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**YE SMUDGE POT**  
 By Arthur Perry  
 One of our Patriots and Economists predicts that grass will be knee high on the Main Street by Decoration Day. The grass is already blue—in fact, it is deep purple. It fits perfectly with Kurt Hall's prediction of 10 years ago, that the tractor would never displace the horse for plowing.  
 LOVE SCORES ON FOUL  
 (Boston, Mass., Gazette)  
 The couple are supposedly happy. It is shown by the groom in an increased serious attitude on life heretofore almost foreign to his nature; and by the bride in an effervescent graciousness to her husband's friends, which however turns instantly to scorn and contempt when the friend proves false to her husband's welfare.  
 A number of Jackson county investigations are threatened. Here is a chance to find out what Jackson county is fighting about, if anything, and would be an investigation, both interesting and worthwhile.  
 Emma Mohr, the innkeeper, is still advocating "sing and kill the Depression." Had she the Depression has been, it deserves no such a flunk, and it is feared in some circles that the Depression might fight back, with tragic consequences that would be fitting and timely.  
 The weather has been acting up, like everything else.  
 President Hoover's commission for a social survey of the nation, as printed in the Monday papers, reveals things in a sad mess, and predicts aily, of course a revolution. A good lively, whole-souled revolution would undoubtedly be an end to the current epidemic and plague of lying, tattling, double-crossing, backbiting, rumor-mongering, gossiping, hating, hating, petty viciousness, orniness, and cunningness. It is questionable if a revolution would ever be a success here, due to the fact there would be too many leaders. A one-man revolution has been raging for three years and nothing has been accomplished except to make the Salem papers incoherent, and cause the rest of the state to giggle, suspiciously. The Hoover commission exhibits some startling dumbness. They seem to expect something different from a civilization devoted exclusively to chasing nickels.  
 Galshofers who keep up with Paris are flaunting red finger-nails, the fashionable tint, being obtained by washing the red dress they sported last summer.  
 CALENDARS  
 We note the start of another year, as we noted last year, the shortage of calendars, and are at a loss, as then, to account for the drought of calendars. This makes us sad, as we will have to go down to C. Strang's drugery and snoot around until we find one of Dr. Jayne's Almanacs. It was not always this way. In 1927 your corr. received by actual count by mail 197 calendars. They varied in size from the flap of a side show tent up. No census was taken of the calendars received in 1928 or 1929, but the harvest compared favorably with the 1927 mark. 1930 was the year that Baldwin Locomotive Works of Philadelphia, Pa., sent us a calendar. We are busy buying our locomotives elsewhere, and will continue to do so. The Pennsylvania railroad, that used to send calendars showing a crack passenger train scotching around a curve in the puny Alleghenies, had also seen fit to snub us the past three years, not to mention the White Star line, the Dollar Steamer Co., the Oriental Tea Co., and the Portland Corrugate Co. The life insurance companies also become dominant. Besides the foreign traffic in calendars, there used to be a brisk local solicitude that we know the day, and when the next full moon would beam. The home calendars, this being an outdoor country, always showed a man catching a fish, or killing a cougar, or just pawking at a snow-capped peak. The late comers had to tack their work of art over an alien calendar. The end of the year, in short, always meant a tidal wave of calendars, and a narrow escape from being buried alive beneath them.  
 Also 1933 has brought no calendars. Last week the Liberty magazine printed a calendar for the year, as a fringe cover. We expended a nickel to fill the long-felt want and get a calendar. Somebody wandered by and ripped off the calendar part and left the reading matter.  
 It is hoped the calendar's come back. They are an irritating bug that Prosperity is upon one and all.

### Editorial Correspondence

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 1.—There is a first time for everything. Our first New Year's eve in a big city we trust will be our last. It may be a sign of old age or it may be that last night's celebration was not up to the standard—at least the experience is nothing we would care to repeat. All in all it appeared to Ye Editor as a sad and sordid affair.

A tour of the down town hotels, plainly demonstrated that gay and cosmopolitan San Francisco was not so much welcoming the New Year as kicking out the old. There was plenty of noise, guns and giant fire crackers, whistles and horns, and of course there was plenty of drinking and a fair share of drunks,—but the entire performance lacked real joy and spontaneity. Moreover one drunk may—or may not—be amusing, it depends upon what vino veritas reveals. But a crowd of them—particularly young ones—never are.

