

The Weather
 Forecast: Unsettled tonight and Thursday; little change in temperature.
 Highest yesterday 61
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PROPOSE SISKIYOU TUNNEL PLAN



News Behind The News
 By PAUL MALLON.
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 WASHINGTON, Jan. 30.—The new dealers are holding a statistical jubilee over the December-January business figures. Some 1,200 figures here have expanded a full six inches at the surprising jump in manufacturing activity, employment and wages. A few optimists are even predicting a softening of the winter that it means the beginning of a baby boom in the spring.

These optimists may be right. Certainly there is some basis for their jubilation. Yet the calmer ones among them recognize that some of the figures may be slightly too encouraging.

You can see it if you look into the causes for the big boost in industrial production. That is the key index on which most of the elation is based. It jumped 11 points in December and probably 4 more in January. This increase is at least twice as much as expected.

Analyzing it, you will find the unexpected part of the boost was largely caused by automobile production. All other production increased a little during the turn of the year, but automobile production more than doubled.

This forced an abnormal bulge in all seasonally adjusted statistics because the automobile industry has changed its season this year and is grinding out cars fast now at a time when ordinarily it would just be getting started.

With this advance warning you may feast your eyes on the following monthly business chart. It is a graph which the new dealers customarily keep track of business. The figures are there, except for the last month, which is privately estimated. All figures except payrolls and prices are adjusted for seasonal variations. Each index except prices is based on 100 as represented by the averages for the years 1923, '24 and '25 inclusive.

The rosiest part about it is the way this January stacks up with the last three Januarys, no matter what caused it. Look yourself:

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PWA CHIEF GIVEN LENGTHY LIST OF LOCAL PROJECTS

Chromite Survey Is Also Deemed Important — Schools Would Get Large Share if List Approved

Proposal for construction of a combined rail and highway tunnel through the Siskiyou mountains at an estimated cost of between three and a half to ten million dollars, depending on the length desired, was the chief item in a long list of projects laid before C. C. Hockley, state engineer for the PWA in Oregon, at a hearing held here this afternoon.

According to C. C. Hockley, state engineer for the Oregon PWA, the meeting called today at the city hall was primarily an explanatory one for the purpose of hearing the needs of Jackson county. The projects submitted today were not applications, he explained, but merely previews of the actual applications to be in the state PWA office before February 11, however. To accomplish this, it was stated that they should be in the mail before February 10.

Many Needs Told
 At the meeting today many important needs in this county were submitted for Hockley's examination, chief of which was the plan to construct a tunnel through the Siskiyou mountains, to accommodate both rail and auto travel, at an estimated cost of \$1,000,000 per mile. The plan states that the benefits would be the approximate saving of three hours by train and one hour by auto between Portland and San Francisco; elimination of 28 complete circles in a distance of 10 miles; lessening of danger from auto accidents incurred on the winding road, especially during the winter months; lowering of highway maintenance costs; reduction of cost for railroads, resulting in a great saving to this community in the shipping of products; possible increase in tourist travel; many tourists not caring to drive over the present Siskiyou highway; encouragement of faster train service, and possible use of new high-speed streamlined trains on this route, the present grades making such a move impossible at the present time; increase of value of Pacific highway as a military highway and defense measure.

Length Dictates Cost
 The estimated cost of the tunnel depends entirely upon the length, which in turn would depend entirely upon the elevation at which it was eventually located. A survey would determine this, it was stated. The possible length of the tunnel is given as from three and a half to 10 miles. This would be an expenditure of from three and a half to 10 million.

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FEHL'S AFFIDAVIT MAKER IS JAILED

State police were advised yesterday by Salem authorities that J. Taidon Bunch, defense witness in one of the ballot-theft trials, and later an affidavit-maker, had been arrested there on a forgery charge.

