

MENACE TO COUNTY EMPHASIZED

Comment on the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS. THREE masked bandits hold up a guard and a mail truck driver at the Sacramento postoffice and escape with a registered mail pouch containing cash and bonds of an estimated value of \$325,000.

THE ways and means committee of the house of representatives voted, 13 to 11, against action on any bill to provide automatic increases in tariff duties to offset imports from countries with depreciated currencies.

PERHAPS you wonder what it is all about. Well, it is like this: Countries having depreciated currencies get MORE DOLLARS for their products which they sell in this country.

LET'S see just how it works out. When British money was on a gold basis, the British manufacturer who sold goods in this country exchanged the American money he received at the rate of one pound for each \$4.86.

YOU may or may not have read this very prominently displayed paragraph in the day's news—contained in a dispatch from Washington:

What does that mean? It means that the world's war scares are now clustered around the shores of the Pacific, and since the business of navies has to do with wars, this country is keeping the bulk of its navy where it could get on the job quickest in case of trouble.

Well, this writer is no Jap hater, and thinks strongly that the best interests of both Japan and the United States will be served by remaining cordially friendly, instead of eyeing each other jealously.

SAN DIEGO, Los Angeles and San Francisco, incidentally, will welcome this bit of news for keeping both the Atlantic and the Pacific fleets on this coast means more sailors to spend money in these cities.

PREVENTION of harsh treatment of mortgage debtors by creditors and of unfair practices by borrowers toward lenders is proposed in Oregon—NOT by legislation, but by organized co-operative effort on the part of public-spirited citizens.

That is the way to do it. Every effort should be made to prevent foreclosures in difficult times such as these, when practically all the normal business relationships are disturbed and thrown out of balance.

PELPIING, Feb. 13.—(AP)—Official reports today that 250 persons were killed and 300 seriously injured last December by earthquakes in northwest Kansu province.

MEETINGS HELD IN COURTHOUSE PLOT UPHEAVAL

People Urged to End Use of Taxpayers' Money in Fostering Political Party — Many Are Misinformed

Citizens of Medford and of Jackson county were urged today by O. C. Boggs to take immediate action to put a stop to conditions now existing in this section and to get before the people of the county the true facts of the situation and to end the holding of meetings at county expense, designed to remove county officials from office.

Lights, Heat Used Often. County lights and county heat are being used frequently at meetings of citizens, plotting against officials, demanding resignations from officials of the county, which is feeding them.

Turning to the relief problem introduced by Harry Moore, speaker at today's luncheon, in a review of the stamped money plan, Mr. Boggs stressed the need for putting to work people who are receiving aid from the county, and doing nothing in return for funds received.

Pendleton Cold. PENDLETON, Feb. 13.—(AP)—Sunday night was the coldest of the winter period here with a minimum of 21 below zero.

HOW WE APPEAR IN EYES OF OUTSIDERS

STOP THE SACRIFICE. The war in Jackson county is still going hell bent. Though no blood has been spilled as yet, it is likely to deluge the Rogue river valley ere long.

Now then, we have arrived at that point of a complete shutdown. I refuse to enter the circuit court of Jackson county now or at any other time for any purpose whatsoever while this court is presided over by Circuit Judge Harry D. Norton.

L. A. Banks of Medford in his pleas for freedom, the declaration of independence, the constitution, et al, misses that essential point that real freedom of speech must permit others to disagree with you and that there is no freedom when slander, untruth and unwarranted insult go unchallenged.

Fired by Senate



David S. Barry, 73-year-old sergeant at arms of the United States senate, who was ousted last week after a hurried trial, in which he acknowledged authorship of a magazine article containing the statement "there are not many crooks in congress."

WORLD ECONOMIC PLAN DRAFTED BY BERNARD BARUCH

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13.—(AP)—A broad, far-reaching program for world economic recovery, based on balanced budgets and sound money, was laid before the senate finance committee today by Bernard M. Baruch, former chairman of the war industries board.

Revision of the Versailles treaty to remove the age old causes for world conflict, and thus speed disarmament.

Hoover to Speak. WASHINGTON, Feb. 13.—(AP)—President Hoover left by train this afternoon for New York, where tonight he will deliver a Lincoln day address to a group of 100,000 people.

\$2.50 AUTO TAGS FASHIONABLE NOW

Word has been received by the state police, from the secretary of state that the \$2.50 auto license fee is now in effect, and the license is good until July.

SLASH IS SOUGHT IN VET PAYMENTS. WASHINGTON, Feb. 13.—(AP)—A bill to cut off payment of non-service connected partial disability allowances for veterans was introduced today by Representative Lanford (R., Va.).

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13.—(AP)—The senate last week by Senator Lanford estimated a saving of from \$300,000,000 to \$400,000,000 annually would result.

GRAND JURY WILL RESUME SESSIONS TUESDAY MORNING

Trial of Indicted Editors Will Follow Arraignment — Pleas Probably Next Week — Judge Norton Lauded

Trial on the criminal libel indictments returned Saturday afternoon by the grand jury, against L. A. Banks, editor and publisher of the Daily News, and Leonard Hall, editor of the Jacksonville Miner, will follow the usual legal procedure.

Both the indicted editors are at liberty on \$1000 bonds. Hall reported at the courthouse shortly after the indictment was returned. Banks reported in the county jail about 9:00 o'clock, where he is awaiting Sheriff Schermerhorn. Judge Norton approved the bond offering.

Resume Tomorrow. The grand jury is scheduled to resume its session tomorrow. Justice of the Peace W. R. Coleman is scheduled to give his decision tomorrow in the attachment filed by Eugene Wright, former advertising solicitor, against the newspaper.

