

The Weather
Forecast: Cloudy with occasional rain tonight and Saturday. Little change in temperature.
Highest yesterday 49
Lowest this morning 42

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News Behind The News
BY PAUL MALLON
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WASHINGTON, Feb. 28.—If there is anything you do not understand about Washington developments of the day, just consider that this is a campaign year. Nine times out of ten that will give you the right answer. Every four years the primary problem of government is the election, but this year the problem of government is developing more priority and primitively than usual.

It is the motivating power which animates all. You will never find a more evenly balanced example than the inside events leading up to President Roosevelt's yes-and-no veto of the seed loan bill.

The White House spread the word among congressional leaders several days before that Mr. Roosevelt was going to crack down on such expenditures. Not only would he veto the \$30,000,000 idea, but he would use the bill to promote the economizing line upon which he has been quietly steering.

It was a good opportunity for the last year thought the seed loan policy was so bad that they promised it would never happen again. It puts the government in the very un-economical position of handing seeds to the farmers with one hand while also paying him to curtail his production with the other.

Soon there came to the White House on a trot no less a respected political authority than Senate Leader Robinson. No one knows exactly what he told the president, but every one knows he comes from a region where seed loans are appreciated by a lot of people. These people just must have their seeds no matter who had said what, etc.

But Mr. Roosevelt had already told congress he would not sign any extra-budgetary bills which did not carry taxes for raising the money. What about that?

Shrewd and capable Mr. Robinson figured that one out fast. He worked out a compromise whereby he would get his seeds and Mr. Roosevelt his budget. The president could veto the \$30,000,000 bill, and then spend whatever money was necessary for 1935 appropriations. That was done. Even a president cannot do what he would like to in a campaign year.

NEW BASIC RATE OF 2 CENTS SET FOR ALL ROUTES

Pullman Rates Also Cut to Three Cents—Order Effective June 2—Eastern Roads Lose Long Battle

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28.—(AP)—In a five to four decision, the interstate commerce commission today ordered a reduction in basic rail passenger fares from 3.5 to 2 cents a mile.

The commission also ordered a reduction in Pullman rates to 3 cents a mile. These rates now average 4 cents.

Under the order, the new fares will be effective June 2. The order revised the passenger fare structure throughout the country, but because western and southern roads already have instituted low experimental fares its chief effect will fall on the eastern roads.

Eastern Roads Opposed. With the exception of the Baltimore and Ohio, eastern carriers had vigorously opposed any reduction. The commission's majority opinion, written by Claude R. Porter, on whose motion the general fare investigation was initiated, dealt at length with the revenue situation confronting the eastern carriers, and expressed the opinion that they would be benefited rather than injured by a downward revision of fares.

The present experimental fares in the west and south will not be disturbed by the ICC ruling, nor will the rates charged on "extra fare" (Continued on Page Five.)

STANDARD OIL CO. INCREASES SCOPE OF LOCAL OFFICE

Additional territory, representing a 25 percent increase in the number of men directly under control of the Medford office, has been transferred from the San Francisco to the Medford headquarters of the Standard Oil Company of California. It was announced today by Henry L. Hathaway, district sales manager with headquarters here. Inclusion of the new territory under the Medford office will mean that about 20 men will meet in this city at least twice a month for sales conferences.

The addition will not mean that there will be more men in the Medford office immediately. Hathaway explained, but pointed out that increasing business will undoubtedly have that effect in the future. The new territory extends from (Continued on Page Six.)

GIRL, 12, MOTHER 7-POUND INFANT

RENO, Nev., Feb. 28.—(AP)—A seven pound baby girl was born to 12-year-old Genevieve Myer of Sparks, Nev., at the Washoe General hospital here today.

Oregon Pension Plan Waits Legality Ruling

LOYAL JAP FORCES SURROUND REBELS IN TOKYO SECTION

Government Taking 'Appropriate Measures' Says Army Chief—City, Country Calm After Uprising

NEW YORK, Feb. 28.—(AP)—Tokyo dispatches to the Associated Press indicated that a severe censorship was renewed today after the Japanese situation again became acute.

While messages came freely during the period after the rebellious soldiers agreed to yield their occupied positions, a sharp curtailment became evident today when the troops once more refused to return to their barracks.

Several dispatches to the Associated Press passed the censor today, however, making known the fresh crisis, new negotiations for a settlement, hopes for a bloodless liquidation, arrival of more troops and sailors and the status of Americans in Tokyo.

By GLENN BAHR (Copyright, 1936, by The Associated Press)

TOKYO, Feb. 28.—(AP) Lieut. Gen. Kobai Kasubi, assigned by the government to put down a military rebellion with martial law, announced tonight that his forces, surrounding the rebels, were "taking appropriate measures."

He issued a proclamation by radio in which he stated: "The several hundred soldiers who started the disturbances early Wednesday morning are still holding the Nagatscho section of Tokyo but the commander of martial law administration is taking appropriate measures to deal with them."

"The troops under the commander of martial law are acting under orders from the emperor, their discipline is strict and their morale excellent."

