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WASHINGTON, March 1.—There is weeping and waiting at the state and commerce departments. The hearts of Secretaries Hull and Roper are broken. George N. Peek is back on top again. The life of a New Dealer is a hard one—up today and down tomorrow. Mr. Peek is a shining example. He was up two weeks ago when he sold the president the great idea of using government money to finance exports. Thereafter he was down until last Tuesday because the president confined Mr. Peek's grand scheme to Russia alone. Tuesday the president announced that the scheme would not be confined only to Russia after all. Cuba will be in on it. So will other nations which want to borrow money to buy goods here. Mr. Peek's charm may explain partially his new rise to fame and power, but there are indications he used something more than charm this time.

Help No one will believe it, but the man who helped him was his old enemy, Professor Tugwell. Insiders say Professor Tugwell is the smartest manipulator in the inner circle. Mr. Peek found that out when Professor Tugwell slipped roller skates under him and pushed him gently out of the agricultural adjuster administration some months back. That is probably why Mr. Peek went to Professor Tugwell with his troubles when the White House was turning against his export idea. Apparently, Mr. Peek convinced Professor Tugwell that two such clever boys as they should work together and not against each other. Mr. Peek had the additional convincing argument that he could sell a lot of surplus agricultural products abroad if he loaned government money to do it.

Field Assessors Named in County Field assessors for Jackson county for the year have been named by Assessor J. C. Coleman as follows: C. A. Myers, Medford; Harry N. Lotland, Medford, outside city limits; Butler Walker, Upper Valley; Bellevue, Pinesburg and Deed Indian. E. A. Langley, Jacksonville, West Side and Applegate. C. H. Howell, Central Point, Berrydale and Airport districts. Ross Kline, Eagle Point, Butte Falls, Antelope and Lake Creek. George W. Nichols, Ashland. Ed Dimmick, Rogue River, Gold Hill, Pools Creek and Evans Creek. Jay Terrell, Talent, Phoenix, Wagner Creek, Anderson Creek and Coleman Creek.

Reasons The state and commerce boys have felt that it might be unpopular to lend more money abroad before we collect what they owe us now. The Peek people have figured a way around that objection. They are not going to lend money abroad. Not one dollar will ever leave these shores. They are merely going to give the money to domestic exporters and take the I. O. U. of the foreign buyer. That is not exactly a new scheme. It is the same method used to incur some of the war debts. Great Britain, France, et al. wanted food and manufacturing products here so we financed the purchase, taking their I. O. U.'s, which we still have. Nevertheless, the Peek-Tugwell people appear to be confident that it will work out differently this time and be a boon to agriculture.

It should bring an immediate improvement in the price of exportable farm commodities such as wheat. The wheat farmers have needed help lately. The Republicans in congress are so happy they cannot contain themselves. It is the first time they have been able to smile since November, 1932. The causes of their enjoyment are the new signals and veterans' issues. Hardly a day passes in either house that the Republicans do not arise and chide the administration for its armament cancellation policy. The chiding will continue because the Republicans are convinced that they have a good issue, at least. Likewise on the veterans' allowances in the senate, such Republicans as Hiram Bingham, Charles McNary, et al. have been frolicking around the chamber like sweet girl graduates on class day. They have made Senator Jim Byrnes sick. He could not even pretend for the administration. He knew it was no use. The Republicans to a man were voting for restoration of vets' benefits. Enough Democrats were with them to assure a majority. There was really no use in calling the roll. Byrnes folded up and left them.

Portland, March 1.—(AP)—All Oregon druggists who wish licenses to sell hard liquor on prescription, must comply with a new regulation of the Oregon liquor control board requiring them to furnish a complete report of the liquor stock now on hand, the types, brands and quantities, and the date of purchase. The board said today that this information in full must accompany the application for a license.

Portland, March 1.—(AP)—Ernest W. Hardy, 50, attorney, a classmate of Calvin Coolidge at Amherst, died here last night. He was seized by a heart attack in a street car and died in an ambulance. Salem, March 1.—(AP)—Extradition papers for the return of Byron Bothwell to Wisconsin were issued today by Governor Julius L. Meier. Bothwell was arrested in Portland and is wanted in Superior, Wis., for larceny.

