

The Weather

Forecast: Fair and colder with frost or freezing temperatures tonight; Saturday fair.

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SEEK ROGUE BILL REFERENDUM



By Paul Mallon Copyright, 1935, by Paul Mallon. WASHINGTON, March 29.—Some of those sharp-sighted Wall Street seers could use some new glasses. As they always see it, the only business in this country is making steel and the other durable goods.



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Statistics of these industries are stressed so much that you rarely see any others played up or adequately considered. Consequently, when steel started slipping a few weeks ago, the stock market went down with it, and the general impression is broadcast that the whole national spring business rise has gone floozy.

If you look at a balanced chart of business statistics, you can see without any glasses, that such a viewpoint is slightly out of focus. The government's private chart of business shows that factory employment, wages, carloadings and department store sales have shown a constant extra-seasonal improvement in the past three months. Even building contracts have improved inconspicuously and prices have remained stable.

It does not mean the existing business situation would justify asking the boss for a raise. Essentially, we are today just about at the level of March, last year. The prospects for the next few months are not inspiring, in view of the bulge in production at the turn of the year. This bulge will undoubtedly be taken out of the spring figures and may force a continued shrinkage in production generally.

But it does mean that the averaged troubles of steel, machinery, transportation, equipment, lumber, metals, glass, brick, autos, have obscured the fairly good averaged encouragements of textiles, tobacco, leather, shoes, food, paper, chemicals, rubber.

Employment in the first group averaged only 69.3 per cent of normal in the official February figures, while in the second group was employment in other words, the non-durables are within 6 per cent of their employment during 1923-1925.

You can figure out the general layout for yourself from the following monthly figures. The price index is based on 1926 as 100, but all the others are based on 1923-1925. All except payroll and prices are adjusted for seasonal variations, which means that each figure is the actual estimated percentage of normal for the times stated.

GOLD BEACH MEN BEHIND MOVE FOR VOTE ON CLOSING

Signature of 10,232 Qualified Voters Required to Place Question On Ballot at Next Election

SALEM, March 29.—(AP)—Preliminary petitions for a referendum on house bill 418 of the 1935 legislature, the Rogue river closing bill, were filed at the secretary of state's office today.

The petitions were signed by F. B. Postel, C. L. Wakeman and others, including commercial fishermen and residents of Gold Beach in Curry county.

Completed petitions must contain 10,232 signatures of qualified voters, the secretary's office reported. In case they are completed by June 11, the referendum would go on the ballot at the next general election, November 3, 1936.

In both 1930 and 1931 the question of closing the Rogue to commercial fishermen was placed before the voters, and was defeated both times. Word that action had been taken looking toward a referendum on the recently enacted law closing Rogue river to commercial fishing came as a great surprise to Medford sportsmen and others interested in maintaining the stream as a tourist and sportsmen's attraction. It had been generally believed that the long battle over use of nets in the Rogue was finally settled at the last legislature as there was no great opposition to the closing bill.

Representative Moore Hamilton, who worked hard for the closing measure, when apprised of the referendum move declared that upper river interests should do a little referring on their own hook and see if the lower river people could not be forced to operate the new coast highway bridges, under the toll system as originally proposed.

ROOSEVELT'S SON JOINS SEA PARTY

MIAMI, Fla., March 29.—(AP)—President Roosevelt looked forward today to some more fishing in the waters off the northern coast of Cuba.

The yacht Nourmahal carrying the sub-buried president was in the vicinity of Great Inagua Island off the northeastern tip of Cuba.

A brief report last night from the yacht told of the arrival of James Roosevelt, eldest son of the president, from Puerto Rico, by regular Pan-American plane and of a day of fishing by the presidential party off Cayo Lobos.

Apparently satisfied with the condition of his secretary and friend, Louis M. Howe, who is ill in the White House at Washington, Mr. Roosevelt is circling southern waters on a schedule expected to keep him at sea most of next week and possibly until early the following week.

