

The Weather
Forecast: Cloudy tonight and Friday. Not much change in temperature.
Highest yesterday 53
Lowest this morning 38

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9 CHILDREN DIE IN SCHOOL TRUCK



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WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—One thing congressmen are getting ready to beat their desks about is the NRA.

Home town business men and industrialists have been priming their senators and representatives with complaints. Legislation to revise the basic law will be offered and may pass. Any important changes will be vetoed by Mr. Roosevelt and cannot pass over a veto.

Nevertheless it appears that the president will have to toss a bone to the congressional growers. It may be General Johnson.

There has been a renewal of inside talk lately about getting some one of a judicial temperament in Johnson's place.

Certain of the president's friends would like to see Johnson in charge of public works. His inspiration and promoting abilities are needed there. That change also would give Mr. Tokes a chance to be secretary of interior.

The best guess now is that the NRA will plug along on a middle-of-the-road policy for the present. The trend will be toward conservatism rather than more radical measures. The old idea of turning it into a scheme for socialization of industry cannot be put into effect until business goes bad.

Business is refusing to get bad now.

Those who are on top in the state department have heard there will be a mild and quiet reorganization there when State Secretary Hull returns. Hull is beginning to assert himself. He dropped a couple of the old clique boys out of the window before he left. More will go when he returns.

GRADE CROSSING SCENE OF HORROR IN MORNING FOG

Bodies Strewn Along Railroad As Freight Crashes Into Loaded Bus—Seven Killed Outright, 30 Hurt

CRESCENT CITY, Fla., Dec. 14.—(AP)—Nine lives were lost and approximately 30 injured today when a freight train crashed into a crowded school bus at a grade crossing in a heavy morning fog.

Seven children, three of them from a single family, were killed outright, and two others died later from injuries. Several of the most seriously hurt were not expected to survive.

CRESCENT CITY, Fla., Dec. 14.—(AP)—At least six elementary school children were killed and 18 others injured, some probably fatally, when a freight train crashed into a school bus six miles north of here today.

There was widest confusion, with cries of parents mingled with screams of the injured children in frantic efforts to find their little ones or aid in rescue work.

The driver of the bus, D. R. Niles, was among the seriously injured. All available ambulances from Palatka, Deland and Crescent City rushed to the scene, loaded quickly with dead or injured and hurried away to hospitals, complicating a quick check of the casualties.

The dead: William Smith, 12; Evelyn Smith, 9; Merle Smith, 15, children of Mrs. Bennie Smith, a widow. Willard Owen, Hazel McGraw, 13, and Eddie McGraw, 10, children of Drew McGraw, Nellie McGraw, of the same family, was reported seriously injured.

There was said to be a possibility others of the injured would die. Louis Leach, one of the first to reach the scene, described it as "the most horrible imaginable."

Held In Son's Death



Donald K. Smith of Littleton Colo., was jailed in connection with the death of his infant son, Sheriff E. E. Monzingo said Smith confessed to kicking the child to death. (As associated Press Photo)

SISKIYOU SURVEY ORDER INDICATES EARLY BUILDING

The local members of the Pacific Highway association have been informed that a survey of the highway over the Siskiyou from the summit to the California line has been ordered. When this is done the entire survey from the present highway near the state Normal at Ashland to the California line will be completed and ready for construction when contracts are let.

Construction is now under way on the first unit from Medford to Wall creek, by Von der Hellen & Pearson. Present plans of the highway commission, if adopted by the government, provide \$800,000 more to grade the line to the summit and this survey being ordered to the California line gives hopes of another allowance to complete the highway in the early part of the new year.

BUTTERMILKERS MEET SATURDAY

A district meeting of the Oregon Butter and Ice Cream Makers' association will be held Saturday at one o'clock at the Hotel Medford. All buttermilk makers, managers and helpers in creameries are invited to attend.

SPRAY TOLERANCE SET FOR APPLES

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—(AP)—A tolerance of .019 grain of lead per pound of apples in spray residue on fruit harvested in 1934 was announced today by the department of agriculture.

DEFER SENTENCE YOUNG CAR THIEF

William Chester Poole, a 19-year-old youth of Butte Falls, enlisted in the CCC, who admitted five auto thefts, three housebreakings, four burglaries and a number of petty thefts in this city and county the past year, pleaded before Circuit Judge H. D. Norton this morning for sentence. Poole admitted the thefts. The court deferred sentence until next Monday morning. Poole asked that he be paroled to his father.

