

The Weather
Forecast: Cloudy, unsettled Sunday;
Monday, cooler.
Temperature today—70
Highest yesterday—70
Lowest yesterday—43

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News Behind The News
By Paul Mallon

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WASHINGTON, April 13.—When silver comes in contact with a politician, a chemical reaction takes place in both. The politician here handle gold as coolly as if they were handling a sack of potatoes. But, whenever the silver issue gets near them, they are transformed into whirling prophets of an ecstatic realm of grotesque exaggerations.

This was what happened again on the latest silver action by the treasury. It was advertised in some quarters as a step to boost commodity prices. Also as a move toward inflation. None of the responsible government officials said such things out loud. But they did drop hints in quarters which would give those interpretations the widest circulation.

The simple truth seems to be that the treasury had to boost the price of silver again to keep above the world price. It was an automatic step, required when the world price passed above the domestic price. And the reason why the domestic price must always be kept above the world price is that the silver senators would raise the silver price if it wasn't. That is the whole story in a paragraph. The only commodity price which will be increased is that of silver. The only inflation which will be caused is in the pockets of the speculators who have been already buying abroad.

Those who are neither politicians nor speculators now see certain future probabilities more clearly. The most important one is that the next time the world price goes above the domestic price, President Roosevelt will hike the ante again. When that will be, no one can tell, except Mr. Roosevelt. He controls the world price as well as the domestic price because he is the biggest purchaser in the world market. It was he who forced his own hand this time by actively buying world silver and bidding the world price up over 64 cents an ounce. Now he can buy and bid up the world price again over his 71-cent price, hike the domestic price again and work himself up to \$1.29 an ounce.

It seems to be a new kind of new deal card game, in which Mr. Roosevelt plays all the hands and gets the only peek at the kitty besides. From these facts, you may conclude that the best way to get rich is to take your relief check and buy silver in Montreal. It looks like easy money, but there are several unknown factors. The main one is Mr. Roosevelt. While he is committed to a silver price of \$1.29, he can take 30 or 100 years to arrive at it, which would be too long for most speculators to wait. During the last sixteen months he has raised silver from 45 cents to 71 cents, but you cannot accept that speed as any indication for the future. Furthermore, he could turn around tomorrow and devalue the silver dollar commensurate with the gold dollar and cause the world price of silver to go down. No one expects him to do that, because he has gone too far to back out that way profitably.

What the best authorities here guess is that he may hike the price once or twice more, possibly sometime next year, because that is a political campaign year. After that, he may not care what the silver senators say. This, of course, is purely an opinion. Guess on the way the thing will go thus far.

There are other ramifications, extending all the way to China. The Chinese have suffered from our purchases of world silver, which have depleted their silver currency backing. Further purchases will deplete it still more. For this reason, the leaders here are now talking about the prospects of an international loan to China. Some around \$100,000,000 are being mentioned, with Great Britain, and perhaps France, taking a share.

A peculiar angle of this silver business is that the treasury has recently been minting more silver dollars. It does not need them, because it has more than \$500,000,000 of car wheels now in its vaults. Nevertheless, it minted about \$5,000,000 more last year. Some more were minted the other day at San Francisco. It is a very economical pastime, costing only one cent for each silver dollar.

You may have noticed that the quarterback handed the labor bail a few days ago in Madame Half-back Perkins. She has been sitting on the sidelines for many months, while Fullback Hibbers has been running all the labor plays.

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Old Grater Wins
SALM, April 13.—(AP)—Frances Buchanan of Grant high school, Portland, was adjudged winner of the extemporaneous speaking contest, and Jane Haskins of Parkrose high won in the interpretative speaking contest in the second annual forensics tournament, which closed at Willamette university here tonight.

STATE INVOKE NEW LAW AGAINST RELIEF 'CHISELER'

Widespread Falsification Of Incomes To Be Curbed With Jail Terms, Fines—Indigents Must Raise Gardens, Do Odd Jobs.

PORTLAND, Ore., April 13.—(AP)—A warning that any persons making a false statement for the purpose of obtaining relief through any Oregon relief agency is subject to fine and imprisonment was issued today by the state relief administration. A law passed by the last legislature, providing a maximum fine of \$100 or a jail sentence not to exceed 60 days or both, becomes effective at once, it was announced.