Hoover's Tip Bought Policy EL PASO, Tex. (UP)—Jerome Triolo, bellhop at a hotel here, has become a rugged individualist. When former President Herbert Hoover visited here recently, he handed Jerome a dollar tip. Jerome said he used the money to help buy an insurance policy.

Boy Scouts Wanted Antioch SAN FRANCISCO.—(UP)—Boy Scouts arranged a dramatic lesson to reckless automobile drivers in a ceremony here. All traffic was halted for a minute on a rushing downtown corner while taps were blown for four pedestrians killed at the intersection.

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"To the progress made doubtless can be attributed the greater confidence now being taken in expansion

Road Commission Post Looms



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PORTLAND, March 29.—(AP)—The liquor commission today ruled that dancing and serving of beer or wine will no longer be permitted in the same building outside corporate limits of any city.

Hereafter the dispensing of these beverages must be conducted in a building entirely separate from that in which dancing is permitted. Nearly every roadhouse will be affected.

The commission ruled, too, that it will be justification for license revocation if any dispenser sells wine without an accompanying meal. This regulation has been part of the Knox law, but has been generally disregarded in Portland. From now on observance will be insisted upon by restaurants and hotels.

M. O. Besonnette, manager of the Pine Cone Inn, roadhouse just north of the city limits of Medford, today stated that he believed that the above ruling applies only to those "road houses" that can be classified as public dance halls. That is, a hall in which people pay to dance, and in which beer is served. There is no charge for dancing at the Pine Cone, he stated.

It is his belief that the law is not retroactive—does not apply in any case to those houses who have already obtained their licenses, but only to the applicants for new permits.

The district attorney's office here has received no notification on the ruling.

In Vedic mythology, the Hiranyagarbha was the golden egg of germ whence the universe developed. (Continued on Page Nine)

TOUVELLE SLATED FOR APPOINTMENT ROAD COMMISSION

Former County Judge of Jackson County Has Inside Track Is Word—Was Father Pacific Highway

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TINY GIRL BEATEN BY OLDER CHILD

BEND, Ore., March 29.—(AP)—A brutal and unaccountable attack by a seven-year-old girl upon Christie Ledahl, three-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Ledahl of Bend was being investigated today by Bend police and Deschutes county officers.

Police said they were told the older girl, whose name was withheld, clubbed the top over the head and face and threw her into the cold Deschutes river. Other children who happened by dragged the stunned child from the swift current. The seven-year-old girl was said to be unable to account for the attack. She had not been quarreling with the smaller child, it was said, and was quoted as having stated she was not "mad."

TRAIN SCHEDULE CHANGES APRIL 1 Effective April 1, several changes in the departure of Southern Pacific trains from Medford were announced today by A. S. Rosenbaum, district agent. The new schedule will be as follows:

No. 329, Portland to Ashland, leaves Medford at 8:25 a. m., the same as at present.

No. 7, Shasta, southbound, leaves Medford at 6:36 p. m. instead of at 6:32 p. m.

No. 8, Shasta, northbound, leaves Medford at 8:56 a. m. instead of at 8:58 a. m.

No. 330, northbound, leaves Medford at 6:58 p. m. instead of at 7:10 p. m.

GIANT CLIPPER PLANE RESTS AT SAN DIEGO SAN DIEGO, March 29.—(AP)—A peculiar one-stop flight from Miami, Fla., the big Pan-American clipper for trans-Pacific service today was being made ready for flights to Los Angeles and San Francisco.

DRAFT NRA BILL IN ATTEMPT TO AVOID STRIKES

Secretly Drafted Measure Hastily Introduced in Senate After Warning That Labor Troubles Coming

By NATHAN ROBERTSON Associated Press Staff Writer. WASHINGTON, March 29.—(AP)—A secretly drafted administration bill to extend NRA with some modifications was hastily introduced today by Chairman Harrison of the senate finance committee, after a warning in executive session from Donald Richberg, NRA head, that strikes were impending in four big industries.

The NRA bill was along lines recommended by the administration, with codes confined to interstate commerce and the anti-trust laws partially restored.

