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# LA FOLLETTE ASKS HIGHER INCOME TAX



**News Behind The News**  
 By Paul Mallon  
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 WASHINGTON, May 28.—The average congressman around here has learned of President Roosevelt largely by reading the newspapers. The biggest of all the White House occupants has found little time and few occasions to meet personally with the great bulk of his legislators.  
 For this reason, there was excitement in the house the other day when Mr. Roosevelt's legislative liaison man, Charles West, delivered a few verbal invitations for a night visit to the White House. Not much more enthusiasm would have been shown by a personal invitation to the Windsor-Warfield nuptials.  
 When the guests trooped into the executive mansion, however, they looked at each other and discovered that they were the joint committee considering Mr. Roosevelt's government reorganization plan.  
 This took the edge off the festivities slightly, but they had a very nice long personal chat with the chief executive, discussing such problems as the proposed six new executive secretaries, the proposed creation of two new government departments, etc.  
 The callers must have been further discouraged when they left and discovered no newsmen or photographers around. Their call went wholly unreported in the press thereafter, and some of them seemed to consider it a political, if not a social, slight.  
 At any rate, they again considered the reorganization program a few days following and discovered they were nowhere nearer an agreement than before their sightseeing trip downtown.  
 Subsequent negotiations were effective in pushing the committee along toward further work on its four bills. Perhaps, in the end, the White House talk was partly responsible.  
 Legislative authorities believe there should be and probably will be more of these West-conducted tours of the executive mansion. Such talks represent cooperation which is essential between the legislative and executive branches. They are needed far more at this time than in the recent past because both branches now appear to be resuming their normal places, after the hectic depression period in which congress was little more than a typewriter writing executive laws.  
 Not much news is contained in the government's balanced business figures this month. There have probably been few times in history when industrial production has fluctuated so narrowly in accord with seasonal expectations as since the first of the year. An average level of 117 per cent of the 1923-25 "normal" has been closely maintained.  
 Witness the following chart. Each figure therein is based on 1923-25 averages as 100, except prices, which are based on the 1926 level.  
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**Farley Says People Approve Pack Plan**  
 DEMING, N. M., May 29.—(AP)—Postmaster General James A. Farley, in his brief talk at the breakfast served in his honor today, promised that "President Roosevelt's program as now outlined, will be carried out to the end."  
 Farley made only a brief reference to the supreme court controversy, in saying the president's "reform plan is approved generally by the people."

**The Thinning Ranks**  
 WASHINGTON, May 29.—(AP)—The boys in blue who repulsed successive waves of gray at Gettysburg in '63 are in full retreat themselves today before a more relentless foe—old age.  
 Seventy-two years ago the Union army numbered 2,212,224 but today only 742,4 veterans still draw pensions.  
 Officials at the veterans' administration estimate that union survivors are dwindling now at the rate of 24 per month. Ninety-nine are hospitalized in government institutions.  
 The majority of living veterans draw \$75 a month. There are 3073 getting this sum. Disbursements from last June 30 to March 1 totaled \$7,016,480.  
 Smaller pensions are paid the widows, children, brothers and sisters of 77,870 Civil war veterans now dead.  
 The peak was reached in 1912, when dependents of 304,379 deceased veterans were receiving pensions.