But last night even the drunks didn't appear to be having a good time. Their drinking was a business, neither a pleasure nor a rite. From first to last there was something artificial, trumped up—synthetic about the entire show. We also have an idea that a contributing factor to the disappointment, outside of the depression, was the fact that the lid was off, and everyone knew it. There were plenty of policemen about, plainly bored; and in the hotels, house detectives in rented evening clothes and tan shoes, were standing about in awkward groups, but the fillip that law defiance gave in the past was totally lacking. With the repeal of the Wright Act in this state, San Francisco is wet in fact as well as in practice. So the zest of forbidden fruit, in taking a drink or twenty of them, was gone.

Perhaps that fact alone would have been enough to have made New Year's eve a washout. If, as seems probable, 1933 marks the return of beer and the repeal of the 18th amendmens, perhaps Uncle Sam will be treated to a big surprise. Instead of there being more drinking—particularly among the young—there may be much less. When it is no longer illegal or naughty to take a drink or tote a flask, perhaps, the popularity of the practice will steadily decline.

At least last night indicates this as a possibility. Here's hoping!

In the New Year's eve tour one or two novel things were observed. A young girl at the St. Francis, waiting impatiently for a tardy escort—Y. G. had a platinum blonde wig, meticulously marcelled, wisps of dark hair showing at intervals along the edges and finger nails maintained a shiny ebony BLACK. . . . A man-about-town on the curb at Powell and Geary, dove grey spats, black derby, buttoniere in coat lapel, snow white mustache, swaying slightly but maintaining his equilibrium with a silver mounted cane,—a hatless girl swinging by, remarks "look at Reckless Reggie, the flagpole sitter." . . . Two girls and two boys coming down the hill from the Mark Hopkins swinging cow bells, having a fine time, obviously from good animal spirits, not spiritus frumenti—chanting every now and then "We're from marvellous Marin"—as kindred buccies giving the Oregon delegation a friendly smile. . . . The truck drivers' ball, having a high old time, one husky old boy about 60, with an Indian war bonnet over one ear, swinging a middle-aged beauty in a green gown, and weighing about 40 stone, around and around with one arm. The lady in green looked like Kate Smith, the song bird of the south but probably wasn't. Later we observed the same Kate Smith sitting with the bell boys—joshing them amiably. . . . Lad of high school age in evening clothes sitting on curb in front of Stewart Hotel singing lustily "When the Moon Comes Over the Mountain."

Cigar girl at hotel says, "Very quiet New Year's—was last year, too. . . . In the old days it was the big day of the year—they started at 3 p. m. and never stopped until sunrise—then scrambled eggs at the Poodle Dog and wonderful coffee. Can't get good coffee nowadays. The real San Franciscans weren't around last night at all. They went to bed or down to Agua Caliente. The people celebrating here were all from San Jose and Petaluma!"

Contrary to predictions New Year's day dawned bright and clear, church bells ringing over a quiet city of headaches and deserted streets. R. W. R.

### Editorial Comment

#### The Daring Dairyman

The figures that have just come from Oregon State college have statewide interest. They show that the dairyman get less than cost of production, although production costs of butterfat have dropped in three years from 80 cents to 36 cents a pound. In the same period selling prices have on the average dropped from 51 cents to 30 cents a pound.

The recent hearing on the price of milk in Portland also leaves the Oregon somewhat bewildered. The milk is sold at wholesale in Portland for 6 cents a quart. Of this amount the dairyman receives 3.26 a quart and distributors 2.74 cents.

But, according to figures compiled after survey by the experts of Oregon State college, it costs an average of 3.76 cents to produce a quart of milk in the Portland milkshed and then haul a quart of milk to the distributor in Portland.

The distributors submitted 433 cents as their average cost for pasteurizing and delivering a quart of milk to a store or other retail distributing point in Portland. And they said they must have a minimum of 4 cents in order to get by.

In other words, though milk sells wholesale at 5 cents a quart, the cost of producing it and hauling it to Portland and then using the smallest figure for pasteurizing it and delivering it where the consumer can get it, is 8.19 cents.

