

The Weather
Forecast
Cloudy tonight and Tuesday,
little change in temperature.
Temperature
Highest yesterday 48
Lowest this morning 28
Precipitation
To 5 p. m. yesterday T.

Need the Room
Would some extra Christmas money come in handy? Here's an easy way to get it... Just sell off the things you no longer need found in the home. You may not need the room but others may need them as gifts.

JAPAN WARNS U.S. ON LOAN TO CHINA

The Capital Parade

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RETIREMENT OF ROPER SEEN MARKING ERA'S END
CALLED PERFECT SPECIMEN OF CONTENTED JOB-HOLDER
COMMERCE SECRETARY ENJOYED HIS POSITION
RESISTED HINTS TO QUIT UNTIL ASKED TO RESIGN

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—An era has ended with the reluctant retirement of the honorable Daniel C. Roper from his beloved offices at the commerce department. For years, pious old Uncle Dan has been a mere museum piece—a curious relic of the earlier time when Franklin Delano Roosevelt was not a new dealer but a Democrat. And now, at last, his transformed friend has pried Uncle Dan out of his comfortable job, to make way, very probably, for the arch new dealer of them all, Harry L. Hopkins.

It's really sad to see Uncle Dan go, if only because he enjoyed being secretary of commerce so obviously and frankly that his delight was positively picturesque. He was the perfect specimen of the contented job-holder.

Just why he was contented it was sometimes difficult to know. So far as administrative power or influence on public policy were concerned, Uncle Dan might just as well have been in Kamchatka for the last five years. He longed to be a great man. He longed to figure in the news of the day. His whole department used to be mobilized for his press conferences. Every amideon or possibly significant information used to be scratched up. Uncle Dan himself used to begin, "I want to be frank with you gentlemen," and then tell all he knew. But, unhappily, he never knew much of great importance. He could only figure as an amiable old fellow with a handle to his name, who had the odd habit, at the most worrisome junctures, of announcing firmly:

"All is for the best in this best of possible worlds."

In a way, Uncle Dan's cheerful unimportance really increased his value as a picturesque exhibit. It made him an even better example of the curious system by which the great offices of the American state are parcelled out, not to those best qualified to hold them, but to men who have helped train the right political contestant.

There were three reasons why Uncle Dan was named secretary of commerce. The first was that he picked Roosevelt early, and plugged for him hard. The second was that, at a moment in the 1932 campaign when cash to pay the broadcasting companies was needed in 24 hours, Uncle Dan strolled into Jim Farley's sanctum and plunked a roll of sev-

PLAN IS TERMED VERY DANGEROUS POLITICAL MOVE

May Be Regarded As Form of Political Pressure Says Foreign Minister—Dangers Open Door Policy

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—(AP)—Secretary Morgenthau announced today new credits to China in the face of Japanese protests. The secretary said he was extending indefinitely an expired agreement to loan China dollar exchange. This was in addition to a \$25,000,000 loan given China last week by the export-import bank to finance purchase of trucks and other materials in this country.

By the Associated Press
A warning to the United States its export-import bank's plan to lend \$25,000,000 to China would be a "very dangerous political gesture" added to strain between Washington and Tokyo while Italian colonial demands on France again worried Europe.

Japanese Foreign Minister Hirota Arita described the proposed loan to China as "an inopportune and regrettable act." He declared Japan might regard it as "a form of political pressure" and that Tokyo "undoubtedly will find in it new grounds for strengthening the proposed new order in East Asia."

The new order means closing the open door in China against which the United States has protested vehemently.

New Anti-Jewish Steps
New anti-Jewish measures developed in two countries of central Europe. The Rumanian foreign office disclosed the removal of 150,000 Rumanian Jews to Palestine and certain British colonies was envisaged in diplomatic negotiations already in progress with Great Britain.

Union Attacks Oregon Labor Law in Hearing

Shot by Hospital Intruder



Walter Salisbury (above), 46, San Francisco policeman assigned to guard a prisoner in a hospital, was shot and seriously wounded by George Dally (below), 21, who entered the hospital and shot and killed Morris Cornpropst, 24, the patient. Salisbury is shown being prepared for a blood transfusion. (A. P. Photos.)