"Tokyo city, except for the Nagatscho section, is perfectly calm while peace and order prevails throughout the country." The "disturbances" which he referred to were the assassinations of four of the nation's leading elder statesmen in a sudden attempt to overthrow the government.

The soldiers concerned defied the deadline set for their return to their (Continued on Page Four.)

UNION BOYCOTTS EL PASO UTILITY

EL PASO, Tex., Feb. 28.—(AP)—Representatives of organized labor here in a mass meeting today adopted a resolution declaring a boycott against the El Paso Electric company, whose plant was tied up by a strike yesterday.

CONGRESS FACES JOB OF DECIDING FORM AND RATES

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28.—(AP)—A tax program designed to produce permanent receipts of \$620,000,000 annually, with the addition of \$500,000,000 to pay for this year's farm program and to be levied over a period of years, was outlined today by newspapermen today by President Roosevelt.

The latter amount included what the president referred to as a "windfall tax" to recapture processing taxes which were refunded upon the order of the supreme court. He estimated it would produce \$120,000,000.

In the category of permanent taxes the president lumped \$500,000,000 a year for the new farm program and \$120,000,000 annually for payment of the bonus.

This sum, he said, would be sufficient to yield the treasury the entire cost of the bonus by 1945, the year in which it was due originally.

In explaining the program, Mr. Roosevelt spoke from a pencilled (Continued on Page Five.)

M'NARY'S POWER BILL IS FAVORED

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28.—(AP)—Senator McNary (R., Ore.) said today President Roosevelt had expressed preference for a bill placing the Bonneville power project jointly under the federal power commission and the board of army engineers, rather than to make it into a Columbia Valley authority.

"President Roosevelt likes my bill," McNary said, "and does not want the Columbia Valley authority bill. He believes the project is not ready for an authority."

McNary has introduced a bill giving the power commission and army engineers authority to dispose of power generated by the big Columbia river project and to operate its other features. A rival bill seeking to establish a Columbia Valley authority has been introduced by Senator Pope (D., Idaho).

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28.—(AP)—The works progress administration announced today President Roosevelt had approved allocations of WPA funds for two highway projects in Oregon.

The projects, and the amounts involved, were: Wolf Creek highway, from Portland to Seaside, \$85,438, and Wilson River highway, Portland to Tillamook, \$99,921 and \$198,000.

The WPA, said Comptroller General J. H. McCarty probably would counter-sue warrants for the projects within a few days. Such action still would leave to the state WPA administration definite decision whether to carry out the work.

DROPS FROM SIGHT; FOUND IN MANHOLE

HOOD RIVER, Ore., Feb. 28.—(AP)—"Goodbye," said Truman Butler, Hood River banker, and dropped from sight.

Kills Two in Row Over Suit



P. C. Coryell (left), 75, retired mining engineer, killed two men in a Seattle law office and then calmly surrendered his weapons, which included pistol, knife and a bag of buckshot, to Sheriff W. B. Severson (right), as shown above. He shot Richard E. Morris (inset), Seattle attorney, and V. M. Laigo, Filipino, in a dispute over a lawsuit. (Associated Press Photos)

SELASSIE HOPES L-N WILL HURRY NEW SANCTIONS

ROME, Feb. 28.—(AP)—The Italian government announced today that its forces had captured Amba Alagi, the historic point reached by the Italian punitive expedition in 1893.

Amba Alagi was the farthest the Italians were able to penetrate in the former war with Ethiopia and it was at that place that the massing forces of Ethiopians stopped the Italians and turned them back to Addis to a crushing defeat in the following year.

ADDIS ABABA, Feb. 28.—(AP)—Emperor Haile Selassie, in a message to the Associated Press expressed hope today the League of Nations would proceed swiftly with the proposed extension of war penalties against Italy.

Regarding the meeting of the League of Nations sanctions committee of 18, called for March 2 at Geneva, the Ethiopian king of kings asserted: "We hope there will be no further delay in the extension of sanctions."

ARREST ONE WOMAN IN EUGENE CLEANUP

EUGENE, Feb. 28.—(AP)—One woman was arrested and warrants were out for three other persons following four indictments returned by the Lane county grand jury as a result of its investigation into vice conditions in this city yesterday.

DEATH OF SCOTTI GOES UNNOTICED BY ITALIAN PRESS

NAPLES, Feb. 28.—(AP)—Antonio Scotti, one of the most beloved baritones in the history of opera, was buried today in Naples cemetery.

He died Wednesday at the age of 70 in retirement at his home. The venerable villain of the stage and lovable individual of private life, came back to Italy from America three years ago, following his retirement from 43 years behind the footlights.

At that time he was suffering from a complication of illnesses which, owing to his age, grew steadily more serious.

Strangely enough, no newspaper in Italy published a news story of his death, although friends said there was no trouble between him and the fascist regime.

Business Gathers Speed With Improved Weather

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THIRTY MILLIONS TO BE SET ASIDE FOR FARMER AID

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28.—(AP)—President Roosevelt said today he will issue an executive order in the next day or so authorizing use of \$30,000,000 for 1936 seed and feed loans to farmers.