SHULER RADIO BAN LEFT ON BY COURT

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13.—(AP)—The supreme court today refused to reconsider its recent action declining to pass upon the refusal of the federal radio commission to grant a new license to radio station KGEF of the Trinity Methodist Church, South, at Los Angeles, over which the Reverend Robert P. Shuler broadcasts.

LINCOLN BANQUET AT SEVEN O'CLOCK

The memory of Abraham Lincoln, "the greatest Republican of all time" will be honored tonight by Republicans of Jackson county at the annual banquet of the Jackson County Lincoln club at the Medford hotel.

Rev. George V. McClure of Ashland will deliver the main address of the evening, and several other prominent Republicans will also be on the program as speakers.

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OVERTIME SESSION FOR LEGISLATURE WILL BE REQUIRED

Large Amount of Work Ahead Prevents Adjourning Friday Night, Prediction—Major Bills Stalled

By the Associated Press. Number bills introduced 707, of which 432 in the house and 255 in the senate.

By Clayton V. Bernhard. Associated Press Staff Writer. SALEM, Feb. 13.—(AP)—A glance at the above statistics impresses with the belief the Oregon legislature will be physically unable to clear up its work by Friday night of this week.

Tuesday will see the first big appropriation bill to be brought out by the ways and means committee. It will call for the voting of about \$4,000,000 for state institutions, the entire sum to be provided for in one bill.

BOURBONS WRECK REPUBLICAN HOPE OF TARIFF BOOST

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13.—(AP)—A democratic majority bound tightly by a party caucus smothered under a 172 to 176 vote in the house today the republican chance to get consideration at this session of legislation to raise tariffs to offset depreciations in foreign currencies.

W. H. GORE INJURED WHEN CAR DITCHED

William H. Gore, well-known resident of the city and county, sustained injuries Sunday afternoon, when in order to avoid striking a boy on a bicycle, he drove his auto into a ditch, on the Jacksonville highway, near the Hollywood orchard.

Mr. Gore sustained minor injuries to his right shoulder, and right leg, and a slight cut on the forehead. He was taken to the community hospital, and then returned to his home. The car was badly wrecked.

SALEM, Feb. 9.—(Sp.)—It's always fun for the gallery when the prohibition question comes up in the house. The actors before the legislative microphone get so choked up and embarrassed over what the audience out in "votiland" is thinking about them, that the situation becomes comic.

KIDNAP WEALTHY DENVER RESIDENT FROM OWN HOME

\$60,000 Ransom Demanded by Two Masked Men When Charles Boettcher, II, Abducted at Midnight

DENVER, Colo., Feb. 13.—(AP)—A son of a wealthy, pioneer Colorado family, Charles Boettcher, II, today was held by kidnapers for a purported \$60,000 ransom.

Two masked men, scotching the 31-year old heir to a fortune and his wife at the garage as they returned from a party at midnight, herded them into an upstairs room of their home, remained several minutes, handed the wife a ransom note and departed with Boettcher in a motorcar.

Mrs. Boettcher told police the men appeared out of the darkness as Boettcher alighted from the car. "Come here, Charlie, and stick up your hands," one of the men ordered. "Do what you're told and everything will be all right."

CHINESE ENVOY MAY QUIT TOKYO

(By the Associated Press.) Soon after Japan informed the League of Nations today that it was adamant in its determination to preserve the Manchukuoan government in Manchuria a spokesman for the Chinese national government hinted that the Chinese minister to Tokyo would be withdrawn in the event the Japanese started a drive in the adjoining Chinese province, Jehol.

ARMY CAMPS TO HOUSE JOBLESS

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13.—(AP)—The senate today added \$22,000,000 to the army appropriation bill to open citizens' military training camps to approximately 88,000 jobless and homeless youths.

Under the plan adopted the youths would enter citizens' training camps that would run for 12 months and would be subject to all the training and discipline of a regular army post.

He's Well Again



Despite his 71 years, Amos Alonzo Stagg, veteran football coach, quickly recovered from an attack of bronchial pneumonia. He's shown leaving a New York hospital. (Associated Press Photo)

CASH FOR VOTES SPEEDS UP RACE AMONG MAIDENS

Zeal has been added to the Medford Merchants-Mail Tribune popularity contest by the offer of a ten dollar cash prize to be awarded to the contestant who turns in the most votes this week.

SCHAAF UNDERGOES OPERATION ON SKULL

NEW YORK, Feb. 13.—(AP)—Surgeons today performed what was described as a successful operation on Ernie Schaaf, injured Boston boxer, to remove a blood clot from the base of the brain.

Prohibition Debates Fun For Legislature Gallery But Solons Dread Issue

(By Mary Greiner Kelly.) SALEM, Feb. 9.—(Sp.)—It's always fun for the gallery when the prohibition question comes up in the house.

Nothing new was said, of course. Aside from the aforementioned comic prologue, it was about as exciting as an all-star revival with all the stars past 60.

BANKS, INSURANCE COMPANIES KNIFE BANKRUPTCY BILL

Measure Plugged Full of Holes in Senate Without Two Interests Showing Hand—Compromise Seen

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13.—(AP)—The senate judiciary committee today favorably reported a bankruptcy relief bill to apply at this time only to individual and farm debtors and leaving railroad and other corporate relief for the next congress.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13.—(AP)—The banks and insurance companies did a nice job shooting across sections of the LaGuardia bankruptcy bill.

They are the ones who plugged it full of holes without ever showing their hands. Their representatives have been buttonholing senators in the corners. Their agents out in the country have written thousands of confidential letters claiming the bill would be a national calamity.

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