

The Weather
Forecast: Sunday, sudden snow; not much change in temperature.
Highest yesterday 47
Lowest yesterday 38
Precip. to 5 p. m. yesterday 4.14

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WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—The labor bees are buzzing again, and it looks as if someone may get stung this time.

King Bee Green of the A. F. of L. privately called a few days ago for a meeting of the executive councilors in the hive here. The news about it may be out by the time you read this, but for several days it was not announced, possibly because there was such an inside stir about it.

One swarm wanted to go to Miami, where the surroundings include bathing beauty revues and other relaxations for tired labor leaders. The predominant swarm decided that, while Washington offers distracting new detail influences, it was probably a better spot to have the serious business at hand.

The 30-hour week, section 7-A, the labor board and a lot of other things, but the most serious business of all will not be on the agenda.

It will be the thought back in the minds of the leaders that they may face three major strikes within the next six months—textiles, automobiles and steel.

One major labor official, not Green, is now privately predicting that all three strikes will materialize. Of course, labor leaders sometimes predict strikes for whatever bargaining advantage such a threat may bring, but no one can see that demand energetic attention.

Teaming
What stirred up the labor hive lately was the inside report that the three large industries (textiles, automobiles and steel) have some sort of unofficial working agreement on labor policy. It is supposed to call for joint action in event of trouble.

Whether this report is true cannot now be stated. Automobiles and steel have frequently worked in gether on many things backstage, they naturally associated in production. How, textiles got into that crowd is not clear. However, the only point now is that labor leaders are accrediting the report and making preparations accordingly.

The subject may not be mentioned out loud at the council meeting, because the gathering was called merely to formulate a legislative policy for the coming session of congress. The labor board was formerly limited to 12 old guard leaders, but the last A. F. of L. convention increased the membership to eighteen and let a lot of young guards in. That means it will be lively.

Bevilled
The white shills cannot yet understand what happened to their white sulphur business conference report when submitted to the White House.

They knew the published stories were wrong about their emissary being snubbed by the president. It was their mistake, due to the fact that the business emissary went to the White House without an appointment and found President Roosevelt's schedule full for the day. The White House asked him if it could arrange an appointment for the next day, but he had to be in New York that day, so he left the business platform.

It was understandable, but it does not explain why Mr. Roosevelt let the platform remain in a pile of papers for several days without looking at it.

Even more perplexing is the fact that a certain gentleman at the White Sulphur Springs conference was supposed to be an indirect representative of the president. He did not directly say so, but he talked and acted like it, and they accepted him as such. He counseled moderation in the platform and they followed his advice.

In view of what has happened since, they are beginning to wonder whether they were outwitted.

Fun
Wait until Uncle George Holden Tinkham hears about Secretary Hull. Congressman Tinkham was excited in a statement a few days ago because Secretary Perkins has cooperated with the League of Nations in labor matters. He does not know it yet, but Mr. Hull has gone a step further and sent brain trust Prof. James Harvey Rogers to Geneva to confer with other world economists under the auspices of the league.

Mr. Hull's perfect sibi is that Prof. Rogers was appointed by the league as the American member of the economic committee. At two earlier meetings the United States was represented by Prof. Viner and Prof. Thorpe, brain trusters both.

FLARE AT NIGHT CLUE TO DISABLED AND LOST PLANE

Radio Flashes Word All Aboard Airliner Forced Down In Adirondacks Of New York Safe—Searchers On Skis.

ALBANY, N. Y., Dec. 29.—(AP)—State police early today reported a large fire on the north side of Fish mountain, in lower Hamilton county, which they believed to be a signal of four men missing since Friday night when an airliner was forced down in the mountains.

GLOVERSVILLE, N. Y., Dec. 29.—(AP)—A flare, believed to have been lighted by occupants of the disabled airliner, forced down in this section last night, was sighted tonight near Lasselville, 14 miles west of here. The flare was reported by John Leek, an election commissioner of Fulton county, who was on lookout with a searching party on top of a hill.

He said the flare appeared to have been about two and a half miles west of Lasselville. He said the light shot into the air shortly after 9 p. m., the time the four men on the disabled plane were instructed by radio to send up flares.

Lasselville is more nearly on the airlines course than the section in which the search has been concentrated. It is about 40 or 50 miles south of the Caroga lake area in the Adirondacks where most of the searchers are working.

ALBANY, N. Y., Dec. 29.—(AP)—From an unknown location a co-pilot of a Boston-Cleveland air liner missing since last night flashed word by radio today that the plane was down and its four occupants "all O. K."

"We are on a mountain somewhere between Albany and Utica," radioed Co-pilot Jack H. Brown.

"I don't know just where, but we are north of our course."