It is difficult to understand why to pasteurize and distribute milk in the city should cost more than, or even as much as the expense to which the farmer is put.

But it is more difficult to understand, in the face of the figures, how the dairyman can produce and keep from losing money, they thought, to help them carry on until better days.

One of the biggest things to be done in the country today is to permit the farmer to produce and market his products for enough to hold his farm and keep his family together.—Oregon Journal.

### Pinocle Player Dealt High Hand

PORTLAND, Jan. 4.—(AP)—"The New Deal" promised all comers for 1933 already it more than a catch-phrase for Fred Callahan of Cathlamet. He was dealt 1,000 points in a pinocle game at his home last night in a game with Mrs. Callahan and Reginald Livsey.

Brakeman Killed.  
 THE DALLES, Ore., Jan. 4.—(AP)—George Swan, 55, of Vancouver, Wash., a railroad brakeman, was fatally injured at Wishram today when struck by a box car which knocked him under the wheels of a train. His right arm and right leg were severed and he died soon after being brought to a hospital here.

FREE—Pioneers and descendants photographed without charge for pioneer historical collection—SHANGHAI STUDIO.

### Personal Health Service

By William Brady, M. D.  
 signed letters pertaining to personal health and hygiene not to disease diagnosis or treatment, will be answered by Dr. Brady if a stamped, self-addressed envelope is enclosed. Letters should be brief and written in ink. Owing to the large number of letters received only a few can be answered here. No reply can be made to queries not conforming to instructions. Address Dr. William Brady in care of The Mail Tribune.

### COMPLETE ASSORTMENT OF COUGHS

Years ago, George Bernard Shaw, who is a vegetarian and probably follows some kind of nut diet, told the medical society of London a doctor dare not tell his patients the truth. They'd change doctors.

But as last resort, if all other methods fail, I shall take to quacking it. Sometimes of a summer night as I go into my belly breathing to compose myself for that troubled rest an honest doctor needs and seldom gets in practice, or deliberately try to release the subconscious inhibition, hoping that the long sought plot for a good murder mystery will evolve, but as I drift over into unconsciousness I am generally mapping a tentative quackery campaign.

For one thing, whether it be the cart tail department, the criminal medicine shop department or the door-to-door lady canvasser department, I shall offer not just a cough cure. I shall appeal to the common sense of the prospect—I gather that the quack clientele demands such flattery—to know that something which may be good for a stomach cough may be no good at all for an ear cough, whereas we offer a complete assortment of infallible cough cures, a dozen or more, each especially designed and adapted to remedy its particular variety of cough, after many years of research by the author in Indo-China and Arabia. For a limited time we are offering your own choice of any six varieties for five dollars the lot, with a disolutive free service with the mythical Arabian princess there on the left of the line. Step right up and make your choice while the stock is full, gentle.

Seriously, there are at least a dozen kinds of cough due to a dozen different causes and each calling for its own particular remedy or treatment, which would be quite futile for any other kind of cough.

I say this without a faint blush for my own Fool-Proof Cough Medicine. But my conscience is not much troubled about that, for I am quite certain that even if the Fool-Proof Cough Medicine does no good in cough other than that of Or, for which I recommend it, in any case it can do no harm, so still expect to get a good shot at the back from Hippokrates when he and I meet in the far country where all good doctors go from here. (Sorry, but we can't use

### QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

What, Feed Wheat to People?  
 What's your opinion of cracked wheat as a feed for your chickens? For tax-supported indigent?—L. O.  
 Answer—If you mean some proprietary wheat product, I think it is unjustifiable to buy it even for your private table. There is no good reason why plain wheat, just as it comes from the threshing machine, should not be used as the main part of the diet of any man, woman or child. Crack or crush or grind it, if you prefer. Cook it a you please. Supplement it with fresh milk, eggs, greens, fruits, and you have the ideal diet.  
 Pop Corn.  
 How many calories in pop corn before popping? After popping?—Mrs. R. J. K.  
 Answer—117 calories in each ounce, before or after popping. In other words, it is the equivalent of oatmeal and rather more nutritious than bread.  
 Insulin for Gaining Weight.  
 Our physician is under the impression that insulin for gaining weight should be given only once a day, just before the biggest meal. . . .—H. C.  
 Answer—That would help, but it is better to give a small dose with each of the meals every day for a month or longer. Of course insulin must be administered by hypodermic injection and it can be successfully used for this purpose only by the physician or under his personal direction. We are making progress. Physicians everywhere now acknowledge that insulin treatment is advisable in many cases for the sole purpose of increasing body weight. (Copyright, John F. Dille Co.)

