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WEATHER	
Max. (Jan. 19)..... 49	Min. 26
Forecast for 24 hours.....	Partly cloudy
Stream year to date.....	5.66
Last year.....	5.81
Normal.....	5.82
Forecast: Partly cloudy today and tonight, generally cloudy Tuesday.	

437 Missing In Ship Disaster

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

ALL big cities have their current sensations from day to day and from week to week. The current sensation in San Francisco at the moment is a street car accident that happened the other day.

An uptown-bound Sutter street car smashed into a cross-town car at an intersection, killing one person and injuring a dozen. It appears that the Sutter street car ran a red light, although there are intimations from passengers that the brakes were faulty and the motorwoman couldn't stop, even though she tried.

The dead man was a pedestrian crossing legally with the green light. The injured were passengers on the two cars.

THERE is now a great hue and cry about the running of red lights, by street cars and by automobiles. The motorwoman (among the badly injured herself) has been indicted for manslaughter, and the police are cracking down hard on stop-light runners.

Altogether, it is a quite typical American case of raising a hullabaloo and ostentatiously locking the stable after the horse has been stolen—a habit we are addicted to as a people. Atlanta is too far away to get the details, but it may be taken for granted that after the disastrous hotel fire there a while back the heat is being put on hotel fire hazards all over the city.

WE Americans are a queer lot. On the whole perhaps the most efficient people on earth, we are surprisingly inept in a number of ways. One of our slipshod ways is our attitude toward traffic laws, fire regulations, etc. We virtuously put such legislation on our statute books, and then thumb our noses at it. We seem to feel that once we've passed the laws our duty is done and we don't need to bother about observing them.

Until a BAD incident comes along. Then we fly into a perfect tizzy, and demand the heart's blood of the wicked violators of the laws we've all been cheerfully ignoring up to then.

As a result our toll of accidental death and injury is probably the highest on earth.

ANOTHER of our national peculiarities is our tendency to FORGET the victim of a killing and to lavish all our interest on the murderer when (and if) he comes to trial. It's small wonder that other peoples have difficulty in understanding us. We sometimes have trouble understanding ourselves.

INCIDENTALLY, I was about a block from the streetcar accident when it happened, but heard nothing about it for hours. I have a talent along that line. If (Continued on Page 4, Column 2)

STEVENS' right hand and arm was badly cut when he rammed it through a window glass attempting to reach the children. The police officer said Stevens was watching the children in the absence of the mother, Maxine Ailene Phillips, 21, who was working in Grants Pass. The young man built a fire in the kitchen stove and had stepped next door to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Isley, grandparents of the youngsters. The lights in the small cabin suddenly went out and on investigating, Stevens found the cabin in flames. He succeeded in getting both children from the cabin but they were dead upon reaching the Josephine General hospital.

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Road, Liquor Legislation Introduced

SALEM, Jan. 20 (AP)—The Oregon legislature came back to work today to start its second week, with battles over freeways and liquor legislation beginning to shape up.

The high tide of new bills seemed to be near, with more than 30 introduced today, compared with the 37 introduced all the first week.

The freeway bill, which provides for limited access to state highways, was drafted today under the sponsorship of Willamette valley chambers of commerce, the Oregon Coast Highway association, and the state highway commission. It is endorsed by the federal bureau of public roads, and is in effect in 25 states.

Opposition Expected

Similar to a measure which died in the 1945 legislature, the bill will face the determined opposition of some motor court operators and other business men who depend on highway traffic for their living.

The bill would give the commission power to restrict business alongside state highways, and to restrict side roads entering highways. It applies to future as well as existing roads, but would not apply to some main routes if the cost of condemning property is excessive. This would exempt the present Pacific superhighway between Portland and Oregon City.

J. M. Devers, chief counsel for the highway commission, drafted the measure. He said it is designed to speed traffic and eliminate hazards caused by roadside business development.

Proposed legislation to liberalize the liquor laws began taking shape in the house, but it appears headed for certain defeat in the senate, as it has re-

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Two Children Burn To Death

GRANTS PASS, Jan. 20 (AP)—Two children were burned fatally and a 24-year-old baby sitter burned and cut in rescuing them from flames that destroyed a two-room cabin south of here Saturday night.