Widespread falsification of incomes and other pertinent information has been practiced in Oregon by persons seeking relief, it was stated. Relief agencies previously were handicapped because there were no penalties for such falsification. The administration said the new law will enable more efficient handling of relief cases. To clear any misunderstanding regarding budgets, the plan for each family assures coverage of minimum basic needs. Case workers determine needs for current months and from this budget is deducted the certain income a family will have on work relief projects or other work where the income may be augmented, it was explained.

Other means of tightening down to preserve available relief funds for deserving indigents was a recent order that relief clients this year will be required to put in subsistence gardens where lots or parts of lots are available for planting. The relief administration expects those on relief rolls to do all they can toward their own support by raising gardens or securing other odd jobs.

Married Women Barred
SALEM, April 13.—(AP)—Married women whose husbands earn plenty to support their family will soon be excluded from those hired on the state payroll. Carl Cover, assistant state budget director, announced. He stated further that those women whose husbands were not earning enough to provide for their support would be retained. It was expected the new policy would be placed in effect immediately upon the return of Budget Director D. O. Hood next Monday. Cover said it had not been decided whether the rule would apply to state institutions, since superintendents of some of the institutions contended that married couples gave the best service. A bill designed to eliminate married women from the state payroll was introduced at the last legislature by Representative Bull, but was defeated.

YOUNG DEMOCRATS REJECT TAX PLAN FOR JOB HOLDERS

PORTLAND, Ore., April 13.—(AP)—A proposal that young Democrats who support city, state or federal jobs give 1 per cent of their earnings to the Young Democratic League of Oregon was emphatically rejected tonight at the league's convention here. Cheers of surprise greeted the measure when it was read without warning from the convention floor. The proposal finally found a few champions who said anyone who gets a public job as a result of his party loyalty should be grateful enough to contribute to keep the party in power. Most patronage is sought by the Young Democrats. Opponents derided the plan as a clear case of "buying patronage." It was voted down almost unanimously. The young Bourbons decided to hold their 1935 convention in Salem. U. S. Burt of Corvallis was elected state president after Nadie Strayer of Baker challenged his candidacy from the floor by declaring he could not meet the age requirement of 40 years. Records showing that he was 40 years old were accepted. He succeeds R. Wayne Stevens of Portland. Governor Charles H. Martin, who headed the list of Democratic gains in the last general election, urged in the morning session that all young citizens take an interest in politics. He even urged that those who did not want to become Young Democrats become Young Republicans.

Admitted Slaver Sentenced
GREENVILLE, Texas, April 13.—(AP)—Ninety-nine years in the state prison was assessed Clinton Palastate prison for a Texas slaying as the middle-aged sheep herder, admitted slayer of two Utah ranchers, sought his innocence. University Chief Honored
PORTLAND, Ore., April 13.—(AP)—Burt Brown, Barker of Portland, vice-president of the University of Oregon, was appointed by the American Bar association as a member of the National Endowment committee representing the bar association. He was advised today.

Sales of Twin Baby Buggies Show Gain, One-Tot Type Lags

NEW YORK, April 13.—(AP)—The Association of Baby Carriage Dealers has received a report that, while sales of ordinary carriages showed some decrease, there is an extraordinary demand for twin parambulators. Paul Klepper, president of the organization, suggested it might indicate "the influence of the new deal on production." New carriages, incidentally, are streamlined.

GAME ENGINEER POST ABOLISHED, COWGILL OUSTED

PORTLAND, Ore., April 13.—(AP)—Abolition of the post of state game engineer was voted today by the Oregon state game commission at an executive session here. The action which becomes immediately effective was in interests of economy and no reflection on Ralph P. Cowgill who held the post the past seven years, it was stated. "Engineers will be hired to do the work as it comes up," said Frank B. Wire, game supervisor. Dexter Rice, chairman of the new commission, announced the appointment of Charles Lockwood as assistant game supervisor. He has been with the department as a field man for a year.

Installation by state auditors of a simple bookkeeping system for the commission was voted on motion of Law Wallace, commission member. Similar action was taken recently by the liquor control commission. The unwelcome bill of \$106.63 for entertainment of delegates to the western game conference here last July popped up again at today's meeting here of the state game commission. The old commission paid the bill from emergency funds but the secretary of state's office refused to reimburse the commission, contending the expenditure was not legal. The commission instructed Game Supervisor Frank B. Wire to confer with the secretary of state and determine how the matter can be settled. Wire said he felt the money was well spent and for legitimate items. None was spent for whiskey as publicly charged, he declared, presenting an itemized bill for proof.