Members of the committee said Richberg warned of the threatening labor situation in the steel, coal, automobile and textile industries and urged it to speed up consideration of NRA legislation.

He advocated the immediate introduction of the bill which Harrison had in his pocket for several days.

They to Advise Revolt. Meanwhile, Senator Huey Long told the senate that as a result of the government's attempt to withdraw the Belcher NRA case from the supreme court, he was going to tell his Louisiana constituents to ignore the NRA.

"I intend to tell them to pay the same attention to the NRA that the man from Alabama did, and I think we all ought to do that, because the department of justice won't do anything about it if they do violate the law," Long said.

The "Kingfish" declared that "I knew the NRA was unconstitutional" (Continued on Page Five)

HOODED ATTACKER WAYLAYS GIRL ON PORTLAND STREET

PORTLAND, Ore., Mar. 29.—(AP)—A hooded man who criminally attacked a 14-year-old girl after he had waylaid her at a brush-grown path last night was the object of an intensive police search here today.

Terrified, the girl told police she was walking home at 9:30 o'clock last night near 70th avenue and Powell boulevard. A man, wearing a gunny sack fashioned into a hood, leaped from the edge of the path and dragged her into the brush. When she screamed the degenerate threatened to shoot her to death.

She was freed from her bonds an hour and a half later. Police found the hood worn by the attacker but no trace of the man.

FURTHER DELAY SEEN FOR WORK RELIEF BILL WASHINGTON, March 29.—(AP)—Vigorous objections from administration officials to the final form of the \$4,880,000,000 work-relief bill today were reported to have delayed further congressional action on the measure until next week in the hope that it can be modified.

NEW YORK, March 29.—(AP)—The new deal ruler's enemies of the new deal, General Hugh Johnson says, follow the Napoleonic strategy of "divide and conquer" — split the friends of recovery into small quarreling factions and then absorb each in detail.

In his memoirs of his public service—"The Blue Eagle from Egg to Earth," published by Doubleday, Doran—the former NRA administrator writes:

Will Preside



Rev. Weston F. Shields, pastor of the Medford Presbyterian church from 1903 to 1916, will preside at tonight's banquet celebrating the 50th anniversary of the church here. The picture of Rev. Shields shown above was taken in 1905.

MEDFORD SCHOOL PROJECT ON LIST OF PUBLIC WORKS

WASHINGTON, March 29.—(AP)—More than \$4,400,000 would be expended on construction of 66 public school buildings in Oregon and Washington under the new public works program if recommendations of school education are followed.

Forty eight of the buildings, at a cost of \$2,924,000, would be in Washington state while 18, costing \$1,400,000 would be in Oregon.

The list of projects received by the bureau were described as being worthy and profitable investments under the new public works program.

While the total money which could be expended and the total number of projects were given, the bureau's list was only partially complete, some of the projects being held out because of a desire of state and school officials to keep them secret at the present time.

Only eight of the 18 Oregon projects were made public as follows:

Table with 3 columns: City, Projects, Cost. Rows include Baker (\$118,000), Dallas (70,000), Grants Pass (100,000), Medford (22,000), Newberg (100,000).

School officials here today were unable to state which of the several projects submitted to the PWA board were included in the \$22,000 mentioned above. The city schools submitted one plan, that for a new athletic field, with supplementary equipment, for the senior high school, at a cost of \$10,000. The county schools submitted several projects, all of them for rural one and two room school houses, ranging in cost from \$1,000 to \$2,000. The total cost for all the plans submitted would run between \$60,000 and \$70,000, County Superintendent C. H. Bowman stated.

It was believed that the figure stipulated must either be an error, or included only part of the total submitted.

CODDING LEAVES FOR CRIME CONFERENCE

George A. Coddling, district attorney and president of the Southern Oregon Peace Officers' association, left here yesterday to attend the Oregon state crime conference called by Governor Charles H. Martin. District Attorney Coddling was named as a member of the reception committee.

Assistant Attorney-General Ralph E. Moody, former local resident, is one of the main speakers at the session.

