

The Weather Fair Sunday. Little change in temperature. Temperature Highest yesterday 44 Lowest yesterday 31

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'GIN MARRIAGES' ARE OUTLAWED

'Inner Circle' Will Rule Banks' Political Party Henceforth Is Word

Comment on the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS HERE is a statement that will probably surprise you: The twenty million owners of motor vehicles in this country are now paying annually over a BILLION dollars in license and fuel taxes to the various agencies of government.

THE motor vehicle brought with it a problem—the problem of better roads. The poor excuses for roads that we were using when the automobile appeared just simply wouldn't serve even as excuses for roads AFTER the automobile came along.

JUST about that time, some smart thinkers originated the idea of a license fee. He reasoned something like this: "These new contraptions are a nuisance. They scare every horse they pass out of its wits, causing the owner of the horse great mental anguish. Since they are a nuisance on the highways, they ought to PAY for the privilege of being a nuisance."

OTHER smart thinkers went on from where that one began, and in the course of time THIS THOUGHT occurred to somebody: "These automobiles aren't satisfied with the roads that have always been good enough for horses and wagons. Already they are demanding something better, and their demands are going to increase as the number of automobiles increases.

FROM that, of course, it was only a step to the idea of a high license fee for automobiles, the proceeds from these fees being used to build the roads, thus making the automobilist pay for his own highways.

AT the beginning, taxation of the automobile for highway construction was confined to license fees. Then somebody else had a smart thought.

"Why not," he said to himself, "levy a tax of so much per gallon on gasoline, so that the user of the automobile will pay still more toward the construction and maintenance of the highways he demands and uses? This tax will be paid a little at a time, and won't hurt anybody. And besides it will be collected from EVERYBODY, so that outsiders in our state who are using our roads will help pay for them."

HERE in Oregon, the bulk of our highway money comes from license fees and gasoline taxes. That isn't so much true of the country as a whole as of Oregon, as throughout the United States only 35.4 per

GOVERNOR SIGNS LEGISLATION TO BAN HASTY VOWS

Senate Also Passes District Power Bill—Ten Days Or Two Weeks More Session Appear Necessary Now.

SALEM, Feb. 18—(AP)—The "gin marriage" act will be a law in Oregon and three days notice of intention to wed must be given before marriage licenses are issued.

The state senate under reconsideration of the district power bill, today passed the proposal. It was previously defeated by a 15 to 15 vote. Four senators in the meantime changed their votes putting the measure over safely.

MAIN ST. BUILDING PERMIT IS ISSUED

An office and storage building will be erected on West Main street, just across from the Western Union office building. It was learned yesterday from the building department.

HOW WE APPEAR IN EYES OF OUTSIDERS

IT IS TO LAUGH. (Corvallis Gazette-Times) The comic opera war in Jackson county has reached the state where Editor Banks has been indicted for criminal libel and where he has drawn up and had his dupes adopt resolutions directed to the president, to Chief Justice Hughes, Chief Justice Brandeis, Hi-ran John-sing, Boravich, Norriski, et al.

BLAZE DAMAGES ROGUE FRUIT CO.

Fire of undetermined origin was discovered about 7:10 o'clock last evening at the Rogue River Fruit Co., on North Central avenue, and burned up through the walls on the west side of the building, according to Fire Chief Roy Elliott.

Petitions Seek County Court Ban Political Meets

Petitions, asking that the county court house be closed to political meetings and meetings political in character, are at the chamber of commerce this week, where anyone wishing to sign them may do so.

BANKRUPTCY OF DAILY NEWS ON FRIDAY DOCKET

Upon assignment from the state supreme court of Oregon, Circuit Judge William M. Duncan of Klamath Falls has been designated to hear and try the suit of the News Publishing Co., L. B. Tuttle, president, against L. A. Banks, and the Medford News Publishing Co. Judge Duncan has advised all parties to the action that he will be ready to start trial next Friday at 9:30 a. m. in the circuit court.

FREE MEALS AT JAIL BRING PROBE

The grand jury, William T. Grieve of Prospect foreman, adjourned Saturday afternoon until Monday. The grand jury has been in session all week hearing testimony and evidence on a number of cases. It was reported the grand jury called witnesses and viewed documentary evidence, showing that three or four local men have been eating meals in the county jail, and that two have been sleeping in space atop the courthouse.

TIGERS LOSE TWO TILTS IN KLAMATH

The Medford Tigers were defeated again last night by the Medford Indians to the tune of 31 to 17 in the second game of the week end in that town. Friday's score was 25 to 20 and the double header was completed last night with general rejoicing among the red men.

UNEMPLOYED TO SEEK SELF HELP; POLITICS BANNED

At a meeting of the unemployed of the city and valley held in the courthouse assembly room Friday evening, O. H. Goss, the chairman announced, that another meeting would be called in the near future, and that it was planned to have representatives from all sections of the county, close to 300 people attended.

GENTLEMAN JIM CORBETT PASSES IN DEEP SLEEP

One-Time Idol of Sporting World Develops Fatal Heart Ailment at 66 Years of Age—Friends Near.

By Alan Gould Associated Press Sports Editor NEW YORK, Feb. 18—(AP)—A pale, courageous shadow of the once-magnificent "Pompadour Jim" of the pugilistic world by knocking out John L. Sullivan over forty years ago, James J. Corbett died in his sleep today at his suburban home in Bay-side, Long Island.

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WILL ROGERS SAYS: BEVERLY HILLS, Calif., Feb. 17.—I never saw in any of our papers whether this Italian fellow was a citizen or not.

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ERROR IN STORIES REGARDING DAWES R. F. C. BORROWING

Record Cleared By Recapitulation—Stimson's Peace Notes Bring No Result—Stalin's Overthrow Seen.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18—A recapitulation should be made on the Dawes loan to keep the record straight momentarily. General Dawes had \$120,000,000 of collateral. He negotiated an R. F. C. loan for \$80,000,000 in July. He took only \$30,000,000. Some months later he dipped in for \$10,000,000 more and finally took the remaining \$80,000,000.

Several authorities who investigated the loan were never advised that Dawes took more than \$80,000,000 until after the loan was made public the other day. Recent statements in congress are in error on that point. This column has been in error similarly. No correction has been requested but this one is given voluntarily.

Mr. Roosevelt told a recent Warm Springs visitor he had whittled down the names for the 20 key positions in his administration until he had 48 from which to make a final choice. He failed to mention any of the names.

Local opponents of inflation are inclined to give Senator Borah a vote of the dollar. Ever since his remarks about the necessity for detaching the dollar banks and insurance companies have been getting a huge volume of mail from nervous depositors and policy holders—all worried about inflation.

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New York opposition to the five billion dollar public works bond issue in the Tugwell (or Roosevelt) program has cooled off a lot. Anti-inflationists are beginning to see that it is vastly preferable to currency tampering as a concession to public opinion.

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