Brown's voice came through a loud-speaker at the airways radio station a few minutes after searching parties on snowshoes started into the Adirondack foothills, fearful the plane and its passengers were in dire distress.

Radio experts of American Airlines worked frantically to set up a new aerial to establish better communication with the plane.

Radio static often blotted out Brown's voice after his message came through.

"Everybody's all right. Please tell our folks," he said cheerfully.

"We crashed up in a group of trees. We have built a fire so you can find us."

APPARENT CHOICE FOR SPEAKER



Rep. Joseph W. Byrns of Tennessee, for many years a leading Democrat in Congress, appeared the likely choice for the speakership post, made vacant by the death of Speaker Henry T. Rainey, as various state delegations held pre-session caucuses. (Associated Press Photo)

COMMUNISTIC PLOT TO KIDNAP F. D. R. TOLD COMMITTEE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—(AP)—A reputed communist plot to kidnap the president and an alleged fascist scheme to set up a dictatorship were made public today by the house committee which has been investigating un-American activities.

Walter S. Steele, of Washington, D. C., appearing for the American coalition of patriotic, civil and paternal societies, said a red plan was being widely circulated in communist circles to create civil war during a general strike; invade the White House; kidnap the president, his cabinet; take over the government and super-seede it with a soviet state.

An army captain, Samuel Glazier of Baltimore, in charge of a Civilian Conservation camp at Edridge, Me., gave the committee the testimony concerning the dictatorship plan.

Glazier said that Jackson Martindell, New York attorney had discussed with him formation of the "American Vigilantes," half a million strong, and backed with \$700,000,000 to set up the administration and turn up Mr. Martindell as dictator. Glazier testified in New York recently. His testimony was made public today by new steel, appeared before the committee.

Martindell, Glazier said, told him "he knew with the present policies of the president, eventually the country was coming to a revolution and when that time came he wanted to be ready with his organization to take over the reins of the government."

He said there ought to be one man who would run the country; and he would be the head of the organization.

A police raid on a communist strike school during the Minneapolis truck strike last August, Steele said, yielded the first documents disclosing the plan.

The hearing today concluded the committee's protracted inquiry that took it through a maze of testimony on communism, nazism and fascism in the United States.

Chairman McCormack (D., Mass.) said the committee might seek an extension of time to write its report to the house.

BANDITS ALL SET TO HOLD UP TRAIN ON WRONG ONE

Masked Quartet Discover Mistake And Force Engineer To Stop Near Tacoma And They Escape In Auto—Search Starts.

TACOMA, Wash., Dec. 29.—(AP)—Section one of the O. & W. passenger train No. 458, south bound from Tacoma, was held up by four masked bandits two miles east of Bucoda early tonight only a short time after it had left Tacoma.

According to word received by Tacoma police, the bandits were sequestered aboard the train getting aboard either at Tacoma or East Olympia. It is believed the bandits thought they had boarded the section of the train pulling the baggage and mail cars, and upon discovering their mistake, stopped the train and disappeared into the darkness.

The bandits were heavily armed. Section one was pulling passenger cars only, but the robbers did not bother the passengers, according to reports. The second section of the train, which did carry the mail and baggage, was not molested when it passed through Bucoda a short time later.

The bandits had sequestered themselves between the coal tender and the first car. After discovering that the train was not pulling the mail and baggage cars, the men crawled over the tender into the cabin of the engine, leaving I. G. Graham, the engineer, and his fireman. The engine stopped the train and the bandits left and were reported to have been picked by an automobile which had been following them.

The bandit machine, it was said, sped northward after picking up the four men.

It was the first train robbery in this district in 25 years, railroad officials said.

Peace officers throughout southwest Washington are being notified of the holdup and are watching all highways for the bandit gang, it was reported.

SCIENTIST SEES PLAIN TRUTH SO RARE IT'S EVENT

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 29.—(AP)—Plain truth may become sensational news because of its rarity, Dr. Robert A. Millikan, one of the half dozen foremost leaders of American science said today.

"If," he said to the American association for the advancement of science, "the present craze for the new regardless of the true, in art, science, society and government goes much further the remedy may be found in the prospect that a nugget of sober uncolored truth may become the most exciting news there is."

"I venture the prediction that our present age, because of its craze for the new regardless of the true will be looked upon by our children's children with more amazement and ridicule than we ourselves feel because of the crudeness and hypocrisy of the Victorian age."

Dr. Millikan then went on to tell what you can believe as true about the cosmic rays.

W. C. T. U. BIRDS TO RESUME CRUSADE AGAINST ALCOHOL

President Ida Smith Teils Program For Drier America—Drive Against Crime Handicapped By Booze, She Says.

CHICAGO, Dec. 29.—(AP)—The New Year's resolution of the national Woman's Christian Temperance Union—continued championing of national prohibition of the traffic in beverage alcohol and in other narcotic drugs.