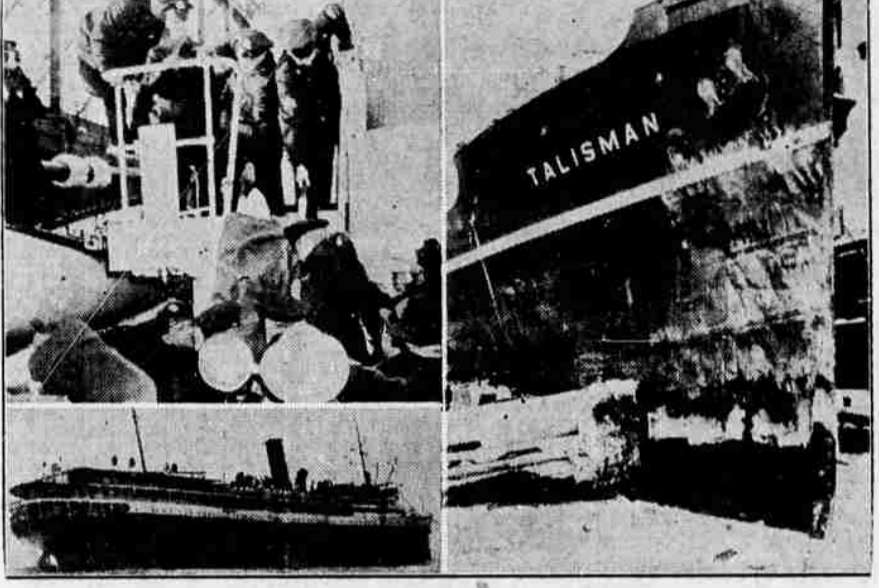
Bunch last year made an affidavit that on the night of the ballot-theft, he was in the local county jail, and exonerated Fehl from any connection with the crime. The records of Douglas county showed that he was confined in the county jail at Roseburg when he claimed he was in the Jackson county jail. The affidavit, made in state prison, was published in the May primary campaign pamphlet, "Black Political Pier" in which it was claimed that Fehl was "framed."

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Change in Liquor Board to Give Martin Power

LINER SINKS AT SEA WITH LOSS OF 47 LIVES



Ocean liners, coast guard cutters and other vessels rushed to the position of the passenger ship, Mohawk (lower left), as it sent out SOS signals after being rammed by the steamer Talisman off the New Jersey coast. At least 47 lives were lost. At the upper left is a picture of Chief Steward Julius Jensen of the Mohawk being removed from a coast guard cutter. Jensen received a fractured hip in the collision. The damaged bow of the Talisman is shown at the right. (Associated Press Photos)

HAUPTMANN'S WIFE BACKS UP ALIBI ON KIDNAP NIGHT

Called for Her at Bakery and Went Home Early Is Claim — Swedish Carpenter Also Aids Prisoner

(Copyright, 1935, by the Associated Press.)
 FLEMINGTON, N. J., Jan. 30.—(AP)—Two witnesses—one his wife—today supported Bruno Richard Hauptmann's alibi for the night Baby Charles A. Lindbergh, Jr., was kidnaped and slain.

Evert Carlstrom, a carpenter of Swedish extraction who said he remembered because it was his birthday testified he saw Hauptmann in the Bronx at 8:30 p. m., on March 1, 1932.

Mrs. Hauptmann testified her husband called for her at her place of employment that evening and went home with her around 10 p. m.

The Lindbergh baby was stolen from his crib in Hopewell, N. J., more than sixty miles away, between 7 and 10 p. m., on March 1, 1932.

Carlstrom said he was in Dunellen, N. J., March 1, 1932, and went to eat in the evening at Frederickson's bakery in the Bronx where he knew Mrs. Hauptmann as a waitress. He had been eating there for two months, he said.

He was in the bakery for 20 minutes and Mrs. Hauptmann waited upon him, he said.

"Now, while you were in there did you see anybody else?" Edward J. Reilly, defense chief asked.

Carlstrom pointed at Hauptmann in the courtroom.

"I saw that fellow sitting right down there."

Hauptmann stood up.

"You were sure he was in there?" "I am sure."

He said he saw a picture of Hauptmann in a newspaper after his arrest. He told somebody, who told Reilly, he said he did not know Hauptmann personally.

