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No change in temperature.
Temperature.
Highest yesterday 53
Lowest this morning 31

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IRRIGATION FINANCE PLAN GIVEN

Comment on the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS
FROM 1920 to 1930, the population of Southern Oregon increases approximately twice as fast as the population of the state of Oregon as a whole.

That tells an interesting story of progress.
PRODUCTION of three of Oregon's important crops is dominated by Southern Oregon—Klamath being the leading potato county of the state, Jackson the leading pear county and Douglas the leading prune county.

That tells another story of progress.
BUYING power of Southern Oregon people, as revealed by the U. S. census of distribution, is materially higher than the average buying power for the state as a whole.

Which is more water on Southern Oregon's wheel.
THE district attorneys of Oregon hold their 1932 meeting in Portland, and when they get around to electing officers Guy Gordon of Roseburg is chosen president; George Coedburg of Medford is chosen secretary-treasurer; and Ted Gillenwaters of Klamath Falls is chosen as a member of the executive committee.

AFTER a while, if things keep on going as they are, the fast will be recognized that Southern Oregon is a part, and an IMPORTANT part, of this state.

A PLOT to overthrow the government of Argentina FAILS—or at least appears to be a failure as these words are written—and 117 of the political leaders who engineered it are arrested and thrown in jail.
That is a good sign. The world has enough of overthrowing governments for the present. What we need now is STABILITY of government while we are recovering from the effects of war and depression and getting back onto our feet.

WHAT do we care what happens in Argentina, you ask?
Well, the more prosperous Argentina is the better the chances will be that she will be able to buy some of the things we have for sale.

Here in this fortunate nation, which is the largest consuming nation on earth, we don't HAVE to have foreign markets, but they will help if we don't have to give away our shirts to get them.

IT WILL surprise you, probably, to know that Buenos Aires, the capital of the Argentine, is the SEVENTH largest city in the world. For some reason, we have never formed the habit of thinking of South American countries as among the great nations of the world.

Perhaps it is because their governments have been so uncertain.

"NOTED Air Mail Pilot Killed in Crash." We read that headline and shudder.
"The airplane," we say, "may be swif, but it's too dangerous for me. I'll do my traveling some other way."

WE OVERLOOK entirely the fact that each year some THIRTY THOUSAND people are killed in automobile accidents. But people don't quit riding automobiles because it is dangerous.

PEOPLE never get quit doing ANYTHING because it is dangerous. If they had, the world would be now far behind where it is.

COLUMBUS knew it was dangerous to set out for the west over the unknown waters of the Atlantic. But he wanted to know what was on the other side of those unknown waters.
The only way to find out was to BRAVE THE DANGERS, and take what chances were to be taken.

If people ever quit taking chances, the world will quit going ahead.

BLAME SHORT SALES FOR SLUMP OF WHEAT
WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—(AP)—The belief that short selling had aided in driving down the price of wheat in the period from April, 1932, through June of 1932 was expressed at hearings on the agricultural department supply bill by Dr. J. W. T. Durel, chief of the grain futures administration.

Heroic Cat Loses One Life In Blaze
UNION TOWN, Pa., Dec. 22.—(AP)—Found: A cat with only one life. Credited with saving the life of Mrs. Anna Gillen of Republic Park by scratching on a frosted window pane Saturday during a fire in her home, the cat was suffocated in a second blaze yesterday.

MEDFORD DISTRICT INTEREST REDUCED TO 3.25 PER CENT

Bond Owners To Forego Practically All Interest During Next Four Years—Will Reclassify Lands.

Following is an outline in detail of the plan for the proposed refinancing of the Medford Irrigation district, recently arrived at between land owners and bondholders.

1. The acreage of the irrigation district is to be reduced from 92,000 acres, as presently assessed, to 85,000 acres. The purpose of this reduction is to permit the elimination of lands now being assessed which are high-water and certain other acreage to be used for irrigation. Since all farms embrace a certain amount of roads, this will result in certain savings to all land owners.

2. FIRST FOUR-YEAR MORATORIUM PERIOD: During the next four years the bond owners are willing to forego practically all interest on their bonds, receiving but one per cent (\$10.00 per year per \$1,000 bond) rather than the former six per cent (\$60.00 per \$1,000 bond). This is arranged with the thorough understanding that the land owners will, during this period, assess and accumulate adequate money to properly develop our leaky uncompleted system in order to avoid further water shortages.