Until that objective is attained, the organization announced today, it will fight for prohibition of alcohol traffic in all federal areas, including the District of Columbia, and the prohibition of all liquor advertising.

Mrs. Ida R. Wise Smith, president, complimented the government on its efforts to stamp out criminal and drug rings and added:

"But the success of any national drive upon crime or the drug menace is fatally handicapped so long as it fails to include a fearless attack upon the most serious factor in the problem—the powerfully protected and highly capitalized traffic in beverage alcohol. Any successful fight against narcotics must include a relentless battle for abolition of the liquor traffic."

The initial item in the W. C. T. U. legislative program for 1935 is a pledge to renew the campaign for national prohibition. Pending that, Mrs. Smith set forth:

"The national organization, challenging the action of congress in 1934, will press for the reconsideration of dry law protective measures in all federal areas, such as the District of Columbia, territories, army and navy stations, hospitals, posts, Indian reservations, and national parks.

"Next will be the support of measures concerning the pledge of the second section of the 21st amendment to afford more direct prohibition of dry states and areas by prohibiting all advertising of alcoholic liquors over the radio and in newspapers."

SOLINSKY DUE TO REPORT BAY CITY MARSHAL MONDAY

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 29.—(AP)—The United States attorney here was advised today by the U. S. marshal at San Francisco that E. C. Solinsky, deposed superintendent of Crater Lake national park, is expected to surrender in San Francisco Monday.

Solinsky was indicted by a federal grand jury on a charge of misuse of federal funds while assigned to Crater Lake. Bond has been set at \$50,000.

Two of Solinsky's former aides, A. R. Edwin, chief clerk and disbursing officer, and J. F. (Ike) Davidson, superintendent of park construction, likewise were indicted for alleged payroll manipulation. Edwin's home is at Medford and Davidson lives at Junction City. They are at liberty on bond.

Solinsky has been sought by deputy marshals in California and Oregon for two weeks. Trips into the high mountain country of Amador county, California, where he was reported to be working as a cedar buyer, were futile.

Appoints Self Chief



Balked by the pension board in a movement to retire several members of the police force on pensions, Mayor Charles Smith (above) of Seattle "fired" Chief George H. Comstock and assumed Comstock's duties himself. During the longshoremen's strike last summer, Mayor Smith fired Chief George F. Howard. (Associated Press Photo)

INDUSTRY FROWNS ON PAYROLL TAX TO INSURE JOBS

Favor General Idea, But Opposed To Any Compulsory Contributions To Jobless—Plan Opposition In Congress.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—(AP)—The National Association of Manufacturers today stepped into the approaching congressional battle over social security with a denunciation of any unemployment insurance system involving compulsory contributions by industry.

It made public what it termed an analysis of British experiments in this field of sociology and asserted the major conclusion to be derived therefrom was that "no system of unemployment insurance has any chance whatever of success unless it is on a contributory basis."

The association is on record as favoring the general idea of such insurance but is ready to campaign against any plan, such as that advanced by prominent administration advisors, for a tax on payrolls to provide a fund for payments to the jobless.

This idea was the kernel of the Wagner Lewis bill—subject of a protracted dispute at the last session of congress—which had the outspoken support of Secretary Perkins and of organized labor. The measure died in committee, but is to be reintroduced, although it may be modified. The measure called for the federal tax on payrolls, with exemptions for employer contributions to state unemployment insurance pools, as a means of encouraging and increasing the latter.

In opposing this and similar plans, the National Association of Manufacturers had, and will have, the cooperation of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States and other big business organizations. They favor some plan whereby all employer support of insurance pools would be entirely voluntary.

RATS IN ENGLAND DEFY EXTINCTION

LONDON, Dec. 29.—(AP)—England wants a Pied Piper like the man who lived in Hamelin town.

Gas attacks, firearms, deadly poisons and all the schemes of modern science marshalled against the estimated forty-odd million rodents resident in the country have failed.

The common brown rat continues to survive and thrive in spite of modern, ruthless warfare. Authorities believe that the rats have become more numerous by twenty millions in the last 50 years.

PRESIDENT EYES NEW PROGRAM TO GIVE JOBS-TO-ALL

Plan To Double CCC Membership Reflected In Local Forest Service Activity—Put Employables On Relief To Work Aid.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—(AP)—The Roosevelt administration, some high officials forecast today, will ask congress for power to put "employables" on the relief rolls to work. At present their number is estimated at 3,500,000 to 4,000,000.

It was believed, however, that an elastic program would be sought with the government leaving to private business as much of this job-creating task as it can assume.

Though there were indications the plan Mr. Roosevelt will lay before the congress convening next Thursday has not been completed, certain officials who declined to be quoted by name saw the administration moving toward a "jobs-for-all" goal.

