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BEER BILL IS ADOPTED BY HOUSE

Comment on the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT, addressing the people of the United States, assures them that "the banks, in reopening this week, will take care of all needs."

Commenting on the president's speech, one of Oregon's prominent citizens, a man who is unusually well informed, tells this writer that in his judgment credit conditions will be back to normal in less than three months.

THAT is encouraging. When credit conditions return to normal, business can go forward again—instead of slipping steadily backward, as they have been doing for more than three years.

IF YOU want to find encouragement as to the future, listen to the talk on the streets.

It is hopeful talk. In spite of a financial situation unprecedented in this generation, people generally believe that conditions are going to improve.

If people generally believe that, conditions WILL improve.

HERE in the spring of 1933, with conditions about as bad as they can get, the optimists are clearly in the majority, with the pessimists on the run.

Speaking of pessimists, Professor A R. Sweetser, Oregon's famous botanist and almost equally famous as a public speaker, gives this interesting definition: "The pessimist," he says, is one who of two evils chooses BOTH."

Not so bad, is it?

HERE is a headline in the news of the day: "Shadows of war hang over Europe, with conflict in spring predicted."

If there is war in Europe next spring, or at any other time, the thing for us to say to ourselves, and MEAN it, is: "We're going to stay out of it."

If Europe wants to fight, let her go ahead. We'll stay out and sell her what she needs to fight with.

Then, if they call us Uncle Shylock, we'll have something to show for it.

IN DENVER, burglars work for hours battering in the door of a safe, only to find the strong box empty.

The safe was unlocked. A turn of the handle would have opened it. All their hard work was wasted.

Dumb, weren't they?

DOWN at Yreka a suspected kidnaper is stopped by officers for questioning. He steps from the car in which he is riding and begins to shoot. When the smoke clears away, two men are dead, and the suspected kidnaper faces the gallows.

He, too, was dumb.

WE HEAR a lot in these days about the smartness of criminals. They aren't really very smart. If they were, they wouldn't be criminals.

HERE is an Albany dispatch that appeared the other day in a Portland newspaper:

"Velma Kizer, teacher here, is displaying a fully developed ripe pineapple, the fruit of a TREE that she has grown at her home."

Those who are familiar with pineapples and how they grow would like to see that tree, because, so far as is known, it is the first tree that ever produced a pineapple, which normally grows out of the ground somewhat like a cabbage.

Still, Oregon's climate and soil are wonderful, and you never can tell just what they will produce.

ROOSEVELT GETS LEGION BACKING

CHICAGO, Mar. 14.—(AP)—President Roosevelt's economy program, including its huge proposed cut in relief funds to World war veterans, today had the approval of five Chicago American Legion posts.

BARTLESVILLE, Okla., Mar. 14.—(AP)—The James H. Tell post of the American Legion has voted unanimously to "go all the way" with President Roosevelt in his economy program.

The President's program includes the slashing of the World war veterans' benefits.

SENATE ACTION NEXT STEP FOR LEGAL DRAUGHT

Action in Lower Branch of Congress Rushed—Sale in Oregon Is Not Regulated by State Statutes

Mayor E. M. Wilson stated this afternoon that if the beer bill is passed by congress and signed by the president, a committee of seven citizens will be appointed by him to act with the committee on licenses, of the city council, to formulate a regulatory ordinance.

Mr. Wilson said it is probable the committee will be announced at the city council meeting next Tuesday.

Members of the city license committee are C. C. Darby, Dade Terrett and Fred Heath.

WASHINGTON, March 14.—(AP)—The house today passed, 316 to 97, the Cullen beer bill and sent it to the senate. Speaker Rainey voted "aye."

Immediately on receipt of the beer bill from the house, the senate referred it to the finance committee at the request of Chairman Harrison (D., Miss.)

Harrison already had announced he would call a meeting of his committee as soon as the pending economy bill is out of the way.

A loud shout went up when Speaker Rainey announced the vote. There was much handshaking and hubbub on the floor.

