

The Weather

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13 PERISH IN MIDWEST BLIZZARD



By PAUL MALLON (Copyright, 1935, by Paul Mallon) WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—The mailman is the biggest influence in congress. He can spread an inside alarm faster than any...

LAKES DISTRICT CENTER OF QUEER WEATHER MIX-UP

Tornado Rips Through Oklahoma, Missouri And Kansas — Snow, Sleet & Dust Storms Take Toll.

KANSAS CITY, Feb. 25.—(AP)—A blizzard—the latest ingredient in a strange weather concoction served within three days—moved into the midwest today leaving 13 dead and 130 injured.

Blizzard weather, centering in the Great Lakes district, sent temperatures reeling from spring-like readings. Snow and sleet were falling.

Ten deaths were attributed to the blizzard, one to a tornado that ripped through Oklahoma, Missouri and Kansas last night and one to a sand storm in Colorado.

Traffic Delayed Trains, buses and motor cars were delayed and planes were grounded.

Western Kansas was buffeted by a hedge-hedge of snow, sleet, dust storms and rain.

Five persons were killed in traffic accidents in Chicago last night, a blinding snow. Two men on a snow plow were killed when struck by a train in Dea Plains, near Chicago.

In Wisconsin a motorist lost his life when his motor car skidded into a ditch.

Deskin Weaver fell dead while shoveling snow at Dea Moines, Ia.

The body of Fred Graves, garage operator at Posa, Okla., was found behind a windbreak near Clinton, Okla. today. Officers said they believed he

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OLD BATTLESHIP A LEMON, MARTIN

SALEM, Feb. 25.—(AP)—The battleship Oregon came in for adverse comments at the board of control session here today when requests were made for expenditure of more than \$500 for repairs.

"The state got a lemon when it got the battleship Oregon," Governor Charles H. Martin declared. "It has been a continual headache for the state ever since we got it. I suggest we defer action on this matter until the ways and means committee takes action on appropriations for the relic."

Action therefore was deferred. The ways and means committee has been considering the proposal of continued appropriation for the historic vessel, which in the past has been in excess of \$30,000 every two years. Governor Meier had recommended this appropriation be reduced to \$12,000 for the biennium.

TIMBER ON GRANT LAND PURCHASED

ROSEBURG, Ore., Feb. 25.—(AP)—Public sale of grant land timber in four Oregon counties was held today by the U. S. land office here, the sale totaling \$48,220.50.

C. E. Powell, Gladstone, Ore., purchased timber from 24 acres in Clackamas county for \$501.50.

John Lamar, Scappoose, bought timber on 40 acres in Washington county, paying \$3,014.02.

C. C. Keith of Junction City secured timber on 40 acres in Lane county for \$1,350.80.

The principal tract, 441 acres in Polk county, was sold to the Willamette Valley Lumber company of Portland for a total purchase price of \$42,849.58.

Surgeon Grafts Hand on Boy Crippled in Accident

HARTFORD, Conn., Feb. 25.—(UPI)—Probably one of the happiest news items in the world today is 5-year-old Herbie Miller of Norwich, Conn.

Last September, Herbie was run down by a trolley in Norwich and both his hands had to be amputated. His mother was killed in the same accident when she ran into the path of the trolley in a vain attempt to save her son.

The child was taken to the state hospital at Westington Surgeon said that it would be possible to graft two artificial limbs to Herbie's arms if the fingers of Dr. Henry H. Kessler, who amputated the boy's hands, could be obtained and if sufficient

Steelhead Ruled Game Fish by Ballot in House

DUST BLANKETS SEVERAL STATES; OBSCURES SUN



A peculiar storm covered parts of several midwest states with dust while high temperatures prevailed. The wind reached a velocity of 56 miles an hour in sections. A dust cloud is shown approaching this town which was in a murky gloom shortly after the picture was made. (Associated Press Photo)

NEW GRAND JURY DRAWN OPENING OF CIRCUIT COURT

The grand jury for the February term of the circuit court, which opened this morning, was drawn and the opening session of the new inquisitorial body will be held this afternoon.