### FIREBUGS BLAMED FOR HIGH LOSSES IN HOUSE HOPPER

A fire loss, low in comparison with losses in other parts of the United States, all of which have increased during the past year, was reported by Fire Chief Roy Elliott for the year 1932 at the first 1933 meeting of the Medford city council. The total fire loss for the year was \$90,566.93, which jumps to a two per cent increase to \$92,104.65 in 1932. Of this amount \$74,441.29 loss was caused by incendiaries in the destruction of four buildings in the packing plant area. Had it not been for these two fires, known to be the work of a fire bug, Chief Elliott stated, Medford's loss of \$16,223.64 would be a wonderful record for this year, according to report of George W. Stokes, deputy state fire marshal. During the past year the local department responded to 160 fire alarms, used 305 gallons of chemical and laid 13,400 feet of two and a half inch hose.

Insurance carried on the property included in fire loss was \$962,550. The estimated value of property where there was actually fire was \$1,246,600.

The department received cash as follows: Recharging soda and acid extinguishers, \$14; sale of soda, \$2; acid bottles, \$16; 1932 year, \$16,500. All cash received has been turned over to the city treasurer, Chief Elliott reported. Eight hundred and five personal inspections of buildings and property during the past year were made by himself with recommendations to remedy conditions where fire hazards were found. A thorough inspection of all schools in the city, where fire drills were called, was also reported. The schools are well organized on fire drill and their equipment is in good condition, according to the report.

Nine false alarms were turned into the fire department during the past year, the fire chief stated, and urged all citizens to turn in an alarm promptly where sure of fire, but not to call the department every time an unidentified smoke is seen. He said records show that more accidents occur while answering false alarms than any other kind.

A new fire prevention bureau installed with the aid of Deputy Fire Marshal Stokes with practically no expense to the city, was also reported as a 1932 project. The bureau is a complete record of every fire, cause, time and loss and is a great help to both the local department and the state fire marshal's department in the prevention of fires.

Volunteer firemen were thanked by the fire chief for their support and the public for hearty co-operation in prevention of fire by keeping waste and rubbish cleaned up. Mayor, city council and members of the fire department were also thanked for co-operation by Chief Elliott.

Desirable house always in first class condition for rent, lease or sale. Call 105.

### \$3200 SAVING IN STREET LIGHTING IS COUNCIL ORDER

First Step in Economy Program Is Darker Downtown—Curry Police Judge—Culbertson Airport Head

Initiating a definite program of economy to be carried out in the year 1933, the new Medford council last night passed a resolution eliminating all stringer lights from Main street and numerous others from the existing lighting system, which will amount to a saving of \$3200 to the city. The move, Mayor E. M. Wilson described as the first in the general program to reduce operating expenses to avoid floating of warrants.

The light eliminations, recommended by the building and light committee and approved by the council, include all stringers on Main street, all but two on Sixth Street, half the lights on Sixth street and reductions of all lamps, on Oakdale, Main and Riverside.

New Councilmen Present.  
 The meeting opened last night with retiring Councilmen P. M. Kerahaw and J. O. Grey in their chairs during the presentation of reports by the various department heads. C. A. Meeker, also retiring from the council, was not present. The new members, Fred Heath, S. A. Kroeschel and Al Littrell were introduced and appointments for the new year were announced by Mayor Wilson, following exchange of farewells and greetings to old and new council members.

A. D. Curry, assistant in the office of treasurer and recorder, was named police judge to succeed Glenn O. Wilson. Tom Culbertson was appointed airport superintendent, C. A. Austin reappointed milk inspector; Ed M. White, reappointed to the water commission, and J. F. Fliegel to the planning commission.

Department Heads Retained.  
 Clatous McCredie was again named head of the city police department; Roy Elliott, fire chief, and Fred Scheffel, city superintendent. All appointments recommended by Mayor Wilson were approved by a unanimous vote of the council. There was one applicant considered for each appointment except in the case of airport superintendent, where the names of Jack Portman and Culbertson were presented.

