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EGG TIVE MAYOR FINALLY TAKEN

WALTER J. JONES IS ARRESTED AT HOME IN ROGUE R.

Good Government Congress Leader Wanted in Connection With Ballot Theft Taken Without Struggle

Walter J. Jones, mayor of Rogue River, sought for the past week upon an indictment as one of the Jackson county ballot thieves, was arrested at his home by state police shortly after daylight this morning. His apprehension brings the list of known "Good Government Congress" members wanted down to one. The latter is Claude Ward, brother-in-law of L. A. Banks, mayor of Conestoga. Jones, 33, at his home with his wife, reported he will be arrested as soon as his health will permit.

Jones fled about 1928. State police say that since Monday they have received information that Jones was "ducking and dodging around the north end of the county." They have definite information that he was in three different localities since Monday. The authorities also state that they have information showing Jones was in touch with his family. He was arrested as most of Rogue River slept. Jones was in bed. He claimed he had a cold.

Jones was brought to the county jail this morning. The jailers say he ate a hearty breakfast, and was apparently in good health. He will be examined by a physician today. Jones has been at liberty on \$5000 bonds, with J. T. Thomas and Nick Ross of Ashland as sureties. The district attorney's office announced yesterday that unless Jones was produced today, steps to cancel the bond would be taken. Jones' bond has been fixed at \$7500.

Following the return of the secret indictments on the ballot stealing, Jones has been the object of a wide search. He could not be located at his usual haunts or home last Thursday or Friday. Saturday, at the surrender of County Judge Earl H. Fehl, Attorney Enright and Vonschmalz announced that Jones was in Portland and would appear voluntarily Monday morning at 10 o'clock. When Jones failed to do so his counsel announced he was sick in a Portland hospital. A check of the leading hospitals failed to locate him. Then it was announced, supported by the

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COPCO RATE QUIZ WILL BE RESUMED

SALEM, March 23.—(AP)—Investigation of the rates and charges of the California Oregon Power company will be resumed at Medford and later at Klamath Falls within a short time, it was announced today by the public utilities commissioner, Charles M. Thomas.

Engineers who were busy at Medford were taken off the job about two months ago because they were needed in Portland on the Northwest case. It was announced. At the present time they are working in Coos county investigating the Mountain States Power company.

VICTIM OF ROBBERS USES HEAD TO ESCAPE

PORTLAND, Ore., March 23.—(AP)—Bound hand and foot by two robbers at 10 o'clock last night, Bernard Mulline, 40, was finally freed shortly before noon today after he had opened a door by bumping his head against the knob and had rolled down a flight of stairs to the street.

RUTH JUDD'S FATHER IN PLEA FOR MERCY

PHOENIX, Ariz., March 23.—(AP)—Testimony in Winnie Ruth Judd's hearing before the Arizona board of pardons and paroles closed today with an appeal by the Rev. H. J. McKinley, her aged father, that justice be tempered with mercy. In the board's action on her plea to escape the gallows in the "trunk murder" case.

ADS FOR BEER MAY START IMMEDIATELY

WASHINGTON, March 23.—(AP)—Attorney General Cummings said today that there would be no prosecution of newspapers which carry advertising in connection with the legalization of beer on April 7, so long as the ads gave no intent of promoting illegal sale but were purely of an "innocent anticipatory character."

Alaska Governor Named.
WASHINGTON, March 23.—(AP)—President Roosevelt today nominated John W. Troy, publisher of the Alaska Daily Empire at Juneau, to be governor of Alaska.

Queen Of Snows



Marry Collins, Washington coed, has been named queen of the annual snow festival of the Seattle Junior chamber of commerce which will be held in Rainier National Park. (Associated Press Photo)

TOLLEFSON'S HOPE OF ESCAPING PENALTIES IN GOVERNOR

Legal action in the case of Alvin Tollefson, under a two-years' and six months' sentence in state prison for his confessed perpetration of the Central Point bank robbery, may be averted by the arrival of the mandate from the state supreme court denying his petition for a rehearing. Tollefson, cashier of the bank, admitted he defrauded a bank robbery to cover up deportations. The bank lost no money in the transaction.

Upon the receipt of the mandate, the district attorney's office will ask for an order of commitment from the circuit court.

Executive clemency alone stands between Tollefson and prison walls. It is understood that petitions have been circulated asking the governor to extend clemency.

At the time of his sentence by Circuit Judge H. D. Norton, many residents of the Central Point district said this city urged a parole. Tollefson, up to the time of the hoax, was a model young man, married, and a former University of Oregon student.

