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WASHINGTON, Jan. 4 -- The inside

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Comment Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS. THE OREGON legislature, meeting in special session to consider the state's financial condition, hears from Governor Meler this statement; "My study of the subject has led me to the conclusion that a general sales tax is unavoidable."

THE GOVERNOR doesn't say so in so many words, but a sules tax looks unavoidable for these reasons: 1. The state's finances are in a hole,

and more money must be raised. 2. The property tax doesn't look dened that owners are permitting their taxes to go delinquent. 3. The income tax has slim pros-

pects as a further producer, because of lack of incomes.

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this morning over commissioner the morning over commissioner the settlement of the question. You have to help pay ALL taxes, to the question. The question agreeding to transact to the settlement of the question. Commissioner Billings refused to spin a resolution agreeding to transact county business without Commiswhether your name appears on the tax rolls or not.

TO THAT extent, ALL taxes are sales taxes.

Take the general property tax, for example. The rent that the merchant pays is a part of his cost of doing business, and so has to be added to the price of the goods he sells. The a stalemate, pending a decision from by the tax on the building he occupics.

If taxes are high, rent must be accepting the resignation of John higher. If taxes are low, rent will be county court journal record. The lower.

the rest of us should get off scot free. That is a sadly misleading theory; because in reality all taxes are sales taxes in the sense that they are ineluded in the price of what we buy. They have to be.

It follows, therefore, that we are all taxpayers, whether we realize it or not.



Pending Word From Atty. General - Nealon Questions Adjourning Power

Following an opinion by the district attorney that the appointment of R. E. Nealon was legal and valid. promising as a money raiser, because and the adjournment ordered this property is already so heavily bur-morning by County Judge Earl Fehl denot that owners are permitting was invalid, the county court took was invalid, the county could store steps this afternoon, to hold a ses-sion, under the clause of Oregon law that provides a majority of the county court could act on county business. County Judge Pehl contended that

IF YOU are honest, you may say to yourself: "I don't like the sales tax, because I would have to help pay it." If you are inclined to say that, be is an are inclined to say that, be very careful; you are in danger of this morning over Commissioner Nea-

> stoner Nealon.

The two commissioners firmly held that the interjection of a technicality should not hamper county affairs. une and Medford Daily News by Charles M. Thomas, public utilities

Organization of the new Jackson rent paid by the merchant is affected by the tax on the building he occu-pies.

technicality was raised by County THE IDEA has been growing in re-cent years that taxition should be shoved off onto a few people who are abundantly able to pay and that all appointment and resignation and subject that you may deale so that a subject to the attention of the commissi will be made a part of the record

algued by the old county court lues day, January 3. County Judge Fehl then adjourned court, "subject to call of the county judge." District Attorney George A. Codding said that he would ask the "Yours very truly. attorney general for a speedy opinion.

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attorney Codding Composition that the appointment of Coregon appears to have a deficit of about four milattorney general for a speedy opinion.
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The sales tax differs not at all contance with the law.
County Judge Fehl, following the technical objection, said to Commissioner Nealon: "There is now formally called upon to present what everything sent what evidence he has, if any.

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BANKS ORDERED

TO PRESENT HIS

POWER EVIDENCE

mmissioner of Oregon. "Mr. L. A. Banks

Medford, Oregon.

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Public Hearing On Revenue

SALEM, Jan. 4 .- (AP)-Virtually narking time today pending committee action on the two major tax measures introduced last night, the house and senate both held short seasions. Tonight public hearings will be held on the two per cent general sales tax and the increased income

Henry Ford, shown in one of his latest pictures, was reported recov-ering satisfactorily from an emerg-ency operation in Detroit. (Asso-clated Press Photo) tax bills In the house a hill was introduced. providing a system of stamped scrip, and payment of governmental ex-penses half in cash and half in scrip.