Committee appointments were also made by Mayor Wilson, and included: Finance—W. M. Clemenson, chairman, George Porter and S. A. Kroeschel; public safety—C. C. Furnas, chairman, C. C. Darby and Fred Heath; streets and roads—Al Littrell, chairman, C. C. Furnas and S. A. Kroeschel; land, parks and playgrounds—George Porter, chairman, W. M. Clemenson and Al Littrell; building and light—Dade Terrett, chairman, George Porter and C. C. Darby; licenses—C. C. Darby, chairman, Dade Terrett and Fred Heath; health—S. A. Kroeschel, chairman, W. M. Clemenson and Al Littrell; airport—Fred Heath, chairman, C. C. Furnas and Dade Terrett.

Reports were made by the finance and public safety committees. Chief of Police McCredie and Fire Chief Elliott, and a financial report submitted by City Treasurer Gus Samuels, showing that all city funds are well secured, was read by Mayor Wilson. Resolution declaring the three Medford banks eligible as depositories for city funds was passed by the council.

To Eye Milk Depots.  
 The milk depot question was brought up, with request for regulations by the city, and the matter referred to the health committee for thorough investigation. Service by the fire department outside the city limits was again brought up and the council and referred to the public safety committee.

Mayor Wilson, in stressing the necessity for reductions in operating expenses of the city, stated that although many cuts have already been made, possible decreases in the streets and roads department are under consideration. In making reductions here, however, he explained, the city must take care to protect the safety of the citizens. A request for payment of \$43.20 by the city to an individual claiming injuries caused by a defective sidewalk, was introduced by the mayor as proof of need of precaution.

Get \$1000 from County.  
 While the need for economy is a drastic one, he stated, the city is entering 1933 with \$4000 more than anticipated, this amount having been paid in by the county as Medford's share of the road tax.

The question of liability insurance for councilmen was also brought up and referred to the public safety committee for recommendation.

A communication, asking that the city council make the Medford Daily News the official publication of the city was read by Mayor Wilson, who explained in answer that the city council has never designated an official publication and that city advertising is distributed to all newspapers complying with the requirements of the law. The nature of the communication was not announced.

A report on the Legua of Oregon Cities was made by City Attorney Frank Farrell and the council advised the city attorney and members of the finance committee to attend the meeting of Oregon cities, if possible.

Appointment of a city budget committee, Mayor Wilson announced, will be made at the next meeting of the council.

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vately to the search for a safe means of establishing easier money—the real motive behind the investigation. Democrats near or at the top are encouraging the move. Latest public convert is Senator George of Georgia who is playing with the idea of dollar revaluation. There are more who have not come out yet.

Those who know are betting even money that something important will emerge from that hearing.

The move is being furthered by certain industries howling to high heaven about foreign competition due to depreciated currencies. The fishing, rubber shoe and lumber industries apparently are suffering most if protests being received by congressmen are any measure. You cannot reach the problem through tariff revision without a dizzy sliding scale. Furthermore, the Democrats have given private pledges that general tariff revision will not soon be undertaken.

Senator Borah has a speech in his system on the subject. He will probably advocate revaluation of the dollar or more currency under the Glass-Borah amendment. That may start the ball rolling.

There is indirect evidence that the treasury has tried to thwart the full effect of the Glass-Borah amendment. At least information to that effect is in the hands of certain senators. It indicates pressure has been exerted on national banks to prevent issuance of currency under the amendment. Since that \$200,000,000 has been issued, around \$900,000,000 could be issued. By amendment, the maximum could be boosted to between three and four billions.

The question is whether that would be enough to increase prices.

Those who make the wheels go around here are beginning to suspect the new deal is going to be newer than they thought.

Ordinarily a majority of everyone in Washington is against anything novel. They would rather keep what they have than experiment with something they know is better. That condition is being changed underneath for Roosevelt. A majority in congress is determined to give him a good chance to do what he wants. That is why they will permit him free rein in making government economic. They would not have done that with Hoover.

It may be different for Roosevelt after the ice is broken.

The fir-string angel of the Democratic party is on the frying pan so far as an important group of Roosevelt advisers is concerned. He gives them a Wall Street tiup that they don't care for and his tendency to have a finger in every pie also irks them. They would like to evict him from the inner circle but—after all—none doesn't make an angel walk the plank when there is a deficit to be met.