ONE-MAN STRIKE AT LONGVIEW IS STILL UNSETTLED
LONGVIEW, Wash., April 13.—(AP)—Longview's one-man strike continued in full force today as Bruce Henaley, radio operator aboard the S. S. Hanley, maintained his picket line at the Weyerhaeuser Timber company dock gate. "It's not a one-man strike," replied Henaley to a request to pose for a picture. All the operators of the Weyerhaeuser line are protesting. The company verbally agreed to raise our wages and they have not lived up to it. I went on strike Monday and when I didn't seem to be getting anywhere I started picketing."

Because of Henaley's picket line, more than 30 longshoremen who have been loading the Hanley since Monday, refused to work and Henaley said the ship's crew is just standing by waiting orders from the union. The ship will neither sail nor finish loading without a union wireless man aboard, Henaley said. A modest, likeable chap, Henaley calmly stands his ground, beside the gates of the great industrial plant. He considered his situation anything but a joke.

CANADIAN WHEAT SMUGGLING AIRED

WINNIPEG, April 13.—(AP)—Royal Canadian Mounted Police here today doubted "very much" whether wheat smuggling on a large scale was at present under way from Canada to the United States as reported in Chicago advices. Authorities here had not been requested by the U. S. customs officials to attempt any check on the flow of wheat across the border at midwest points and knew nothing of any current movement. Some months ago however, U. S. police made a drive on alleged wheat smugglers, which resulted in several convictions, chiefly in the St. Paul, Minn. area. Unconfirmed reports were current here last summer the practice was to bring pigs into Canada and associate them with wheat.

Hauptman Jury Stages Reunion
FLEMINGTON, N. J., April 13.—(AP)—The twelve plain folk of Hunterdon county who fixed the death penalty for Bruno Richard Hauptmann in the Lindbergh kidnaping case, met again tonight in festive mood exactly two months after their momentous decision. In a spirit of gaiety sharply contrasting with the somber solemnity attending their announcement of the conviction the night of Feb. 13, the jurors assembled for an "anniversary" dinner. The reunion took place in the Union hotel, country, hostelry directly opposite the court house, where they were quartered in virtual imprisonment during the six weeks of Hauptmann's trial. The affair marks the effort of the four women and eight men to make permanent their trial association by occasional meetings.

COAST RAILROAD NOW FAVORED AS DROUGHT AID PLAN

Colonization Plan Under Federal Authority Asked For Crescent City Project—Presented Relief Chiefs

WASHINGTON, April 13.—(AP)—A colonization and development plan for Crescent City, Cal., to cost about \$10,000,000, and offering a fair haven to the refugees from the parched drought area of the northwest, has been suggested to the federal relief administration. The program would include completion of the Oregon-California Coast railway between Grants Pass, Ore., and Crescent City, and development of the natural harbor in the latter city. Establishment of some kind of a federal authority similar to that now developing the Tennessee valley was suggested for the control of the railroad, the harbor and the administration of the colonization work.

Under the relief program, families from the drought areas or from sub-marginal land could find new homes in great numbers in the fertile valleys the development would open. Representative Lea, California Democrat, said he foresaw the time when Crescent City would be the western terminus of a transcontinental rail line, with a deep water harbor linking the vast inland area of southern Oregon, northern California and Idaho. There is now, he said, no good outlet for the products of this region. Daniels said: "This area is rich in mineral, timber and agricultural lands, and without doubt it would be self-liquidating in addition to providing for the rehabilitation of thousands."

He mentioned that in past years established railroads had generally opposed completion of the Grants Pass-Crescent City link, but that all opposition now has been withdrawn. Daniels suggested that unified development of both the harbor and proposed railroad, in connection with a rural rehabilitation program, would create much employment for the needy families who would be placed on the home project.

HIGH BAND GIVEN EXCELLENT AWARD AT EUGENE MEET

EUGENE, April 13.—(AP)—The snappy Burns high school band took first honors in the class "B" contest of the 12th annual high school band contest, held Friday and Saturday at the University of Oregon. Santa Clara was a close competitor of the winners, and received the rating of "superior." M. L. Bullard is director of the winning group, and Douglas Orme of Santa Clara. Three bands were rated equally for the "excellent" group. They are Arlington, Clyde Simpson, director; Hepper, directed by Harold W. Buhman, and Moro, directed by Clyde Simpson. Drain, directed by M. L. Blackwell, was given a rating of "good."

