

The Weather

Forecast—Unsettled with snow or rain tonight. Friday fair; moderate temperature. Highest yesterday 57. Lowest this morning 45.

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HAUPTMANN DEFENSE NEAR END



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WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.—The current fighting between labor leaders and new dealers is no pastime. There has rarely been such biting and scratching in the clinches on any issue, but if you will look closely you will see that each participant is being very careful about whom he scratches.

Most of the fingerwork has been done so far on the side of Donald Richberg, the new deal adviser who is frequently mislabeled "assistant president" of the labor movement.

He was selected first by the A. F. of L. Green and Lewis. There is nothing insincere about their dislike of him. They have an old score to settle with this ex-labor attorney, and their private intention is to force President Roosevelt to drop him in self-defense.

You can see this underlying motif in the fact that, while labor claws at Mr. Richberg, it is paying suit to Secretary Perkins. Publicly labor is accepting inside word from the labor department that Madame Secretary knew nothing of the auto code renewal, and if she had, Mr. Richberg would not have been able to mislead the president.

It is true most labor leaders do not believe this. They cannot understand how the labor secretary could have been snubbed by the White House on a matter which was considered to be one of her pet subjects. Indeed, some skeptical laborites are suggesting that she kept Mr. Green away from the White House, stalling him along, until Mr. Richberg could finish misleading the president.

Through this confusion there are certain rays of light. One is that the new deal labor policy is yet undetermined, but it will not, however, be the question of free self-determination of union affiliation for workers is now in the courts (Houde, Welton cases). These decisions will have far more to do with determining new deal labor policy than the auto code.

Also evident is the fact that the White House is not particularly afraid of the A. F. of L., which has about 2,000,000 members among the 25,000,000 wage earners. And the A. F. of L. is not particularly anxious to break with anyone except Mr. Richberg.

No funeral will be held for Senator Borah's resolution to investigate religious persecution in Mexico, but it will be buried some dark night without you knowing about it. A rather general private understanding exists among members of the senate foreign relations committee that they will not even take up the resolution if they can possibly avoid it. The reason is that they do not consider it a proper function for the senate committee.

Republican congressmen started in amazement the other day when Democrats came trooping into the house on the run to stop a proposed investigation of General Farley's stamp gifts. There were about 199 Democrats present when the session opened. No such turnout usually appears unless Mr. Roosevelt is delivering a message in person.

The Republicans did not know it then, but a confidential call had been sent around by house leaders demanding the presence of all Democrats on the floor at noon.

It is hardly a secret that General Farley has been at work for some time fixing that.

TWO WITNESSES YET TO TESTIFY LAWYER REVEALS

Effort To Close Presentation Today Falls Short—Ladder Evidence Of State Hit By Defense Witness.

FLEMINGTON, N. J., Feb. 7.—(AP)—Charles J. DeBischop, Waterbury, Conn., lumberman, was still in the stand when court adjourned in the trial of Bruno Richard Hauptmann at 4:52 p. m. today.

Adjournment came after an extra long court day in which an effort was made to close the defense presentation of testimony.

Edward J. Reilly, chief counsel for Hauptmann, told Justice Thomas W. Trencard that he had two more witnesses to call after DeBischop.

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FLEMINGTON, N. J., Feb. 7.—(AP)—The defense of Bruno Richard Hauptmann brought a boy with a plane into court today in an effort to refute the ladder evidence by which the state seeks to connect Hauptmann with the kidnaping and murder of baby Charles A. Lindbergh, Jr.

The youth used a plane with pencils in a demonstration to show that nicks in a plane blade would change their relationships according to the angle the plane was held in use. A similar demonstration, designed to show the marks of Hauptmann's plane were on the kidnap ladder, was given for the state by a government wood expert.

Nail Holes Missing The defense demonstration followed the pursuit of a hint the part of the ladder evidence was "framed," with

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PREVAILING WAGE AMENDMENT GIVEN WORK RELIEF BILL

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.—(AP)—The senate appropriations committee today further amended the administration \$4,880,000,000 work-relief bill by requiring labor on all public projects to be paid "not less than the prevailing wage" of private industry in the locality.

The amendment, offered by Senator McCarran (D., Nev.) and approved 12 to 8, was in direct conflict with administration plans to pay wages below those prevailing in private industry to avoid drawing workers away from private employment.

This defeat was offset in part, however, by restoration of one provision of the bill authorizing "the president to acquire property, by purchase or condemnation of certain western lands. Senator Carey (R., Wyo.) said the language was needed to carry forward the vast tree shelter-belt program from the Canadian to the Mexican border.

