

The Weather
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CITY MAY REVOLT ON KING PLAN



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Congress
WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.—(No modern congress ever convened in a more languid backstage than this one. The leaders were barely able to stifle their yawns as they rounded up the boys for the usual opening ceremonies. The only reason they are reopening the legislative show at all is because the constitution requires it. About the only work absolutely required is the appropriation of more money for Mr. Roosevelt to spend.

Some young enthusiasts are trying to stir up a big fight over silver. Others are trying to snipe up the public standing around first on one foot and then on the other awaiting word from the White House as to what congress is going to do.

The leaders have made no plans in advance. They frankly have postponed their party conferences until after Mr. Roosevelt speaks, because there is nothing to confer about.

This does not mean the whole session will be listless. There will be much battling and even more haggling. But the prospects are it will NOT be very important.

Mr. Roosevelt raised the roof off the White House at least two feet when he first learned from news papers that the clearing house code violated all the little extra charges banks are making now on customers.

His wrath was so great that Deputy Administrator Cary Weisiger, Jr. was fired for the mistake.

Weisiger's friends claim that the banking code was drawn up that way after conference he held in New York with his chief, Administrator Whitehead. This draft later came back to him marked: "Approved by the banking code committee and the recovery act administrator."

Weisiger knew that the draft had not been approved by anyone in Washington so he showed the statement to Whitehead. They agreed something had to be done so Weisiger took the peculiar step of writing a press release about it and sent the press release to General Johnson for approval. This came back to him marked: "OK. H.S.J."

HOME RULE AND REVENUE PROVE TEMPTING LURE

Council Postpones Action Pending League of Cities Meeting Here Tomorrow—Legality of New Law

SALEM, Jan. 3.—(AP)—No date has been set for the hearing of arguments in the case of the city of Klamath Falls vs. the state liquor commission. The case was scheduled for Tuesday in circuit court here.

Judge L. G. Leveling, circuit court judge, who is to hear the case, stated today that he had heard nothing from attorneys on either side, so could set no date for the trial. Leveling had suggested to the attorneys that they submit further arguments in the form of briefs.

Will the city of Medford join in the fight for retention of home rule in Oregon cities? That is the question foremost in the minds of many officials today, and if sentiment expressed at last night's meeting of the city council is to be accepted as a basis for the answer, it will be yes.

Tomorrow the League of Oregon cities will meet in conference here. The leading issue under consideration will be liquor regulation, and definite action regarding the home rule clause is forecast. The problem will not be considered in its relation to liquor enforcement alone, but as a "civil rights" measure.

In view of the meeting here Thursday, the council last night delayed action in the matter after a lengthy discussion, during which the sentiment (if an interpretation is to be allowed) favored strongly retention of home rule, and doubted openly the constitutionality of the Knox bill.

Klamath Urges Action
Communication from Mayor Willis E. Mahoney of Klamath Falls, asking Medford to join in the plea for retention of home rule.

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INTERIM OUTLET FOR LIQUOR IS PLAN IN STATE

PORTLAND, Jan. 3.—(AP)—In order that revenue from sale of liquor may accrue to the state immediately, and that rigid control of liquor be insured, the state liquor commission today was considering a plan for establishment of temporary retail outlets, pending final organization of a state liquor store system.

Hard liquor now is being sold by various retailers until state-owned stores can be established. The commission yesterday and today discussed a plan to authorize qualified persons to import and retail liquor, the state to regulate the price and receive the prescribed tax.

Roosevelt Informs New Congress Emergency Plans Must Continue

NRA PERMANENT IS ASSERTION IN TALK TO SOLONS

WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.—(AP)—President Roosevelt called upon congress today for a rigid continuation of the recovery campaign on the path of "reform of old methods."

In a personal appearance before the joint session of congress, Mr. Roosevelt read his message reporting progress in domestic recovery and proposing "stringent preventive or regulatory measures" for income tax evaders, negligent bank officials and speculators.

International monetary stabilization could not be established at this time, he declared.