CHAMBERLAIN DEFENDS FOREIGN AIMS IN FACE OF MOTION OF CENSURE

By the Associated Press
British Prime Minister Chamberlain told the house of commons today Nazi Germany must be taken in as a "partner" or "there will be neither peace nor progress in Europe in things which make life worth living."

Chamberlain acknowledged Italy recently sent men and material to insurgent Spain but denied this was a breach of Premier Mussolini's pledge in the British-Italian friendship accord which came into effect November 16.

The government reports the average annual cash income per person on a farm in the 10 cotton states is \$110 compared with \$346 in the other 36 states.

EUROPE CHILLED AS WINDS BRING SLEET AND SNOW

LONDON, Dec. 19.—(AP)—Icy north-east winds from Siberia laden with snow and sleet struck Europe today from northern Scotland to southern Greece, sending temperatures tumbling to record lows.

Official forecasts said there was even worse coming. London temperatures dropped from 42 degrees Fahrenheit to 36 in 24 hours, bringing the coldest day in 10 years. Snow fell over Scotland and England as far as south London.

Mixture Freezes
The brown tide overturned another tank, containing 150 tons of creosote, and threatened to disrupt operations at a nearby gas works. The mixture of molasses and creosote froze, however, as 200 soldiers were called out to fight it.

Coal Supply Short
The bitter cold was especially unwelcome in Czechoslovakia because the loss of the rich Sudetenland coal fields to Germany has resulted in a coal shortage at present.

In Paris yesterday a low of 14 degrees was registered, but there was no snow. Cafe terraces lighted braziers to keep their customers warm.

Berlin reported a low of 10 degrees above zero while ice-breakers off the north German coast attempted to keep the Baltic free of ice jams.

GIRL IS GARROTED BY DOOR OF AUTO IN SKID SMASHUP

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 19.—(AP)—Highway and logging accidents, the former caused by wintry roads and Christmas throngs, claimed the lives of six Oregon residents over the weekend.

Caroline P. Wood, 21, Roseburg, strangled to death three miles south of Halsey when her head and neck were caught between an overturned automobile and a door thrown open when the car skidded on ice.

State Police Officer Curtis Chambers said the automobile's driver, Kenneth R. Fields, Drain, and Helen Buck, Roseburg, were unable to extricate the strangled girl. When help arrived, she was dead.

At Klamath Falls, Oswald Mills, 31, of Algoma, who was killed when an automobile driven by his wife overturned, Mrs. Mills and two small children were injured.

Portland's 85th traffic fatality of the year was recorded when John B. Matson, 35, was fatally injured by an automobile at a street intersection.

James Peter Musie, 54, Bandon, was killed when a tree he was falling at the Pat Cornell logging camp near Denmark twisted and struck him.

Ford, Lindbergh Hit For Taking German Medals

CLEVELAND, Dec. 19.—(AP)—Henry Ford, Col. Charles A. Lindbergh, and other Americans who accept medals from dictators had a challenge today from Secretary of the Interior Harold L. Ickes to explain why their American citizenship is not forfeit.

Ickes, speaking last night at the annual Hanukkah banquet of the Cleveland Zionist society, asked, "How can any American who calls himself a Christian, or who pretends to believe in the enlightened principles that constitute the warp and woof of our American life, accept a decoration at the hand of a brutal dictator who, with that same hand, is robbing and torturing thousands of fellow human beings?"

"Perhaps Henry Ford and Col. Charles A. Lindbergh will be willing to answer the question."

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—(AP)—A Boston lawyer swore today he drafted, at the behest of F. Donald Coster, Philip Musica, a contract for the purchase of Lee-Enfield rifles by McKesson and Robbins, Inc., and Standard Oil of England.

The lawyer, Frederic Wingersky, made his statement to Asst. State Atty. Gen. Ambrose V. McCall, conducting an inquiry into the affairs of the \$87,000,000 corporation, Coster-Musica committed suicide Friday when he was exposed as a notorious swindler of a quarter century ago.

McMahon came here to co-ordinate the investigations of federal agencies interested in ferreting out the mystery behind Coster-Musica and the \$18,000,000 shortage in the firm's crude drugs department which he operated.