Speaker Rainey had to send Sergeant-at-Arms Kenneth Romney to quiet the enthusiastic members.

The house recessed subject to the call of the speaker.

Harrison announced later that the finance committee would meet tomorrow to take up the beer bill, and that it would be brought into the senate as soon as the economy bill has been passed.

PORTLAND, March 14. — (AP) — Charles Pray, superintendent of state police, and attorneys here who have studied the situation, agreed today that such beer as may be authorized by congress may be sold in Oregon with no more regulation than now governs the sale of near beer, which is entirely unregulated.

The legislative assembly, which adjourned last week, refused to adopt a "beer bill," regulating and taxing malt beverages. "The net result of the failure of the legislature to pass the beer bill," said Superintendent Pray today, "is to deprive the state of the revenue which would have come to it from the sale of beer, and the failure to pass any regulatory law by which the sale may be controlled or limited."

At least two breweries in Oregon now are ready to start deliveries as soon as the federal law becomes effective. One is the Blitz-Weinhard company of Portland. The other is the Roesch brewery of Pendleton. Both have been manufacturing near beer, and recently were given permits by the treasury department to stock a certain quantity of real beer. This stock is on hand. Other breweries probably will be in full swing within a month.

BEER READY FOR MARKET AT ONCE

CHICAGO, March 14.—(AP)—Joseph Dubin, editor of Brewery Age, said today millions of barrels of beer properly aged and having alcoholic content in conformity with the amended Volstead Act would be available at retail within 24 hours after legalization.

"There are 146 licensed near beer breweries," Dubin said. "These breweries have in storage from one to five million barrels of brew. To place this on sale would merely involve a slight change in the dealcoholizing process used now to produce near beer. The dealcoholizing process follows the aging period. As a result, there would be at least one million barrels properly aged which could be distributed immediately through existing retail outlets."

Nebraska Tribute To Dead Senator

LINCOLN, Neb., March 14.—(AP) The hum of politics was muffled today as Nebraska paid final tribute to its late United States Senator Robert Beecher Howell of Omaha.

Arthur Mullen, national committeeman, who rushed here from Washington to work for appointment of former Senator Gilbert M. Hitchcock, Omaha published, returned last night to his Omaha home.

Broadcast of A. P. News To Be Curbed

SIOUX FALLS, S. D., March 14.—(AP)—Federal Judge J. D. Elliott has decided to grant a temporary injunction restraining station KSOO of Sioux Falls from unauthorized broadcasting of news dispatches of the Associated Press.

Banks Here Expect Opening Orders Tomorrow

Becomes Bishop

Rev. A. W. Noel Porter, for the last eight years archdeacon of the California diocese of the Episcopal church, has been elected bishop coadjutor of the Sacramento, Cal., diocese. (Associated Press Photo)

REPEAL PETITIONS TO BE CIRCULATED AT ONCE, IS WORD

SALEM, March 14—(AP) With two groups uniting their forces for repeal of the prohibition provisions of the state constitution, initiative petitions were to be started in Portland today, it was learned here.

The petitions will soon appear in other parts of the state so the lists of names may be completed to get the measure on the ballot for the special election dated July 21. It is necessary that 26,667 names be attached to the petitions by March 21.

Representative John Beckman, author of the beer bill in the legislature which was defeated in the senate, and George Bylander of Portland, were in conference with state officials here yesterday as to legal procedure to hasten the matter to the people.

Bylander last fall filed with the secretary of state preliminary petitions to get the proposed repeal on the ballot at the regular election in 1934 and secured an approved ballot title from Attorney General Van Winkle. He withheld action, however, until the legislature had opportunity to act. When the senate defeated the resolution which was introduced by Representative John H. Hall of Portland, Bylander immediately got his petitions in circulation and by Saturday night had signed up about 4000 names in Portland. His intention still was to have the measure voted on in 1934.