Its first case, the district attorney's office said, would probably be the involuntary manslaughter charge filed against Roster P. (Red) Carroll, service station employe, as the result of an auto accident Saturday night, February 19, on West Main street, in which June Rose Hanson, 13, sustained fatal injuries.

The grand jury, as drawn, is: Charles W. Hildridge, Talent; Everett H. Brayton, Jacksonville, R. F. D.; W. P. Grimes, Central Point; Cecil Blackford, Central Point; William Bigham, Eagle Point; Harris B. James, Medford, R. F. D.; and W. W. Williams, Rogue River.

The court, in its opening instructions to the grand jury, stated their duty, "contrary to the opinion of many people in the county, is to investigate charges filed in the intermediate courts, not the hearing of new charges brought before them direct."

A light criminal list will confront the grand jury, the district attorney's office reported. Two burglary cases that have been pending for several months will be presented.

BUTLER CLAIMS QUIZ MUFFLED

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 25.—(AP)—General Smedley D. Butler, says the house committee on un-American activities suppressed testimony in which he quoted Gerald P. McGuire, Wall Street agent, as inferring he (McGuire) was "in" with President Roosevelt.

The ex-marine commander in a speech last night, asserted that McGuire, mentioned by Butler in an alleged fascist plot against the government, could "foretell future events" and that he was "on the inside."

Butler's speech, which was broadcast, was the third in which he attacked the house committee's handling of the investigation of the alleged plot and its subsequent report to congress.

money was raised to buy the artificial hand.

Dr. Kessler volunteered his services and the American Legion post at Norwich by public subscription raised funds. U. S. A. F. direction of Dr. Kessler, population, over a period of months, began building up the remaining granite muscles in Herbie's left arm, which had been amputated above the wrist. Yesterday, Dr. Kessler, satisfied that he could secure the proper muscular co-ordination, performed a successful operation. In a few months Dr. Kessler expects to operate on the right arm, which had been amputated just below the elbow. An operation of this sort is one of the rarest feats in surgery.

3 FARM BOYS ABDUCTED BY ESCAPING DESPERADO

McKINNEY, Tex., Feb. 25.—(AP)—Raymond Hamilton, elusive desperado who narrowly escaped death in a police ambush near here last night, was reported fleeing west today with three abducted farm boys after spending part of the night at a farm house three miles west of Celina.

The three captives were said by police to be J. C. Loftice, 16; Buster Mayes and J. C. Harlow. Hamilton's companion in Sunday's gunfight, and still with him today, was not definitely identified but police said they thought he was a West Dallas hoodlum.

Hamilton was reported wounded in the jaw from the barrage laid down by ambushing officers Sunday.

Search through the night for the killer who fled from the Texas prison deathhouse last summer and a month ago escaped from another trap in Dallas was unavailing. Officers learned today that after abandoning the bullet riddled car near Weston, Hamilton and his companion had held up Loftice, and drive away in his roadster to the farm of Bill Mayes, three miles west of Celina, a town 18 miles northwest of McKinney.

At dawn they left, taking with them Mayes, son of the farmer, Harlow and Loftice.

The district attorney's office here was advised Hamilton and his companion were armed with two automatic rifles and two pistols. The automatic rifles were stolen about a week ago from the Beaumont National Guard armory.

CONTINUING ORDER MARTIN SENTENCE ISSUED BY COURT

Suspended sentences, continued from previous terms of the circuit court, were ordered continued today by Circuit Judge H. D. Norton, as the February term of the circuit court started.

The order provides the suspended sentences shall continue, "until further disposition is made."

Defendants affected by the continuing order, included: Mrs. Henrietta B. Martin, president of the self-styled "Good Government Congress," found guilty by a Jackson county jury of assault with a horsewhip, upon Leonard Hall, editor, in March 1933, at the height of the Banks-Fehl inspired turmoil. The conviction was returned.

CHALLENGE CUTTING'S SENATE SEAT RIGHT

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—(AP)—The right of Bronson Cutting, republican independent of New Mexico, to hold his senate seat was challenged in contest proceedings filed with the senate today by former Representative Dennis Chavez.

Chavez contended that illegal votes were counted in the 1934 election for Cutting and that legal votes were not counted for himself. He opposed Cutting in the senatorial race.

Illegal use of money and unlawful expenditures by Cutting also were charged.

