

The Weather
Forecast: Foggy Sunday; no change in temperature.
Temperature
Highest yesterday 41
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News Behind The News

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Uplift
WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—The public works and civilian employment does are really doing some uplift. In fact, they have brought the only remarkable general improvements notable in the business picture during the last three months.

That deduction is clearly the feature of this month's balance sheet. It is a seasonal adjustment, and justifies unbiased table of government and private statistics showing just exactly where we stand on basic items each month in relation to normal (1923-25).

This month the chart registers the fact that industry and labor have come through another hard winter without gaining any ground or losing any. It shows our January condition generally about 10 per cent better than last January and just about equal to January, 1932.

The only indices which jumped up strongly during the last two or three months were department store sales and building. The Christmas month of December was 8 per cent better this season than last in the department stores. That is NOT as remarkable as the fact that the usual dull month of January showed a probable jump of 13 points above last January.

It indicates clearly that the money being poured out by the government to city unmaking through the CWA is making retail business improve against a strong seasonal trend. The results of federal stimulation are even more noticeable in building. That industry was running only 48 per cent of normal three months ago. In January it was 73 per cent solely because of the FWA.

The result is that business is going into the second month of the new year on a better balanced plane than it has been any time since the depression started. Payrolls are still less than they should be and foreign trade is away out of line, but everything else—production, employment, sales, freight loadings and buildings—are each fairly well balanced with the other.

They average about 70 per cent of normal, as you can note by studying the chart on the editorial page. The confidential guess of experts in that chart will be at least three points better generally in February. They are confident of a strong further rise through the spring months. You may be surprised to find that the January figures on production, employment and payrolls are no better. Certainly not one month ago they were reading from day to day during the month indicated we were soaring in the skies.

\$7,030,911 SPENT IN OREGON THRU CWA ACTIVITIES

Lions Share For Labor Balance For Materials And Expenses — Multnomah Leads As Beneficiary Of Money Flood

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 27.—Up to January 18, \$7,030,911 CWA funds was spent in Oregon. State Relief Chairman Raymond B. Wilcox announced today. Workers were paid \$4,780,371 of this amount and \$1,118,735 was spent for materials and other expenses. Community contributions of \$1,131,805 brought the grand total spent in creative work to \$7,030,911. The report was prepared by Burton Palmer, assistant to Chairman Wilcox.

The largest county expenditure was \$3,281,092 in Multnomah. Marion was second with \$319,836 and Lane county third with \$278,995. Clatsop county's outlay was \$229,373, and Clackamas county \$265,995. Religious adherence to job quotas in the various counties was reported by Palmer. No further projects under the civil works administration will be approved by the state committee until further orders are received from national headquarters, Palmer said. February 15 was the deadline set for any disbursements under the plan.

Under civil works service projects \$91,031 had been spent in providing work for women, up to January 18. The bulk of that amount, \$60,687 was spent in Multnomah county where it was augmented by \$3035 local contributions. Included in the list of projects were 45 for relief and public health, education, library, 21, predatory animal control, B and miscellaneous 19. Initial allotment of 7000 federal project department jobs was later reduced to 3000 when the regular CWA state allotment was increased by 4000.

Federal project activities included moquito control, census enumeration, geodetic survey, investigations for the bureau of economics, forest service work studies by the bureau of plant industries, fishery studies, lighthouse repairs, office helpers for various federal departments within the state, Indian service projects, coast guard, marine and naval station, army fort and harbor defense studies.

FUNDS ASKED FOR CWA CONTINUANCE

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—(AP)—President Roosevelt late today sent to the White House a request for \$50,000,000 for continuation of the civil works administration and for direct federal relief.

The president asked this lump sum without specifying the amounts to be given for civil works and direct relief. In this form it leaves him free to continue civil works beyond the May 1 deadline if it becomes necessary.

KANSAS WARDEN HELD NEGLIGENT

TOPEKA, Kas., Jan. 27.—(AP)—The state board of administration in a report made public tonight in its investigation of the escape of seven convicts from the Kansas penitentiary January 19, accused the warden of negligence and recommended the dismissal of three of the prison guards.