COUNSEL ARGUES ACT WILL WRECK STATE'S UNIONS

Social Security Board Asked to Withhold Approval of Compensation Act Until Picketing Ban Repealed

SALEM, Dec. 19.—(AP)—"If the courts throw out our anti-picketing bill it is nothing but dirty, rotten politics," Governor Martin said today at the chamber of commerce in an address in which he bemoaned a tendency on the part of the people to become soft and thus make way for a dictator.

"We did nothing but pass the English law for industrial peace when we voted overwhelmingly for our anti-picketing measure," he said.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—(AP)—The AFL and CIO demanded today that the social security board withhold approval of the Oregon unemployment compensation act until the state repeals its so-called "anti-picketing" law.

Appearing at a hearing called by the board on the Oregon compensation act, Lee Pressman, counsel for the CIO, and Joseph A. Padway, general counsel for the AFL, charged the anti-picketing law would wreck labor unions in the state and was contrary to the federal policy of protecting the working man from company subjugation.

Non-Conformity Seen
The Oregon labor law was approved in a referendum this fall. It outlaws sympathy strikes and puts other restrictions on strikes.

DRUG HEAD VIOLATED LONG LIST OF LAWS INVESTIGATORS SAY

COSTER-MUSICA, McMahon said, had connections "with practically every big name in the nation's underworld."

There also seems to be some indication of illegal dealing in arms," McMahon said. "There is apparent violation also of several other laws."

McMahon said the conferees, scheduled to meet this afternoon in the federal building, would discuss possible violations of the income tax laws, the neutrality law and illegal alcohol diversion.

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BLAME BIDS LOW ON SISKIYOU JOB

PORTLAND, Dec. 19.—(AP)—Bids on seven highway projects, totaling nearly \$270,000, were opened today by the state highway commission.

Low bids submitted included: Jackson county: Grading south unit Bear canyon-state line section Pacific highway, \$80,322. Harold Blake Portland.

Klamath county—Crescent-Beaver Marsh rock production project, \$19,800. Fisher Brothers, Oregon City.

Klamath and Lake counties: Grading, surfacing and culling Devil's Garden-Quartz mountain section Lakeview highway, \$79,351. J. C. Compton, McMinnville, and Rodger Constructing company, Dayton, Wn. (Joint bid).

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PLANE TAKES TWO WRECK SURVIVORS

JUNEAU, Alaska, Dec. 19.—(AP)—Pilot Sheldon Simmons, who flew from Juneau today to aid 18 survivors of the beached motorship Patterson radioed he had taken aboard his plane two of the seamen needing medical attention.

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SIDE GLANCES

by TRIBUNE REPORTERS
Glen Patrick telling of the time his aunt gave him a rug for Christmas, the uncle getting even by giving the aunt a shotgun, Chet Hubbard being an interested listener to this tale of reciprocal gift exchanges.

The Arkansas Scufflers hovering around town, being mistaken for a trio of Santa Claus, Basatin Promoter Mack Lillard believing they really are.

Good Turk Demand On Portland Mart

PORTLAND, Dec. 19.—(AP)—Buyers offered 22 cents for turkeys and 25 and occasionally 26 cents for turkey hens today.

The local demand was fairly brisk with the resale to retailers 1 to 2 cents more than the buying prices. Some handlers reported fractional advances in the retail market and said there was a possibility of consumer reaction.

High Court Pays Tribute To Late Justice Cardozo

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—(AP)—The supreme court paused in its judicial work today to pay tribute to the late Justice Benjamin N. Cardozo.

Chief Justice Hughes called the jurist, who died last July, "a mighty warrior for his convictions" in whose "expert hands the pen became a sword wielded with devastating power."

Five Accused in Store Lootings

VANCOUVER, Wash., Dec. 19.—(AP)—Striking at an alleged theft ring accused of stealing thousands of dollars worth of tobaccos, confections and other merchandise, Prosecutor Eugene Cushing filed grand larceny charges here today against Frank Carstens, Clara Grams, Reinhold Grams, Edward Hoffman and John E. Wilson.

All are in custody except Wilson. Grams is a restaurant operator in Salem, Ore. The others live here.

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Radio Highlights

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(Time is eastern standard)
NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—Senator Bennett Champ Clark, advancing arguments against increased armaments, talks for the WJZ-NBC radio forum at 10:30 tonight. His topic is "Reason in Armaments."