Individual loans will be limited to \$200. Mr. Roosevelt earlier this week vetoed a \$30,000,000 loan bill containing a \$500 limit on the grounds, among others, that the measure provided no taxes for the extra-budget outlay. He said at that time that he would make provision for the loans out of work-relief funds.

In making loans, the government takes a first lien on the crop. Shortly after Mr. Roosevelt's statement, the senate agriculture committee named a subcommittee of four to discuss the vetoed measure with the president.

The subcommittee is composed of Senators Smith (D., S. C.), author of the bill; McNary of Oregon, the Republican leader; Pope (D., Idaho) and Franier (R., N. D.). (Continued on Page Three.)

G. PASS DEBATERS DISTRICT CHAMPS

Although Ashland took two straight from Medford yesterday in the final round of debates of the southern Oregon "division, which gave the Lithia team a tie with Grants Pass, both having won three debates, the decision for southern Oregon champion went to Grants Pass on a best of points, the Grants Pass City having 7 points to Ashland's 7. The Ashland team won from Medford 3-1 in both afternoon and evening encounters yesterday.

The Grants Pass team will debate with the winner of the northern conference in semi-finals to determine competition in the state championship events.

HAGOOD REMOVAL PROBE STUDIED

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28.—(AP)—The senate military committee today named a sub-committee of three to consider the Metcalf resolution proposing an investigation of the removal of Maj. Gen. Johnson Hagood from command of the 8th corps area after he had criticized federal spending policies.

Senator Logan (D., Ky.), was given the chairmanship. The other members are Senators Duffy (D., Wis.) and Carey (R., Wyo.). Senator Metcalf (R., R. I.), appeared before the group to urge approval of the resolution.

The sub-committee will report back to the full committee at its regular meeting next Friday.

Engineers and farmers are the most "masculine men," a psychological survey at Stanford university showed.

10,000 OVER 70 WOULD BENEFIT; \$30 IS MAXIMUM

Final Ruling to Be Made by National Security Board—Counties, State Would Each Pay One-Quarter

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 28.—(AP)—A state-federal pension plan for Oregon was completed today and on its way to the state attorney-general for a ruling on legality.

The plan, adopted by the state relief committee here yesterday, contemplates taking care of about 10,000 needy persons 70 years of age and older, with pensions ranging up to \$30 a month and averaging \$28 a month. Present county pensions average \$11 a month.

If the plan conforms with Oregon laws, it will be submitted to the national social security board at Washington, D. C., for a final ruling. Counties and the state each would pay one-fourth of the pension amounts and the federal government would pay the remainder. The regular session of the legislature appropriated \$1,000,000 for the pensions.

CANDIDATE FILING DUE FOR PICK-UP AS CLOSE LOOMS

No filings of candidates for county offices have been received by the county clerk since February 17. On the date William Bruhn of Talent, filed as a Republican candidate for county commissioner, and School Superintendent C. R. Bowman, filed for re-election.

Under recently enacted Oregon law, county school superintendents file on a non-partisan ticket.

No reason is assigned for the two weeks' drought of candidates and it is predicted the full will be followed by a mild advance of aspirants as March 30, the final date for filing, draws nearer. Several citizens have been mentioned as possible candidates but the mentionees are still diffident.

Ward Spatz, a young Democratic worker, mentioned as a legislative aspirant, stated this morning he had declined to make the race but bourbon warblers declared he "would be persuaded."

County Treasurer A. C. Walker, As (Continued on Page Six.)

TALMADGE SEEKS MAIL DELIVERIES

ATLANTA, Ga., Feb. 28.—(AP)—Governor Eugene Talmadge, ignoring talk of impeachment, started court action today to open mail channels to his two de facto fiscal officers.

The governor already had arranged for \$2,000,000 in ready cash to run the state.

An injunction to force Postmaster Lon Livingston to release letters addressed to the officers whom Talmadge ousted Monday, Treasurer Geo. B. Hamilton and Comptroller William B. Harrison, was asked of Federal Judge E. Marvin Underwood. The court cases are among the impounded letters.

REFUSE ASK AID FOR HOOD RIVER FROST

HOOD RIVER, Ore., Feb. 28.—(AP)—Traffic association members declined to ask for \$1,500,000 federal aid for growers who sustained losses during last October's freeze. The association said much of this frozen fruit was dumped on the market, resulting in loss to all through a slump in prices.

SIDE GLANCES

Tom Fuson out shopping for ash trays, but admitting that he doesn't know a good bargain when he sees one, although he thinks Mrs. Fuson knows merchandise when she sees it.

Mae West's Picture Too Daring for New England

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28.—(AP)—Exhibiting an advertisement of Mae West's latest picture (Klondike Annie) describing her as "the siren of Barbary Coast," Walter E. Littlejohn of Boston declared today that "book locking contracts" were compelling some New England theater owners to exhibit the film over their protests.

GUAM NEXT STOP FOR CHINA MAIL CLIPPER

ALAMEDA, Cal., Feb. 28.—(AP)—The China Clipper hopped from Wake Island today at 10:34 a. m. (P. S. T. 3:34 a. m. Midway time), on a 1,500-mile flight to Guam on its airmail journey to Manila.

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