TUCSON FIRE 'SMOKES OUT' DILLINGER GANG



It was while fighting this fire of the Congress Hotel, the one best known horesteries in Arizona, that two Tucson firemen recognized two members of the John Dillinger gang of horesteries when they were tipped for removing the baggage of Charles Makley and Russell Clark, two of the four fugitives captured in dramatic fashion several days later. John Dillinger, one of the captured desperadoes, and his cohorts had been hunted and fought throughout the midwest and were wanted for murder, bank robberies, a wholesale Indiana penitentiary delivery and an Ohio jail escape. (Associated Press Photo)

GRANGE HEAD TO DEBATE BROCKWAY HERE ON FEB. 21

Sales Tax Talk To Be Held At Armory And Will Be Open To Public — Much Interest

State Grange Master Ray Gill and Representative A. E. Brockway, who is master of the Jacksonville Grange, yesterday accepted the invitation of the Rocky Ann Grange to meet in an open debate in this city February 21. Master Gill, in the valley for the meeting of the Pomona Grange at Jacksonville, was contacted by the Rocky Ann Grangers, who some time ago went on record favoring the sales tax.

The debate will be staged at the Medford armory the night of February 21 and will be open to the public. All taxpayers of the valley, as well as farmers, will be urged to attend the gathering and hear both sides of the tax question presented by two of the strongest supporters in the state of the negative and affirmative.

It was announced here some time ago, unofficially, that the state Grange master would debate Representative Brockway here next week. The definite date for the debate, however, was named yesterday and agreed upon by both men.

Opposition Vote Pled
At a late vote taken, after a 6 o'clock last night following the all-day meeting of the Pomona Grange at Jacksonville, a resolution approving the action of the State Grange Master Ray Gill in opposing the sales tax was passed. There were about 200 people present, but not more than 100, it was estimated, who were qualified as Pomona members.

PARIS ROYALISTS RIOT, CHAUTEUPS CABINET RESIGNS

Blood Flows Freely As Police Battered With Chairs In Street Battle — Water Dampens Belligerents.

PARIS, Jan. 27.—(AP)—The center of Paris was a scene of wild turmoil today as riotous royalists rioted against thousands of massed police. Elaborate precautions had been taken against a repetition of earlier anti-government demonstrations, but the monarchists, shouting invective and swinging chairs, repeatedly charged through lines of mounted police and foot soldiers.

The hours-long battle followed the resignation of Premier Camille Chauvemp's cabinet, against whose alleged part in the \$40,000,000 Stavisky payment scandal the royalists have staged frequent demonstrations in recent weeks.

"Down with Chauvemp!" was the rallying cry of hundreds of rioters who time and again smashed into the ranks of authorities wielding any weapon that came to hand.

Groups of the bluecoats were broken up and some 50 to 100 men straggled throughout the spacious Place de l'Opera near the cafe De La Paix. Magnesium flares were thrown at the mounted officers, whose horses, panic-stricken, reared and plunged. Every available policeman was on duty. Firemen and guards aided in the battle. Three blocks of helmeted policemen were stationed around the place.

SOVIET CHIEFTAN FLAYS JAPAN AND GERMAN WAR AIMS

Stalin Implies Enemies Are "Swine," And Warns Against World Revolt, In Foreign Policy Speech.

MOSCOW, Jan. 27.—(AP)—A war against the soviet union would start a world revolution in Asia and Europe, which would crush capitalist governments in a number of countries, Joseph Stalin told the all-union communist party congress tonight.

He decried the activities of "war mongers" having designs against the soviet state but pledged his country to be ready for fight if necessary.

"We warn everybody not to poke their snouts into the soviet potato patch," he declared, applying by implication the name "swine" to those nations which cherish warlike designs against Russia.

He singled out Japan and Germany for particular criticism in the section of his address which dealt with the soviet foreign policy. "It is a mistake to think an ambition of the soviet union will fight to death to defend the country but because the war also will take place behind the lines of our enemies, where our numerous friends would deal a mortal blow to those daring to take up arms against the soviet union.

IOWA DEMOCRATIC LEADER HELD FOR NRA-PWA FRAUDS

Lieutenant Governor And Broker Charged With Diverting Investments And Interfering For Personal Gains.

DES MOINES, Iowa, Jan. 27.—(AP)—Iowa's lieutenant governor, Nelson G. Krausch, and an investment broker, Carleton D. Beh, were prepared tonight to post \$2,000 bonds on charges of defrauding the government by interfering with the NRA.