Desperadoes Caught



Walter Legenza (top), and Robert Mals (below), termed two of the country's most desperate criminals, were among the five members of the "tri-state gang" of the eastern seaboard captured by department of justice operatives in swift raids in New York. Both are under death sentence in Virginia. — (Associated Press Photos.)

RESIGNATION OF BARRY ACCEPTED AS INITIAL STEP

Naming of Two Members Expected Late Today — Albany Man Hinted As Possible Successor Brodie

SALEM, Jan. 30.—(AP)—Governor Charles H. Martin today announced the acceptance of the resignation of Major Alex G. Barry of Portland from the state liquor control commission, thereby clearing the way for the appointment of a majority of new members which will give the incoming executive control of the commission.

Before nightfall, it was indicated, announcement of the appointment of the two new commissioners will be forthcoming, although the executive office was non-committal as to when the reorganization would be effected.

Generally the acceptance of the resignation is interpreted to foreshadow an immediate reorganization of the commission and lobby gossip is today concerned chiefly with the personnel of the new commission.

Most frequently heard is the name of Arthur K. McMahan, Albany attorney and a former member of the house of representatives, as the probable successor of E. E. Brodie, who resigned as chairman of the board to accept the membership of a California advertising firm.

It is generally agreed that James Burns, Condon, will be retained as the representative of the second congressional district.

It is concluded that upon the governor's choice of an appointee from the third district, Portland, hinges the identity and political faith of the other appointees. The act creating the commission provides that not more than two of the three members of the commission shall be members of the same political party.

So far the only Portlander of republican allegiance to be suggested with any degree of authenticity is Stanley Jewett, formerly connected with the coast biological survey.

Whatever the personnel of the commission may be, there seems to be little doubt but that Frank Spencer, Portland business man and close friend of Governor Martin, will be the new administrator, succeeding George Sammis, resigned.

SCHOOLBOY DECLARES HAUPTMANN GOVERNOR
 TRENTON, N. J., Jan. 30.—(AP)—Gov. Harold G. Hoffman received today the text paper of a Paterson school boy.

SENATE REJECTION COURT ADHERENCE DISAPPOINTS L OF N

GENEVA, Jan. 30.—(AP)—League of nations circles learned with keen disappointment today of the United States senate's rejection of American adherence to the world court.

The opinion had been held generally that ratification of the protocol was certain.

The news brought from representatives of the powers expression of belief that the senate's action constitutes a severe blow to the building up of international law and promotion of peace through the policy of settling disputes by judicial process.

It was pointed out that the world powers at a special conference offered the United States a privileged form of membership in the court which no other member enjoys.

Some spokesmen declared the result should be a lesson to Europe to discontinue offering special privileges to the United States as the price of American participation in the international organizations.

The United States, they said, should accept the same responsibility in world affairs as other nations or remain outside the organizations of international cooperation.

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MOONVILLE DANCE FRAGAS Aired IN COLEMAN'S COURT

R. M. Conley, complaining witness in the justice court hearing today of charges of disorderly and riotous conduct against H. W. Todd, Ralph Bender, Bert Conner, and Charles Knudsen, as a result of a flat fight last Saturday night at a dance held in Caton's hall at Moonville, admitted under cross-examination that he "struck the first blow" in the rum-pumpkin fight.

Conley testified that Bender called him a name, which caused him to doff his coat, and prepare for battle.

Conley denied he carried a revolver, or that he had threatened to fill H. W. Todd, another defendant, "full of lead." He alleged that Todd struck him in the back of the head with his fist, while bystanders were holding him after the combat lull.

Under further cross-examination Conley admitted he and Todd had a dispute over government wheat-reduction money, and a board of

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PRESIDENT'S BALL ASSURED SUCCESS DECLARES MAYOR

In order to clarify some misunderstanding said to exist as to the price of the Roosevelt ball tickets, it was announced this afternoon that they are one dollar per couple, not one dollar per person, as some had thought.