FESS AND KAHN NAMED AS AIDES TO AIR OUTFITS

John Philp, Son of Former Assistant Postmaster Also Involved—Young Smoot Sent Big Bill for Services

WASHINGTON, March 1.—(AP)—The senate air mail investigating committee, further exploring the Washington representation of companies, today brought into its record the names of Lehr Fess, son of Senator Fess (R., Ohio); Julius Kahn, son of Mrs. Florence Kahn, representative from California; and "Young Philp," son of John Philp, formerly fourth assistant postmaster general. Harris M. Hanush, president of Western Air Express, testified that Fess and Philp represented National Air Transport at an early air operators' conference in Washington. Kahn, according to a letter from Hanush introduced into the record, after identification by the writer, had done traffic work for Western Air in San Francisco "and also political work in Washington." Paul Eration, who was not otherwise identified, also represented the Transcontinental and Western air combination in the capital, Hanush added.

WASHINGTON, March 1.—(AP)—Harris M. Hanush, president of Western Air Express, told senate air mail investigators today that Ernest W. Smoot, son of the former Utah senator, had "sold" the company on the idea that Smoot could expedite a comptroller general's decision the company wanted. Government payments to the company were being held up at the time pending the comptroller's decision. Smoot was hired, and after the decision was made, billed the company for \$15,000 "for services rendered." He testified he was not paid the full amount. Hanush said Smoot, at a meeting in New York, told him he would get his father (Reed Smoot, at that time senator) to write a letter to McCar. "You knew the chief object of his employment was to get a favorable decision from the comptroller general," Chairman Black asked. "To assist in expediting," Hanush corrected. "I don't think anybody could do much with the comptroller general."

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INSURANCE CHIEF HERE FOR DINNER HAS CHEERY WORD

"The Pacific Northwest is offering increasing evidence of the fact that 'the turn of the corner' which has been the country's goal for the last four years actually has been passed. And Medford seems to stand out as a conspicuous example of this happy trend."

That was the comment of John H. Almy of San Francisco, superintendent of agencies for the Pacific coast territory of the Metropolitan Life Insurance company, who headed a party of his company's officials here today for the purpose of honoring the Metropolitan's local staff at a dinner this evening at the Hotel Medford. At the dinner Mr. Almy is to present to Glen J. Birk, manager of the Medford district office, the Almy trophy. In recognition of the staff having surpassed production records of all of the 67 other district offices of the company in and west of the Rockies during a fall and winter contest recently concluded. Mr. Almy was accompanied from San Francisco by Dana D. Beardale, manager of the publication division, and Hugh A. Overend, agency supervisor. They are to be joined at the dinner in paying tribute to Mr. Birk and his men by several business and civic leaders, including Mayor E. M. Wilson, William Bolger, president of the Chamber of Commerce, State Senator George W. Dunn, Dr. C. I. Drummond, county health officer; ex-Mayor O. O. Alexander, Benjamin Harder, Charles E. Gates and Cecil Hedrick, superintendent of schools.

Mr. Almy stated that in a recent tour of the western territory, including Oregon, Washington, Utah, Montana, Idaho and Colorado, he had encountered unquestionable proof of fast improving business conditions, less unemployment, and a far more general optimism than at any time in recent years. "The institution of life insurance singularly represents an accurate gauge of the trend of the times," he added. "For in it we find reflected the trends of thrift of the urban populations. Thrift, however, only can be exercised when money is available with which to practice it. The fact that our company's record in Medford, of all the cities west of the Rockies, was the best during the fall and early winter, seems to me to be a reliable indication that Medford not only is a thrifty community, but one in which the people are finding increasing means with which to practice it. I think this situation is one upon which the community is to be congratulated."

Mr. Almy's visit here immediately follows his journey to the east in which, he added, he encountered astoundingly improved conditions. The middle west, particularly the Detroit area, is showing symptoms of boom-time activity. Following their visit here, Mr. Almy and his head office associates will return to San Francisco.

HOME LOAN PRINCIPAL GUARANTEE REQUESTED WASHINGTON, March 1.—(AP)—President Hoover's today sent a message to congress asking that the principal of the home loan bonds be guaranteed. The president said that as a result of this operation he expected the home owners' loan association would be able to extend further assistance for the modernization and repair of homes.