## THOUSANDS NOW EXEMPT INCLUDED PROPOSED BILL

**A. F. of L. Attitude May Delay Action On Administration Labor Standard Legislation.**

WASHINGTON, May 29.—(AP)—Senator LaFollette (Prog. Wis.) informed his colleagues today he would try to write a general income tax increase into the administration's suggested anti-tax evasion legislation.  
 Roughly, LaFollette's tax program, one that he has been urging for years, contemplates a general increase from the lowest to the highest brackets and the inclusion in the income tax paying group of thousands of low-salaried citizens who now are exempt.  
 He would bring this about by reducing personal exemptions, by increasing the normal tax rate and by raising the surtaxes paid by those whose incomes run into the taller figures.  
 Exemptions at present are \$1,000 for an unmarried person; \$2,500 for a husband and wife, and \$400 for each dependent, when there are children in the family below 18. The normal tax rate is four per cent.  
 Since all revenue-raising legislation must originate in the house, under the constitution, the members of the senate have an opportunity to swing into the subject of taxes only when a tax bill has been passed at the other end of the capital.  
 The projected administration bill would open up the entire tax question in the senate.  
 At the White House, it was said today that the president will send a message to congress on Tuesday covering the subject of tax evasion legislation.  
 The administration hopes to end the house revolt which earmarked \$505,000,000 of the \$1,500,000,000 relief appropriation for public works and to clear the way for passage of the measure over senate objections.  
 Farm legislation and reorganization of the executive branch are expected to encounter delay, and opposition in both branches of congress. It was believed likely that the president's court bill would be permitted to slide out of the picture unless there is a definite change in the present scene. The administration has advanced toward a heavy program that may divert attention from the judiciary reorganization program.  
 A cautious approach to the problem of setting maximum hour and minimum wage limits was urged by Democratic congressmen interested in the labor problem.  
 Industry as a whole, the chamber of commerce weekly business review said, "is united in support of paying the highest practicable wages and shortening hours as far as productivity will permit." But the proposed bill is "complicated and incomplete" and should be given "the most deliberate consideration" because of the uncertainties involved in substituting board control for private action.

**LONGSHORE MASS PICKETING FLOPS**  
 PORTLAND, Ore., May 29.—(AP)—The scheduled mass picketing of the Meier & Frank department store warehouse proved a flop this morning when not more than 150 persons appeared in response to a call issued through a strike bulletin of the International Longshoremen's association.  
 Police described the crowd as "mostly spectators."  
 About 50 police were on duty at the warehouse but had little to do. Trucks rolled in and out without molestation and the drivers were not heckled.  
 Bert Eickens, business agent of the Portland I. L. A. local, said the demonstration was "over publicized."

## To Give Decoration Day Address



The Rev. B. L. Shipman, pastor of the Methodist church, South, who will give the principal address of the Decoration Day services to be held in the city park tomorrow morning. The Rev. Mr. Shipman is from Richmond Va., having received a temporary appointment to the Medford church recently when he was here on vacation.

**REBEL SHELLS HIT STATE OF SEIGE IN STEEL STRIKE**  
 (By the Associated Press)  
 Spain's air fighters held the center of the civil war stage yesterday (Saturday) while insurgents prepared to launch "a big attack" today (Sunday) against the Basque capital of Bilbao.  
 Government fliers, the ministry of defense in Valencia announced, dropped four bombs on the German "pocket battleship" Admiral Scheer in the Balearic Islands.  
 The ministry said the bombs were dropped after the battleship "opened heavy anti-aircraft artillery fire against the planes which committed no act of aggression."  
 The battleship was at Ibiza, capital of the Balearic island of that name. The bombs set fire to the vessel, the ministry reported.

**AMELIA ALL SET FOR ANOTHER HOP COAST AGITATOR TALKS TO LEWIS**  
 MIAMI, Fla., May 29.—(UP)—Amelia Earhart will take off from Miami "within a few days" on a second attempted globe-circling flight in her "flying laboratory," her husband and business manager, George Putnam, announced tonight.  
 The direction of the second flight will be to the east, following about the same route planned for the first attempt around-the-world flight which ended in a crash at Honolulu March 20, except that the direction will be reversed.  
 The flight will end in Oakland, Cal.  
 Held As Rm Driver  
 Everett H. Keagle, 44, of Central Point was arrested by state police last night on a charge of driving a truck while he was intoxicated. He was placed in jail for the night, police reported.  
 Keagle, police stated, forced several cars off Pacific highway as he wobbled from Central Point to Medford. One of the motorists telephoned police headquarters and Keagle was arrested when he reached the city.

**GRANTS PASS, MAY 29.—(AP)—**Benjamin Harrison was elected president of the Grave Creek auxiliary of the Southwestern Miners' association last night when a permanent organization was formed.  
**SALEM, May 29.—(AP)—**Mrs. R. N. Rice of Alameda, Cal., was in a Salem hospital with a fractured arm and injured leg caused by an automobile accident a mile north of Woodburn today.

**Early Paper Monday**  
 So that employes may participate in Decoration Day activities, the Mail Tribune will be published early tomorrow (Monday). The paper will go to press at 12:30 and will be distributed shortly thereafter.