The report is current in high places that the gentleman in question will be a particular target at the forthcoming renewal of the stock market investigation. This leads to the speculation that the results of the inquiry might lead to his political disqualification without embarrassment to party leaders.

The financial community in general has a lot of confidence in Richard Whitney and rate him a fair match for Seabury, Steuer or Undermyer. Several individuals and organizations would surely be plenty under skillful questioning—but the point is that they would squirm in their capacities as customers rather than as brokers.

There is an important bank which would be a pushover for any of the suggested investigators. The bank can figure nothing to do except to grin and bear it.

### SALES AND INCOME TAX BILLS PLACED IN HOUSE HOPPER

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The penalties provided in the act would be five per cent for delinquency caused by negligence, up to 100 per cent of tax for fraud. The tax is a lien upon property and subject to state warrant if not paid. The state tax commission will administer it and hear moot cases, but the circuit courts may be appealed to.

The enforcement of the proposed law cannot be restrained by court injunction. Advertisement of merchants stating "we assume tax" are banned under heavy penalty.

Cuts Exemptions  
 The proposed income tax bill would increase slightly the present act and reduce slightly the exemptions, but in neither case are the changes as great as were proposed in the measure defeated by the voters last November. Increased revenue expected from the new income tax would be about \$500,000.

The proposed act amends the present income tax by increasing the tax on the lower brackets one per cent, which jumps to a two per cent increase on incomes over \$4000. The maximum was increased from 5 to 7 per cent. The exemptions were reduced from \$1500 for single men to \$1000 and from \$2500 for married men to \$2000. Exemption for dependents remains at \$400 each.

Four committees for the special session were named late yesterday by the speaker of the house: resolutions; legislation and rules; taxation and revenue and assessment and taxation, all four of which went into session immediately. The personnel of the committees are as follows:

Resolutions—Charles Childs, Lin county, chairman; Frank Lonergan, Multnomah; Earl Day, Jackson; Frank H. Hilton, Multnomah; E. J. McAlear, Washington.

Legislation and rules—Earl Hill, Lane county, chairman; Homer Conley, Marion; Frank Lonergan, Multnomah; L. F. Allen, Willamette; Harvey Wells, Multnomah and Clackamas.

Taxation and revenue—E. A. McCormack, Lane county, chairman; Herbert Gordon, Multnomah; John J. Beckman, Multnomah; A. G. Clarke, Douglas; Earl Day, Jackson; W. L. Britton, Multnomah; Charles W. Huntington, Lane; E. C. Kelly, Jackson; E. J. McAlear, Washington; W. T. Miller, Josephine; James H. E. Scott, Umatilla.

Assessment and revenue—B. F. Nichols, Douglas county, chairman; H. C. Britton, Clackamas; James A. Buel, Marion; Earl Day, Jackson; W. L. Britton, Multnomah; Charles W. Huntington, Lane; E. C. Kelly, Jackson; E. J. McAlear, Washington; W. T. Miller, Josephine; James H. E. Scott, Umatilla.

The personnel of the senate committees corresponding to the house groups was expected to be made today as were also the standing committee for both houses for the regular session scheduled to start next Monday.

### Flight 'o Time

(Medford and Jackson County) History from the Files of The Mail Tribune of 20 and 10 Year Ago.

TEN YEARS AGO TODAY  
 January 4, 1923.  
 (It was Sunday.)  
 Still on side of Rocky Ann raised by sheriff, and mash and moonshine seized.  
 December was a very wet and cloudy month in valley.  
 Bigger and better Ashland slogan for coming year.  
 Two hundred forty-one marriages in county during 1922.  
 Advertise bids for road to Oregon Caye.  
 Update areas flooded by heavy rains.  
 Medford Legion members enthused by speech of Commander Carl Tengwald.  
 Wind storm at Central Point does slight damage.  
 Talent cannery to resume operations, if help can be secured.  
 Carl Beebe assumes management of Rex cafe.