State Police Officer C. R. Borgman reported Sheriff Phillips, 4, and her brother Robert, five months, were dead when admitted to a hospital here and that Robert Stevens is in the hospital with burns of the face and left hand.

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Envoy Extraordinary



Letty Johnson of Redding takes seriously her job of inviting southern Californians to the Shasta-Cascade Wonderland. Letty, garbed in ski togs, stopped traffic at the famed corner of Hollywood and Vine when she climbed atop a newsstand to peer at street signs and mps. She is the official good will envoy of the Wonderland association on a tour through southern California.

Disarmament Plan Talks Postponement Asked By US

LAKE SUCCESS, N. Y., Jan. 20 (AP)—An American motion to postpone United Nations discussion of worldwide arms reduction plans for two weeks appeared assured of passage today by the security council.

Only Russia stood opposed to the move on the basis of past arguments of the delegates reassembled (3 p. m. EST) after a week-end recess prompted by the death of Brazilian Delegate Pedro Leao Velloso.

Warren R. Austin, chief United States delegate, asked the delay until February 4 because of James F. Byrnes' resignation as secretary of state and to allow more time for studying a series of preliminary proposals tossed into the council hopper by Russia, France, Colombia and Australia.

He was represented as being opposed to any form of compromise which might provide for immediate establishment of a sub-committee to start the work of a suggested 11-nation disarmament commission.

Within a week Austin plans to confer with Gen. George C. Marshall, the incoming secretary. In a series of conferences expected to lay the groundwork for a basic American policy on the whole broad question of arms slashing.

Having lost its fight to give priority to a program for control of atomic energy, the United States planned to resist setting up a disarmament commission even next month. However, it was expected that Austin would agree to such a body if other delegates insisted, but would demand that all weapons of mass destruction be considered by the presently-functioning atomic energy commission and not by any new arms commission.

These plans, of course, were subject to review by Marshall.

Pilot Dies In Crash

EUGENE, Ore., Jan. 20 (AP)—Carlton Markham Campbell, 34, assistant manager of the Eugene airport and a student pilot, was fatally injured near Cottage Grove yesterday when the small plane he was piloting crashed at full speed into a tree, tearing off one wing, and bouncing against a barn.

State Police E. E. Darr reported Campbell apparently did not realize he was so near the ground in the early morning fog that blanketed the area. He died at a hospital here an hour after the crash. A wife and five children in Washington D. C., survive.

The officer said a civil aeronautics inspector found the speed indicator jammed at 108 miles an hour. All other aircraft at the airport had been grounded.

Life Features Tule Drawing

Klamath Falls took over this week's issue of Life magazine which carries as its cover "Mr. and Mrs. Dale Sprout and family of Tulelake, winners of one of the 88 homesteads in the Tulelake drawing held here December 18.

The cover shows Sprout and his family looking over homestead lands and a one-page layout depicts the Sprouts inspecting the abandoned barracks at the Jap camp. Three other "shots" from the Life photographer's camera complete the pictorial. The magazine will be on the newsstands Tuesday.

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Immigration Quota Stay Bill Asked

SALEM, Jan. 20 (AP)—A memorial asking congress not to increase immigration quotas was introduced in the legislature today by Rep. Harry R. Wiley, Lebanon, and others.

Mine Blamed In Sinking Of Vessel

ATHENS, Jan. 20 (AP)—The merchant marine ministry today increased to 437 the list of persons missing and believed dead in the sinking of the 1800-ton Greek steamer Chimarra, which went down 20 miles east of Athens yesterday after an explosion officially blamed on a mine.

The latest figures radioed here from shipping offices in Salonika indicated the doomed vessel was carrying 548 passengers and a crew of 87 when she left there Saturday.

Thus far, the marine ministry said, only 198 survivors are definitely known.

Sabotage Hinted

Officials of the ministry, which said last night that the former German passenger ship had struck a mine, declined to comment on a report that the vessel was a victim of sabotage. There was no indication, however, that they gave any credence to the report.