**Bandits Pose As Rangers**  
**STAFFORD, Texas, May 29.—(UP)—**Three men, posing as Texas rangers, entered a horse race bookie shop today, held the customers at bay for an hour with pistols and shot the cashier to death when he arrived with money for the afternoon's play.

## PITCHFORK TALK OF MARTIN IRKS UPSTATE QUINTET

**Five Signing For 'Common-Wealth Federation' Write Protest To Labor Chief.**

PORTLAND, Ore., May 29.—(AP)—Governor Martin's statement at Grants Pass while with Oregon's cavalcade to the Golden Gate bridge fiesta that he hoped farmers would use pitchforks on certain labor elements brought a letter of protest today from a group of five men signing "For the Oregon Commonwealth Federation."  
 "We are writing this letter," addressed to Phil Brady of the Portland Central Labor Council, "to disassociate Oregon farmers, insofar as we can do so, from his un-American attempt to foment class warfare and to incite force and violence."  
 "We are writing, furthermore, to assure labor that we recognize the governor's remarks as a political maneuver designed to split the growing unity of city and country workers."  
 "Governor Martin has never been a friend of the farmer. He has ridiculed and vilified the farmers, just as he has labor. He was opposed to and vetoed the legislative and initiative proposals which labor and farmers have advanced."  
 The letter closed with a proposal for "joint action in the political field." The federation recently sought support of the council in its political objectives but the council has not acted.  
 Signing the letter were A. C. Heyman, Albany; C. A. Schoening, Junction City; Joseph Meyer, Echo; Albert Slaughter, Portland; Charles E. Nelson, Dayton.  
 The statement of the governor was that he hoped the farmer would use a "pitchfork on the 'inland march' if it came his way, apparently referring to the attempt of longshoremen to organize warehousemen but in a succeeding sentence he said it was up to the laboring man to detach himself from the labor racketeer.

**LABOR LAW HELD BLUE EAGLE MOVE**  
 WASHINGTON, May 29.—(AP)—The United States Chamber of Commerce urged congress today to think long and hard before passing the administration's labor standards bill.  
 The measure, on which hearings will start Tuesday, would bar interstate transportation the products of industries which violate minimum wage and maximum hour regulations, employ children or ignore collective bargaining rights.  
 "These proposals," the chamber said in its weekly survey of Washington developments, "raise in new form some of the questions involved by the now outlawed NRA and not since the codes have ended have there been brought forward such sweeping designs to regulate employment conditions throughout all industry."

**BULLETIN**  
 PORTLAND, Ore., May 29.—(AP)—The Portland Beavers overcame a one-run lead in the eighth inning to defeat the San Francisco Missions 3 to 2 here tonight.  
 Portland led off with a run in the first, the Missions scoring both their tallies in the fourth.  
 Beck, Mission hurler, allowed only five hits.  
 Johnny Frederick's home run over the right field fence "with Ronny on base and two out in the eighth gave Portland the game.  
 The ball hit the roof of an adjoining foundry and bounced back onto the playing field. Frederick at first was held to a triple but the umpire waived him to go on in.  
 Two players batted in all the runs on both sides. Frederick's single, scoring Lee, gave the Beavers their first tally, and West's home run with Rosenberg on gave the Missions their two.  
**Score:** R. H. E.  
 Missions 2 9 0  
 Portland 3 5 0  
 Beck and Outen; Radontis and Cronin.  
**Night Game.**  
 SEATTLE, May 29.—(AP)—Dick Barrett, not satisfied with five-hit pitching, drove in two runs with a double in the sixth to give the Seattle Indians another win over San Diego Padres tonight, 2 to 1.  
 It was the Indians' second victory in nine starts. The team broke its losing streak last night by beating San Diego, 4 to 2.  
**R. H. E.**  
 San Diego 0 10 0 0 0—1 5 1  
 Seattle 0 0 0 2 0 0—2 8 0  
 Craighead and DeRose; Barrett and Fernandez.

**ARIZONA COPPER MINE CUTS WAGE**  
 BISHOP, Ariz., May 29.—(UP)—The Phelps Dodge corporation tonight notified its Arizona mine workers numbering approximately 6,000, that their wages will be cut five percent effective June 1.  
 I. H. Barkdoll, general superintendent here, signed the notice.  
 Miners' pay will be cut from \$6.50 to \$6.24 daily and all other employes proportionately, the notice said.  
 It was understood many employes planned a protest meeting tomorrow.