TRANSIENT CENTER WILL OPEN HERE; DURHAM AT HEAD

State Director Starts Work On Visit Here—House at Fourth and Front Streets Is Selected As Location

Definite preparations for the opening of a transient relief station in Medford were underway here today, following the visit of C. W. Reynolds, state director of transient relief, and appointment by him of G. R. Durham, state director of transient relief, as supervisor of the Medford transient center, as it will be officially known.

The center will be located in the former Will H. Wilson residence on the corner of Fourth and Front streets, which was rented from Orin McDonald, instead of in the old church building on Bartlett, as originally planned.

Work started this morning to get the building in condition. It has sufficient space to insure adequate sanitary facilities at all times. The center will be under direct control of the state transient bureau in Portland and will be operated on a cost wage basis.

Mr. Durham stated today that several days' time would be needed to complete the necessary alterations and installations, but that he expected to have the center in operation no later than next Wednesday.

The building is being rented by the county for the project at a cost of \$20 a month. Mayor E. M. Wilson stated today, explaining that the city of Medford is really having nothing definite to do with the establishment of the center, other than acting as sponsor. He conferred yesterday with Mr. Reynolds and Lawrence Pennington and Carl Stuart of the Lions club regarding the equipment formerly in the Lions' kitchen, which will be available for the transient center.

Decision by Director. The placing of the center here in preference to Ashland, Major Wilson further explained today, was a decision made by Mr. Reynolds and one over which the city of Medford had no influence. Mr. Reynolds, after making a survey of the territory, the mayor stated, was of the opinion that Medford was the logical location for

RENALDO MUST GO TO PRISON

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 14.—(UP)—The sentence of Duncan Renaldo, handsome former movie star, to serve two years in McNeil Island federal penitentiary was upheld by the United States court of appeals here today.

TANKER AND CREW SINKS, BLACK SEA

BUCHAREST, Rumania, Dec. 14.—(AP)—The Spanish tanker Zarofa sank in a violent Black Sea storm today, 18 miles from Istanbul. Her crew was feared lost.

AGRICULTURAL GROUP TO MEET TOMORROW

Samaritans Find Supposed 'Drunk' Dying From Stab

BELLINGHAM, Wash., Dec. 14.—(AP)—S. J. Robertson and James Hughes, both 22, saw a man apparently drunk reeling along a downtown street last night.

SEATTLE DENTIST EXTORTION TARGET

SEATTLE, Dec. 14.—(AP)—A reported extortion plot, with threats of a "Detroit racketeering gang," Police said they did not connect the new case with the two men arrested yesterday as suspects in what was believed to have been the planned kidnaping of John Von Herberg, 16-year-old son of J. G. Von Herberg, Pacific northwest theater magnate.

OREGON FORESTS BRING \$54,376 DURING YEAR

SALEM, Ore., Dec. 14.—(UP)—Oregon's share of receipts from the federal government for timber sales and rentals in federal forests during 1933 was \$54,376.16, a government release revealed today.

WHEAT CONTRACTS TO BE FORWARDED FRIDAY

With the wheat production contracts to be sent away tomorrow, the county agent's office announced that today is the last day they will be issued.

TOTS BURN TO DEATH IN MOTHER'S ABSENCE

NYSSA, Ore., Dec. 14.—(AP)—Two children burned to death Wednesday in a fire which destroyed the home of their parents. Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Jones of Adrian.

NEW LICENSE PLATES MAY BE SEEN FRIDAY

PORTLAND, Dec. 14.—(AP)—Oregon motorists on Friday may legally display the 1934 license plates of aluminum gray with black raised numerals.

Huge Sugar Store Goes Up In Smoke

MT. CLEMENS, Mich., Dec. 14.—(AP)—More than 10,000,000 pounds of sugar stored in a warehouse of the Mt. Clemens Sugar company was destroyed by fire of undetermined origin this morning. The Northwestern Sugar Co. of Bay City, which operates the plant, announced the loss would approximate \$500,000, on the stock of sugar alone.

BRYAN WAS RIGHT RAINEY DECLARES IN URGING SILVER

Bill for Free Coinage Will Pass House Like Flash Says Speaker—20 to 1 Ratio Is Believed Proper

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—(AP)—Speaker Rainey, at a press conference today, declared himself for free coinage of silver and said if President Roosevelt proposed such a step at the coming session it would "go through the house like it was greased."

"I think the house would favor free coinage of silver, but the administration would have to take the initiative," said the house leader. Rainey said he did not know how the President felt on the silver question. He added, however, that he felt whatever the administration money policy was it would be upheld by congress.

Rainey said the white metal had been used as money "from the time Abraham bought a cave for 400 shekels of silver, and from that time until a few years ago 'silver has been a recognized standard of exchange in the world.'"