SALEM, Jan. 4 .- (AP)-Moving rapidly for the opening day of the special legislative session, members of special legislative session, members of the lower house not only introduced two tax measures—a sales fax and an increased income fax—but passed them through two readings, referred them to the taxation and revenue committee and set a public hearing on the measures for fonight. Both bills were introduced by the committee to which they were re-

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SALEM, Ore., Jan. 4 .-- (Spl.)--- Or December 27 the following letter was sent jointly to the Medford Mail Trib-

committee to which they were re-referred, but the committee had in-troduced them without recommenda-tion. Both were drawn by the state tax commission prior to the session and were ready for introduction im-mediately. Representative E. A. Mo-Cornack of Lane county is chairman of the committee to which the meas-ures were referred. Public Hearing Tonight Late today the house committee will consider the two measures in executive session, to be joined by a similar committee from the senate. The public hearing on the bills was set for 7 p. m. in the house cham-hers Delegations from the site fed-cration science, the grames and other organizations known to be opposed to a general sales tax, were expected here to argue against the measure. The gueral sales tax will intro-fued y representatives of Ida-ho, Washington and Oregon has weak as a basis for a uniform sales tax bill for the northwest. The bill is pat-terned after the Missispi set of 1932. Applies to All Sales

"Dear Sira: "Your respective letters asking that the question of power control of news-papers of Southern Gregon be inluded in the California Oregon Power company investigation has been re-

the subjects to be developed at the time of the hearing. "Any evidence pertaining to such 1932. Applies to All Sales

Applies to All Sales In brief, the sales tax bill is applic-able to all retail sales, whether for cash, tranafer, barter or exchange. The rate of two per cent gross is to be placed on sales only to "ultimate consumer," but to include tangible personal property and services, with-out any deduction for expenses, losses or materials.

"CHARLES M. THOMAS. losses or materials.

And the sales tax differs not at all in principle, but only in practice from other taxes. THE STATE of Gregon appears to commissioner Nealon: "There is thas taken in. This is doubled in certain quartiers, but the figures are the best obtain-able. The state has been taking to from taxes, and has met the differ ence by borrowing. That is how the deficit has been built up. (Continued on Page Six) The act will be in effect 26 months.

Is held the better it will be pleased. It only regrets that other and similar charges made by the Medford News

## SALES AND INCOME FOUR PERISH IN FLAMES **OF FRISCO APARTMENT** TAX BILLS PLACED IN HOUSE HOPPER SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 4 .-- (P)-Fire swept through the MadBeth spartnts, scarcely half a dozen blocks from San Francisco's downtown shop-ng section, killing four people, early today. One man was possibly fa-lly burned and nine others were less seriously hurt.

HOLD UP PHILOMATH BANK

CORVALLIS, Ore., Jan. 4. - (P) - Polk county deputies

CORVALLIS, Ore. Jan. 4.  $(a^{-})_{-}$  Polk county deputies took up the cascaped after robbing a bank at Phil-omath of about \$2,000, was reported today, on the highway between Cor-vallis and Newport. State and coun-ty police immediately sped over the highway from both ends of the road, in an attempt to "bottle up" the bandits. Polk county deputies took up the chase. The postoffice money was taken from Mrs. Mabel Cummings, assistant postmaster, who chanced to be in the bank. The three men ransacked the bank, the totak on the highway between Cor-bank. The three men ransacked the bank, the totak of the road, in an attempt to "bottle up" the bandits.

FHILOMATH. Ore., Jan. 4 ---- (AP)--FHILOMATH, Ore., Jan. 4.—(AP)— mud and the number could not be four men held up the Philomath state bank today and escaped with \$1500 of bank funds, \$50 of postoffice money and some blank travelers checks. The men escaped in a mud-spatter-ed Paige automobile and were later and wore a blue-gray macki-

ed Paige automobile and were later slend seen near Dallas. State police and naw. **30 DIE IN FLAMING SHIP** 

CHERBOURG, France, Jan. 4-(AP) Capitaln Schoof, master of the liner L'Atlantique, reported tonight that the crew were en route to Breat in other vessels.

thirty of his crew were killed when the begish channel today. Some were burned to death and others were killed getting off the ship be said. One hundred nineteen of the res-cued resched Cherbourg tonight at his post.