ROOSEVELT URGES MONEY PLAN TRIAL TO RUN FOR YEAR

Morgenthau Gives House Committee Outline of Administration's Steps—Recovery Beginning, Is Word

WASHINGTON, March 1.—(AP)—The administration's desire to try present monetary plans for at least the remainder of this fiscal year before a fixed policy is determined upon was conveyed to congress today by Secretary Morgenthau. Testifying to a house banking subcommittee on a bill to establish a central federal authority with sole currency issuing powers, Morgenthau said: "I think this study of the committee is making it very worth while and important. The country has just come through one of the most difficult financial crises it ever had, and we are just beginning to see a little light. Experience Needed. "What the future monetary policy of our country should be I don't think anybody is sufficiently wise to tell you because we haven't had enough experience."

Recalling steps that have been taken by the administration, he added: "It is impossible to tell what the future will be. I believe that we need more experience and time to tell us what is the best way to handle monetary problems before we get into anything specific or definite as is contemplated, perhaps, in this bill. "We hope that congress will give us at least the balance of this year to work on our present plan. Then we will know a little more about it." Policy an Experiment. "I take it," asked Representative Hancock (D., N. C.), "that your position is that the present monetary policy is more or less an experiment and it is not your recommendation that congress take any action to change the present system?" "That's right," Morgenthau answered. "Fortunately since I've been in office," Morgenthau continued, "business has been getting a little better from day to day. I don't know exactly where we will be six months or a year from now. "But the government is doing the least good it is not doing less for the first time. Whether this will continue, I don't know."

SALEM, March 1.—(AP)—Fred McHenry today filed for the Republican nomination for district attorney of Benton county, to succeed himself.

Lamblike Entry Of March Means Exit With Roar The month of March came in "like a lamb" Thursday and so if there is any truth in the old legend it will go out with a roar, which may bring rain for Easter bonnets the following day. The weather forecast from the federal bureau calls for rain tonight and tomorrow, but a mild temperature for the same time. To date the groundhog's glimpse of his shadow February 2 has had little effect upon the doings of the weather man here, so the people who fear the lion and the lamb story are in the minority.

MRS. SARGENT DIES AT JACKSONVILLE Mrs. Alice Applegate Sargent, well known and beloved pioneer resident of Jacksonville, died at her home this afternoon at the advanced age of 82 years. Mrs. Applegate was a member of one of southern Oregon's oldest pioneer families. She and her husband had been residing in Jacksonville for a number of years past, following residence at various army posts as the wife of Colonel Sargent, who died in Jacksonville several years ago. A complete obituary will be published tomorrow.

Wild Life Restoration Plan Backed by McNary WASHINGTON, March 1.—(AP)—Senator McNary (R., Ore.) today added his endorsement to the plan or the president's committee on wild life restoration to acquire 5,000,000 acres of submarginal land for propagation purposes and urged that Malheur and Lower Klamath lakes on the Oregon-California border be included. "I am 100 per cent behind the committee, which, if supported by the president, can be the means of bringing relief to untold numbers of hard pressed farmers now striving to eke out an existence on submarginal lands in the northwest," McNary said. "The natural crop of wild life would be of more economic importance than the unprofitable crops now being produced." The committee urged the use of \$25,000,000 to start purchase of submarginal lands and an additional \$25,000,000 of public works or civil works funds for restoration and improvement of the lands acquired. "At no time in history have we had such an opportunity to fulfill

Fight Result To Be Announced at Wrestling Match

The result of the Carnera-Loughran world's heavyweight championship fight in Miami, Fla., tonight will be announced from the ringside of this evening's wrestling matches in the armory. The service is made possible through the co-operation of the Medford Mail Tribune and Mack Lillard, wrestling promoter. The result of the fight will also be available at the Mail Tribune office, possibly about 7:30, Pacific standard time.

9 DEAD, 15 ILL AFTER FEASTING ON TOADSTOOLS

SAN LUIS OBISPO, Cal., March 1.—(AP)—A fungus dinner Monday night at Arroyo Grande, 16 miles south of here, resulted in the death of nine Filipinos, and 13 others with two white men, their employers, were dangerously ill here. It was a gala feast, after the heavy rains, in which myriads of mushrooms shot up during the night from the rich soil of the Arroyo Grande valley. By the Filipino vegetable pickers and their employers, Jack and Walter Huber, ranchers, did not realize the difference between the deadly toadstool and succulent mushrooms. Wednesday morning the effects of the poison fungus became evident. The 24 victims were rushed to the General hospital here. Six died yesterday and three today.