REWARD OFFERED STOLEN PAPERS

While Gene D. Evans was attending to business matters at Burelon's Ready-to-Wear Shop on South Central early last evening, 40 silk dresses and a yellow Gladstone bag were stolen from his automobile, which was parked in front of the Jackson hotel, according to a report placed on file with the city police. The articles were taken some time between 6 and 9 o'clock.

PORTLAND CAFE LOSES NRA SIGN

PORTLAND, Dec. 14.—(AP)—In one of the first actions of the kind on the Pacific coast, the National Recovery Administration has withdrawn the NRA blue eagle from the White Rose restaurant in Portland.

ACTOR RAFT SWINGS ON PRODUCER'S NOSE

HOLLYWOOD, Dec. 14.—(UP)—Movie temperament reached a new high today when George Raft, swarthy young actor, and Barney Glazer, associate producer, engaged in another of Hollywood's famous one punch fights.

GOLDEN GATE BRIDGE WORK HIT BY STORM

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 14.—(UP)—One thousand feet of the temporary trestle that extends out to the pier on the San Francisco side of the Golden Gate bridge was swept away by high-running seas last night.

Charged In Lynching



John F. Zook, former policeman, with two others, was charged with first degree murder in St. Joseph, Mo., in connection with the recent lynching of a negro there. (Associated Press Photo)

LIQUOR CONTROL COMMISSION IN FIRST CONCLAVE

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 14.—(AP)—The three newly appointed members of Oregon's liquor control commission were cloistered here today for several hours with Governor Julius L. Meier and Dr. William Knox and George Neuner in a preliminary discussion of problems confronting the state's adventure in exclusive distribution of alcoholic drinks.

The members of the commission are George McMorran of Eugene, chairman; James D. Burns of Condon, and Alex G. Barry of Portland. McMorran is a retired merchant; Burns, a merchant and county judge of Gilliam county, and Barry is an attorney and former state commander of the American Legion.

DIAMOND LAKE ROAD BIDS IN

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 14.—(AP)—United States bureau of public roads today received bids for the grading and surfacing and bituminous surfacing of 20.3-10 miles of the Diamond Lake and Cascade Lake highway in Klamath and Douglas counties.

LINDBERGH'S FLY TO PUERTO RICO

SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico, Dec. 14.—(AP)—Col. and Mrs. Charles A. Lindbergh arrived here in their big red hydro-aeroplane after flying 1,750 miles from Port-of-Spain, Trinidad, at 1:35 this afternoon.

REED TAKES BRIDE AT SURPRISE PARTY

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 14.—(AP)—James A. Reed, who served Missouri in the United States senate for 18 years, and his bride, the former Mrs. Nell Q. Donnelly, were on a honeymoon today as secretaries about their plans as they were before their marriage last night.

FRUIT GROWERS HEAR GOOD NEWS IN ANNUAL MEET

Speakers Declare Federal Agencies Will Bring New Prosperity—Hood River Man Stated for President

Speakers at the closing sessions of the 46th annual meeting of the Oregon State Horticultural society held forth substantial hopes, backed by federal finances and agencies, for the farmers and fruitgrowers of the northwest, the state and this valley.

Final sessions were held this afternoon, closing with the annual election of officers. John Mohr of Hood River, as president, and Hood River as the 1934 meeting place were forecast.

Ed L. Potter of the agricultural economics department of O. S. C. gave a detailed explanation of the credit production plan under the AAA, and detailed its workings as now outlined. He said the loans would cover all types of fruit with Spokane as headquarters.

Potter said he anticipated "banks would reach out for farm business after the first of the year, accepting the preferred stock" of the associations formed in each district.

COUPLE CELEBRATE BIRTH 29TH CHILD

NEW LONDON, Wis., Dec. 14.—(UP)—Philip Williams, 52, and his wife, who is 40, are celebrating this week the birth of their 29th child, a girl. Williams is a farmer.

Barking Terrier Saves Residence

PORTLAND, Dec. 14.—(AP)—The barking of a fox terrier, alarmed over danger to her litter of six puppies, saved the home of Walter L. Keffler from being destroyed by fire last night. A canary was suffocated by smoke. An electric iron which someone had forgotten to turn off, caused the fire. The barking of the dog attracted attention to a pedestrian, who turned in the alarm.

WILL ROGERS SAYS: BEVERLY HILLS, Cal., Dec. 13.—The best writer on the Pacific coast, Harry Carr, making a world tour and seeing all of the governments in action, says England is over the hump first and going great.

Now that's the country that was held up to us as a horrible example because they were giving aid to unemployed. We adopted it two years later than we should.

England lowered the price of their money just about to what ours is and it must have helped them. Pretty smart "hombres," those Englishmen.

Will Rogers
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