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Comment on the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS.

THERE has been much talk in recent months of improvement in business, but so far this improvement has been chiefly psychological—which is a big word meaning "in people's minds."

That is to say, while actual dollars and cents business in Southern Oregon hasn't been any better people have believed that it is GOING TO GET BETTER, and so have been feeling a lot more cheerful and hopeful.

HERE, however, is a sign of improvement that is definite and tangible—something you can put your fingers on:

In the pine district east of the mountains, which extends from Crescent lake in the north to Dunsmuir and Bieber in the south, railroad carloadings for May, 1933, showed an increase of more than TWENTY per cent over the total for May, 1932.

That is the first time in three years that railroad carloadings in this district have shown any increase at all over the corresponding month of the year before.

As a matter of fact, they have been steadily decreasing.

RAILROAD carloadings represent actual merchandise shipped in and out. There is nothing psychological about them. They are actual and positive.

The merchandise that filled these cars, which in this instance was chiefly logs and lumber, was bought and sold, and money was paid for it. It represented actual business transactions, and the increase represented an actual increase in business.

So, you see, these hopes of better business that have been keeping people in a more hopeful frame of mind are actually being realized.

HERE is a statement made by this writer yesterday by a shrewd observer of conditions, whose opinion is worth while:

"I was in Southern Oregon last about four months ago, and at that time things looked anything but good. To be perfectly frank about it, I didn't know then whether you'd ever pull out or not."

"I never saw a bigger change than has come about in these four months. People are feeling better, and business is actually better. The future four months ago looked pretty dark, but now it looks bright."

"No longer have any doubt at all about the future of the Southern Oregon country. You're going to come out all right, and I think your recovery will be even more rapid than you expect."

It sounds pretty good to hear people talking that way again, doesn't it?

HERE is something that may interest you:
Three carloads of STRAW are being loaded out of Southern Oregon for Eugene. Straw, mind you—a product that for several years hasn't been worth shipping any distance at all, because the freight cost would have been far too high.

This straw, which was haled, brought \$8 a ton f. o. b. cars.
UP in the Willamette valley, incidentally, they burn their straw to get rid of it. If some of the farmers up that way had saved their straw last fall instead of burning it, they would be better off now.

They would be better off ALWAYS if they saved their straw instead of burning it, and put it back on the land, for the sour, wet soil of the Willamette valley particularly needs more humus.

THE Willamette valley, in the early days, was an astonishingly rich agricultural district—producing, it is said, as much as 50 or even 60 bushels of wheat per acre. The average yield is now below 10 bushels. This drop in production is due to soil robbing—falling to put back into the soil the fertility that is taken out by cropping.

Let us hope that down here in Southern Oregon we are not guilty of this crime of soil robbing that has so reduced the productivity of the Willamette valley.

WASHINGTON, June 16.—(AP)—For the first time in history congress meets next in January, leaving the capital without its accustomed ornamental accompaniment for the Christmas holidays.

ROOSEVELT WINS NOTABLE VICTORY IN VET ECONOMY

Congress Accepts Terms of Compromise On Pensions As Final Act—Few Tasks Are Left Unaccomplished

WASHINGTON, June 16.—(AP)—President Roosevelt today completed signature of all the major bills sent to him by the extra session of congress, by affixing his name to the \$3,600,000,000 appropriation measure for public works.

The final bills which he signed late in the day also included the \$600,000,000 appropriation for independent offices, carrying the disputed funds for veterans' compensation allowances; the measure continuing for another year the gasoline tax and reducing postal rates; the farm credit administration bill and the District of Columbia appropriation measure.

WASHINGTON, June 16.—(AP)—President Roosevelt today appointed Hugh S. Johnson as administrator of public recovery under the industrial supervision bill.

He also named Colonel Donald H. Sawyer, now chairman of the federal stabilization board, as temporary controller of federal public works.

These two men will control the public works-industrial control program on which the president is continuing to end the emergency. Public works of \$3,600,000,000 are authorized.

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SILENCE BLANKETS FATE OF MATERN ON NORTHERN HOP

NOME, Alaska, June 16.—(AP)—Silence blanketed the Bering sea and Alaska today over the fate of Jimmie Matern, Texas round-the-world flier, unreported since leaving the Siberian coast two days ago.

On the ninth and most difficult leg of his solo world flight, Matern's supply, which had remained in the air, would have been used up by 11:30 p. m. (E. S. T.) last night, and he would have been compelled to land. Along the 2800-mile hop from Khabarovsk, Siberia, no ship nor land settlement had reported sighting him.

While searching plans were held in abeyance today because of the frequency with which "lost planes" have turned up in Alaska, aviation men recalled that he had said before leaving Khabarovsk several days ago on his first attempt to reach Alaska that his plane was in "fine shape."