**FOUR MORE GUILTY OF VOTE CHEATING**  
 KANSAS CITY, May 29.—(AP)—Four men were convicted today in Kansas City's eight vote fraud conspiracy trial and the federal jury took additional time to consider the case of a fifth defendant.  
 Those convicted, bringing the total to 40, were Frank Greer and James Callahan, Democratic precinct judges and Mike Cummings and James Carter, Democratic workers.  
**Cong. Pierce Better; Will Be 76 Today**  
 WASHINGTON, May 29.—(AP)—Representative Walter M. Pierce of Oregon, who underwent an operation for appendicitis, was brought home from the hospital today and expects to resume his congressional duties next week. He will observe his 76th birthday tomorrow.

**Sen. McNary Honors 20 Years in Senate**  
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## ADVERSE REPORT ON PORT ORFORD HARBOR PROJECT

**Improbability Of Rail Connection And High Cost Of Maintenance Reasons.**

PORTLAND, Ore., May 29.—(AP)—Col. Thomas M. Robins, divisional army engineer, said today high construction and maintenance costs and the improbability of future interior railroad connections led him to make an adverse report on the Port Orford harbor development.  
 He pointed out to proponents their right to appeal his decision to the board of engineers for rivers and harbors at Washington, D. C.  
 "This report finds that the first cost of any worthwhile harbor improvement at Port Orford will be considerably in excess of \$2,050,000 and that maintenance costs will be high," Colonel Robins said.  
 "Provisions for adequate facilities for navigation together with railroad connections with the interior would bring about a saving in transportation costs to the general public but there is no definite assurance that a railroad will be built and it does not appear that in the long run the annual saving would exceed by a substantial amount the annual cost of necessary harbor development."  
 "It is not believed that the United States would be justified in undertaking improvement of the locality at this time."  
 Proponents of the project envisioned creation of a large harbor at Port Orford, connected to the interior by a railroad to Grants Pass, to permit a great industrial development of southwestern Oregon.

**FLYER UNHURT IN AIR SHOW CRASH**  
 LAMBERT-ST. LOUIS AIRPORT, St. Louis, May 29.—(AP)—A spectacular crash landing by Roger Don Rae, champion American racing pilot, chilled 12,000 spectators today at St. Louis' air show but the young Lansing, Mich., flier escaped serious injury in the smashup of his tiny monoplane.  
 Losing half his propeller as he roared close to the ground at 250 miles per hour toward a pylon in front of a gasping grandstand, Rae jerked his plane up to 200 feet, fighting hard for control. It fluttered and came down hard to a "belly" landing, its nose and undercarriage smashed. Rae was rushed to a hangar, where he was treated for severe head cuts.

**RETIRED JURIST AT LAST CONFAB**  
 WASHINGTON, May 29.—(AP)—For the last time Justice VanDevanter sat in today at a supreme court conference, helping to decide whether the high tribunal should review a variety of litigation affecting the Roosevelt administration.  
 Whatever action was decided upon at the regular Saturday secret meeting will be announced on Tuesday, just before the tribunal adjourns for the summer.  
 The 78-year-old "conservative" jurist, who has been on the bench 26 years, will attend the public session on Tuesday and then retire to run his recently-acquired Maryland farm.

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## To be Honored



John Foster Gribble, in whose honor an evergreen tree he helped to plant will be dedicated in city park tomorrow morning as part of Decoration Day ceremonies. Son of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Gribble, he was born in Medford, October 28, 1912. He became a Boy Scout and attained the rank of star in troop 5. He was fatally injured in an airplane crash in Texas last February 11.