While committees made final arrangements for the most elaborate patriotic ball of the season, Mayor George Porter stated this afternoon that the president's birthday dance tonight at Oriental Gardens is an assured success.

Ticket sales indicate a big crowd, according to Cole Holmes of the ticket sales committee, and, with reservations coming steadily in the Chamber of Commerce, everyone seems enthusiastic over the celebration.

Besides a dance at Oriental Gardens, which will begin at 9 o'clock, a dinner will be served at Hotel Medford, from 8:30 until 9, at a charge of \$1. Twenty-five cents of this amount will be given to the na-

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CHAMBERS NOMINATED DIOCESE ARCHDEACON

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 30.—(AP)—The Rt. H. D. Chambers, general missionary of the Episcopal diocese of Oregon, was today nominated as archdeacon of the diocese by the Rt. Rev. Walter T. Sumner, bishop of Oregon.

The nomination, made during the bishop's address at the 47th annual convention of the diocese, here today, was one of the surprise features of the meeting.

Bishop Sumner said the action was taken as "a gesture of good will and gratitude to a faithful priest for his long years of service."

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STORES AGREE ON 8:30-5:30 HOURS

At a meeting of the Merchant's association held this morning, it was unanimously decided to continue regular store hours in Medford.

Per most merchants these are from 8:30 to 5:30 from Monday to Friday inclusive and from 8:30 to 8:30 on Saturdays. Stores operating under this schedule include department stores, women's shops, men's shops, jewelry stores, shoe stores, furniture stores, Woolworth's and Newberry's.

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GRANTS PASS BOY HELD ON CHECKS

Ivan Myers, 20, of Grants Pass, was in the city jail today, charged with obtaining money under false pretenses, having allegedly passed two false checks to Medford business houses.

Police said Myers gave the Grand Hotel a check for \$17.50 and Montgomery Ward one for \$16, both allegedly forged with the name of Sam Gold of the Grants Pass Bargain House. Three other checks, totaling \$60.60, were found in Myers' possession and were said by authorities to be bogus.

The prisoner, who was arrested after attempting to make the payment at Montgomery Ward Co., is expected to appear before Justice of the Peace Coleman Friday.

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MARTIN'S BARRAGE SPURS SOLONS TO ACT ON BILL NO. 1

SALEM, Jan. 30.—(AP)—Still reverberating from the bombshell thrust into the Oregon legislative session yesterday when Governor Martin, with strategic swiftness, leveled his verbal barrage demanding the passage of house bill 1 which would give the executive control over funds and commissions, the two houses resumed the business before them today.

As a result of the executive's personally delivered special message, an attempt will be made by the house today to place the bill on the calendar under suspension of the rules. The measure was reported out of the ways and means committee without recommendation.

Reactions of the abrupt message urging support in obtaining budgetary control over state funds indicated the members of the house were swayed and the opposite reaction resulted in the senate and the measure when it reaches there will run into much opposition.

Late yesterday the governor announced:

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WASHINGTON, Jan. 30.—(AP)—Sharp slashes in the working hours or codes were demanded of NRA today by William Green, president of the American Federation of Labor.

"Drastic reduction in hours of work must be made if we are to meet our unemployment problem," Green told the recovery board when it opened hearings on revision of code labor provisions.

"The longer the unemployment problem endures, the more difficult it will become."

Green said that 11,000,000 men and women were out of work and that organized labor was throwing its full support to 30-hour-a-week legislation as the only remedy unless code hours were reduced to that figure.

ZIMMERMAN LEADS IN OAKMONT EARLY PLAY
 GLENDALE, Cal., Jan. 30.—(AP)—The only one of the early finishers to crack par, Al Zimmerman of Portland, Ore., took the early 18-hole lead in the opening round of the Oakmont \$5000 golf tournament here today, shooting a 36-33-69. This was one stroke under perfect figures.

WILL ROGERS says:
 BATON ROUGE, La., Jan. 29.—Say, have you slept in one of these aeroplane sleepers? Left Los Angeles last night at 7:30. At Fort Worth, Phoenix, El Paso and Tucson why they just land and get gas and you sleep right through it. Passins over here headed for New York and Washington, and I just couldn't pass up this beautiful and historic old capital city.