The committee did not conclude revising the bill, but called another session for tomorrow when it was expected the work would be finished.

No attempt was made to revive the Democratic conservative substitute to slash the \$4,880,000,000 work fund in half and confine the measure to direct aid or the "dole." This lost by a tie vote yesterday.

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PEDDLERS' LICENSE HEARING FRIDAY

SALEM, Feb. 7.—(AP)—A public hearing on house bill 179, repealing Oregon's peddlers' license, will be held at the state house Friday afternoon at 4 o'clock. It was announced today by Rep. James E. Scott, chairman of the repeal of laws committee in the house.

This law, enacted in 1933, regulates the practice of distributing produce in Oregon, requiring peddlers to pay a license fee each year. It regulates activities of commission merchants and peddlers who take goods on commission and is said to be a protective measure to the Oregon producers.

RUDY AND FAY START COURT FIGHT OVER MONEY



Principals in a New York court action in which Fay Webb Vallees seeks additional separate maintenance from Rudy Vallees as they attend the supreme court chambers at the opening of the hearings. Left: C. E. Webb of Santa Monica, Cal., accompanies his daughter as Vallees (extreme right) walks in with his attorney, Hyman Bushel.

SIXTH FORGERY SUSPECT TAKEN BY POLICE HERE

Making the sixth arrest in two weeks on charges of forgery, Edward W. Griffin, 22, a kitchen police employee at the CCC headquarters at the fair grounds, was arrested yesterday at the Montgomery Ward store here. According to city police, who made the arrest, Griffin was attempting to pass a bogus check for \$8.50. Police also stated that he had previously passed three other worthless checks at the same store, in amounts of \$6, \$7.50 and \$10, using the names of Chas. H. Anderson, John B. Arnold, and G. R. Griffin.

In all cases, according to the authorities, the writing on the face of the check and the endorsements were identical. The "phony" paper was passed at intervals of about two weeks, generally during the rush hours, police stated, and further said that yesterday Griffin attempted his fourth check at the Ward store, and that the manager engaged him in conversation while city police officers were summoned. The local officers state that Griffin at first denied having written the checks himself, stating that his brother had given them to him, but later denied the former statement, only to reverse his story again later, and admit authorship of all four.

Griffin gave his address as 929 Filmore street, San Francisco. He had been maintaining lodging at the Lake Hotel here. He's being held in the city jail pending investigation of his past record.

BLOODY TUESDAY RIOTERS LOOSED

PARIS, Feb. 7.—(AP)—With the anniversary of "Bloody Tuesday" safely past, the police today released all but 56 of the 1261 communists arrested yesterday.

Of the 56 still held, 33 are foreigners. They will be expelled from France; the rest will be prosecuted on a charge of carrying forbidden weapons.

Citizens who were burying their dead or bandaging their own wounds this time last year prepared to forget the sad day for another 12 months.

The communists, only group which attempted to revive the tragic incidents of a year ago yesterday, found hundreds of their comrades locked in cells awaiting the decision of authorities on whether to undertake prosecutions.

EX-COUNTY DETECTIVE GUILTY MANSLAUGHTER

PORTSVILLE, Pa., Feb. 7.—(AP)—A jury that deliberated for 65 hours returned a verdict of voluntary manslaughter today against Joseph J. Bruno, former county detective, charged with murder in the Kellogg shooting eye shooting outbreak in which five were slain. The verdict provides for six to 12 years imprisonment.

VALLEE TAUGHT WIFE TO DRINK DECLARES FATHER

NEW YORK, Feb. 7.—(AP)—The father of Fay Webb Vallees testified in supreme court today that his daughter was taught to drink liquor by her husband, Rudy Vallees.

"That's what he did to my little girl," the father Clarence Webb, chief of Santa Monica, Cal., said. "He taught her to drink. The first time I ever saw my daughter drunk was after her marriage to Vallees. I was shocked."

Webb's testimony concerning his son-in-law's tutelage in tipping came during the cross-examination by Hyman Bushel, Vallees' attorney, in Fay's suit to have a maintenance agreement set aside under which she receives \$100 a week.

"I heard that young man give my daughter temperance lectures that would go over big," he added, "and then he would leave bottles all over the floor."

The startling testimony came as a boomerang to Bushel when he asked Webb if, on one occasion when Vallees placed a long distance telephone call to his wife in Santa Monica, Mrs. Vallees had been too drunk to answer the phone.

Webb replied that this was true.

