

The Weather
 Forecast: Unsettled with rain tonight and Saturday; no change in temperature.
 Highest yesterday 50
 Lowest this morning 44

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CUT ORDERED IN CWA SPENDING



News Behind The News
 By PAUL MALLON
 (Copyright, 1934, by Paul Mallon.)
 WASHINGTON, Jan. 19.—There was enough background to fill Culebra Cut behind Mr. Roosevelt's suggestion that Democratic party officials should NOT practice law before government department.

HOURS OF WORK ARE REDUCED AS FUNDS DWINDLE

Orders From Washington Curtail Local Plans — 24 Hours Maximum in Cities — 15 Hours in Rural Areas

On direct instructions from Washington, D. C., today, through the state Civil Works administration, hours of work on all CWA projects in this county were reduced by the local administration. It was announced this afternoon.

No projects, however, were cancelled under the order, and all will continue under the new basis, which provides that in rural communities and towns of less than 2000 population 15 hours a week shall be the maximum of work for any one man. In towns of 2500 or more population the maximum number of hours per week per man is set at 24 hours. On service projects and in clerical work the maximum is placed at 30 hours.

Money Dwindling
 The committee was of the belief today that the action was necessitated by insufficient funds to carry the work on to the required time on the original basis, and that the order would be in effect until action is taken by congress in appropriate additional funds to CWA work.

Veterans Allowances Are Increased by Roosevelt

BYRD FLAGSHIP DANGERED WHEN ICEBERG FALLS

Quarter Mile of Barrier in Bay of Whales Crashes Into Water Short Distance From Explorer's Vessel

LITTLE AMERICA (Via Mackay Radio), Jan. 19.—(AP)—Admiral Richard E. Byrd's Antarctic expedition flagship narrowly escaped destruction today when a huge ice cliff toppled into the Bay of Whales.

The flagship, bearing most of the members of the expedition, was moving slowly through the Bay of Whales seeking a permanent mooring place from which supplies could be transferred to the permanent camp at Little America.

Admiral Byrd was on the bridge. The ship was moving at "slow speed" about 200 yards off the barrier.

Ice Barrier Falls
 Suddenly one-quarter of a mile of the barrier ice, rising from 50 to 70 feet above the surface of the bay, roared into the water.

BLOOD STAINS HINT DEATH DEALT KIDNAPED BANKER

ST. PAUL, Minn., Jan. 19.—(AP)—Bloodstains on both front and rear seats of Edward G. Bremer's automobile, today inspired fears for the safety of the 37-year-old bank president, held for \$200,000 ransom by kidnapers who have threatened him with death.

Splashes of blood smeared the front seat of the Bremer sedan when it was found in an outlying residential district shortly after 10 a. m. Wednesday morning. It was disclosed today.

Indications were the kidnaped owner and head of the Commercial State bank, whose father, Adolph Bremer, is a personal friend of President Roosevelt, was slugged when he resisted his captors as they invaded his car.

Then, presumably, sources close to the family said, the unconscious man who at 8:15 a. m. Wednesday had left his daughter, Betty, 8, at the exclusive Summit grade school and started for his office, was dragged into the back seat by one of his captors.

GLASS QUESTIONS LEGALITY OF PLAN TO LOWER DOLLAR

Virginian Hurls Monkey Wrench While Roosevelt Urges Fast Congressional Action On Legislation

By CLARENCE M. WRIGHT.
 Associated Press Staff Writer.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 19.—(AP)—A challenge of the constitutionality of the Roosevelt devaluation bill was given to the senate today by Carter Glass (D., Va.) as the administration speeded efforts to obtain enactment of the legislation by Tuesday.

The outspoken Virginian, who was secretary of the treasury in the Wilson administration and rejected the same position with Roosevelt, asserted that Attorney General Cummings in upholding the measure's constitutionality had omitted supreme court decisions pertinent to the question.

Passage Imperative.
 The administration gave the word that passage of the measure by Tuesday was "imperative" because of refinancing operations to be undertaken soon.

Hoover, Jr., Replies In Air Mail Inquiry



Herbert Hoover, Jr., son of the former President, informed the senate committee which is investigating the awarding of air mail contracts that he sought to resign his airline post in 1930 to forestall criticism in the form of connecting his name or that of his father with air mail contracts. (Associated Press Photo)

ADD \$21,092,205 FOR PENSION AND HOSPITAL CARE

Liberalization of Economy Act Granted After Study of Needs — Non-Service Cases Will Also Profit

WASHINGTON, Jan. 19.—(AP)—In announcing a liberalization of the veterans' economy law by \$21,092,205 today, President Roosevelt made it clear that he expected this to be the extent of changes in the veterans' regulations at this time.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 19.—(AP)—President Roosevelt today authorized an increase in veterans' allowances of \$21,092,205.

He ordered the liberalization of the economy act upon receiving a report of a study made by Director Hines of the Veterans' bureau and Director Douglas of the budget.

SEVEN CONVICTS ESCAPE KANSAS PEN UNDER FIRE

LANSING, Kas., Jan. 19.—(AP)—Fear that the seven convicts who escaped from the Kansas state prison today may have kidnaped Louis Dresser, a teacher in a rural school near Wallula, Kas., as a hostage was expressed by prison authorities this afternoon.

Members of the expedition described the ice spill as "like a skyscraper collapsing."

Plane Has Close Call
 Earlier in the day came one of the closest escapes from serious accident which Byrd and his men yet have experienced. At 4 a. m. the big airplane was swung out on the bay ice, with two skis replacing the pontoon.