REYNOLDSTOWN, A 25 TO 1 SHOT, IS AINTREE WINNER

Blue Prince Second, Thomsd Third — Favorite Golden Miller Falls—Four Americans Win Big Prizes

NEW YORK, March 29.—(AP)—When Reynoldstown won the Grand National at Aintree today, the victory meant that four American-owned tickets in the Irish hospital sweepstakes won a total of \$570,000.

The tickets held on Reynoldstown were made out to: Ray Gold, the Bronx, New York; Ann Goldbergh, Philadelphia; Mabel Leitzeiman, Oney, Ill.; "3 Glasses," Philadelphia.

Each of these tickets pays 30,000 pounds—about \$142,300. The following five Americans won \$13,000 (about \$71,350) each as holders of tickets on Blue Prince second horse:

A. B. Weiss, Bronx, N. Y. Mae E. Smyle, Ozone Park, L. I. Carmelo Uramio, Brooklyn "May 15th," Bridgeport, Conn. "Smile," Los Angeles, Cal. Three American tickets were held on Thomsd II, the horse that came third, and each of the tickets pays approximately \$47,500, a total of \$142,500 for these three: J. Thomas Roszki, New York; "Clear Sailing," New York; "Erin Go Brach," Buffalo, N. Y.

AINTREE, Eng., March 29.—(AP)—Reynoldstown, a 25-to-1 shot owned and ridden by Major Noel Purton, today won the 97th running of the Grand National steeplechase. Blue (Continued on Page Seven)

WOMAN DECAPITATED BY HANGMAN'S ROPE IN CANADA PRISON

MONTREAL, March 29.—(AP)—The hangman's noose decapitated Mrs. Thomasina Theola Sarao, 46, today as she was executed for murdering her husband, according to a witness who attended.

Newspapermen were barred from the execution by the Quebec attorney-general's department. A few minutes before Mrs. Sarao dropped through the trap, Leone Gagliardi, 36, and Angelo Donofrio, 19, were hanged on another scaffold for the same crime.

The trio were convicted by a court of king's bench jury of murdering the middle aged street cleaner for the sake of the \$4500 insurance on his life. Mrs. Sarao was in the plot but it was Gagliardi and Donofrio who beat Sarao to death with clubs in a field near Blue Bonnets race track in the north of the city last summer.

Lured to the spot by Gagliardi on the pretext of helping the latter at some work, Sarao was attacked by Gagliardi and Donofrio, who was lying in wait. When he was unconscious from the blows of their clubs, the pair finished Sarao off by battering his head with a large boulder.

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WILL ROGERS says:

BEVERLY HILLS, Cal., Mar. 28.—Have you been reading this college woman argument? Secretary Perkins spoke to California university, but a Miss Ijams objected two columns worth. She held out for May West instead. She can't see a Democrat even if it was Jane Adams. Then through some curious turn of events Mrs. Roosevelt got into it.

Well, I was going to remain neutral, but today, according to her mother, Miss Ijams sleeps till afternoon. Well, I can readily see how women like Miss Perkins and Mrs. Roosevelt (who get up with the birds) would get in Ijams' hair. So Ijams has either got to get her a husband or an alarm clock to catch those two. Yours for the early birds. Will Rogers. © 1935, NATIONAL PUBLICITY, INC.

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POLICEMAN'S AUTO GUTTED BY BLAZE

Fire at 5:30 last evening, believed to have started from defective wiring in the DeSoto sedan of J. C. Blodgett, state police officer, gutted the machine, the fire spreading into the upholstery, through the roof of the car, and setting fire to the roof of the garage in which the car was parked at 34 Quince street. The blaze was quieted by the Medford fire department, after considerable damage both to the car and to the garage. The car was insured.

The fire department was again called at 7 o'clock last night, when the brakes of a Consolidated truck caught fire on North Riverside avenue. Little damage was done.

FALL RIVER, Mass., March 29.—(AP)—Alyce Jane McHenry today made plans for greeting Jimmie Neilson, San Jose, Calif. boy who is expected to arrive here Saturday to undergo an operation similar to Alyce's to correct an upside-down stomach.