His father recently filed a bankruptcy petition. His case created wide interest in this county and was characterized as one of the "marriages of justice."

Robert Glenn, who attempted to hold up the same bank with a revolver, was sentenced to serve 15 years in state prison by Circuit Judge Norton upon conviction by a jury.

BEER ON COAST DUE 12:01 A. M. APRIL 7

WASHINGTON, March 23.—(AP)—Attorney General Cummings ruled today that the new beer bill would become effective at 12:01 a. m. April 7, every time belt, with the Pacific coast getting its beverage three hours after the Atlantic coast.

"Just around the corner for a bottle of beer—or a stein on the table—Which will Medford have? Both if Medford people have their way about it, when the regulations are completed for the sale of aids in this city. An interview with townspeople revealed this morning that they are going to want beer at the grocery store, beer at the drug store, beer at the soda fountain, the pool hall and the restaurant. Some want it at the fountain, others in the home, and many have visualized for this city a good old-fashioned beer garden. "Student Prince" style.

But economically or hilariously speaking, they all want it some place, with the exception of a few very dry dogs. And even some of them say "If the evil must come, let it be sold like anything else; it will be less tempting."

"It should be dispensed like soda pop—no good dispenser, who has known beer—pre-war and post-war—declared, while sunning himself on the street. "When the days get good and hot next summer," he added, "won't it be something to go just around the corner for a glass of beer?"

PRESCOTT FORCED TO SERVE WARRANT BY LAWS OF LAND

Indictment of Sheriff Schermerhorn Left Constable to Act in Arrest of Banks On Ballot Theft Charge

Authorities this morning issued a statement explaining that Constable George J. Prescott, murdered a week ago by L. A. Banks, was given the warrant to serve because Sheriff Gordon L. Schermerhorn was under indictment for the same offense—ballot stealing—and therefore could not serve the warrant. The warrant, with others, was issued and signed by the county clerk upon orders of the circuit court. The district attorney's office had nothing to do with this phase of the legal proceedings—its duties were centered in the presentation of the evidence upon which the indictments were returned.

Criticism Unjust
There has been some criticism because the sheriff's office was not given the warrant to serve upon Banks. It is based solely upon this unjust, unwarranted conjecture.

It is the rule that when the sheriff, for any reason, cannot serve a warrant, that it be placed in the hands of the constable and issued in his name.

Constable Prescott, when the warrants were placed in his hands, called to his aid three state policemen and proceeded to the Banks home. Two of the state police were stationed at the back door to prevent any escape. Sgt. James O'Brien went with Constable Prescott to the front door. Mrs. Edith R. Banks opened the door as scheduled. Circuit Judge William M. Duncan of Klamath county was unable to finish a case in progress there in time to reach here today.

It is also expected that the grand jury will make its first report to the court. It has been in session since Tuesday noon, examining a number of witnesses on the information charging L. A. Banks, agitator and orchardist, his wife, Edith R. Banks, and E. A. Fleming Jacksonville orchardist, with first degree murder for the killing of Constable George J. Prescott, a week ago.

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REFERENDUM ON OLEO TAX MEASURE SOUGHT

SALEM, March 23.—(AP)—A preliminary petition for a referendum on the four cent oleomargarine tax measure was filed with the secretary of state late today. The petition was filed by the anti-fool tax league.

The bill was passed by the last legislature calling for a tax of four cents a pound on oleomargarine and other butter substitutes.

Hall in Salem
SALEM, Ore., March 23.—(AP)—Hallstones the size of large garden peas fell torrentially in Salem for a short while this afternoon, in marked contrast to this morning's sunshine.

BERLIN, March 23.—(AP)—Carl Severing, leader of the socialist party was arrested as he entered the Kroll opera house where the reichstag, public. He is charged with misuse of public funds for propaganda purposes.

ROOSEVELT DISCUSSES FARM BILL



In Washington for his epochal conference with President Hoover on war debts, President-elect Roosevelt emphasized his desire that the present congress pass a farm aid bill. He is shown on the rear platform of his train conferring with Rep. Marvin Jones of Texas, chairman of the house agricultural committee. (Associated Press Photo)

SCHERMERHORN'S FITNESS WILL BE PROBED FRIDAY

Hearing to determine the fitness of Sheriff Gordon L. Schermerhorn to hold the office of sheriff, and asking for a suspension of 90 days, will be held tomorrow, instead of today, as scheduled. Circuit Judge William M. Duncan of Klamath county was unable to finish a case in progress there in time to reach here today.