NRA Permanent.
The president reserved specific legislative recommendations for later. Conceding that the NRA may need revision from time to time, he hailed it as permanent.

The message spoke of federal credit as "fortified" by economies and termed the farm acreage reduction procedure "succeeding."

The civil works plan, which the administration says has put 4,000,000 unemployed to work, was not dealt with specifically, but Mr. Roosevelt said his policy would be to seek "to move as rapidly as possible from direct relief to publicly supported work and from that to the rapid restoration of private employment."

Europe Disappoints.
The president spoke somewhat pessimistically of conditions in world affairs and repeated the American offer to co-operate for reduction of armament and lowering of "trade barriers."

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TWO SCHOLARSHIP CANDIDATES READY

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 3.—(AP)—Oscar Gass of Portland and Robert Hayter of Dallas will represent Oregon in the district finals for 1934 Rhodes scholarships. The two placed at the top of the list in competition here Tuesday, and will compete with 10 others at Spokane next Monday and Tuesday.

Gass is a senior at Reed college and is 30 years old. Hayter is a first-year student in University of Oregon medical school, and is 22 years old.

HIGHLIGHTS OF ROOSEVELT'S MESSAGE TO NEW CONGRESS

WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.—(AP)—Arresting sentences from President Roosevelt's address to congress:
"Recovery means a reform of many old methods, a permanent readjustment of many of our ways of thinking and therefore of many of our social and economic arrangements."

"Civilization can not go back. Civilization must not stand still. We have undertaken new methods. It is our task to perfect, to improve, to alter when necessary, but in all cases to go forward."

"We have ploughed the furrow and planted the good seed; the hard beginning is over."

"The overwhelming majority of the banks, both national and state, which reopened last spring, are in sound condition and have been brought within the protection of federal insurance."

"Not only have several millions of our unemployed been restored to work, but industry is organizing itself with a greater understanding that reasonable profits can be earned while at the same time protection can be assured to guarantee to labor adequate pay and proper conditions of work."

"I continue in my conviction that industry progress and prosperity can only be attained by bringing the purchasing power of that portion of our population which in one form or another is dependent upon agriculture up to a level which will restore a proper balance between every section of the country and every form of work."

"We have been shocked by many notorious examples of injuries done our citizens by persons or groups who have been living off their neighbors by the use of methods either unethical or criminal."

"Self help and self control are the essence of the American tradition—not of necessity the form of that tradition, but its spirit."

"We seek to prevent ruinous rivalries with industrial groups which in many cases resemble the gang wars of the underworld, and in which the real victim in every case is the public itself."

CHINESE RABBLE INVITE BOURBONS DANGERS PEIPING PORTLAND DINNER

PEIPING, Jan. 3.—(AP)—The rabble remnants of General Liu Kuei-Tang's rebel army from Chahar, numbering 2000 attempted to penetrate Peiping today, pillaging and terrorizing the city.

Government forces repulsed the invaders who were considered incapable of threatening Peiping, but the fact that an American school at Tungchow was in their wake caused anxiety to members of the American diplomatic corps here.

RUMANIAN CABINET RESIGNS IN BODY
BUCHAREST, Rumania, Jan. 3.—(AP)—The government of Premier Constantine Aronescu, successor to the assassinated Ion G. Duca, resigned today.

SALEM, Ore., Jan. 3.—(AP)—Testimony in disbarment proceedings against J. G. Arnold, Portland attorney, was taken by the Oregon supreme court today. Decision will be handed down later.

BRITISH MISSIONARIES ORDERED OUT OF FUKIEN
SHANGHAI, Jan. 4.—(Thursday)—(AP)—British authorities early today ordered all English missionaries in Fukien province, numbering about 150, to proceed to Amoy for refuge during fighting between the nationalist government and rebel forces of the province.

Major Figures in Congress Opening



Senator Harrison (left), chairman of the finance committee; Representative Doughton (right), chairman of the ways and means committee; and Speaker Rainey (standing at rostrum, background), will be among the leaders in the coming session of congress.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.—(AP)—The 73rd congress today resumed its tasks with a personal address by President Roosevelt, asserting the nation is "in the process of recovery" and evincing his determination to cleave to the emergency program.