SEWER, NOT PORT, HOLDS FUND HOPE

Just place "sewer" where "airport" appeared on the front page of yesterday's Mail Tribune, and everything will be correct. Those were the instructions of City Superintendent Fred Scheffel today, offered a very apologetic reporter, whose only fault for the error in yesterday's paper was a claim to being "air" not "sewer" minded. Anyway, the application in which Samuel Greeley, nationally known engineer, still sees hope of realization in Washington is for funds for a new sewage system, not improvement of the Medford airport. And he wrote Mr. Scheffel that the application was in "very good standing."

PIPES WINS POINT IN COURT ACTION

In the civil suit of A. W. Pipes against R. L. Wyant and others, for money allegedly due, Circuit Judge Norton last night held in favor of Pipes in points of law involved. The court ruled that Pipes and the late Bert Anderson were business partners in the transaction. A short night session was held to render the ruling. The court today was hearing the second phase of the action, Pipes against Wyant. This involves renting and other features concerned in the operation of the Hilton place near Central Point, which was purchased, it is claimed, by Anderson and Pipes. A jury was drawn this morning to hear the evidence. The case is expected to last all day.

K. D. Ross Co. To Open New Store On West Main

The K. D. Ross Co., "Medford's exclusive paint and wall paper store," which has been located on South Grape street for the past three years, will be open tomorrow at the new location, 123 West Main. Mr. Ross announced today. They will feature Wall Life and Waterspar enamel and Bigge wall paper, "which is the finest in America," according to Mr. Ross, who has had 20 years' experience in the paint business. The new store, which will be headquarters for paint and wall paper information, will give us the much needed room for a large and complete stock. We have arranged a new and very attractive display of 1934 wall paper and we are always glad to help anyone with water painting problems.

PRINCE RECOUNTS GRIM DETAILS OF RASPUTIN MURDER

Testimony in Suit Over Film Story Shows Monk Poisoned, Shot and Clubbed—Body Dumped Into River

LONDON, March 1.—(AP)—Another picture of the slaying of the grim, black-bearded monk, Rasputin, in the gloomy cellar of the imperial palace at St. Petersburg was drawn today in a London court. Prince Felix Youssouppoff, testifying in his wife's libel suit against a film company, stoutly maintained under cross-examination that he was responsible for the death of the monk. The defense counsel described Rasputin as a "brutal libertine." Admitting he had been hypnotized by Rasputin, Prince Youssouppoff said he was not a "professional" killer. He reiterated details of the monk's death by poison, gun and club as Sir William Jovitt of the defense read passages from the prince's book, "Rasputin," in which the slaying is described. Film Story Challenged. Jovitt said he was attempting to show the death, as portrayed in the Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer film, "Rasputin and the Empress," is not historically correct. He asked Youssouppoff if just before he killed the monk he was not suffering from nervous strain, so that he hardly knew what he was doing. "It is quite natural," replied the prince, "I am not a professional murderer." Weir rites in Rasputin's study were described by the prince, in explaining the hypnotism. As proof he had not entirely lost his head at the time of the slaying, the prince said he sang songs to the monk for half an hour before playing him with poisoned cakes and wine. Then, he testified, he shot and clubbed the inert and bleeding form when shots from a co-conspirator's gun apparently had not finished the gruesome task. New Details Added. To details of the death, including Rasputin's "look of hatred" as with a frothing mouth he turned toward the prince, realizing he had been poisoned, Youssouppoff added new details. Plans had been made to substitute a double for the monk, he said. The double was to have been seen leaving the palace on the night of the killing so the fate which befell Rasputin would not be suspected. The monk, it was brought out, was shot as he stood examining a crucifix. He fell head backward upon

Rules Oregon State Virginia Fendall, blue-eyed brunette, was chosen queen of the 1934 junior prom at Oregon State college at Corvallis. (Associated Press Photo)

GRAND JURY FINDS FOUR INDICTMENTS BEFORE RECESSING

Four indictments were reported late yesterday by the grand jury. Floyd Ross of Central Point, foreman, which recessed Tuesday. One of the indictments was secret and was against Manzie Biden, 29, local resident, who was taken into custody last night and is held in the county jail for medical observation and treatment. Biden is indicted under the felony clause of the state law making it a felony to transmit malignant ailments. Biden was originally indicted for contributing to the delinquency of Abbie Gilbride, a minor girl, now held in the isolation ward of a Portland home for erring maidens. The first indictment was dismissed by the district attorney Tuesday. Castle A. Wolverton was indicted under the Knox liquor law for the alleged sale of a pint of liquor to Marvin Stevens, a minor. It is the first case in the county under the Knox law. Pearl Foster and W. L. Harris were indicted for alleged receiving of stolen property. They are specifically charged with receiving two items valued at \$5.60, and ascertained stolen from the U. S. transient relief station at Talent. W. Young was indicted also for alleged receiving stolen property, an electric clock belonging to Dr. A. R. Hedges and valued at \$10.