Aristides Mytakis, a 44-year-old school teacher who survived the disaster, estimated that almost 200 of the casualties were women and children.

Women Lost

"I am afraid every child aboard was lost and 95 per cent of the women," he said.

Mytakis said the ship sank so quickly that only two of her lifeboats could be launched. He described the vessel's decks as a "solid wall of cursing, fighting men" struggling frantically to save their lives.

The Chimarra, which sailed from Salonika Saturday, hit the mine a few miles off shore from Rafina. Mytakis said the ship's master attempted to beach the vessel, but was prevented from doing so by a broken rudder control.

Survivors said the scores of panic-stricken passengers leaped into the frigid waters of the gulf as the ship lurched about before settling. Others, trapped below decks, screamed in terror as the vessel settled beneath the surface.

Oil Tank Blast Starts Fire

PORTLAND, Jan. 20 (AP)—An oil tank exploded at a refinery on the north city limits today, injuring at least one man and starting a blaze that still burned out of control at 10:30 a. m.

M. E. Vandewater, manager of the plant, Refinery Industries, Inc., said damage would total at least \$100,000.

The explosion burned the clothes of John Adams, 57, one of eight employees believed in the building at the time.

Vandewater said he believed all other employees escaped.

Fire engines, called from stations in the northern section of the city, were backed up for blocks near the plant.

Intense heat made it impossible for them to combat the flames at close range.

Assault Charges Dismissed Today

Two OPA-brought charges of assault and battery against Andy Gigger, butcher at the Oregon Food store on Oregon avenue, have been dismissed in justice court. Gigger's \$200 cash bond was returned.

Gigger had been accused of assault and battery after he expelled two OPA investigators from his market last June 27, and had pleaded not guilty.

Reason for dismissal of the cases was given as inability to locate the two complainants, Clyde D. Bird and Theodore J. Holtz.

Train Wreck Death Toll Stands At 8

BAKERSFIELD, Calif., Jan. 20 (AP)—Death toll in a wreck last Friday of the Southern Pacific's "Owl," which travels between here and San Francisco, stood at eight today.

Fourteen persons remained in hospitals, all but one considered out of danger. Eighth victim was two-year-old Joe L. Jackson of Doyle, La., who died in a hospital yesterday.

Georgia Battle Rolls On



Above are views of the two present contestants for the governorship of Georgia. Above, M. E. Thompson, the lieutenant governor, is shown talking to a reporter after he was sworn in. He contests the right of Herman Talmadge, shown below with his mother, to hold the governorship. Talmadge was selected by the legislature. See story of developments on this page.

Marine, Once Stationed Here, Writes From Islands

Last November 13 The Herald and News ran a story and pictures of the last contingent of marines leaving the barracks for new posts.

Just a little over two months later a letter was received in the editorial room from one of the men who left with the contingent. The letter, from Pfc. William E. Crabtree, is addressed from Calicoan, Philippine Islands. Here is what he says:

"I am one of the marines who was with the last bunch that left Klamath Falls. There are five of us here on Calicoan island. The names are: Cpl. John R. Shambaugh, who is brig warden here; Pfc. Gene Tullis, a brig guard; Pfc. Lloyd L. Ames and Eugene "Snake" Covertman, are on regular guard duty, and I, Pfc. Crabtree, as a special investigator.

"Three of the bunch are stationed in Pearl Harbor, Sgt. Basil W. McKinnon is assistant to the recreation officer, Cpl. John F. Miller is the headquarters mail clerk, Pfc. J. C. Keys is in the guard detachment.

"Two fellows were discharged, they were Cpl. John W. Tyree and Pfc. Paul B. Carnahan.

"One marine is on Mantic, P.I., he is Pfc. Carlisle G. Cooper. Pfc. Lawrence W. Willette is on Tubaboa here in the Philippines.

"Pfc. Crabtree goes on to say that all the marines miss Klamath Falls, and "Duke," the Marine Barracks mascot, who was left behind.

Local Butter Price Firm

Saturday's wholesale price on grade A butter—72 cents—held firm here today although Portland reported a price skid from 3 to 4 cents on the wholesale market Monday.