BABY BOND PRICE TENTATIVELY SET BETWEEN \$75-78

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.—(AP)—A tentative price range of \$75 to \$78 for a 10-year bond maturing at \$100 has been set by the treasury for its first issue of "baby bonds" on March 1.

In making the announcement, Undersecretary Coolidge said a price of \$75 would yield 2.90 per cent interest on a 10-year maturity while the higher price would net a return of 2 1/2 per cent.

Coolidge held the view the bonds would not be eligible as collateral at commercial banks as they did not enjoy the transfer privileges. He said, however, they would be readily negotiable at commercial banks as well as federal reserve banks and all local agencies of the government.

The amount of the first "baby bond" issue was not disclosed. These savings bonds, issued in denominations as low as \$25, remain in the hands of the treasury with the buyer obtaining a receipt.

President Roosevelt will buy the first bond.

SLAYER CROSSES CONTINENT WITH BODY OF VICTIM

Clarence Frechette, ex-Aviator Relates Gruesome Story When Captured On Nevada Mountain Road.

SACRAMENTO, Cal., Feb. 7.—(AP)—While alet pounded against the windows of a lonely outpost high in the snow bound Sierra Nevada mountains, 25 year old Clarence Frechette, one time aviator, told early today a gruesome story of violent death and a transcendental automobile ride with the body of a man he admitted killing.

The story was taken down by Capt. Joseph Blake, of the highway patrol, after he and two other officers had written an agreement from the suspected man to tell how the body of Robert Brown happened to be in a trunk in an automobile Frechette was driving.

"What did you kill him for?" began Blake.

Tells Murder Story "I killed him—well, I'll tell you the story," replied the rather tall, well dressed French-American, his voice showing signs of strong emotion.

He said he had been working for Brown driving a truck and hauling freight.

"Well, because of Brown's inability, and he had plenty of it on account of running around with women and paying no attention to business, I lost the truck," Frechette related.

He indicated Brown held the lien on the truck and attempted to collect \$75 from him although the machine already had been sold.

The afternoon of January 29 he said they left Kalamazoo, driving in an automobile owned by Brown's mother, and intended to go to Pontiac by way of Lansing. He told of listening to an orchestra playing over the machine's radio and betting with Brown the name of the conductor. He said he won the bet.

Quarrel Over Girl They stopped at a town named Howell and ate dinner. Leaving the town they stopped again and Brown began bragging about his affairs, Frechette related.

The truck driver said he remarked there was one girl who had nothing to do with Brown, and that his employer replied with an oath on learning he referred to Frechette's girl.

Brown told him, Frechette said, that he had associated with the girl and "I knocked him down."

"He crawled to the car and reach-

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TOWNSEND PLAN HIT BY EKWALL

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.—(AP)—Rep. Ekwall (R., Ore.) believes adoption of the Townsend old age pension plan "would rapidly bring on financial chaos in this country and in the world."

In his maiden speech in the house Wednesday, the ex-circuit judge from Portland denied he ever had supported the Townsend plan which, he is convinced, would be impossible to finance.

The congressman said he believed that the Townsend plan "if in operation only several months, would bring in the wildest sort of inflation, defeating the very purpose desired."

"I favor," the Oregon Republican then continued, "cooperating with the president in putting into effect the best law we can enact, with further amendments from time to time, in the best interests of the aged, as experience and time teach we may safely employ."

Chief Justice H. W. Taft, who presided over the hearing, said he was not in a position to say whether the plan was sound or not.

Wealthy Woman And Pug Husband Agree Two Days

NAPLES, Italy, Feb. 7.—(AP)—The mid-ocean reconciliation between Mr. and Mrs. Onno Piermonte appeared today to have vanished again.

The couple, who embarked on the Roma from New York ten days ago, arrived in Italy by widely separated routes. Mrs. Piermonte, the former Mrs. Madeline Foren Astor Dick, was still on board the Roma when it docked here.

Her ex-prize fighter husband sailed into Genoa on board the Dutch liner Christian Huygens from Algeria.

The Roma's purser said the reconciliation at sea lasted just two days.

Other officers said the Piermontes quarreled frequently.

SERA HOURS, PAY UNDERGO CHANGE STARTING FRIDAY

An announcement released today by local relief administrative officials, outlines a new schedule of hours and wages to become effective on all SERA work division projects in Jackson county, February 8. A decrease of twenty percent in the present wage scale will become effective on that date and will apply in this proportion to all classifications of labor.

A compensating increase of twenty five percent in the hours of labor now being performed in each individual case will be effective on that date to prevent any decrease in the planned earnings of any individual participating in the work relief program.