WALLA WALLA, Wash., June 16.—(AP)—The anxiety of Mrs. Jimmie Matern increased today as no word was forthcoming from Alaska about her husband, daring round-the-world flier.

"We fliers' wives never give up hope," she said, "but he's been unreported such a long time now."

MUSIC RUINS EFFECT OF CLERIC'S ADDRESS

CONCORD, N. H., June 16.—(AP)—Hereafter when he makes an address, says Rev. Paul Hardin, Jr., Methodist minister, he is going to request there be no music.

His reasons: At the conclusion of a recent sermon a male quartet began singing "Now Tedious and Tasteless." When he finished a haccalaureate sermon to the high school graduates the glee club sang "Awake! Awake!"

EASTMAN SELECTED RAIL CO-ORDINATOR

WASHINGTON, June 16.—(AP)—President Roosevelt today formally named Joseph B. Eastman, now a member of the I. C. C. as the federal coordinator of railroads under the new authority granted by congress.

Whiteman in Crash
DENVER, Colo., June 16.—(AP)—Paul Whiteman, orchestra leader, his wife and father and two Denver friends were recovering from shock today after their automobile had been sideswiped by another car on a narrow mountain road last night.

ALTON III, June 16.—(AP)—H. M. Johnson's cow "Bowie" is a mother again for the fifth time within a year. She gave birth to triplets last July. Now she is the mother of twins. The animal is eight years old.

Prosecution Springs Surprise in Trial of Jones

COLUMBIA RIVER FLOODS FARMS



Sweeping to its highest flood stage in years, the Columbia river menaced farmland dikes and waterfront property near Portland, Ore. This airview shows a flooded farm on Government island. (Associated Press Photo)

What Congress Accomplished

WASHINGTON, June 16.—(AP)—The seventy-third congress accomplished a history-making record of legislation, passing every vital bill submitted by the president, and starting the government on new enterprises.

Briefly recapitulated, here is what was done:

Financial Legislation
Took the American dollar off gold, placed the banking system under emergency federal control, cancelled all public and private promises to pay in gold.

Appropriated more than \$5,270,000,000, most of it for extraordinary expenditures, to be bond issue financed, and not included in the regular budget. Empowered the president to reduce normal expenditures nearly \$1,000,000,000 to bring the regular budget to somewhat of a balance.

Imposed new taxes to yield \$220,000,000 a year to fund the extraordinary bond issues; continued through 1934 all special excises by the previous congress; enlarged the federal tax on gasoline and transferred the electricity tax from the producer to the consumer; limited the capital gains and losses provision of the income tax law.

Ordered far-reaching revision of the American banking methods, limiting the power of private banks, reducing the opportunities for speculation with bank credits, insuring deposits restrictedly and strengthening federal reserve supervision.

Put issuance of all securities under federal supervision, inaugurating policy of making sellers beware.

Authorized country's biggest public construction program, more than three billion dollars' worth to create employment.

Voted first federal large scale direct relief grants, \$500,000,000.

Made possible anti-trust law suspension for new industrial policy of government-supervised trade agreements to control production, boost prices, wages and employment.

Approved creation of civilian conservation corps, to employ quarter million young men at conservation work on dollar a day basis.

Gave secretary of agriculture power to boost farm prices through a wide variety of alternative programs, combining most of the farm relief proposals of the past ten years.

Made available \$4,000,000,000 for relief of farmers and home owners hard pressed under big mortgage load.

Authorized reorganization of railroads under federal direction.

Other Major Legislation
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KELSO RESIDENTS FORCED TO FLEE AS DIKE CRACKS

150-Foot Break Inundates Wide Territory—Huge Property Loss Seen—Relief Measures Organized

PORTLAND, Ore., June 16.—(AP)—The crest of the flood in the lower Columbia river and in the Willamette at Portland of about 26 feet will be reached early next week, according to Edward L. Wells, weather observer here. The river at Portland today was at the 24.5 foot mark.

KELSO, Wash., June 16.—(AP)—A thousand homeless persons saw flood waters many feet deep surging through and over their homes in South Kelso today, while the waters from the Coveaman river, pouring through a 150-foot break in a dike, crept nearer the main business district.

Through the late hours last night the waters were rising an inch an hour, but a high tide pushing up the Columbia came and went without materially changing the situation. The property loss stood in the thousands of dollars today, but no lives were known lost.

Ten Feet Deep
In one place, where a slaughter house stood, the water was 10 feet deep. The roofs of about 40 houses in the area were all that could be seen of them, while upwards of 300 in all were submerged to a greater or less extent.

Meanwhile, the stricken area remained closed, by the proclamation of Mayor Herman Parrot, and relief measures were under way, even while the flood was being fought.