TWENTY YEARS AGO TODAY  
 January 4, 1913.  
 (It was Saturday.)  
 War in Balkans now held certain.  
 Road work starts on Elk creek.  
 December rainfall plentiful, but below normal.  
 The Thursday Afternoon and the Tuesday Afternoon clubs to merge during balance of winter.  
 Percy Cochran of Missoula, Mont., visits friends and relatives here.  
 Everett Trowbridge entertains a number of friends at a stag party.  
 Presbyterians raise \$700 in record time for paving of Holly street.

### HUNGRY DEMS TO SCAN JOB FEAST

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.—(AP)—A resolution which Senator Long (D., La.) said he hoped would "give some of our deserving Democrats a job" was passed by the senate today.

Offered by Senator McKellar (D., Tenn.), it directed the civil service commission to list for the senate all positions not under civil service rules, together with the amount of their salaries.

Appointments to these posts, running into thousands, will be at the disposal of the incoming administration.

### AUTO IN PARLOR SURPRISES LADY

CHICAGO, Jan. 4.—(AP)—Mrs. Marie Antiebuch awoke from a nap to see an automobile standing beside a Christmas tree in her parlor and for a moment she wondered why.

John H. Smale, a dean of the Lewis Institute, who was at the wheel explained that his machine had come right through the wall of the Antiebuch home after he had swerved to avoid hitting another car in the street.

While he reasoned it wasn't his fault he agreed to pay the damage which was doubly satisfactory to Mrs. Antiebuch because her husband, Tony, a carpenter, will get the job.

### JEFF BELL HONORED ON 90TH BIRTHDAY

PHOENIX, Jan. 4.—(Sp.)—Jeff Bell was the inspiration for a party given by Mrs. Floyd Bell Friday evening, on his 90th birthday. Guests were Mr. and Mrs. Tom Bell of Talent and Mr. and Mrs. L. O. Caster of this community.

Mr. Bell, in spite of his age, is very active and looks upon life with a smile. He takes long walks each day, which he believes the reason for his good health and activity. Friday he walked to and from the C. C. Cawey home, more than a mile from Phoenix.

All the many friends and acquaintances of Mr. Bell extended hearty birthday greetings to him.

### Bank Call Issued For Nation, State

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.—(AP)—The comptroller of the currency issued a call today for the condition of all national banks at the close of business Saturday, December 31.

### FOOD RIVER — Larry Boyd took over Apple Blossom Club.

SALLEM, Jan. 4.—(AP)—A. A. Schramm, state banking superintendent, today issued a call for the condition of all state banks at the close of business December 31.

### Children's Coughs Need Creomulsion

Always get the best, fastest and surest treatment for your child's cough or cold. Frudent mothers more and more are turning to Creomulsion for any cough or cold that starts.

Creomulsion emulsifies creosote with six other important medicinal elements which soothe and heal the inflamed membranes and check germ growth. It is not a cheap remedy, but contains no narcotics and is certain relief. Get a bottle from your druggist right now and have it ready for instant use. (adv.)

### Butler Better



WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.—(AP)—Slight improvement in the condition of Congressman Robert R. Butler of Oregon was seen by his physicians today. The representative has been critically ill from pneumonia for three weeks.

### ROOSEVELT NOT ENTHUSED OVER BUDGET BALANCE

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vately to the search for a safe means of establishing easier money—the real motive behind the investigation. Democrats near or at the top are encouraging the move. Latest public convert is Senator George of Georgia who is playing with the idea of dollar revaluation. There are more who have not come out yet.

Those who know are betting even money that something important will emerge from that hearing.

The move is being furthered by certain industries howling to high heaven about foreign competition due to depreciated currencies. The fishing, rubber shoe and lumber industries apparently are suffering most if protests being received by congressmen are any measure. You cannot reach the problem through tariff revision without a dizzy sliding scale. Furthermore, the Democrats have given private pledges that general tariff revision will not soon be undertaken.

Senator Borah has a speech in his system on the subject. He will probably advocate revaluation of the dollar or more currency under the Glass-Borah amendment. That may start the ball rolling.

There is indirect evidence that the treasury has tried to thwart the full effect of the Glass-Borah amendment. At least information to that effect is in the hands of certain senators. It indicates pressure has been exerted on national banks to prevent issuance of currency under the amendment. Since that \$200,000,000 has been issued, around \$900,000,000 could be issued. By amendment, the maximum could be boosted to between three and four billions.