## **ROARING SLIDE CRUSHES 3**

DEBTOR NATIONS **BUDGET BALANCE** tilly burned and him other were less seriously hurs. Mrs. Pearl Williams, suffocated sit-Mrs. Pearl Williams, suffocated sit-masures Set for Tonight — House Committee Is Named—Note Fast Action SALEM, Jan. 4.—(AP)—Virtually arking time today pending commit-res action on the two major tas insaures introduced last night, the same were introduced last night, the sources introduced last night public hearings with the spectacular blaze was reported the sources introduced last night, the sources introduced last night interded to the sources interded into other sources interded into other s Inside Crowd Shocked by Revelation --- Would Let Good Years Balance Lean Years Under New Policy

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resources from "nations that do not crowd here has been shocked by ap-

California's independent Republi-can, in the first speech that has broken the senate allence on war debts this session, assailed those who favored cancellation or revision and said the American people had bee-gared themselves to buy bonds so There was no

was waiting, and sped away. Several persons observed the machine, but the license plates were covered with mud and the number could not be

broken the senate silence on white debts this session, assailed those white favored cancellation or revision and asid the American people had beg-gared themselves to buy bonds so this country could make the loans. "There was no question then of cancellation or revision," he said "No voice was heard demuring." An intent senate listened while he recited the history of the war loans "How I recall the bitter, anguished cry from France when America en-tered the history of the war loans "How I recall the bitter, anguished cry from France when America en-tered the history of the war loans "How I recall the bitter, anguished cry from France when America en-tered the history of the war loans "How I recall the bitter, anguished cry from France when America en-tered he war that "Our backs are to four toops occurred and American blood was splied on French soll. "There was no question then of modification of cancellation. No waiked up to the counter, all of them signed their obligations for the frac-ratiue of the loars and five per cent interest. "Then the armistice. Then sgain the armistices of destruction and destitution. And we gave them \$3.-on one one different five per cent first engagement of the main five per cent interest. "Then the armistice. Then sgain the arguished crise of destruction and destitution. And we gave them \$3.-on one one different \$3.-The people and business would be the section of the space of the space of the loars and five per cent in times like thess. Apparently the idea is in the sound the space of the loars and five per cent in times like thess. Apparently the idea is in the sound the space of the loars and five per cent in times like thess.

the angulahed crics of destruction and destitution. And we gave them \$3.-000.000.000 after that. Don't forget that, because some of these funding agreements pay only a small portion of the loans after the armistice. "As long as we continued giving we were regarded as a nation of ideal-ism. Then came hinte. Hints of a different kind of arrangement."

Apparently the idea is in the sound-ing out, process. Gov. Roosevelt is not wedded to it exactly, but is just trying to find out how the boys would feel about it. The boys have not suf-ficiently recovered from their surprise to know how they feel.

The most important news out of Washington in the next two months will be the Harrison investigation of economics in the senate finance com-mittee. More conservatives every day are swinging around publicly and pri-MARSHAL CHANG **BLAMES NIPPONS** (Continued on Page Two) Streams Falling IN NEW FLAREUP

Following Rains

PORTLAND. Ore., Jun. 4.—(AP)— All important streams in the Willam-ette valley were falling today, includ-ing the Willamette river which has dropped six feet at Eugens. A slow rise continued at Portland but there was no threat of danger. The Yamhill river, which flooded lowiands in the vicinity of McMinn-ville, started to fall last night. PEIPINO, Chins, Jan. 4 .--Marshal Chang Heiao-Liang, military ruler of north China, served notice on Japanese authorities today that he on Japaness authorities today that he did not care to deal with them con-cerning the Shanhaikwan incident. He bluntly requested that any fur-ther communications be addressed to the nationalist government at Nan-