RUFUS LAMBASTS GOVERNOR MEIER IN NEW FLARE-UP

SALEM, Jan. 19.—(AP)—Controversy between the governor and state treasurer was renewed here today when Rufus L. Holman made public his reply to Governor Julius L. Meier's request that two bonds, each for \$5,000, issued by the World War Veterans' State Aid commission and the State Highway commission, be re-typed.

The bonds were returned to the treasurer by the governor, unsigned for the reason, the executive office announced, the typing on them was too dim for legibility. Holman was asked to have them re-typed.

NRA CHIEF SWINGS HARD AT CRITICS IN CONGRESS

NEW YORK, Jan. 19.—(AP)—With barbed comment and biting phrase, Hugh S. Johnson struck out last night at congressional critics of the NRA. He spoke before the largest crowd ever to attend a dinner of National Retail Dry Goods Association.

General Johnson made his speech an answer to all the critics of the recovery program, dealing his heaviest blows at Senator Borah and Nye, and the federal trade commission. He did not mention the senators by name, however.

"Keep prices down," he said. "For God's sake, keep prices down. That, and that alone, is the royal road to recovery. And that recovery is on its way."

LIQUOR FOR ALL COUNTIES, PLAN

PORTLAND, Jan. 19.—(AP)—The state liquor administration will place liquor on sale at some place in every county the day the first state store is opened, Administrator George L. Sammis has announced.

Counties which do not have stores at the start will have at least one retail agent who may or may not be located at the county seat.

It has not been decided yet whether the first state store will be located at Portland, Salem or elsewhere, he said. Representatives are now making a canvass of the larger towns of the state looking for store locations, which will be rented.

MISS KEITH HAD FEAR OF PUBLIC, HINTS ATTORNEY

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 19.—(AP)—A theory that Miss Margaret Keith, wealthy spinner reclusive, may have committed suicide last April in abhorrence at the thought of appearing publicly in a court action, was hinted today at trial of relatives' suit to break her will, which leaves most of her million dollar estate to Albert C. Allen, Jr., Oregon nephew.

Lawyers for the contesting relative who have testified Miss Keith had an abnormal fear of crowds and public places, and hated men, attempted to draw testimony from her lawyer, Myron W. Silverton, that he told her on the day she committed suicide she would either have to appear in court or make a deposition before strangers in a suit against her.

CRIMINAL COURTS BUILDING, CHICAGO, JAN. 19.—(AP)—The murder trial of Alice Lindsay Wynkoop was postponed today until Monday because of the 62-year-old defendant's physical condition.

WARRANTS CALLED

SALEM, Jan. 19.—(AP)—The state treasurer today called for warrants dated December 2, amounting to \$64,000. The warrants carry five per cent interest.

BIRTH CONTROL ROW 'DISGUSTS' FATHER OF NINE

WASHINGTON, Jan. 19.—(AP)—The birth control controversy was called "inconceivable, distressing and disgusting" by Dr. Howard Atwood Kelly of Johns Hopkins university, speaking today on the Pierce birth control bill.

"Think of an elaborate conference on birth control in the Mayflower hotel!" he exclaimed to the house judiciary committee.

"Such a thing would have been inconceivable 20 years ago, and a great social gathering, too, at which details were talked over. Disgusting!"

BURGLAR IN PEN WITHIN 20 HOURS AFTER HIS CRIME

SALEM, Ore., Jan. 19.—(AP)—Only 20 hours from the time he held up Dr. B. R. Wallace in his home at Albany Wednesday night, William Poland was dressed in at the state penitentiary here yesterday to begin serving the 18-year sentence imposed for the crime.

Poland, who claims to be from Oklahoma, was found prowling about the house when the doctor came home about 6 o'clock in the evening. Poland confronted Wallace with a gun and relieved the doctor of \$100, knowing that the doctor still had \$500 on his person.

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CCC EDUCATION PLAN LAUNCHED

WASHINGTON, Jan. 19.—(AP)—A far-reaching educational program for the 300,000 members of the Civilian Conservation Corps was launched today with the appointment of educational supervisors for each of the nine corps areas.

The program will be in charge of Clarence S. Marsh, educational director of the CCC, who with George F. Zook, federal commissioner of education, selected the corps area supervisors.

WILL ROGERS SAYS

BEVERLY HILLS, Calif., Jan. 18.—I want to stay off any reference to this 60-cent dollar until I have seen one, so I started searching the paper mightily thoroughly and what do you think I found away down in one corner like one of those denials that a paper is sometimes forced to make. It stated, "Republican elected to congress in Vermont."

That's a mighty serious rumor in case it proves to be true and I have no doubt that congress will be asked to pass a law preventing it happening again. Course the thing come up so sudden like they didn't think there was one in a million miles.

Yours,
 Will Rogers

MONKS TESTIFY THAT MONSTER INHABITS LOCK

PORT AUGUSTUS, Interpress, Scotland, Jan. 19.—(AP)—Come four Benedictine monks of Port Augustus Abbey to add their testimony to that of persons who claim to have seen the Lochness "monster."

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PORTLAND MILK SALES DROP OFF

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 19.—(AP)—A survey of retailers indicated milk and cream sales in Portland have dropped from 15 to 25 per cent since resale and buy prices have been fixed by the state.

While there has been no advance generally in the delivered price on milk, some losses were reported by dairymen.

The differential between sweet cream suitable for the table and butterfat was said to have been too great spread and in favor of the former.

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