COMMISSION WILL LET ROAD WORK

SALEM, Mar. 14.—(AP)—The state highway commission will meet in Portland tomorrow to open bids on five road projects and also to again open bids on the $1,500,000 bond issue which it attempted to sell several weeks ago but which failed because of lack of bids. A preliminary meeting will be held in Portland tonight.

The highway projects will total about $150,000, of which the bulk will be paid for by federal funds. The federal projects will include:

Rice Hill section of the Pacific highway, one and one-half miles of roadbed construction in Douglas county.

Portland Car Fare Experiment Costly

PORTLAND, Mar. 14. — (AP) — Contending the reduced street car fare experiment has cost the company from $75,000 to $100,000, the Portland Traction company has petitioned the city council for permission to drop the 7 1-7 cent schedule recently inaugurated. The fare heretofore was 10 cents. The company had hoped reduced fare would stimulate use of the system.

Old Ironsides In Portland Aug. 2nd

PORTLAND, Mar. 14. — (AP) — "Old Ironsides," the frigate Constitution, will pay the Portland harbor a visit on August 2. Rep. Charles A. Martin of Oregon has advised the chamber of commerce here that the May 10 date, originally announced, could not be met. Under the new schedule the historic ship will be here from August 2 to August 14.

Planing Mill Burns.

SPOKANE, Wash., Mar. 14.—(AP)—The planing mill of the Long Lake Lumber company was destroyed by fire this mroning, with a loss estimated by company officials at $123,000. A railroad box-car also was burned.

LONG BEACH STIRS TO RENEWED LIFE FOLLOWING QUAKE

Banks Open and Bread Lines Lessen—Timid Residents Refuse to Sleep Under Roof — Visitors Banned

LONG BEACH, March 14.—(AP)—There was a stir of new-born business life in this quake-ridden city today with the echo of Friday's devastating earth rumbles and the reverberations still in the ears of the populace.

A few banks were open yesterday and allowed withdrawals of $15 to a person, but all restrictions were to be removed today in an effort to aid the partially paralyzed community.

There was a lessening in the length of the bread lines today as the result of the bank openings yesterday since many persons who had funds tied up in the institutions were able to obtain enough money to buy food.

Rich in Bread Lines.

The bread lines contain, however, many of the well-to-do residents of the city, who, unable to obtain electrical equipment, are forced to this resort since the gas supply is off indefinitely, and there is no means of cooking, other than by electricity and over open fires in yards.

There were two severe shocks yesterday, one at 5:16 a. m., and the other near the noon hour. Many of the more timid residents refused to sleep indoors, continuing to camp in tents in their yards fearful of another devastating shock.

A mild tremor, the 39th shock of the series, was felt at 4:19 a. m. today.

A more stringent blockade was

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RED CROSS ASKS FOR QUAKE RELIEF

The Jackson county chapter, American National Red Cross, is in receipt of the following telegram:

"Southern California has suffered severely from series of major earthquakes. Scores have been killed and injured. Damage to property estimated in excess of forty-five million dollars. Hundreds of homes completely destroyed or damaged. Governor Rolph in proclamation today designated Red Cross official relief and rehabilitation agency. Relief fund five hundred thousand dollars needed immediately. National Red Cross has appropriated fifty thousand dollars. Confident Pacific area chapters will want to meet amount required. Give wide publicity and arrange forward remittances branch office, reporting currently results obtained.

A. L. SCHAFER,
Manager Pacific Branch."

Donations for southern California relief may be made at the office of the Jackson county chapter, courthouse, Medford; or First National bank, Medford; First National bank, Ashland, or Mrs. Samuel B. McNair, Ashland.

Hoarders Disgorge To Enjoy Theater Declare Managers

SALEM, Mar. 14.—(AP)—Amusements have taken toll of hoarded money here during the banking holidays.

One theater operator reported taking in $80 in gold and gold certificates the past few days. Manager of another theater said that frequently bills of $20 denomination were being presented for tickets, with an occasional $50 bank note coming to light.

HOG CALLERS OF COUNTY WILL VIE HERE MARCH 25

The retail trade division of the Medford Chamber of Commerce and the publicity committee are combining their efforts to stage a hog-calling contest in Medford on Saturday, March 25, at 11 a. m., according to W. S. Bolger, chamber president.