The Associated Press said butter wholesale prices dropped a cent a pound in Portland Saturday, and as a result of a group of women's clubs launched a campaign to lower the price of milk to consumers. The drop was expected to be reflected soon in the retail market.

Mrs. Jessie M. Short, chairman of the affiliated milk committees of Portland women's clubs, declared the price hike on milk last fall was based on butterfat prices and the reversed situation now called for a downward revision of milk prices.

Saturday's egg prices here, 66 cents wholesale for AA, and 64 cents for mediums, remained unchanged Monday.

Premier Quits In Rome Row

ROME, Jan. 20 (AP)—Premier Alcide de Gasperi said late today that he was submitting his resignation to Provisional President Enrico de Nicola.

He made the announcement in clarifying a prepared statement he read to a news conference in which he had said he was putting it up to the provisional president whether his six-month-old, four-power government should continue in office.

A newsman asked: "Does this mean that you are 'opening the crisis'?"

The premier replied: "It seems to me perfectly clear. I am submitting my resignation to President De Nicola."

Child Badly Hurt In Fall From Taxi

PORTLAND, Jan. 20 (AP)—A 20-month-old girl, who opened a taxi door Sunday night and tumbled out, was in the hospital today with critical injuries.

The child, Barbara Jo Knight, reached for the door before her mother could stop her. An approaching driver jammed on his brakes to halt just before hitting the child.

Two Accidents Mar Week-End At Crater Lake Park

Two painful accidents marred a perfect day for skiing at Crater Lake national park Sunday where a record crowd for the season was checked in by rangers.

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Dr. George D. Massey, visiting the park yesterday, was called from the lunch room to apply splints to the injured ankle and

Georgia Row Continues In Capitol

ATLANTA, Jan. 20 (AP)—Herman Talmadge, in a brief face-to-face encounter in the executive chambers, today refused to recognize Lieut. Governor M. E. Thompson as acting governor of Georgia, but reiterated a promise to abide by a court decision in the controversy.

Thompson then set up an acting governor's office in the suite on the floor above normally occupied by the president of the state senate.

Meanwhile there were these other developments in the dual control of the state's government:

1. Students of five Atlanta colleges and the University of Georgia at Athens, 70 miles away, planned a march on the state capitol tomorrow to protest Talmadge's assumption of the executive office.

2. The state house of representatives, by an 88 to 64 vote, decided to invite Talmadge to address a joint session of the legislature tomorrow as governor. The senate must act on the resolution. Efforts to have Thompson's name added to the resolution failed.

3. Attorney General Eugene Cook announced that he recognized Thompson as the "acting governor" and would substitute his name for that of Ellis Arnall in a court suit challenging Talmadge's occupation of the governor's office.

4. Thompson, before the state senate, retook the oath as lieutenant governor and added the words "I will faithfully exercise the executive power of the state of Georgia." Thompson's addition of the executive power words to the regular oath brought a move to have it stricken from the senate journal, but the move was ruled out of order.

5. Marvin Griffin, who is serving as Talmadge's adjutant general, accused Col. R. W. Collins, Thompson's military chief, of delaying more than eight hours the dispatching of a convoy of national guard trucks for flood relief at Rome, Ga. Collins was not available for a statement.

6. The house of representatives received a bill to establish a court primary in Georgia. Both Talmadge and Thompson have agreed to such a bill.

Marshall Takes Oath Tuesday

WASHINGTON, Jan. 20 (AP)—Gen. George C. Marshall will take his oath as secretary of state tomorrow at the White House. The exact hour will depend upon the time of his arrival here.

Marshall originally was scheduled to be sworn in at 11 a. m. today, but bad weather forced his plane to land at Chicago on a flight from the west coast.

Presidential Secretary Charles G. Rose told a news conference of the change in plans. He said: "It will be heard some time tomorrow, depending on the time of the arrival of General Marshall." Rose said the president has not talked personally with Marshall and the White House did not know whether the general would take a train or resume his flight when the weather lifted.

In Chicago, Marshall told newsmen he probably would continue his trip by train.

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