**BANK PRESIDENT'S SON ACCUSED OF EMBEZZLING FUND**  
 Edwin Booth, Cashier Roseburg Bank, Member Prominent Oregon Family, Short \$19,189 Claim.  
 PORTLAND, May 29.—(AP)—Edwin S. Booth, cashier of the Douglas National bank at Roseburg and a member of a prominent Oregon family was free today under \$10,000 bond following his arrest by federal officers last night on a charge of embezzlement and conversion of \$19,189.34 of the bank's funds.  
 Booth was arrested at his home in Roseburg late Friday night by United States Marshal J. T. Summerville and his deputy, W. H. Rickard, and was brought to Eugene where bond was set by U. S. Commissioner E. O. Imboden, at a hearing held at 3 a. m. today.  
 United States Attorney Carl Donaghy, who issued the complaint and the alleged defalcation was discovered by E. M. Wright of Portland, National bank examiner, in a routine inspection. He was unable to say how it was alleged to have been accomplished. Members of the family and officials of the bank were quoted as expressing surprise at the arrest and denying any previous suspicion that anything was amiss.  
 Donaghy said that after an investigation the case would be placed before the June term of the federal grand jury. The charge carries a maximum penalty of five years in prison and a \$5,000 fine.  
 Booth is the son of J. H. Booth, organizer and president of the Douglas National bank, where he had been employed for the past 10 years. A nephew, Harrie Booth, is vice-president.  
 Dexter Rice, attorney, speaking for J. H. Booth, said the bank's position would be in no way jeopardized, all employes being under bond.

**CITY WILL HONOR MEMORY OF HERO DEAD ON MONDAY**  
 Business To Halt With Exercises In City Park After Parade—Memorial Services Today.  
 Business will halt in Medford tomorrow while homage is paid to America's war dead.  
 Decoration Day exercises will be held in the morning and afternoon and stores and offices will be closed all day.  
 Memorial Sunday services will be held at St. Mark's Episcopal church on North Oakdale avenue at 11 o'clock this morning. Veterans of all wars, members of patriotic societies and the public in general are invited. The Rev. R. S. Bartlam, rector of St. Mark's, will conduct the services.  
 Exercises tomorrow will start with a patriotic parade at 9:30. All social, fraternal and civic organizations are invited to participate.  
 The parade will start at city park and proceed along Main street to Bear creek bridge, where a brief ceremony will be held. Invocation will be given by Mrs. Belle Littrell. Flowers will be strewn upon the water in memory of those who gave their lives for their country in service on the oceans, lakes and rivers. Firing of a salute and sounding of taps will complete the bridge ceremony.  
 The parade will then return to the city park, where the main exercises of the day will be held. J. C. Woods, Civil war veteran, will read the orders of the day. Inviting General Louis First Memorial Day general order. Lincoln's Gettysburg address will be read by Burton Daugherty, high school student. Representatives of veteran and patriotic organizations will decorate vacant chairs in memory of their comrades who have died.  
 An address will then be given by the Rev. B. L. Shipman, pastor of the Methodist church, South. The assemblage will sing "America" and the exercises will be brought to a close by the Rev. James M. Hamilton, pastor of the First Christian church, who will give the benediction. Patriotic music will be played during the program.  
 In case of rain, the park exercises will be held in the nearby Presbyterian church.  
 After the exercises Medford Boy Scouts will dedicate an evergreen tree in memory of John Foster Gribble, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Gribble. The dedication address will be given by the Rev. Mr. Bartlam, chairman of the Rotary club troop 5 committee. A brief resume of Gribble's life will be given by L. Clifton Culp, troop 5 scoutmaster. Warren Beglein will lead in a recitation of the Boy Scout oath and taps will be sounded by Alfred Dodson. The whole ceremony will be in charge of Col. W. H. Faine, Boy Scout historian for Crater Lake area council, and Scoutmaster Culp.  
 The tree to be dedicated was planted in the park by Medford Boy Scouts ten years ago last February 12. In the group was John Foster Gribble, member of troop 5. Ten years later, almost to the day, Gribble, then a pilot with the army air corps, was fatally injured in an airplane accident near Randolph field, Texas, last February 11.  
 A bronze marker, bearing a dedication inscription, will be placed at the base of the tree Gribble helped to plant.  
 At 2:30 tomorrow afternoon Civil war veterans and their allied organizations will hold memorial services in the Medford I. O. O. F. cemetery.  
 Members of the American Legion and affiliates have been asked by J. F. Pilgrel, Medford post commander, to attend all the services today and tomorrow. Mr. Pilgrel also asked that flags be flown in front of all stores and homes.

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