The district was closed to all persons except those authorized to enter, and a force of 75 to 100 men, including the police force and 50 men deputized for the work, was patrolling the area under Chief of Police Carl Pritchard. Many of them used boats, while others were patrolling the edges of the district, upwards of 40 city blocks in extent.

Build New Dikes
Another force of 500 men were armed with shovels, building small dikes throughout the area.

Shortly after midnight, the waters were within two blocks of the main business district, and store owners had their clerks at work clearing the basements and first floors. Water splashed over the Pacific highway to a depth of a foot or more, but traffic was detained.

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BANKS EXTENSION LAST TO BE GIVEN

Upon the condition advanced by the court, Llewellyn A. Banks, convicted slayer of Constable George J. Prescott was yesterday granted six days additional time by Circuit Judge Skipwith in which to file a motion for a new trial. The motion was filed by Attorney T. J. Enright of this city. The state, through Assistant Attorney General Ralph E. Moody, objected.

"I will grant this motion—but it is the last one," said Judge Skipwith. "It is understood that the time expires, June 22."

Banks has recovered from the recent operation for glandular trouble, and according to reports to Judge Skipwith, is up and walking around the Eugene hospital where he has been since the day after his conviction. His health is good.

His wife and little daughter are now residing in Eugene.

ECONOMIC MEET WAITS WORD ON AMERICA'S STAND

Gold Standard Countries Unwilling to Budge Until Approval of Stabilization Project Is Received

LONDON, Eng., June 16.—(AP)—An agreement for stabilization of the dollar and the pound was fairly complete tonight except for the decision as to whether the control will start, it was said, in American quarters.

By DEWITT MACKENZIE
LONDON, June 16.—(P)—The world economic conference after important meetings of its monetary and economic commissions today decided virtually to mark time on the major problems over the week-end pending definite word regarding Washington's attitude toward currency stabilization.

The gold standard countries, it was said in French quarters, do not intend to budge until approval of a stabilization project has been received from the American administration.

U. S. Disappoints
French delegates and their followers expressed keen disappointment over Secretary Woodin's announcement in Washington that the United States government had not agreed to any currency stabilization proposals.

Which are understood to have been considered by French, American and British financial leaders.

The French indicated they had thought the stabilization question had been settled when they conceded the chairmanship of the monetary commission to James M. Cox, second in command of the United States group.

It had been reported that plans were afoot to stabilize the American dollar at between \$4.04 to \$4.07 to the British pound.

In a formal statement given out in Washington last night and received here this morning, the American secretary of the treasury said that "the discussions in London (regarding stabilization) must be exploratory only, and any agreement on this subject"

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HURDLER HURT IN CHICAGO TUMBLE

SOLDIER FIELD, CHICAGO, June 16.—(AP)—Jack Keller of Ohio State university, unofficial holder of the world record for the 220-yard low hurdles, fell and failed to qualify for the 120-yard event in the preliminaries of the national collegiate track and field championships today.

The Ohioan, running at terrific speed and leading his field at the time, stumbled and plunged headlong into the eighth hurdle, cutting slashes in both knees. Keller, favorite to win both the 220 and 120-yard hurdle events limped off the field heartbroken because of his misfortune.

PUBLIC WORKS HEADS CHOSEN

WASHINGTON, June 16.—(AP)—President Roosevelt today put the public works-industrial control program in the hands of two administrators—Donald Sawyer and Hugh Johnson—and designated two special cabinet committees to work with them.

He gave orders to start work as quickly as possible.

To speed the job-giving public works program he directed that \$400,000,000 be made available immediately to the states for highway construction and directed a start of the \$238,000,000 naval construction program aimed at the building of 32 new ships mostly under the London limitation treaty.

OREGON BRIDGE BILLS SIGNED BY PRESIDENT

PORTLAND, June 16.—(AP)—All five bills by Senator McNary approving construction of bridges along the Oregon coast highway have been signed by President Roosevelt, according to a special Washington, D. C. dispatch to the Journal today.

PEAR MEETING POSTPONED
Due to inability of Dr. Henry Hartman to arrive in Medford today, the Pear Council meeting scheduled for this evening at the court house has been postponed to next week.

BASEBALL

National
NEW YORK, June 16.—(AP)—Sam Leslie, recently traded by the New York Giants, led the Dodgers to a 3-to-1 victory of his former teammates today. He drove in two runs, one with a homer and the other with a long fly.

The score:
R H E
Brooklyn 3 6 1
New York 1 8 2
Mungo and Lopez; Schumacher, Laque and Mannuso.

American
Cleveland at Detroit postponed, rain and wet grounds.

AD NAT
Boston at Philadelphia postponed, bad weather.