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EDEN CONFERS WITH RUSSIAN CHIEF



Capt. Anthony Eden, Great Britain's young diplomat, is shown during his recent conference with I. V. Stalin of Russia on means of maintaining peace in Europe. They are shown in the study of V. M. Molotov in the Kremlin in Moscow. Left to right: Eden, Stalin, Molotov, I. Maiski, Soviet ambassador to Great Britain; Lord Chilton, British ambassador to Moscow and Maxim Litvinov, Soviet commissar for foreign affairs. (Associated Press Photo)

CONGRESS HEARS TOWNSEND THEORY CUT TO \$50 MONTH

House Debates Social Security Plans—President Studies Relief Needs—Long Session Predicted.

WASHINGTON, April 13.—(AP)—One senate committee met today and the house debated the social security bill but for the most part congress and officialdom were preparing for the future. Amid the patter of debate, the house moved toward the time for halting on proposed amendments to the security program, among them the Townsend old age pension measure. Half way through its 20 hours of discussion on the security measure, the house was told that the Townsend plan's pension had been whittled down from \$200 a month to \$50 for citizens over 60 years of age. The opposition claimed the revision downward was proof of the soundness of its position and that the Townsend plan would get only half a hundred votes. President Roosevelt continued his study of relief plans and meanwhile it was disclosed that the administration expected to set up a permanent national planning board to map out a program for continuing public works projects. The senate finance committee proceeded with its investigation of NRA and heard small business representatives urge continuance of the recovery law. William A. Hollingsworth, president of the retail tobacco dealers of America, said the retail tobacco code was drawn for the little man. Other developments: Chairman Pitman of the senate foreign relations committee predicted speedy approval of measures designed to safeguard American neutrality. After a White House conference, it was said legislation for additional control of "hot oil" had received President Roosevelt's approval.

DR. DRUMMOND IS SPEAKER AT MEET

PENDLETON, April 13.—(AP)—Full time county health units and making the public health conscious were the major points discussed by the Oregon Tuberculosis association in the closing day of the annual session here with over 100 delegates registered. The need for more health nurses over the state was stressed by officials who described conditions in their various counties. Dr. C. L. Drummond, Jackson county, and Dr. James Campbell, Douglas county, discussed the success of health organizations in their sections.

HUEY AIDE SUES TO TIE UP FUND

NEW ORLEANS, April 13.—(AP)—Governor O. E. Allen, political ally of Senator Huey P. Long, today filed suit in civil district court seeking to prevent Mayor T. Zenobia Walmsley and members of the sewerage and water board from spending \$1,800,000 of public works administration funds deposited in New Orleans banks for public improvements. The suit asked that the mayor, the board and the banks be restrained from using the money on the contention that the existing board was abolished by an act of the legislature which set up a new board.

Rich, Plump Widow Ordered to Fulfill a Weighty Promise

NORRISTOWN, Pa., April 13.—(AP)—William Penn Lodge, athletic instructor, has a \$30,000 gymnasium as a reward for reducing a woman's weight from 400 to 240 pounds. Judge J. Burnett Holland awarded him the gym, upholding a verbal promise which Lodge said Mrs. Eliza Jarman Lettow, wealthy widow, made in gratitude before her death in 1931.

MINNARY SAYS NEED OF LAND IS REST, END OF CONGRESS

WASHINGTON, April 13.—(AP)—Contending that the first three and a half months of the present congressional session have seen only one really major measure enacted, senate Republican leaders expressed today that unless the administration program is sharply curtailed congress will be here all summer. While the house prepared to vote next week on administration bill No. 2, the social security measure, and the senate pondered which of three bills to tackle, Senator McNary, Republican leader, expressed this view: "Congress could quit by mid-June if all but the social security, NRA extension, bonus and appropriation bills were scrapped. "If this rather hasty outline were pursued," the Oregon senator added, "it is my judgment that congress can conclude its work by the middle of June. What the country needs more than anything else is rest, reassurance and restoration of confidence. All would profit by this happy eventuality, including the administration."