"Gripping the desk at which he stood before the thronged house of representatives, the president defied advocates of a return to old methods," excoriated wrongdoers of the banking and financial worlds in calling for regulatory legislation and spoke of "permanent readjustment" of many social and economic arrangements.

His audience comprised the entire membership of senate and house, members of his cabinet and the front rank of official, diplomatic and social Washington that splashed the galleries with brilliant and formal dress.

Critically, he recounted his gold and silver buying policy and said there was no present prospect of world currency stabilization. Before proceeding to the capitol, he had let it be known that he now sees no chance for early international money action for some time.

Specific recommendations he withheld at this time, but left no doubt that he considered the NRA a permanent, constructive achievement and plans to follow his current relief and civil works policies.

In later messages he will transmit recommendations, including one dealing with reciprocal tariff powers opposed by the republican leadership.

One of the first to hail his message was Speaker Rainey, while opposition leaders spoke skeptically and not so readily.

Senator McNary, the republican leader, called the message "the finest report of the constitution I have ever heard."

While cheerful about American conditions, Mr. Roosevelt viewed the world situation less optimistically. His attitude was one of seeking counsel, "in order that without partisanship you and I may cooperate to continue the restoration of national well being" and "to build on the ruins of the past a new structure."

"We have ploughed the furrow and planted the good seed," he said in conclusion. "The hard beginning is over."

For tomorrow he reserved the important message on the federal budget, with its huge and growing deficit.

ASK SPEED FOR STATE BRIDGE LOAN BY PWA
PORTLAND, Jan. 3.—(AP)—A telegram to the public works administration requesting favorable action on the Oregon Coast Highway bridge program, was sent last night by Carl C. Donough, chairman of the Democratic central committee of Oregon.

"Completion of the coast highway will prove of incomparable value to the entire Pacific Coast," the message said.

CALIFORNIA FLOOD DEBRIS SEARCHED FOR MISSING ONES

Army of CWA and CCC Workers Organized to Clear Up Wreckage—Five Million Damage Estimated

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 3.—(AP)—Searching for victims and rehabilitating stricken areas, an army of 7000 men, 5000 of them CWA and CCC workers, was organized today to bring order out of the chaos created by the new year's day flood here.

A death list of 36 and a report of 75 persons missing was before city and county officials as they dispatched workmen into the flood-ravaged districts. All but three of the dead had been identified. Fifty persons were reported seriously injured.

May He Fifty Dead.
Conservative estimates predicted a final death list around 50, officials believing that the majority of persons listed as missing were among the homeless being taken care of by relief agencies and had not had an opportunity to report escape from the storm.

Damage estimates generally ranged about the five million dollar mark, the principal loss being confined to the Glendale-Montrose area, where the flood originated, roaring down Piena canyon and demolishing about 300 residences, some of them the homes of valuable estates.

Many Homes Damaged.
In the Venice district, near the ocean some 30 miles from the Glendale-Montrose area, between 1500 and 2000 homes were damaged extensively by partial inundation, which occurred when the torrents leaped the banks of flood channels.

A welcome sign and clear skies aided workmen yesterday as all civic and governmental organizations joined hands in hasty efforts to provide for

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MEDFORD BIRTHS ECLIPSE DEATHS BY SMALL MARK

That great bird, the stork, still flies ahead of death in the city of Medford, but his wings were a little weak during the year 1933. The report submitted by Dr. L. Dow Inskeep, city health officer, to the city council reveals. There were 510 birth certificates registered last year and 274 death certificates, which gives the stork a margin of only 36 for the year.

These figures also mark a loss for the stork and a gain for death over the figures compiled for 1932. There were 355 births recorded in that year in Medford and but 207 deaths.

The decline in the 1933 birth rate, many scientists no doubt would claim as proof that depression was beginning to exert results. In his written report submitted to the council, Dr. Inskeep, however, made no explanation.

The figures are presented to speak for themselves.