It is believed that this novel event will bring many hundreds of farmers to Medford, and the entire arrangements for the affair are being left in the hands of the publicity committee. It is proposed to stage the contest on the Southern Pacific lot on Sixth street.

The contest is open to all men and women residing in Jackson county, excepting those who live within the corporate limits of the cities of Medford and Ashland. In this way it is expected that those living in the rural districts will start competition between their respective districts in order to endeavor to produce the first prize winners.

The contest will be divided into two classes, one for women, the other for men. Those desiring to enter the contest should register immediately with the Medford Chamber of Commerce.

Inasmuch as there are only 11 days until the contest, contestants are urged to send in their names immediately.

Prizes, to be announced later, will be awarded for the first, second and third winners. The prizes are being arranged by the retail merchants' committee.

The judges for the event are being arranged for by Horace Bromley, member of the publicity committee.

Grange masters and farmers of Jackson county, who have been apprised of the contest, are very enthusiastic over it, and it is generally believed that it will be the means of bringing more visitors from the rural districts of Jackson county into Medford than anything which has been attempted in years.

Through the courtesy of Chief Clatous McCredie, a stand will be erected on the sidewalk on Sixth street, so that all contestants will be seen by all attending.

Boy Shot In Leg By Step Father

PORTLAND, Mar. 14.—(AP)—City, county and state police today sought George W. Gridley, accused of having shot and wounded his stepson, Quenamas county home last night. The a mas county home last night. The boy, who suffered considerably from loss of blood, was brought to a hospital here.

LABOR FEDERATION INSURANCE RACKET DUE FOR BLOWOFF

Matthew Woll's Private Endeavor Irks Associates of Union Ranks — Capital Unable Halt Jap Junkers

By JAMES McMULLIN
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NEW YORK, Mar. 14.—(AP)—There is one Roosevelt selection which arouses more enthusiasm here than all the cabinet put together. That is Lewis Douglas for director of the budget. Douglas is known to be fearless and in deadly earnest about carrying out the President's economy pledges.

Insiders report that the meeting between Roosevelt and British Ambassador Lindsay was unsatisfactory. It is said the differences in their respective viewpoints are wide. New Yorkers believe that unless one side gives way there may be trouble ahead.

All is not beer and skittles in Federation of Labor ranks. The membership has been declining and it is

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FARMER MANGLED BY STUMP BLAST

BEND, Ore., Mar. 14.—(AP)—Mangled and blinded by a premature explosion of four sticks of dynamite, Percy Chase, a farmer, was in a hospital here today. But slight hope was held for his recovery.

Chase was blasting stumps when the accident occurred late yesterday. A piece of fuse attached to the blasting powder did not appear to be burning and Chase stooped over the charge to investigate. The explosion occurred when his face was only two feet from the dynamite.

SALES TAX BILL SIGNED BY MEIER

SALEM, Mar. 14.—(AP)—The executive office announced that among the 75 bills which Governor Julius L. Meier signed today and which will all be made public later, were the race horse bill and the general sales tax bill.

The sales tax bill, which will be voted on at the special election July 21, provides a general tax of two per cent on all retail sales and a three-tenths per cent tax on all manufacturers, wholesalers and publishers. It abolishes the personal property tax.

STOCK EXCHANGE OPENS TOMORROW

NEW YORK, Mar. 14.—(AP)—The New York Stock Exchange today directed all members to be ready to resume business tomorrow.

A notice sent out on the exchange ticker just before 3 o'clock this afternoon said:

"All members and their offices must be prepared to conduct business tomorrow, March 15."

It was signed by Ashbel Green, secretary of the exchange.

The exchange closed March 4 for the banking holiday.

Banker Harriman Is Under Arrest

NEW YORK, March 14.—(AP)—Joseph W. Harriman, former president and now chairman of the board of directors of the Harriman National Bank and Trust company, was arrested at his Manhattan home late today on a charge of having caused false entries to be made in the books of the bank with intent to deceive the comptroller of the currency and his agents.