Federal Judge Charles A. Dewey, accepted the recommendation of U. S. District Attorney Robert W. Colflesh in setting that figure and agreeing that the two men might sign their own bonds. It was expected the bonds would be offered in court next week. Meantime, both men were at liberty.

The conspiracy charge, federal officers said, alleged that the lieutenant governor, a leader in the Democratic party in the state and former executive secretary of the Iowa PWA, conspired with Beh to persuade political subdivisions not to request 70 per cent federal government loans for public works projects. It was charged also that city and county officials were then urged by the two men to finance construction work through Beh's investment house here.

The government contends these alleged acts defrauded it by the interference with the functions of the NRA and the regulations of the public works administration.

Trail of the case is not expected to begin until the term of federal court beginning April 24. The trial will be held in Des Moines.

LINDBERGH PAID TAX ON AIR GIFT

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—(AP)—The Washington Star will say in a copyrighted story tomorrow that Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh, who was named before the senate air mail investigating committee as a recipient of a \$250,000 stock "gift," from the Transcontinental Air Transport corporation, accepted the contribution as compensation for services rendered and paid income taxes on it.

Senator Bruce (D. Ala.), chairman of the committee, said tonight he knew nothing about Lindbergh's income tax affairs. He said, however, he had received from Lindbergh replies to a formal questionnaire sent by the committee. He declined to make the answer public, explaining that Lindbergh's questionnaire was "one in about 400." Nor would he say whether the committee planned to summon Lindbergh to give him an opportunity to explain publicly references to him made in previous testimony.

Everybody Have Worry By 2139, Claimed

CHICAGO, Jan. 27.—(AP)—Everybody will be insane by 2139 A. D. if the present increase in insanity is maintained, the Executive club was told by David Seabury, New York psychologist. He spoke yesterday, asserting that statistics had reached the conclusion that there has been a 30 per cent increase in insanity during the last ten years.

He described worry as one of the first steps toward insanity and warned his audience against the "worry money."

"Worry," he said, "of the worries of this sort. Their advice should never be heeded."

TOWN ROUGHNECK BACK FROM 'PEN' AND SAVING SOULS

Church Pest Makes Good For Lord, After Lurid Career As All-Around Devil At Services.

CARTERSVILLE, Ill., Jan. 27.—(AP)—The worshippers at the little Oak Grove church south of here never knew what to expect next with Corum McGee thinking up new devilry. Once a bird flew into the church, McGee whipped out a pistol and shot. The time was 8:50. Another time he started a watermelon riot fight.

Then his brother rode a horse into church, but everyone said Corum was responsible. The finale came when two of the McGee boys and two others burned up the church organ. The devils were enraged. The McGee boys went to the penitentiary for a year. The others turned state's evidence. It was unanimously agreed six years ago that Corum was an incurable roughneck.

"Corum McGee will never mend his ways," they said. There's a big revival now at the little Oak Grove church and folks come nightly from miles 'round. Eighty already have hit the sawdust trail.

The master of the trail is—Corum McGee, revivalist.

SENATE APPROVES MONETARY ACT TO DEVALUE DOLLAR

In President's Hands Monday—Quick Action Expected To Stem Adverse European Trade Aspects.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—(AP)—Approved by both house and senate, President Roosevelt's monetary bill tonight lacked only the brief final formalities of enactment before it could give the chief executive power to devalue the dollar and put \$2,000,000,000 to the task of protecting the foreign value of the nation's currency.

Monday it will be brought up in the house for consideration and probably quick acceptance of amendments attached by the senate limiting the effectiveness of the measure to three years, and making several minor changes. Then it will be sent to the White House for Mr. Roosevelt's signature and action.

Passage by the senate by a vote of 66 to 23 came after administration forces had beaten back a determined challenge from the opponents of remonetized silver by the breath-taking margin of two votes. The vote was 45 to 43. (Senator McNary and Stetson voted nay).

Wary Democrats were swept into line just before the roll call by a statement from their floor leader, Robinson of Arkansas, that the pending amendment—to direct government purchase of \$750,000,000 worth of silver and the issuance of currency against it—was "in conflict" with the plans of President Roosevelt.

A little later, without administration opposition, an amendment by Senator Pittman (D. Nev.), was accepted authorizing the president to issue, in his discretion, currency against silver bought from foreign miners, held in the treasury.