The question is whether that would be enough to increase prices.

Those who make the wheels go around here are beginning to suspect the new deal is going to be newer than they thought.

Ordinarily a majority of everyone in Washington is against anything novel. They would rather keep what they have than experiment with something they know is better. That condition is being changed underneath for Roosevelt. A majority in congress is determined to give him a good chance to do what he wants. That is why they will permit him free rein in making government economic. They would not have done that with Hoover.

It may be different for Roosevelt after the ice is broken.

The fir-string angel of the Democratic party is on the frying pan so far as an important group of Roosevelt advisers is concerned. He gives them a Wall Street tiup that they don't care for and his tendency to have a finger in every pie also irks them. They would like to evict him from the inner circle but—after all—none doesn't make an angel walk the plank when there is a deficit to be met.

The report is current in high places that the gentleman in question will be a particular target at the forthcoming renewal of the stock market investigation. This leads to the speculation that the results of the inquiry might lead to his political disqualification without embarrassment to party leaders.

The financial community in general has a lot of confidence in Richard Whitney and rate him a fair match for Seabury, Steuer or Undermyer. Several individuals and organizations would surely be plenty under skillful questioning—but the point is that they would squirm in their capacities as customers rather than as brokers.

There is an important bank which would be a pushover for any of the suggested investigators. The bank can figure nothing to do except to grin and bear it.

### SALES AND INCOME TAX BILLS PLACED IN HOUSE HOPPER

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The penalties provided in the act would be five per cent for delinquency caused by negligence, up to 100 per cent of tax for fraud. The tax is a lien upon property and subject to state warrant if not paid. The state tax commission will administer it and hear moot cases, but the circuit courts may be appealed to.

The enforcement of the proposed law cannot be restrained by court injunction. Advertisement of merchants stating "we assume tax" are banned under heavy penalty.

Cuts Exemptions  
 The proposed income tax bill would increase slightly the present act and reduce slightly the exemptions, but in neither case are the changes as great as were proposed in the measure defeated by the voters last November. Increased revenue expected from the new income tax would be about \$500,000.

The proposed act amends the present income tax by increasing the tax on the lower brackets one per cent, which jumps to a two per cent increase on incomes over \$4000. The maximum was increased from 5 to 7 per cent. The exemptions were reduced from \$1500 for single men to \$1000 and from \$2500 for married men to \$2000. Exemption for dependents remains at \$400 each.

Four committees for the special session were named late yesterday by the speaker of the house: resolutions; legislation and rules; taxation and revenue and assessment and taxation, all four of which went into session immediately. The personnel of the committees are as follows:

Resolutions—Charles Childs, Lin county, chairman; Frank Lonergan, Multnomah; Earl Day, Jackson; Frank H. Hilton, Multnomah; E. J. McAlear, Washington.

Legislation and rules—Earl Hill, Lane county, chairman; Homer Conley, Marion; Frank Lonergan, Multnomah; L. F. Allen, Willamette; Harvey Wells, Multnomah and Clackamas.

Taxation and revenue—E. A. McCormack, Lane county, chairman; Herbert Gordon, Multnomah; John J. Beckman, Multnomah; A. G. Clarke, Douglas; Earl Day, Jackson; W. L. Britton, Multnomah; Charles W. Huntington, Lane; E. C. Kelly, Jackson; E. J. McAlear, Washington; W. T. Miller, Josephine; James H. E. Scott, Umatilla.

Assessment and revenue—B. F. Nichols, Douglas county, chairman; H. C. Britton, Clackamas; James A. Buel, Marion; Earl Day, Jackson; W. L. Britton, Multnomah; Charles W. Huntington, Lane; E. C. Kelly, Jackson; E. J. McAlear, Washington; W. T. Miller, Josephine; James H. E. Scott, Umatilla.

The personnel of the senate committees corresponding to the house groups was expected to be made today as were also the standing committee for both houses for the regular session scheduled to start next Monday.

### Columbia Bridge Provided In Bill

PORTLAND, Jan. 4.—(AP)—Construction of a bridge over the Columbia river 3 miles upstream from The Dalles would be authorized by a bill introduced in the house by Representative Summers of Washington, according to a Washington, D. C. dispatch today to the Journal.