Portland's Quota Is Set at $5000

PORTLAND, March 14—(AP)—The Red Cross headquarters here was informed today that Portland will be asked to subscribe $5000 for the relief of earthquake sufferers in southern California.

Heads Farm Co-Op

Miss Edna B. Reed of Portland, Ore., was named general manager of the Pacific poultry producers' co-operative, large association of egg and poultry farmers in Oregon and Washington. (Associated Press Photo)

BANKS AND FEHL RESTRAINED FROM HAMPERING SALE

A restraining order was granted in circuit court today prohibiting L. A. Banks, the Medford News Publishing company and Electa A. Fehl from "taking any legal action in any court to interfere with" the sheriff's sale of the newspaper plant, scheduled for tomorrow morning. The action thwarts any eleventh hour move to balk legal proceedings for final possession of the newspaper.

The restraining order, signed by Circuit Judge W. M. Duncan of Klamath county, was sought by the News Publishing company, Lee B. Tuttle, president, now in possession of the plant, on an execution of judgment for "in excess of $12,000" on unpaid promissory notes and a chattel mortgage issued by Banks on the purchase of the paper in 1929.

The complaint, upon which the restraining order is based, sets forth that Electa A. Fehl claims to hold a certificate of delinquency for $1084 for three years' back taxes, and has "pretended to bring suit to collect."

It is further alleged in the complaint that Electa A. Fehl has "given out and asserted that it is her purpose to apply to the county judge for a restraining order to prevent the sale and printing of the News by its present holders." The complaint sets forth that L. A. Banks is insolvent and "unable to respond to a suit for damages."

The complaint further cites that the county judge is the husband of Electa A. Fehl, and that he is "hostile and prejudiced" to the plaintiffs and that the issuance of any such order would hamper the daily publication.

Service of the restraining order was made this morning by the sheriff upon the county judge, L. A. Banks, and Electa A. Fehl.

Attorneys for Tuttle and the present News possessors, said that the tax delinquency certificate suit for $1084 was intended to be filed last Friday, but the extension of the non-judicial days, through the bank holiday, prevented. Attorneys declared the plan was to extend the hearing date—and, that in the meanwhile the News would have been prevented from daily issuance—its chief asset.

Reports indicate that the appeal last week of County Judge Fehl, to the "Good Government Congress" for funds "to re-establish a free press in Jackson county" was meeting with meager response, though solicitors were making personal calls and pleas for financial aid, principally in the rural areas. The call for another "protest demonstration" was also reported as not meeting with enthusiasm.

OLD AGE PENSION APPLICATIONS IN

SALEM, Mar. 14.—(AP)—Applications for old age pensions and requests for information concerning them have been received at the Marion county court since passage of the pension bill by the 37th state legislature.

County Judge John Siegmund said there was no money available this year to pay any old age pensions, since no item for this expense was included in the 1933 county budget.

The enactment provides up to $30 per month for all bona fide indigent residents of 15 years or more standing who are 70 years of age or older.

ALL OF OREGON'S INSTITUTIONS TO RESUME ACTIVITY

Portland State Banks Permitted to Open Today — National Banks Opened Without Restrictions

While there was no definite information at hand this afternoon, relative to opening of the banks of this city and county, instructions to this end were expected in the morning, from the Federal Reserve bank of San Francisco and the state bank superintendent at Salem.

The First National bank, and the Medford National bank of this city are under jurisdiction of the Federal Reserve bank of San Francisco, and will receive instructions from that source. The Farmers and Fruitgrowers bank is a state bank, and will receive opening instructions from the state bank superintendent.

Opening instructions for all the three local banks are due in the Wednesday morning mail.

Local bankers would make no definite announcement today.

SALEM, March 14.—(AP)—All state banks which could be permitted to operate under normal conditions, will be opened in Oregon tomorrow, either on 100 per cent or on restricted basis, A. A. Schramm, state banking superintendent, announced today. There are 80 active state banks and two on the moratorium basis, but no ruling has yet been made on the latter two.