LUMBER INDUSTRY ON COAST FACES STRIKE PROSPECT

SEATTLE, April 13.—(AP)—The dark gloom of a paralyzing strike in the lumber industry of five western states increased here today with the return of Charles W. Hope, director of the regional labor board, after an "opinion sounding" tour. His prediction is that the threatened strike of loggers and lumber mill workers is "more critical and far-reaching than last year's long-shore strike."

Demands of the 75,000 lumber workers, Hope said, are for a 30-hour week, increase in the minimum wage standard from 45 to 75 cents an hour and pay of time and a half for overtime. The regional director toured the state of Washington, parts of Oregon and northern Idaho and received reports from the other states concerned, Montana and California. The result of his findings was air-mailed to officials in Washington, D. C. Employers have indicated, he said, they will not accede to the demands and are contemplating closing mills, "unless a happy medium as to the demands is reached."

Recently, Walter B. Nettleton, lumber company official, stated that such a strike might be a "boon" to the industry by "giving it a rest and preventing overproduction." No lumber authority today would comment on Nettleton's statement. Portland locals of the Lumber and Sawmill Workers' Union have gone on record to strike May 6, and several hundred employes in six Olympia, Wash., mills yesterday served notice of strike plans. Timber and sawmill workers of Hoquiam, Wash., will meet operators there tomorrow to confer on wages and hours. First rumors of the threatened strike were heard about three weeks ago.

CLLOUDY DAYS AND RAIN PREDICTED

OREGON: Generally fair Sunday and Monday but unsettled south portion; cooler; moderate northwest wind off the coast. SAN FRANCISCO, April 13.—(AP)—Outlook for period April 15 to 20, inclusive: The outlook in the far western states for the coming week is for temperatures near or below normal and considerable cloudiness. There will be local rains at the beginning of the week in California, and later in the week in Washington and Oregon.

TEXTILE INDUSTRY OF SOUTH WARNED

ATLANTA, Ga., April 13.—(AP)—Warning textile manufacturers something more extreme "may come" if opponents of the agricultural adjustment program succeed in destroying it, Secretary of Agriculture Wallace today reiterated the processing tax on cotton bill continues. The secretary, here for two addresses, spoke to farmers from Georgia and surrounding states at Wesley Memorial church and auditorium late in the day and delivered a Jefferson day speech at the same place.

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Italy, France, And England In Full Accord At Stresa Conference—France Pledges Cordiality To Germany.

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REPUBLICANS HIT F.D.R. TALK OVER PLANS FOR 1936

WASHINGTON, April 13.—(AP)—An assertion that Republican chances for the presidency in 1936 are improving, but carrying views as to how they should be capitalized, today emerged from brief and informal political parleys here between Colonel Frank Knox, Chicago publisher, and Republican senators. Put forward by some senators as a possible presidential candidate against Franklin D. Roosevelt was Senator Hastings (R., Del.). He challenged what he said were Democratic claims that Roosevelt political promises had been fulfilled. He asserted the people were "awakening to this perfidy" and a year from next November would "account in their own way for the deception" practiced upon them. The spurt of Republican activity recalled recent reports that Herbert Hoover might be planning to play a prominent role in grooming the G. O. P. for 1936. One Republican senator asserted privately he understood the former president felt he could stage a comeback as Governor Cleveland did under somewhat similar economic circumstances in the nineties.

Race Bill Killed
ALBANY, N. Y., April 13.—(AP)—The senate today killed a bill for a constitutional amendment to legalize pari-mutuel betting. The vote was 18 to 31. A sharp congressional conflict over the omnibus banking bill, in which the administration's views today were variously represented, tonight threatened to grow into one of the major battles of the session.

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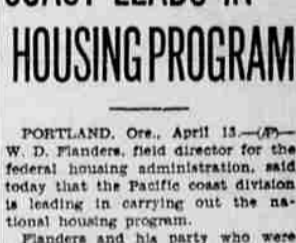
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COAST LEADS IN HOUSING PROGRAM

PORTLAND, Ore., April 13.—(AP)—W. D. Flanders, field director for the federal housing administration, said today that the Pacific coast division is leading in carrying out the national housing program. Flanders and his party who were here to confer with local and state housing officials, visited Bonneville dam on the Columbia river today and left tonight for Seattle, Wash. for a conference with housing officials here. A general feeling of optimism for the success of the housing program prevails in Washington, because of an increasing public response, Flanders said.

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