Thus, \$1.30 will be assessed for the one per cent on bonds, \$3.50 for the necessary maintenance, and \$2.70 towards repairing the system—a total of \$7.50. During the balance of the three-year period assessments will not exceed this amount, with a possibility of some reduction.

3. ANNUAL PLAN OF ASSESSMENT AFTER FIRST FOUR YEARS: New bonds shall be issued by the district and shall be exchanged one bond for each thousand dollar bond now outstanding. The new bonds shall be of the type known as amortized bonds, or self-repaying bonds. They shall provide for fifty annual payments of \$32.50 each, which shall satisfy both their principal and interest. To pay this bond requirement will necessitate an average net-

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UNABLE TO SERVE WRIT IN RECOUNT

An affidavit citing inability to secure service of summons on Gordon L. Schermhorn, Democratic winner on the face of the official recount in the election contest and recount petition of Sheriff Ralph G. Jennings, "write-in" candidate, was filed today by Attorney Porter J. Neff and Frank VanDyke.
An alias citation requiring Schermhorn to appear in court within seven days and answer to the petition is sought to speed the recount. The affidavit sets forth that Coroner H. W. Conger, who acts as sheriff in the action, has been unable to locate Schermhorn. Coroner Conger has visited the Schermhorn home daily and his ranch on other occasions and looked for him upon the streets.
Schermhorn has been absent since November 27 and is generally reported to be visiting friends and relatives in Siskiyou county, California. He is expected to return next week. It will be necessary for him to return not later than January 2 to take the oath of office.

Butler Shows Slight Rally

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—(AP)—The condition of Representative Robert R. Butler of Oregon, ill of pneumonia at a hospital here, today was reported as slightly improved.

A bulletin issued by Miss Ethel Johnson, his secretary, said in part: "Congressman Butler held his own during the night and there is hope held for his recovery."

River Dredging Contracts Let

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—(AP)—The war department today awarded a contract to the Standard Dredging company of Los Angeles for dredging the south bank of the bay channel at San Diego for \$4,900, and a contract to the Hydraulic Dredging company, Oakland, for dredging a channel of the Columbia river for \$50,800.

Big Heartd! Gives Needy Straw Hats

CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—(AP)—Police are calling him "Chicago's biggest hearted man."
"I heard," he said to a police sergeant, "that you are taking contributions for the needy," and with that he handed over a package. In it were three straw hats.

Hoover Abandons War Debt Survey Plan

GRAND JURY FOR ABOLISHING TWO JUSTICE OFFICES

Partial Report Filed By Inquisitorial Body—Present Cost Of Feeding Prisoners Said Too Expensive.

The grand jury in session since December 12, adjourned yesterday afternoon until next month with the filing of a partial report containing the following recommendations:

That the county judge and county commissioners be placed under bonds;
That steps be taken to abolish all justices of peace offices, save those in Medford and Ashland;

That greater care be exercised in the issuance of tags for the marketing and slaughter of meat food animals and poultry;

And, that the methods of providing meals for prisoners, in the county jail be changed to reduce this expense.

During the ten day session the grand jury heard witnesses daily, who filed "charges" of varying nature. The grand jury made no comment upon them and also returned no criminal indictments.
The partial report and recommendation was signed by William T. Grive as foreman, and Edith W. Patton, G. L. Knight, H. O. Butler, J. M. Hughes, Kurt Jeschke and H. M. Carley, as the other members.

The report in full is: "We, the grand jury for the October, 1932 term of the circuit court of Jackson county report as follows: "We recommend with reference to certain offices as follows: "We recommend that all justices of the peace in remitting fines, forfeitures and fees to the proper county officers, remit same with a signed itemized statement and that receipts for all monies collected by justices of the peace be secured in triplicate, one to accompany the monthly report, one to the proper county officials, and one to be kept on file by the justices of the peace. "We recommend that steps be taken to abolish all justices of the peace offices in Jackson county, save one at Ashland and one at Medford, Ore.

"We recommend greater care be exercised in keeping records of tags issued for slaughtering and marketing of meat food animals and poultry. From our investigation we find that to make parties procure legislation interested parties procure legislation to make same more effective."

"We recommend that the method of providing meals for prisoners in the county jail be changed to reduce this expense. From our investigation it appears possible to reduce this expense by one-half."

In its first partial report a week ago, the grand jury recommended that the husband and wife be on the county payroll during the present economic situation; that all fees for marriages collected by justices of peace offices be turned into the general fund; that the relief road work must be more beneficial and permanent, and that the county machinery be inventoried.