SAMS VALLEY AND E. P. IN PLAY-OFF TUESDAY

Sams Valley and Eagle Point high schools, tied with five wins and one defeat for the northern division secondary high school basketball championship, will play off the tie Tuesday night at Jacksonville, with the spot scheduled for 8 o'clock.

The winner will play Rogue River high school, winners in the southern division for the county championship, and the right to compete in the district tournament to be held the first part of March at Ashland.

\$1,250,000 MORE FROM RUM SALES IN REST OF YEAR

Sum Is In Addition To Quarter Million Already Contributed During Present Year—Seek Increase

SALEM, Feb. 25.—(AP)—Operations of the Oregon liquor control commission may be expected to contribute an additional \$1,250,000 for unemployment relief during the remainder of 1935, according to estimates supplied Governor Charles H. Martin today by Frank A. Spencer, administrator of the commission, in reply to the governor's request.

This million and a quarter dollars in addition to \$250,000 already contributed by the commission in the month of January out of earnings which exceeded the monthly average of 1934 by \$75,000.

\$1,500,000 Aggregate From sales of liquors in state stores and agencies, estimated to total \$5,500,000 during the year, revenues for relief in the amount of \$1,000,000 may be expected, Spencer reports. An additional \$400,000 after deducting administration expenses, is anticipated from licenses and taxes, bringing the aggregate to \$1,500,000 from which is deducted the \$250,000 January contribution.

The federal government has called upon the state to contribute \$4,000,000 for unemployment relief during the year, leaving a balance of \$3,750,000 to be raised from other sources unless provision is made to increase the liquor revenues through higher taxes or other means.

On Present Status In his statement to the executive Spencer points out that the \$1,250,000 for relief for the remainder of the year if "predicated upon the present status of the liquor control and revenue acts, and will be affected by the passage of any proposed changes to the act which concern the taxing of wines, liquors and beer.

"Sales of fortified wines by our

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MERCURY DROPS NEAR 1935 LOW

The temperature reached a mark of 23 degrees just before sunrise this morning, to come within one degree of the low record for 1935, set on January 18. This record was the lowest mark reached since December 1, 1933, when another mark of 23 was registered.

A crust of ice formed over standing water last night and the ground was covered with a thin frost. The temperature will probably rise tonight, however, with a prediction of rain late tonight or Tuesday.

PORTLAND, Feb. 25.—(AP)—Motors found driving conditions hazardous early today because of dense fog and frost-covered pavements.

The temperature dropped to 31 degrees, bringing a heavy frost which covered the highways and froze on windshields.

Chilly weather prevailed over much of the northwest, Eugene reporting a low of 30 degrees, Salem 29, Castle Rock 29, Hood River 24, Burns 16, Baker 20, and other points east of the coast mountain range, mostly below freezing.

Air mail planes were held at Seattle, Medford and Pendleton this morning until the fog lifted.

Park Rangers Rescue Aged Moslem Pilgrim

KLAMATH FALLS, Feb. 25.—(AP)—This is the story of a snowbound Arab.

Crying to Allah and gesticulating toward the white mountain peaks, a ragged Arab was rescued from the snows of Crater Lake park late Saturday.

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Cattle Stir Up Ancient Coins In English Pasture

DORCHESTER, England, Feb. 25.—(AP)—Farmer George Chell's cattle are getting extra-fine fodder these days—and why not?

While grazing the other day, the cattle kicked up a half dozen gold coins which started the farmer digging in his pasture. He unearthed more than a hundred coins dating back 300 years. The treasure, worth about \$5000, is believed to have been buried during the reign of the Stuarts.

NO MORE SALARY FOR LEGISLATORS BUT TOIL GOES ON

SALEM, Feb. 25.—(AP)—Operating at their own personal expense members of the Oregon legislature resumed sessions here today as the seventh week of the 1935 assembly opened with possibilities of continuing through most of the eighth week. Pay of the legislators stopped last Friday night, the end of the 40 days.

Main issues before the house membership today included power, milk and liquor, while the senate will consider court procedure, boxing commissions and a modified county unit proposal for public schools as advanced by the state grange. Both houses had full calendars.