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GOODYEAR TIRES DOWN 20 PER CT.

A reduction of 20 percent in the price of Goodyear tires was announced today by the Goodyear Tire and Rubber company. This new, sweeping reduction in the prices will mean substantial savings for southern Oregon motorists and will be effective immediately.

The Medford Service Station and its associate dealers are ready for the increased business expected to result from this price reduction announcement, according to C. C. Furnas.

Minister Named Ashland Attorney

Rev. George V. McClure of Ashland was Tuesday night named city attorney for Ashland at a meeting of the city council. Councilmen Nininger and Gregg approved the appointment, while Councilmen Taylor and Wenner opposed it. Mayor Wiley cast the deciding vote.

A cleanup campaign for the city was also inaugurated by the Ashland council.

ROSEBURG BITTER IN OPPOSITION TO SHASTA REMOVAL

Charge Unfair Discrimination Against Old Route for Natron Cut-Off in Suit Instigated by Chamber

ROSEBURG, Ore., March 23.—(AP)—Charging the Southern Pacific company with unfair discrimination against the Shasta route in favor of the Natron cut-off, declaring that the company is violating an agreement with the United States government to maintain adequate train service to Roseburg and the northwest national soldiers' home, and contending that under the terms of the land grant, which made possible the construction of the Oregon and California railroad, now operated by the Southern Pacific, train service adequate for the development of the communities affected by the grant must be maintained, even at a financial loss, the Roseburg chamber of commerce is today filing formal suit against the railroad company before the Oregon public service commission to enjoin the company from canceling the Shasta trains No. 7 and 8, which the Southern Pacific announces will be discontinued March 27.

Interests Agree to Plea.
The complaint was authorized at a special meeting of the chamber of commerce directors and local shippers last night. Authority was also given for the president of the chamber of commerce to appoint a committee to represent the city of Roseburg at a hearing to be granted by the public service commission at Salem, March 29.

Since the construction of the Natron cut-off the complaints alleged by the Southern Pacific company has by advertisement, solicitation and in other ways induced the traveling public to patronize its Cascade route, thereby taking traffic from the Shasta division. The complaint also points out that the Shasta route was built by the aid of a large grant of public lands through an act of congress, the purpose being to provide development of the country adjacent to the

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MIXED FOURSOME LURE TO GOLFERS

A mixed two-ball foursome tournament—first of the kind to be played on the Rogue Valley golf course in years, will be enjoyed Sunday, play starting at 11 a. m. Seventeen foursomes have entered to date, according to Chairman A. P. Johnson of the tournament committee, and it is expected that additional couples will enter before the lists close. Wives of other members of golfing families wishing to enter the tournament should call Mr. Johnson at the Standard Oil headquarters or Jack Hueston, club pro at the golf course.

Eighteen holes will be played Sunday with luncheon and refreshments all included in the initial levy of \$1.50 per couple, to be paid by the men at the start of the tourney. Pairings will be listed Friday.

TWENTY-ONE BIDS ON MAIL OPENED TODAY

Twenty-one bids for carrying the mail between points that the Southern Pacific trains will not cover after next Sunday, were opened at the local post office this morning, according to Postmaster William J. Warner. The bids were forwarded to the chief clerk of the railway service, Portland. Mr. Warner said, and definite announcement of the awarding of the bid is expected to be received here tomorrow.

MANY DONATING PRESCOTT FUNDS

Contributions are coming in regularly for the Prescott benefit trust fund, both to the Legion and Elks committees.

The Legion committee has banked over \$100 and today Col. W. H. Paine was named the Legion treasurer, and Police Chief McCredie the committee chairman.

Contributions may be sent to Col. Paine, treasurer, American Legion committee or to Butler, chairman of the Elks' committee, care the Colorado garage.

This fund will be kept entirely distinct from the Prescott Memorial fund, the former will be devoted entirely to financial aid for Prescott's widow and dependents the latter to an appropriate memorial, its exact nature and final location to be determined later.

Wins Divorce



Marion Nixon, petite film actress, was awarded divorce in Los Angeles in a suit brought against her husband, Edward H. Hillman, Jr. (Associated Press Photo)

HITLER GRANTED DICTATOR POWER FOR FOUR YEARS

BERLIN, Mar. 23.—(AP)—The Reichstag, with only the Socialists opposing, today passed an empowering act granting Chancellor Hitler's demand for four years of dictatorial power.