County officials state that most of the recommendations made are covered by state laws, passed by the legislature.

The justices of the peace, coming under the abolishment order would be H. D. Reed of Gold Hill and Ray Coleman of Jacksonville.

POPE TO BROADCAST CHRISTMAS ADDRESS

VATICAN CITY, Dec. 22.—(AP)—Pope Pius today ordered Father Gianfranceschi, director of the Vatican radio station, to arrange to broadcast a speech by the pontiff which will make on Saturday, shortly after noon, when cardinals of the Curia call to present their Christmas greetings.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—(AP)—Because the wavelengths used by BVJ, Vatican City station, cannot be received satisfactorily on this side of the Atlantic in the early morning at this time of the year, no plans have been made for re-transmission on regular channels of Pope Pius' speech Saturday at 6:15 a. m., Eastern Standard time.

Three Killed When Train Jumps Track

LIMA, Ohio, Dec. 22.—(AP)—Crashing through a signal tower after jumping the tracks, a speeding Erie railroad passenger train was wrecked two miles south of here last night, killing three and injuring several passengers. The train, westbound from New York to Chicago, was going about 70 miles an hour, trainmen said.

SENATE'S VOTE ON BEER TO BE FORCED FRIDAY

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—(AP)—A vote on the house 3.2 per cent beer bill is to be forced tomorrow in the senate but advocates of the legislation are in disagreement on this method of procedure.
Senator Bingham (R., Conn.), surprised the senate with announcement he would move tomorrow to take up the legislation under a rule requiring an immediate vote on consideration.
Senator Harrison, of Mississippi, ranking Democrat of the finance committee and a supporter of the house measure, left a meeting of Democrats of the committee and announced he would insist upon the regular order under which the bill would go to committee.
Harrison also predicted passage of the legislation although he said he had made no poll.
The senate Democrats reached an informal agreement to confine revenue legislation to beer alone, thus precluding in all likelihood any sales tax amendment.

Main Items in Beer Bill

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—(AP)—The important provisions of the Collier 3.2 per cent beer bill passed by the house and sent to the senate are:
Legalizes beer, ale, porter and lager beer of 3.2 per cent alcohol by weight or 4 per cent by volume.
Provides a tax of \$5, on each 31-gallon barrel, as compared with the existing war time tax of \$6 a barrel.
Provides federal protection to dry states on the basis of the Webb-Kenyon and Reed "bone dry" laws.
Becomes effective 30 days after enactment.
Increases existing occupational or license tax on brewers from \$100 to \$1,000 annually.
Requires wholesale distributors to pay an annual federal license fee of \$50 and retailers \$20.
Allows sale in any licensed place where such sale is not in conflict with state or local laws.
Permits distribution of beer in barrels, bottles, cans, kegs or other containers sealed and labeled.
Prohibits brewers from obtaining licenses to operate in dry states.
Provides penalties for violations.
In addition, advocates claim it will produce \$300,000,000 annually in revenue on a possible consumption of 60,000,000 barrels as contrasted with treasury estimate of \$120,000,000 to \$150,000,000, on a probable consumption of 25,000,000,000 to 30,000,000 barrels.

FISCHER DECLARES NEWS STATEMENT ENTIRELY UNTRUE

To the editor:
Referring to a statement in the Medford Daily News, under the "Once In Awhile" column in this morning's issue, concerning my business connection with the Groceteria stores, Gates & Lydard, I herewith state: That his statement is absolutely false, and does not cover any facts whatsoever.

I, at no time stated to a representative of the Daily News that Mr. Bill Gates of the Economy Groceteria had refused to purchase the product of the Swiss Creamery on the grounds that the Swiss Creamery carried an advertisement in the Medford Daily News.

JOHN B. FISCHER, Manager-Proprietor, Swiss Creamery.
The statement, which Fischer brands "as absolutely false," is contained in an article written by L. A. Banks, under the title, "The Conspiracy Broadens." The specific paragraph reads:

"As additional evidence of a dastardly conspiracy, I call to the attention of the readers the statement made by Mr. Fischer of the Swiss Creamery to a representative of the Medford Daily News that Mr. Bill Gates of the 'Economy Groceteria' had refused to purchase the product of the Swiss Creamery on the grounds that the Swiss Creamery carried an advertisement in the Medford Daily News."