The Washington Post, placing the number of unemployed workers involved at 4,000,000, said the plan was to give work on jobs "on projects financed in whole or part by the government."

As the president drafted his message to a session which will deal with so many momentous issues that leaders expect it to last well into next summer, it became known that one project being weighed by the chief executive is to increase the membership of the Civilian Conservation Corps from 350,000 to 1,000,000. Robert Fechner, director of the CCC, declined comment on this, but he had said previously that the national forest service and the park service had estimated there was enough work of the nature done by the corps to keep a million men busy for 30 years.

Among other plans placed before the president was one to put many idle CCC camps in the local forest. Some officials thought this had virtually been decided upon, though the amount of the expenditure was not mentioned. The national resources board recently suggested a \$500,000,000 long-term program of crossing work.

Although the number of persons receiving federal aid has been estimated at 15,000,000, Relief Administrator Harry L. Hopkins is seeking to return some 4,000,000 "unemployables" to the care of the states. That leaves 15,000,000, of whom some 3,500,000 to 4,000,000 are estimated to be bread winners and the rest dependents.

Local Preparations
Following the announcement yesterday from Washington, D. C., that the president and his cabinet are seriously considering a plan to more than double the enrollment of the Civilian Conservation Corps, it was revealed at the offices of the Rogue River national forest that recommendations have been sent to the regional office at Portland for nine new CCC camps in the local forest should the national expansion plan go through.

Supervisor Karl Janouch announced that the Rogue River forest service would be entirely voluntary.

WILL ROGERS SAYS: HOLLYWOOD, Cal., Dec. 28.—Talk about a steady job during these hard times. Get this one: President Roosevelt sent a letter yesterday to the federal trade commission asking them for a report. They have been investigating six years. He told 'em, "I don't want to hurry you boys, but I thought maybe you had a few preliminary notes made that you could hand me. Of course, I expect nothing thorough at this early date—just any little casual information that you might have picked up accidentally during your mere six years of holding the office."

They have just about been introduced to each other by now. Yours,

Will Rogers.

BULLETIN

SALEM, Ore., Dec. 29.—(AP)—Torrents of water, supplied by a 2.3 inch rainfall in 24 hours, tonight rolled over the banks of the newly completed Shelton dike, flood control project here, and flooded an area from one to five or more blocks wide and at least a mile long in the southeast section of Salem. Portions of this district were thrust into one broad, rushing river.

Ferries from the city and county engineers' offices late tonight were watching the new flood control levees burst in an automobile was accident near here today.

DECISIVE BATTLE GRAN CHAGO NEAR

BUENOS AIRES, Dec. 29.—(AP)—Paraguay's and Bolivia's biggest armies tonight were slowly coming to grips in their battle for possession of Bolivian oil fields.

The engagement in which an estimated 80,000 troops evenly divided will take part, was expected to be decisive in the three-year old Chaco war.

AMERICA DENIES JAPAN PLEA FOR NAVAL EQUALITY

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—(AP)—A quiet but definite refusal of Japanese demands for naval equality was the United States' answer tonight to Japan's formal denunciation of the Washington naval limitations treaty.

Secretary Hull, accepting from Hiroo Saito, wave ambassador from Japan the official signal of the death of the 5-5-3 pact of December 31, 1922, declared he did so with "genuine regret."

Pledging, simultaneously, continued efforts to "promote peace through disarmament" by cooperating toward new naval limitation. Hull nevertheless declared that experience had shown that "equality of armaments" was not the path to peace.

CHICAGO, Dec. 29.—(AP)—A court order was issued here today enjoining Chicago barbers from charging more than 25 cents for a shave and 50 cents for a haircut, the level fixed by the master barbers association.

FAIR AND SHOWERY FOR COMING WEEK

Oregon: Unsettled Sunday and probably Monday with showers west and local showers or snow flurries east; portion: not much change in temperature; fresh west and south-west wind off the coast.

PORTSMOUTH, England, Dec. 29.—(AP)—American liners approaching Southampton Bay soon have to observe an official speed limit, as the result of complaints lodged by Isle of Wight authorities.

The wash of the speedy incoming vessels, they declare, has caused considerable damage on the island's shores.

It has been arranged for British destroyers to make a series of trial runs at varying speeds along the coast, trying with a view to drafting "traffic" regulations.

QUICK FINISH TO SOVIET PLOTTERS

MOSCOW, Dec. 29.—A Leningrad firing squad today ended the lives of 14 accused anti-Soviet terrorist conspirators in a plot to assassinate the assassination of Sergei Kiroff, powerful Communist, December 1.

Leonid Nikolaitch, who the Soviet said had confessed to firing the shot, and 13 associates were shot in the city where the murder was committed. The execution took place immediately after the military collection of the supreme court had found them guilty.