In order to open all the banks must apply for license to operate, which all have already done, Schramm said. The banking department will make the classifications and banks will be notified before 10 o'clock tomorrow morning under what restrictions they might open.

PORTLAND, Ore., March 14.—(AP)—Portland's eight national banks opened for unrestricted operation here today, and the ten state banks within the Portland clearing house jurisdiction reopened under new state banking regulations.

The last Oregon legislature approved a law permitting limitation of withdrawals on old accounts to 5 per cent, but unlimited withdrawals on new accounts, and the state banks within Portland operated under this law today, pending issuance of licenses tomorrow by the state banking superintendent for unrestricted operation.

The state banking holiday period ended last night, coinciding with the close of the national holidays. Portland financiers radiated cheerfulness as the big doors swung open.

HOOVER'S AIDE IN SPEAKING PASSES

WASHINGTON, March 14.—(AP)—French Strother, the man who supplied President Hoover with much of the ammunition for his speeches, died in a Washington hospital early today of pneumonia. He contracted a cold at the inauguration on Mar. 4.

Oregon Weather.

Cloudy tonight, with rain in west portion; Wednesday unsettled with rain in west and local snow or rain in east portion; normal temperature; fresh and strong southerly winds offshore.

WILL ROGERS says:

SANTA MONICA, Cal., March 13.—Bless Arthur Brisbane's loyal heart. He tried to say it wasn't an earthquake. He said the buildings were not union construction and the people were killed through a sudden stroke of old age. But he didn't know our California papers had turned frank and just said: "We had an earthquake. It was no fire, no tidal wave, no act of the Democratic party. It was an old-fashioned earthquake."

You see the Lord in his justice works everything on a handicap basis. California, having the best of everything else, must take a slice of the calamities. Even my native Oklahoma (the Garden of Eden of the West) has a cyclone. Kansas, while blessed with its grasshoppers, must endure its politicians. New York with its splendors, has its Wall Street, and Washington, the world's most beautiful city, has a lobbyist crawling out to attack you from every manhole. Even J. P. Morgan is not sitting as pretty as he was.

So every human and every place is equal, after all.

Yours,

Will Rogers

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Roosevelt Riding Wave Of Popular Support May Insist on Whole Program

By Francis M. Stephenson
Associated Press Staff Writer.

WASHINGTON, March 14.—(AP)—President Roosevelt now is inclined, because of the way congress has responded to his requests, to keep the ball rolling through the emergency session until he has his complete extra meeting program enacted.

Original plans for a short recess to permit drafting of a legislative scheme for the extra session virtually have been abandoned.

Consequently, Mr. Roosevelt was ready to work today on a message outlining his ideas for farm and unemployment relief. He has the assurance of congressional leaders of enactment of the beer and economy legislation before the end of the week.

Riding the high tide of public and congressional support, the busy new president is determined to carry thru the "new deal" program he believes will restore America to a sound basis in quick order.

He is talking with leaders of organized agriculture and is ready to go the limit on whatever they agree upon. Right now they seem to favor putting the farm public in the hands of the administration.

Insistent first upon far reaching steps to assure a balanced budget, Mr. Roosevelt is prepared to go ahead with necessary relief plans if congress supports his fiscal proposals.

Senator Robinson of Arkansas, the democratic leader, assured the president last night that the votes are ready for his budget balancing legislation—the economy and beer bills.

With this promise, Mr. Roosevelt decided to draft his message for permanent legislation to put the banks on a sound footing; to provide jobs for the unemployed and to aid agriculture.

His unemployment scheme calls for the flotation of a $500,000,000 bond issue to be expended eventually in reforestation, public works and other internal improvements.

The net result of the speed shown by congress is that the president is prepared to match it and wind things up within a few weeks so far as the immediate "new deal" is concerned.

It is one of the most ambitious of plans in congressional history but the president is convinced that the people and congress are with him.