C. W. JURY SUCCEUMS TO HEART AFFLICTION

C. W. Jury passed away suddenly Wednesday afternoon from a heart attack. Mr. Jury had been a resident of southern Oregon for many years, making his home in north Medford. He leaves no known relatives, and funeral services, under direction of the Perl Funeral Home, will be held at the graveyard in the Medford I. O. O. F. cemetery, Friday morning at 10 o'clock.

FEBRUARY BUILDING FALLS TO LOW EBB

February is not a month for building in the city of Medford, it would seem. With the close of the month yesterday, the building permits issued by the building department totaled only \$1125, represented in five permits. During February of last year the total in dollars and cents was slightly higher, \$1150. This amount was represented in just three permits.

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17 Medford Dogs Tagged in Month

Dog license payments for the month of February in the city of Medford totaled \$17.50 for tax on 16 male dogs and one female dog. The report indicates there are 17 dogs within the corporate limits of this city and county officials state it seems like there were more. There has been no great rush of dog owners to remit for dog licenses, in either city or county so far this year.

WILL ROGERS SAYS: FLEW IN HERE TODAY. YOU GOT TO FLY BACK HERE TO GET OVER THE TOP OF THESE SNOW DRIFTS, AND BROTHER, YOU GOT TO HAVE ALTITUDE.

My friend General Johnson opened up his complaint division on the NRA. The house was sold out before it opened and I saw something with my own eyes that you wouldn't believe could happen. The senate voted not to take the raise in salary. Thank Senator Borah for that. I say you thank him. I doubt if many of the senators will thank him, but they did, so give 'em a hand. The return of the 15 per cent in salary is only to apply up to \$6000 salaries. I tell you a lot of folks got these senators wrong. They are a fine bunch. That fellow they sent to jail just got out yesterday.

430 CWA WORKERS IS QUOTA COMING WEEK

Jackson county quota of CWA workers will be, cut to 430 for the week of March 2 to 8, it was announced today by the local administration. Advice was received from state headquarters in Portland asking for this decrease. The original quota granted Jackson county was 684. Born to Mr. and Mrs. Joe Layton of 545 North Fir, a son weighing six pounds, 10 ounces, at the Sacred Heart hospital today.

PU-YI BECOMES PUPPET HEAD OF NEW MANCHUKUO

Last of Emperors of Old China Enthroned With Brief and Machine-Like Ceremony Under Jap Eye

By JAMES A. MILLS. Associated Press Foreign Staff. (Copyright, 1934, by Associated Press.) HSINKING, Manchukuo, March 1. (AP)—Henry Pu-Yi, last of the emperors of old China, became emperor Kang Teh, first of the rulers of the new nation of Manchukuo, today. His enthronement, through religious and secular services, was performed in sub-zero weather under the protection of soldiers of Japan, the nation which carved Manchukuo out of China and gave Pu-Yi an orchid throne in place of the throne of the dragon.

Machinelike Ceremony. History probably will record the enthronement of the 18-year-old sovereign as the briefest, most perfunctory and most machinelike ever held. The ceremonies moved with the precision of the Japanese military machine. Mr. Pu-Yi drove the five-mile trip, down a way festooned with bunting, in a bullet-proof, made-in-America limousine, to the "Altar of Heaven" for the religious ceremony. But bunting was not all that lined the way; all along the route stood armed soldiers in unbroken ranks. They were troops of the Manchukuo army, but spaced at regular intervals through the Manchukuoans were Japanese soldiers—every fourth soldier was a Japanese. Spectators Handpicked. The only spectators in the procession were the soldiers and a few groups of handpicked Manchukuo, Chinese and Japanese, carefully herded by the police. The Manchukuoans were Japanese soldiers—every fourth soldier was a Japanese. These, attired in the evening dress made compulsory by the occasion and wearing no hats, literally froze as

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WASHINGTON, Feb. 28.—Flew in here today. You got to fly back here to get over the top of these snow drifts, and brother, you got to have altitude.

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