The outcome was inevitable, but the opposition was given time to express itself. Otto Weiskopf, veteran of the revolution of 1918, which set up the republic, was spokesman for the Socialists.

"Take our liberty, take our lives, but leave us our honor," he appealed. "If you (Nazis) really want social reconstruction you need no such law as this."

The chancellor, who had heard him through up to this point, leaped to his feet with a passionate reply. Gone was all the moderation of the message on policy which he had delivered at the morning session.

He berated the Socialists for their "fourteen years of persecution of the Nazis."

"You're too late!" he shouted. "We don't need you any longer in molding the fate of our nation!"

If the Socialists charge persecution now, he cried, they did the same thing to him in the years gone by. The constitution written at Weimar and the flag to the republic which was adopted there were accepted shamelessly at the bidding of foreign powers, he said.

RAINS THREATEN TO ADD MISERY FLOODED REGION

LOUISVILLE, Ky., March 23.—(AP)—As the Ohio river crest surged incessantly toward the Mississippi, sprawling floods in western Kentucky, Illinois and Missouri this week end, resident of stricken communities turned anxious eyes toward dripping skies today.

Showers descended on the already overloaded watershed of the Ohio valley last night. The weather bureau forecast more rains for today, but said they probably would be so light as to not cause serious increases in river stages.

The Ohio began receding along the 150 miles of waterfront between Ashland, Ky., and Cincinnati after driving thousands of families from their homes in the lowlands of West Virginia, Ohio, Kentucky and Indiana. At least 12 deaths had been laid directly or indirectly to the floods. Refugees hoped to reclaim their homes in a week or two provided there are no more heavy rains soon. The river was practically at a standstill today in Louisville after driving approximately 800 persons from their homes. A section near the river, where some 8000 persons live, was believed to have been saved from the flood by extensive levees of sandbags.

BEER RACKETEERS SPELL DANGER FOR BREWERIES RETURN

Illicit Outfits Will Not Give Up Fat Profits Without Stiff Struggle. Is Prediction—Delight Tempered

By JAMES McMULLEN
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NEW YORK, Mar. 23.—Brokers are giving their best advice to lay off the multitude of brewery stocks now floating around.

Nearly all the breweries which have any real hopes of prosperity are closely held by family dynasties. One leading New York newspaper is considering the refusal of all beer stock promotion advertisements.

The big brewers' delight at the prospect of future business is seriously tempered by the racketeer problem. Despite contrary reports, they have not yet figured how to handle the hard guys. Fat illicit profits will not be given up without a severe struggle.

Tammany is smacking its lips at the outlook for patronage plums in the state beer administration. Present plans call for an aggregate salary list of half a million dollars a year. Several of the jobs will be in the \$10,000 class and the deserving railroad can hardly wait.

Local railroad experts are not at all keen on the seven-round consolidation plan which Mr. Prince of Boston (Continued on Page Two)

CHAMBER DRIVE PLANS MAPPED

Prospect cards were segregated and other plans preparatory to the extensive campaign for Chamber of Commerce funds completed last night at gathering of those persons who will be responsible for the success of the drive.

M. N. Hogan, who presided at the meeting, gave each assistant his allotment and announced that 800 persons will probably be solicited during the drive, opening gun of which will be fired Tuesday.

Services have been volunteered from many quarters. Hogan also stated, persons not members of the chamber for many years coming out with announcement that they are going to join and are anxious to aid success of the drive.

Mrs. Ross Slated As U. S. Treasurer

WASHINGTON, March 23.—(AP)—Senator Kendrick (D., Wyo.), told newspapermen today he had "reasons to believe" that Mrs. Nellie Taylor Ross would be appointed treasurer of the United States. Mrs. Ross is vice-chairman of the Democratic national committee and a former governor of Wyoming. Kendrick would not elaborate on his statement.

WILL ROGERS SAYS:

BEVERLY HILLS, Cal., Mar. 22.—Here is a heart-breaking thing for an income tax payer to relate. Did you notice in this, the worst year in history, that the receipts from the income tax doubled over last year? Well that kinder knocks into a cocked hat the idea that if you taxed incomes too much there wouldn't be any. That is a lot of loopy.

Folks that can earn money will earn it no matter what percentage they themselves get out of it. But you must always remember the government has left one loophole open for those with money, and that is the tax exempt bonds. So our financial ills will never be settled till you fix it so every man will pay an income tax on what he earns, be it a farm, grocery store or municipal or government bonds.

Yours,
Will Rogers
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