of Brooklyn continues to hold the key.

PENSIONS—Comptroller Berry disclosed prematurely a tentative administrative plan to assess a temporary 10 per cent tax on the salaries of city employees instead of enforcing a formal pay cut. The idea would be to protect pension rights.

If the state legislature permits a reduction in mandatory salaries there

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TEN KILLED BY BLAST IN MINE

ALBUQUERQUE, N. M., Dec. 7.—(AP)—Ten men were killed today in an explosion in the Albuquerque Cerillos Coal company's mine at Madrid, 40 miles north of here, said a statement issued this afternoon by company officials.

The statement, signed by George A. Kaseaman, president said, there were between 40 and 45 miners at work in the mine when the explosion occurred but that all except those killed had escaped.

A report reaching here from Madrid said the bodies of four men killed in the explosion had been recovered. Rescue workers said they believed two additional bodies were in the mine.

Indian Accused
PORTLAND, Dec. 7.—(AP)—August Bruno, a Umatilla Indian, was at liberty on \$1000 bail today following his arrest here Tuesday on complaint of Agnes Williams of Bendleton who accused him of taking personal property valued at about \$70 from her home.

CITY'S MINISTERS SEEK CORRECTION WELFARE ABUSES

Ministers of the gospel, active in relief and welfare work in this city, appeared before the county court this morning and asked that body to take steps to remedy local conditions wherein men are alleged to be receiving bounty without working and with no disposition to do so, to the detriment of their families and the worthy poor.

The county court agreed to furnish the men work, in regular order, if they reported on labor authorization days, and to make an assignment of their pay warrants to their wives and families.

The ministerial delegation included Rev. W. J. Howell of the Presbyterian church; Rev. E. Iverson, a Presbyterian minister; Rev. W. R. Baird, of the Christian church, and Rev. Harold Robertson of the Four Square Gospel church.

The ministers told the county court that they had received reports that local charity efforts were misused and that they sought correction of the evil, if investigation confirmed the reports.

Commissioner Victor Bursell said the ministers reported five specific cases and that it was felt the men should make an effort to help themselves and not depend entirely upon the sympathy of the times. The ministers reported the five had not applied for emergency relief work.

Rev. Harold Robertson of the Four Square Gospel church told his co-workers that he could find more than the five cases specifically mentioned.

Victor Tengwald, in-charge of the issuance of relief work, said that it was unnecessary for men living in outlying districts to come to this city for work assignments, but they should, instead, report with their labor cards to men in charge of road work in their districts as follows: Central Point, Wimer, Rogue River, Beagle, Sams Valley and Gold Hill, to W. M. Tesheron, road supervisor; East of Ashland, Phoenix, Talent, Jacksonville, Ruth and Applegate, to William Bruhn; Eagle Point, Trail, Lake Creek, Brownboro, Butte Falls, Perist and Prospect, to Ed Dutton.

PREJUDICE PLEA AGAINST NORTON

An affidavit of prejudice was filed this morning against Circuit Judge H. D. Norton in the receivership petition of the News Publishing company against L. A. Banks and the Medford News Publishing company.

The affidavit of prejudice was the usual formal document, asserting the defendant could not secure a fair and impartial trial before Judge Norton.

It was filed by Attorney M. O. Wilkins, representing Banks.

Judge Norton said he would forward the matter to the state supreme court for assignment of a new judge to hear the case.

On Monday an affidavit of prejudice was filed against Judge James T. Brand of Coos county, assigned to hear the case by the state supreme court. The defense has now exhausted the two affidavits of prejudice allowed by law in a single case.

The proceedings will now mark time until a new judge appointment is made by the chief justice of the state supreme court.

The receivership petition is based by the News Publishing Company against Banks and the present News corporation for the foreclosure of a chattel mortgage and the collection of three promissory notes issued by Banks for \$3,333.33 each. The appointment of a receiver is sought, it is stated, to conserve the resources of the paper.

POOR ATTENDANCE AT HORTICULTURAL MEET

SALEM, Dec. 7.—(AP)—Opening of the 47th annual meeting of the Oregon State Horticultural society here today brought a small turnout. A joint early afternoon session with the Western Nut Growers' association was held. Clayton I. Long of Corvallis spoke in general problems. Election of officers and the annual business session will be held at the close of the Thursday afternoon session.

ASHLAND—ASHLAND PAY 'N' TAIT STORE OPENED FOR BUSINESS IN ENDERS BUILDING

ASHLAND—Ashland Pay 'n' Tait store opened for business in Enders building.

WILL ROGERS SAYS:

BEVERLY HILLS, Cal., Dec. 6.—Europe turned out a movie called "Congress Dances" and it pleased everybody. Our congress met and pleased nobody. Forty-six Democrats, mostly lame ducks, were the villains.

In November the country went overwhelmingly wet, but 98 Republicans and 46 Democrats figured the country didn't know what it wanted, so that means an extra session of congress.

Regardless of what your opinion is on this subject, but when you absolutely know that it will eventually pass, then to purposely hold it up and cost the government all this money, then you are a "lame duck," but not in the leg. Yours,

Will Rogers.

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