During 1933 there were 116 contagious disease cases reported in Medford and 99 cases quarantined. Milk reports sent to producers numbered 620, and milk ordinance notices sent to 100. There were 250 school children examined for permits, 14 nuisances examined and abated and 21 conferences held on sewage disposal and water supply.

Medical and, or, surgical calls to aid the police department were answered by Dr. Inskeep to the total of 107. There were 115 milk handlers' permits issued by the city health officer and 77 water reports on condition of the municipal supply made by Dr. Inskeep.

COLUMBIA GORGE GETS HARD RAIN

THE DALLES, Ore., Jan. 3.—(AP)—Closing of the Columbia river highway was expected momentarily today, the result of heavy rain in the Columbia Gorge this morning.

Water was reported over the highway at Dodson. Many large rocks were rolling down on the road.

Big slides near Quinton partly blocked the road to East Dalles, but travel was possible.

VESSEL PULLED OFF COLUMBIA SAND BANK
PORTLAND, Jan. 3.—(AP)—The steamer Point San Pedro, which piled up on a sand bank in the Columbia river near St. Helens Monday, was floated last night at high tide. Her owners said she appeared to have suffered little damage.

150 COAL MINERS ARE TRAPPED BY SLOVAKIAN BLAST

12 Bodies Rescued—Fear All Below Ground Lost Apparently Caved In

DUX, Czechoslovakia, Jan. 3.—(AP)—An underground explosion trapped 150 coal miners today in the "Nelson III" mine.

Rescue workers recovered 12 bodies. Experts feared every man underground was lost since the whole mine appeared to have caved in.

The explosion shook all the houses in the city. Workers had difficulty in making their way to the seat of the explosion because of the cave-in.

DR. SCHOENFELD TAKES FCA JOB

CORVALLIS, Ore., Jan. 3.—(AP)—Dr. William A. Schoenfeld, dean of agriculture at Oregon State college, today announced he has accepted the appointment by W. I. Meyer, governor of the farm credit administration, to the board of directors of the regional office of the farm credit administration at Spokane.

Dr. Schoenfeld said the nature of his duties will not interfere with his work at the college.

Dr. Schoenfeld succeeds Dr. E. M. Ehrhardt as one of the Oregon members, the latter having been made president of the federal land bank, thus becoming ineligible to act on the board of directors, which serves as a district council for the national farm credit organization.

MOODY'S HEALTH REQUIRES MOVE

SALEM, Ore., Jan. 3.—(AP) Ralph E. Moody, assistant attorney general, will leave for southern California tomorrow because of ill health, it was learned here today. Moody has been ill for some time at his residence in Salem.

Moody was named assistant attorney general during the trial of Lewellyn A. Banks. He also acted as special prosecutor in the ballot theft cases involving several Jackson county officials. Mrs. Moody will accompany him on his trip.

Pear Markets

NEW YORK, Jan. 3.—(AP)—USDA—Pear auction. Nine cars arrived, 1 Oregon, 3 Washington unloaded, one California by boat.

Oregon d'Anjou, 520 boxes extra fancy, \$2.60 @ 2.93; average, \$2.72; 200 boxes fancy, \$2.50 @ 2.80; average, \$2.56.

Oregon Bose: 598 boxes extra fancy, \$2.75 @ 3.00; average, \$2.82; 212 boxes fancy, \$2.65 @ 2.80; average, \$2.77.

CHICAGO, January 3.—(AP)—No pear auction today; no arrivals.

WILL ROGERS SAYS:

BEVERLY HILLS, Cal., Jan. 2.—Everybody comes to California. They see a lot of great wide, rocky, sandy, creek and river beds, with not a hot water bottle full of water in 'em, and they are a big joke. They wonder what they are for. Well, Sunday they showed what they were there for. Us old settlers (that have been here five or ten years) never saw anything like it. We are so tickled to see rain out here that we put on a big parade in honor of it.

I am about half mad because Nicholas Butler didn't come out here with his team. Somebody ought to have told him it was a Republican convention. That's his principal relaxation.

Will Rogers
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