Under special order the house will start work on the power bill, a combination of the lakes proposal and the state grange power commission measure proposing state construction of transmission lines from Bonneville. This has been one of the controversial matters before the legislature, and

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MRS. MARTIN'S SUIT AGAINST RADIO KMED RULED OUT BY JUDGE

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 25.—(AP)—Federal Judge McNary today sustained demurrers to the \$30,500 damage action filed by Mrs. Henrietta B. Martin, leader of a political faction in Medford, against Mrs. Blanche Virgin, operator of radio station KMED in that city.

Mrs. Martin sued the station because it reputedly refused to permit her to broadcast a speech last December.

Judge McNary ruled that facts alleged by Mrs. Martin, president of the so-called "Good Government Congress," did not constitute a causable action.

Allowing the demurrer automatically dismissed the action, but the court allowed Mrs. Martin 10 days in which to file an amended complaint.

Judge McNary held that the refusal of a radio station operator to allow any individual to broadcast did not constitute a violation of the common carrier clause of the interstate commerce law, as a radio station is specifically exempt from the common carrier provision.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 15.—(AP)—Changes in the Bureau of Indian Affairs manipulated elections on the Klamath Indian reservation in Oregon, were made by Representative Murdock (D. Utah), at a hearing today before the special subcommittee of the house Indian affairs committee.

WILL ROGERS SAYS:

BEVERLY HILLS, Cal., Feb. 25.—Was out at daylight to see Wiley Post take off. Was in the camera plane and we flew along with him for about 80 miles. We left him at 8000 feet right over the mountains. He soon after had to land. He brought her down on his stomach. That guy don't need wheels.

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Q. K. Fickett and Alf Omsa, skiers, saw him plowing through the snow Saturday and notified Government Camp, Ruddy Lake and Howard Crawford, rangers, found the old man sitting beneath a tree four miles from Anna Springs.

They failed to make their intentions understood and the Arab failed to budge.

Toward night when the son of the desert began to feel the chill of the mountain winter, he permitted himself to be "rescued."

He was housed in the Chiloquin jail over the week end.

SPORTSMEN WIN LONG FIGHT FOR BAN ON NETTING

Lower Branch Of Legislature Passes Bill By 32 To 26 Margin—Many Voice Arguments On Floor.

SALEM, Feb. 25.—(AP)—Steelhead was ruled a game fish by the house of the Oregon legislature just at the noon adjournment when the bill prohibiting commercial fishermen from catching that type was passed by the narrow margin of 32 to 26.

Passage of the steelhead bill was opposed by Representative Walter Norblad, Clatsop county, who said that the fish on eastern and foreign markets known as Columbia river salmon was in reality steelhead and that over 1,000,000 pounds were taken annually from the Columbia river. This bill would ruin export trade along this line and cripple the third largest industry of the state, he charged.

100,000 Sportsmen Representative Lew Wallace, Multnomah, objected to Norblad's statement that the bill meant bread and butter to hundreds of commercial fishermen as compared with the interest of a few sportsmen from Portland and the Willamette valley. There are over 100,000 fishing licenses issued throughout the state, he said.

A practical measure would be one that would shorten the season during which the steelhead may be taken commercially, in the opinion of Representative O. Henry Olsen, Columbia, who called the bill before the house unworkable.

Speaker John Coater, Lincoln county, said his district is divided, some wanting a shorter season and others opposed to the bill, particularly in the southern end where a conservative policy had been followed for years. The season should be fixed to give the bulk of it to the sportsmen but because of an over-lapping season with the silver-side, it is impossible to avoid taking both at the same time. Proper adjustment of the season

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BIGAMY CHARGE FOR ROSEBURGIAN

ROSEBURG, Ore., Feb. 25.—(AP)—A charge of bigamy was filed here today against Frank Hayes, who was taken into custody at Portland, at the request of local officers. Hayes was taken to Portland last week to answer to a charge of larceny by bailie, but the complaint was dismissed upon settlement with a jewelry company which Hayes was reported to have purchased a watch on contract.

Portland officers, it was reported, received information from a woman, claiming to be Hayes' wife, that he was guilty of bigamy.

The complaint filed here was signed by Clarence Miller, Hayes' father-in-law.

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