Mussolini has his Rome, Stalin his Moscow, but Huey has his Baton Rouge, and it's the prettiest of all. I landed on the very air field where the famous tear gas war was fought last week. Huey has a beautiful new capital building here that is just six inches lower than Al Smith's Empire building. The national guard have the town "well in hand."

Will Rogers.
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FEDERAL CONTROL IS ADVOCATED FOR TRANSPORTATION

WASHINGTON, Jan. 30.—(P)—A fast plan to extend federal regulation to all important forms of transportation on land, sea and in the air, was recommended to congress today by Joseph B. Eastman, federal coordinator of transportation.

A super-agency, in the form of a recreated Interstate commerce commission, would rule the nation's fast-moving networks of carriers.

Eastman urged that instead of the present ICC of 11 men, the new agency have a membership of 16, divided into five units:

A finance division of three members.
 A railroad division of five.
 A water carrier and pipe line division of three.
 A motor carrier and air carrier division of three.
 A control board, composed of the chairman of the commission and the heads of the four subsidiary divisions under it.

The office of coordinator of transportation would be continued and would be filled by an ICC member designated by the President.

UNDERTAKERS WAR BOON TO COUNTY

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300 ELKS GATHER FOR BEND MEETING

BEND, Ore., Jan. 30.—(P)—Lodge men from the region covering a third of Oregon were here last night for one of the best attended meetings of the Elks lodge held in the state east of the Cascade range. John Houston of Klamath Falls was in charge as the visiting degree team initiated 35 candidates.

Klamath Falls, Medford, Ashland and Grants Pass Elks came by a special train from Klamath Falls, and were joined here by lodgemen from Lakeview, Redmond, Prineville, Madras, Bend, Burns and LaGrande.

More than 300 lodge members were guests of the Bend Elks at dinner. The special train returned southward at 2:30 a. m.

Shipbuilding Contracts Fixed Says Girl Witness

By PRESTON L. GROVER
 Associated Press Staff Writer
 WASHINGTON, Jan. 30.—(AP)—From a wild-eyed girl secretary and an enraged shipbuilder came the first positive admission today in the senate munitions inquiry that major shipbuilding contracts were in collusion on naval bidding.

Miss Judy Kitchen and Laurence Russell Wilder, chairman of the board of Gulf Industries of Pensacola, the girl's employer, testified against the "big three" builders.

The three were named as the Newport News Shipbuilding and Drydock company, and the Bethlehem Shipbuilding company.

Miss Kitchen, told the eager munitions investigators she sat in on a conference where collusion was termed a usual thing, and where a "fixer" in Washington was described as having power to distribute business for "a consideration."

Her testimony was brief. She gave the committee records of what she claimed took place at a meeting in a Washington hotel on August 3, 1933, where the services of the "fixer" allegedly were proffered to Wilder to get him some naval building.

Wilder told the committee he had been disappointed at the day's bidding for naval ships, saying he was low bidder on three destroyers but failed to get them because of a previous agreement among the "big three" by which the 27-ship program was shared, each taking a third.

Miss Kitchen related substantially the same story as "the fixer" given yesterday by William Calvin, secretary-treasurer of the metal trades department of the American Federation of Labor.

MONGOL BORDER TOWN CAPTURED BY JAPANESE

TOKYO, Thursday, Jan. 31.—(AP)—Rengo (Japanese news agency) reported today in a dispatch from Hsinking, Manchoukuo, that a Japanese-Manchoukuo force last night captured Kalkha Miao along the Manchou-Mongol border and that the Mongols were retreating to the southward.

33RD POISON ALCOHOL DEATH IS CHALKED UP
 GLOVESVILLE, N. Y., Jan. 30.—(AP)—The "creeping death" today claimed another poison alcohol victim, the 16th here and the 33rd in three central New York industrial sites, when Fogel was the latest.