The only other amendment of any importance was that limiting the measure's life to three years, and that was put into the bill without objection from the administration. The Roosevelt forces defeated an effort to put the \$2,000,000,000 stabilization fund in charge of a board.

Silverites Fail
WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—(AP)—The administration stepped ahead on its road to the cheaper dollar today, but nevertheless, had time left to point out a few fields of endeavor that officials believe have too low regulatory fences.

Silverites failed in attempts to burden the monetary bill with the ancient issue of sixteen to one but they were fought off by administration supporters. The bill was passed late in the day and sent to the house for final action Monday.

Every sign points to a quick vote by President Roosevelt of the power the bill will give him. First, the gold in the federal reserve banks will be hauled into the treasury. Then the content of the dollar will be thinned to give it only 40 to 50 per cent of its present gold value. From the profit this process will give the government, a stabilization fund will be set up under Secretary Morgenthau to deal in foreign exchange and domestic securities, holding them in the levels the administration believes they should cling to. The task of building up emergency funds through which to send banking, industry, agriculture, and money to more satisfactory levels has kept the administration so busy that today was the first time it had gotten around to sending congress recommendations with respect to stock exchanges, communications and utility holding companies.

SLACKER BERGDOLL SEEKS A PARDON

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 27.—(AP)—President Roosevelt has been asked to pardon Grover Cleveland Bergdoll, notorious draft dodger, now in Germany.

AUTO PLATE SALE NEAR JULY MARK

SALEM, Ore., Jan. 27.—(AP)—Issuance of automobile licenses for the current year have come within 184 of equalling the same number issued the corresponding date last July. It was reported today by the secretary of state. Up to last night a total of 208,479 licenses were issued.

EX-KAISER, AGED BUT VERY HEALTHY

DOORN, The Netherlands, Jan. 27.—(AP)—Thousands of gifts and messages poured in upon Wilhelm II today as his 75th birthday anniversary. Amid this demonstration of sentiment, the happiness of those who helped him celebrate, and the solemnity of a special religious service, the aged but healthy man moved smilingly, happy and cordial during the festivities.

HARD GUYS COWED BY PRISON HEAD

NEW YORK, Jan. 27.—(AP)—Austin H. MacCormack, slight youthful commissioner of corrections, today quietly ended a threatened revolt at Welfare Island prison where his sensational raid uncovered "banger" and narcotic trafficking.

STEELHEADS BITE IN COAST WATERS

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 27.—(AP)—Coast streams should be excellent for steelhead fishing Sunday, according to word received here from several points on the coastline. Tiltamook said yesterday and today. The streams were clear again, although some mud was running in the Nestucca due to road construction in the upper reaches. The weather on the beaches yesterday and today was said to be ideal.

UNIVERSITY GETS 'FIGURER WIZARD'

MADISON, Wis., Jan. 27.—(AP)—The University of Wisconsin board of regents has accepted the resignation of Herbert A. Bork, comptroller, who will assume a similar position for the Oregon state board of higher education. It was announced here today.

James D. Phillips, business manager, told the board Bork has been a "veritable wizard of accounting" in a difficult and exacting position during a period in which his work played an important part in the administration of the university's financial affairs.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—(AP)—Indication that an increase will be made in the appropriation for predatory animal control was given at a conference today of a number of western representatives with Lewis Douglas, director of the budget. The estimated appropriation for this work in the new budget is \$91,000 as compared with a previous appropriation of more than \$500,000. Douglas gave the western members an extensive hearing and requested that Representative Taylor of Colorado, Lea of California and Pierce of Oregon go over the details of the budget estimate with him apparently with the view of issuing a supplemental figure.

CLAREMORE, Okla., Jan. 26.—The old homing pigeon flew back to its nest today. Crossed Arizona, New Mexico and Texas last night, asleep all the way. Fort Worth for breakfast. Amon Carter meets all planes and sells tickets for the big Roosevelt ball Tuesday night. I bet Fort Worth raises more money for that splendid cause than any city five times its size.

Bill Murray has taken good care of the old state since I been gone. In California we had forgotten there was such a thing left as a bootlegger, but back in these states, Oklahoma, Texas and Arkansas, they are thicker than CWA workers.

Will Rogers says:
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