The function of the works division program of the SERA is primarily not of an employment nature but was carefully worked out in its inception for the purpose of administering relief in the most desirable form.

Many improvements beneficial to the citizens of Jackson county, are being effected through this division of the SERA, and the members of the Jackson County Relief committee have expressed themselves as being very appreciative of the fine measure of cooperation given to their efforts by the various sponsoring bodies, as well as by those individuals receiving work relief in this manner.

CONFIRM DE SOUZA FOR POSTMASTER

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 7.—(AP)—Frank DeSouza today had the senate's confirmation of his nomination for the Medford, Ore. postmastership.

FOUR AGE PENSIONS GET BOARD APPROVAL

At the regular monthly meeting yesterday of the old age pension board, composed of the county court, ten old age pensions were rejected and four accepted. The total number of old age pensions now operative in this county is 207.

Of the ten rejections, six were made because the applicants declined to sign property releases, as required by state law, and four because their children were able to contribute to their support. Some of the rejected applications have been on file for a year.

HOG-CORN CONTRACT SIGNING STARTS SOON

Signing of the 1935 hog-corn contracts in Jackson county is scheduled to start next week, according to County Agent R. G. Fowler. The first hog-corn meeting for this purpose is slated at the court house next Thursday, February 14. Last year there were 155 hog-corn contracts in this county and Josephine county, and it is expected the list will be slightly larger this year. The 1935 contracts have been simplified and slightly modified.

Federal payments on the 1934 hog-corn contracts continue to arrive in small lots, the county agent said.

WASHINGTON POSTPONES SYNDICALISM LAW VOTE

CAPITOL, OLYMPIA, Wash., Feb. 9.—(AP)—With all 90 members present under a call of the house, the lower chamber of the legislature voted, 73 to 27, today to indefinitely postpone H. B. 93 which would repeal the original syndicalism and sabotage law.

FIGHT TO ABOLISH FISH NETS, TRAPS OPENED IN SENATE

Measure Placed On Calendar After Public Hearings—House For Firemen's Civil Service Requirement

SALEM, Feb. 7.—(AP)—Fight on the highly controversial proposal to put before the electorate for vote an act abolishing all fish gear such as traps and seines in the Columbia river was started in the senate shortly before noon today.

The measure, introduced by Senator F. M. Francisco and Representatives Walter Norblad, Grace Kent Magruder and O. Henry Olsen, was placed on the senate calendar following public hearings on the proposal, and was being debated only after an attempt to further delay voting by putting it on special order later.

The proposal would place on the ballot the issue of abolishing gear in the Columbia and all streams in the state. The only river affected would be the Columbia, Francisco declared, as the gear had previously been eliminated from other streams.

Would Ban Race Betting Seeking to abolish all pari-mutuel racing in Oregon, Senator Peter Zimmerman today introduced a bill repealing the present statute permitting horse and dog racing. This adds another to the growing number of measures affecting the present statute one way or the other, but was the only one advocating repeal.

Cities with 3000 or more population will be required to submit to the voters of the city the question of civil service for firemen under the provisions of a bill passed by the house today.

The bill taking Klamath county from the 17th senatorial district which provides a joint senator with Lake, Deschutes, Crook and Jefferson and giving it a separate senator from what would be known as the 19th senatorial district, which is now shared by Morrow, Umatilla and Un-

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FRANCE MAY HOIST APPLE, PEAR QUOTA

PARIS, Feb. 7.—(AP)—A further increase in the United States quota of apples and pears was said to be probable.

French importers have asked the government to add most of the remaining unassigned quotas of approximately 300,000 bushels to the United States, which is the only nation able to send good apples promptly.

The government increased the quota for the first quarter of 1935 over that of the previous year, but importers said the market will be able to absorb much more because no European countries have apples to sell, and Chile is too distant to send additional fruit during this quarter.

WILL ROGERS says: Illustration of a man's face.

SELIGMAN, Ariz., Feb. 6.—Yesterday afternoon I was flying out of New York and Washington with every principal newspaper to read, all the high grade editorials and all the news from Washington.

This evening as I have to send my message I am at a little railroad division point and real cowtown out in Arizona, no paper, no editorials, but just to talk to these old boys. Beats all your New York dailies, all your learned editorials.

They want no part of Europe, they think our markets are at home, they want to see our country pay its way. That is why they want to see congress every time it votes an appropriation to vote what is to be taxed to raise the money, and interest rates are so high that the banks can't lend, for nobody can make more than that. Gosh, I wish some of you folks would talk to somebody besides who is just in your own little clique.

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