DEMO EXPERIMENT OPENS AS SOLONS START HOMEWARD

Roosevelt Will Be Like Dictator for Next Six Months—Expected Move Slowly in Exercise of New Power

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By Paul Mallon

WASHINGTON, June 16.—The boys who make the wheels go around in this country are on tiptoe. They know the sidestep is over and the main attraction now begins.

There is no sense in concealing the fact that everyone here realizes we are to have the first democratic election with a dictatorship in the next six months.

With congress off the Washington stage until January there is nothing to stop Mr. Roosevelt except his own personal feelings. He has more authority than Mussolini.

Nobody here is sorry about the situation. Congress quit with a sigh of relief. The bills it passed are nothing in themselves. Their importance will lie in the power Mr. Roosevelt gives them by practical application.

The inner and outer indications are that he will move very slowly. Promises have been quietly made to everyone that the full powers will never be used.

Those near the top have passed the word along that they do not intend to license a single industry under the Industrial Control Act. They apparently intend to use the power only as a big stick to herd industry into price and wage agreements.

The labor clauses are in the licensing section of the bill. They would provide a closed shop for all industries which are licensed. If none are there will be no government-made closed shops.

The promise is not official but it is supposed to have come from no less an authority than Hugh Johnson, head of the setup. He is being quoted to that effect by business men who dashed to oppose the legislation when they found it might mean unionization. It slowed them down somewhat.

What it means is that if they are good boys and play ball with the government on this thing they may

HOME LOAN BILL OPERATING SOON

WASHINGTON, June 16.—(AP)—Senator Wagner (D. N. Y.), one of the authors of the administration home mortgage relief bill, said today it would be in operation within a week or two, but expressed confidence that in the meantime hard pressed owners could secure relief from the courts.

Wagner, a lawyer, expressed the view that no court would force a foreclosure under the circumstances, if the debtor asked for an extension of time to get relief under the new law.

MAXIMUM TAX FOR WHEAT IS ORDERED

WASHINGTON, June 16.—(AP)—Secretary Wallace announced today that the maximum processing tax on wheat, about 30 cents, will be levied to finance an acreage reduction program under which benefits of approximately \$150,000,000 will be paid farmers this year.

HENRIETTA MARTIN AND FEHL LINKED WITH BALLOT PLOT

State Attorney Declares Defendant Conferred With G.G.C. Leader and County Judge Before Stealing

The state sprang a surprise this afternoon in its presentation of its case against Walter Jones, mayor of Rogue River, the second of the ballot burning defendants to go on trial. When Assistant Attorney General Moody declared to the jury that he would present evidence to show that Jones had conferred both with Mrs. Henrietta Martin, president of the Good Government congress and Earl H. Fehl, county judge, a short time before the vault of the court house was broken into and the ballot boxes stolen.

"The evidence will show you," declared Mr. Moody, "that after the meeting of the Good Government congress held in the court house just before this crime was committed, the defendant, Jones, held a long conference with Mrs. Martin and following that conferred with Fehl. At the latter meeting Jones said to Fehl 'It's all O. K. now.' And the evidence will show the county judge replied 'You keep mum.'"

The state also declared evidence against Jones will be supported by many witnesses who had no part in the crime, were not connected in any way with it and the evidence will further show that Jones admitted to others his own participation in the sacking of the court house.

To Claim Alibi
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Attorney Jacks said that Jones was in town throughout the day of the ballot theft and that every minute of his time would be accounted for in testimony. That he ate supper at the home of Earl H. Fehl and that he was outside the court house at the request of Henrietta B. Martin, president of the so-called Good Government Congress, who asked him to make a check up and see that there was no disturbance.

He informed the court that Jones' family would testify that he arrived home about midnight and that nobody called. That the first news received by Jones of the ballot theft was over the radio the next day.

Attorney Jacks also stated that he would introduce character witnesses for his client, Jones.

Walter J. Jones, mayor of the town of Rogue River, one of the rural leaders in the self-styled "Good Government congress," and who, the state of Oregon contends, was the signman of the ballot stealing last February, went on trial today in circuit court charged with "burglary" over the radio the next day.

The first witness will be called to the stand this afternoon, with the

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WILL ROGERS SAYS:

BEVERLY HILLS, Cal., June 15.—The president has been breaking his neck to get congress "off the Potomac" before Thursday, the day the debts were due. He was afraid to have 'em there when the bad news arrived. He was afraid they would commit suicide.

See where some American heires gave as her reason for marrying one of this mess of Mdivanis that he was "smart, cute, amusing, interesting and hangs around all the time." Sounds almost like the recommendation of a good setter pup.

Everyone at London say "something must be done" and it looks like it will be us.

Yours,

Will Rogers

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