### Judge Assigns January Wages

ing. Chinese forces were WALLACE, Idaho, Jan. 4.—(AP)— Three persons were killed and four houses demolished by a huge snow-alide which roared down Mammoth E. J. Powell and his five-year-old son, Glein, were crushed under tons of snow, ice said rocks as they ap-proached the family automobile in have been in the district, but it was to house a demolished by a huge snow-alide which roared down Mammoth to house a demolished by a huge snow-alide which roared down Mammoth to house a demolished by a huge snow-alide which roared down Mammoth to house a demolished by a huge snow-alide which roared down Mammoth to house a demolished by a huge snow-alide which roared down Mammoth to house a demolished by a huge snow-alide which roared down Mammoth to house a demolished by a huge snow-alide which roared down Mammoth to house a demolished by a huge snow-alide which roared down Mammoth to house a demolished by a huge snow-alide which roared down Mammoth to house a demolished by a huge snow-alide which roared down Mammoth to house a demolished by a huge snow-alide which roared down Mammoth to house were healty buried by the silde, but to house were healty buried by the silde, but to house were healty with a snow-to house were healty were healty with a snow-to house were healty health healthy wer

FARMERS BALK TAX SALE LEMARS, Iowa, Jan. 4 .- (AP)-1 LEMARS. Iowa, Jan. 4 - (AP) - Brandishing a rope, several hundredfarmers, indignant at foreclosure offarm property, today forcibly pre-vented the foreclosure sale of theJohn A. Johnson farm and attemptedto recover a tractor which had beenstorney until he wired for permis-tion to raise the bid and locked up afor ald. The formation of the sale of the several bid for \$30,000 on the farm.Martin and Sheriff R. E. Rippeyto indicate the structure which had beenattorney until he wired for permis-for ald.

The farmers, numbering at times

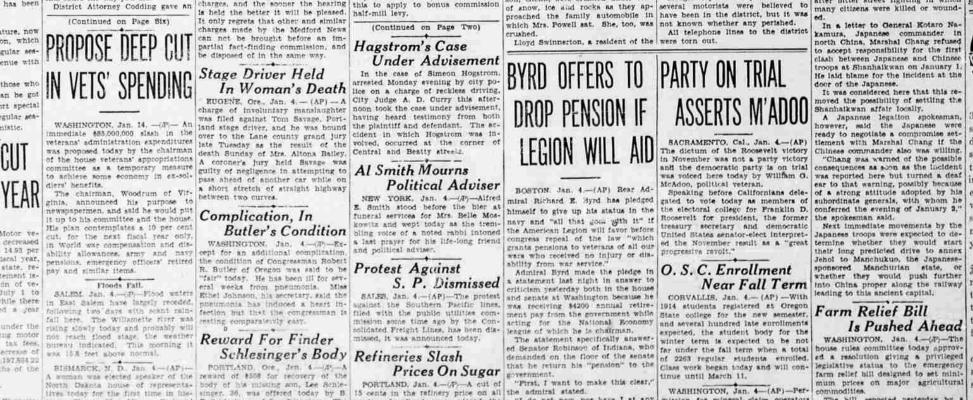
IT IS the job of the legislature, now meeting in special session, which will be followed by the regular seasion, to find sources of revenue with

It isn't an easy job, and those who profess to believe that it can be got out of the way in the short special out of the way in the short special session that precedes the regular seasion are probably too optimistic.



BALEM, Jan. 4 .- (AP) -- Motor vehick registration in Oregon decreased 26.145 vehicles, or a loss of 14.93 per cent the first balf of the fiscal year, cent the first ball of the factory of state, re-hait E. Rose, sected tary of state, re-ported in a six-month's statement is-noted today. The registration of ve-houses of all types shoe July 1 to persember al, was 205.908, while there in East Salem have lar

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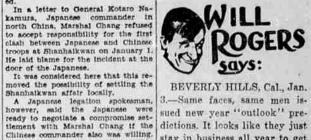
which Mrs. Powell sat. She, too, was not known whether any perished. rushed. Lioyd Swinnerton, a realdent of the were torn out.

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In a letter to General Kotaro Na

start year."





stay in business all year to get to tell "what the new year has in store for us." Everyone has enough to live on no matter what happens, but I have never seen a paper print what a poor man thought of the "coming

Suppose at a hanging in a jail the reporters got state-