GALES WELCOME NEW SON, RICHARD

Announcements have been received here of the birth of a son to Ensign and Mrs. Windsor Gale of Bremerton, Wash. The little boy, who has been named Richard Delano, is the great grandson of Judge Wm. M. Colvig—this city. He was born December 20 in Bremerton, where Ensign Gale of the United States navy is stationed on the Oklahomas.

The Gales visited in this city last summer and Mrs. Gale was the inspiration for much entertaining while here. Ensign Gale, who was brought up in this city, went east to attend the United States naval academy at Annapolis, of which he is a graduate. While in the east he met and married Mrs. Gale.

Babe Reinstated Amateur Sports

NEW ORLEANS, La., Dec. 22.—(AP)—Mildred (Babe) Dietrickson, woman athlete, was reinstated on charges of authorizing publication of an automobile advertisement with her endorsement and today was reinstated to amateur standing by the registration committee of the Southern Amateur Athletic union here.

Joe Morris Dies in San Francisco

W. E. Morris of the Table Rock district received a wire yesterday telling of the death in San Francisco of his youngest brother, Joe Morris, who had been ill for some time. The body will be shipped to Santa Ana for interment.

ROOSEVELT BALKS ACTION BEFORE HE ASSUMES OFFICE

Refusal Co-Operate In Naming Commission On European Problems Brings Sharp Divergence Opinion

PARIS, France, Dec. 22.—(AP)—Premier Joseph Paul-Boncour received a vote of confidence in the chamber of deputies today by a margin of 365 to 215.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—(AP)—President Hoover, having been informed by President-elect Roosevelt that he cannot accept "an apparent joint responsibility" between now and March 4 for a war debt and related policies, has abandoned his plan for naming a commission to deal with pressing international problems.

Correspondence between them as made public today at the White House, showed them at sharp divergence.

It was said in administration quarters that dropping of the proposed debt commission plan meant that the debt situation would be at a standstill until after inauguration.

President Hoover, in a statement announcing the correspondence, said: "Governor Roosevelt considers that it is undesirable for him to assent to my suggestions for co-operative action on the foreign problems outlined in my recent message to congress. I will respect his wishes."

BUTTE FALLS AND GOLD HILL AFTER RUTZER AND ROD WAIT GRAND JURY

Formal application of the city of Butte Falls for a \$4000 loan from the Federal Reconstruction Finance Corporation will be filed today in Portland by Attorney Porter J. Neff.

The Gold Hill Irrigation district, which filed a test application with the finance corporation several weeks ago for a \$8000 loan, will make formal application within the next week, Attorney Frank P. Farrell said today.

The Gold Hill district filed its test application in cooperation with the state engineer's office at Salem. There council argues relative to whether or not irrigation districts came under the provisions of the reconstruction bureau. The reconstruction bureau this week asked for additional information. A decision is expected soon from the Portland office.

If the decision is favorable it will mean that other irrigation districts of the state can make application for loans.

In both the Butte Falls and Gold Hill loans, the money would be used in reconstruction work, and would provide employment for local labor.

The city council of Butte Falls, in the loan application, sets forth that it needs \$4000 for the rehabilitation of its water system. The wooden mains, installed 20 years ago, have started to rot and leak, and the city council argues they are apt to collapse in time of emergency, or bring about unsanitary conditions. The plan comes under the public works clause of the reconstruction act.

Crater Snow Packs To 36 Inch Depth

Charles G. Good, storekeeper at Crater National park, came down from the lake today, to have repairs made to the generator on the snow plow. He stated that the snow had settled at government camp to a depth of 36 inches, from the four feet one inch recorded previously.

Education Office Moved To Eugene

SALEM, Ore., Dec. 22.—(AP)—The central office of the division of information of the state system of higher education was being moved today from Salem to Eugene, and will be located at the university campus in connection with the office of chancellor.

Forms Cabinet



Joseph Paul-Boncour, minister of war in Herriot government and veteran of French politics, formed a new cabinet to face the French debt crisis. (Associated Press Photo)

COUNTY BUDGET HEARING FRIDAY

The annual public meeting on the Jackson county budget will be held Friday morning in the court house auditorium at 10 o'clock. Ben E. Harder, chairman of the budget committee, will act in a similar capacity at the meeting and it is expected that when the session is finished much of the political misinformation that has clouded for weeks the affairs of Jackson county will be cleared.

County Commissioner Victor Burdick said this morning the one of the matters to be discussed would be the question of the audit of the books of Jackson county and inventory of county machinery, as recommended in the partial report of the grand jury.

The records of the county clerk's office show that an inventory of the county machinery has been taken every year and are on file. For years there has also been a semi-annual audit of the books and a monthly check on all bills and they have been published monthly.

STORES OPEN TO 9 P. M. SATURDAY

Christmas shoppers were reminded today by the merchants division of the Chamber of Commerce that stores will be open until 9 o'clock Saturday evening to accommodate those who have not done their purchasing before that time. They will not remain open after regular hours any other night this week and will be closed the Monday following Christmas.

The shops will also be closed the Monday following New Year's.

Banks of the city are also remaining open until a later hour this coming Saturday to accommodate the Christmas eve trade. They will close at 3:00 o'clock Saturday afternoon.

MEDFORD TO SEATTLE HOP SETS NEW RECORD

SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 22.—(AP)—The gate for the Seattle blow Al Davis, United Air lines pilot, with a heavy load of Christmas mail, into Seattle from Medford in less time than any ship of the line ever negotiated the distance.

Davis' flying time for the 300-mile stretch was two hours and 17 minutes. The best previous time was two hours and 25 minutes. From Medford to Portland, a distance of 343 miles, was the fastest part of the trip. Davis made it in one hour and 20 minutes.

Tax Shrinkage Is Item For Budget

SALEM, Dec. 22.—(AP)—County court, when levying a tax for the county school fund, should take into consideration probable shrinkage because of tax delinquencies and make the levy sufficient to actually produce not less than \$10 per capita for each and all school children within the county, Attorney General Van Winkle held in an opinion today.

Son For Noted Flier
SIDNEY, Australia, Dec. 22.—(AP)—A son was born today to Sir Charles Kingsford-Smith, famous round-the-world flier, and his wife.

TRUTH REGARDING DAWES LOAN TOLD BY PAUL MALLON

Correspondent Gives Low Down Without Breaking Law Protecting R. F. C.—Garner Grows Unpopular.

By PAUL MALLON
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WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—The truth about the Dawes loan from the R. F. C. has never been told. Only the inner circle has the facts. If they divulge these facts they are liable to prosecution under the law. It states no citizen may disclose the R. F. C. doings. A fine and jail are provided for violators.

On the inside President Hoover tried to find a way to make the facts public. His attorney general privately reported to him there was no official way. That is why he was so circumspect on the subject at Des Moines. At that time he came near violating the law.

This situation has generated silly rumors. All parties to the business have been accused of malfeasance which is unwarranted.

There is no law against telling what a banker in Chicago did. You get into difficulties only when you mention the R. F. C. Therefore the R. F. C. has nothing to do with the following story. If you read closely you will have the facts. They are gospel.

A certain big banker had collateral amounting to \$120,000,000. It was good but slightly frozen. He took \$90,000,000 of it—not \$80,000,000 as you have heard—and negotiated a loan for that amount at 5 and 5 1/2 per cent interest. In addition, he was very generous at the time, he put up \$10,000,000 of the collateral for a loan of that amount with New

OREGON COAST HIT BY WORST STORM

MARSHFIELD, Ore., Dec. 22.—(AP)—A terrific wind storm swept Curry county south of here with intense fury today, taking out all communication lines south of Bandon. Cape Blanco said it was the worst storm of the year.

The freighter Yellowstone crossed out of Coos bay at 8:00 a. m. and was believed to be in the midst of the gale.

Messages reports from Cape Blanco in Curry county indicated the worst storm of the year was sweeping the southern Oregon coastline. The wind was said to have reached a velocity of 90 miles an hour.

Foam from the sea was beating against houses in Port Orford. Spray soaked travelers on the coast highway.

Rum Runner Taken To Portland, Trial

Frank Vandever, 28, of Seattle, arrested in the Siskiyou yesterday morning by federal officers, when over 80 gallons of alcohol was found in his possession, was bound over to the federal grand jury yesterday afternoon, with bond set at \$1500. He was taken to Portland last night by Deputy United States Marshal Cal C. Wells.

WILL ROGERS SAYS:

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 21.—"Technocracy"—is it a new month wash, a corn plaster or has the scientist just hired a press agent? It says you only work four hours a day and there will be no politicians.

That last is the best selling clause it has. There is not a man in the country that can't make a living for himself and family, but he can't make a living for them and his government, too, the way his government is living.

What the government has got to do is live as cheap as the people. Then you don't need "technocracy." Yours,
Will Rogers.