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WEATHER	
Max (Jan. 26)	42
Min	31
Precipitation last 24 hours	0.00
Rainfall year to date	6.17
Last Year	6.28
Normal	8.06
Forecast: Increasing cloudiness with light rains.	

Grace Moore Dies In Plane Crash

US Steel-CIO Negotiations Continue

PITTSBURGH, Jan. 27 (AP)—The U. S. Steel Corp., submitting counter proposals to the CIO United Steelworkers in contract negotiations today, announced it was insisting on the "employee's fundamental right to determine for himself" whether he should be a member of the union.

A corporation spokesman said the management stand was in opposition to both the closed shop and union shop. The present status at U. S. Steel plants is a union shop, in which employees must join the union after they are hired, if not already members. In the closed shop employees must be union members as a prerequisite to getting hired.

The corporation also announced it is "insisting on retaining" full management control over hiring, termination of employment, wage incentives, maintenance of discipline and similar activities.

U. S. Steel proposed further for its five largest steel producing subsidiaries that the parties agree to a no-strike, no-lockout pledge, with penalties for failures or abrogations of this pledge. It also asked compulsory arbitration of grievances arising under the contract, with the functions of the arbitrator limited to determinations involving compliance with contract provisions.

The corporation's proposals dealt virtually exclusively with non-economic or non-cost matters, because the corporation said, of Friday's agreement extending present contracts until April 30.

The corporation expressed hope that existing "portal-to-portal confusion" will have been clarified by legislation or further court decisions by April 30.

Kittredge Re-Elected To KPCA

With 13 years of directorship with Klamath Production Credit association behind him, William Kittredge was re-elected at the annual stockholders' meeting held Saturday at the army. Kittredge will serve another three years.

At the officers' election held following the meeting, Kittredge was re-elected president, E. M. Hammond, vice president; Lee S. McMullen, secretary-treasurer; R. J. Michels, assistant secretary-treasurer. All were re-elected to office.

Holdovers

Holdover directors are E. M. Hammond, A. R. Campbell, Ed Geary and Lee S. Holliday.

Lee Holliday presented the directors' report to the nearly 600 Klamath county farmers, ranchers, business men and their wives who attended.

Interesting figures were explained by Lee S. McMullen, secretary-treasurer, showing the value of the association in 28 million dollars loaned at the lowest rate of interest, and 1946 as a bumper year with over \$3,014,000 loaned this past year alone.

Earnings

Earnings in the past year were \$23,877 and 1947 began with \$686,850 on the books. Farmers have invested \$159,695 capital in the association in 1946.

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Unanimously Stockholders' Choice



William Kittredge (above) for 13 years president and director of Klamath Production Credit association, was re-elected to hold the annual meeting Saturday. He was elected by unanimous vote and will serve as director for another three years.

With the assistance of a huge chart, Lee S. McMullen (left), secretary-treasurer for KPCA, explained the profits, reserves, investments and loans of the association to a large group of interested stockholders.

Stockholm Crash Kills 22 Persons

COPENHAGEN, Jan. 27 (AP)—Royal Dutch Airlines officials hastened today to Copenhagen to investigate a disastrous plane crash which yesterday claimed the lives of American soprano Grace Moore, Sweden's Prince Gustaf Adolf and 20 other persons.

Officials of the line issued a communique at The Hague indicating belief that the crash might have been caused by mechanical failure, but added that the reason might be hard to ascertain, so completely was the plane destroyed.

Miss Moore, who began her singing career in a Tennessee choir and won fame as a star in musical comedy, the opera and the movies, was the only American in the ill-fated plane.

Tour Completed

The singer had just completed a concert engagement in Copenhagen and was en route to another in Sweden, Valentin Parera, husband of the 45-year-old soprano, heard the news of her death at Mougins, France, where he was convalescing from an illness. A close friend said he was "terribly shocked."

The DC-3 transport plane, with 16 passengers and a crew of six, crashed on the airstrip just after taking off from Stockholm. The liner immediately broke into flames and blazed so fiercely there was no chance for anyone to escape.

Trouble At Takeoff

The bulletin issued by Royal Dutch Airlines said the plane "took off normally under good weather conditions" but "immediately after the takeoff rose steeply upwards in a very unusual way, becoming unmanageable."

"The course of events," the bulletin added, "might indicate that the plane was in an abnormal condition."

Airport officials said the bodies of all those aboard were so charred and mutilated they were virtually unrecognizable.

Sweden went into national mourning today for Prince Gustaf Adolf, popular grandson of King Gustaf, who met death while going home from a hunting trip to Holland, where he was a guest of Prince Bernhard, husband of Crown Princess Juliana of The Netherlands.

The 40-year-old heir to the Swedish throne had been active in the civic affairs of his country, serving as head of the Boy Scout movement and supervisor of a national health program. He was considered one of the best horsemen in Sweden and was known to his people as "the rider prince."

As a result of his death his nine-month-old son, Karl Gustaf, becomes second in line for the throne.

Faces Trial As Spy



Madelein Carabouff (above), former friend of Benito Mussolini and newspaper woman known as Magda De Fontanges, is slated for trial at Marseilles charged with spying for the Nazis.

—AP Wirephoto.

Legislature Faces Tax, Budget Bills

SALEM, Jan. 27 (AP)—The Oregon legislature started the third week of its long grind today, prepared to get down to work on such diversified problems as taxes, balancing the budget, big trucks and education.

The house is scheduled to deal Tuesday with its first big piece of legislation, a bill to make permanent the temporary wartime weight and length limits of trucks using state highways. These limits are 72,000 pounds and 60 feet, compared with 54,000 pounds and 50 feet before the war.

Tax Meeting

The legislative tax committees are planning to meet Tuesday to start work on tax proposals, and thus give the ways and means committees some ideas as to how much money might be available to solve the budget deficit.

The opposition to the plan for distribution of the \$16,000,000 basic school support fund is expected to start to work this week.

More than 20 new bills were introduced today. Two measures by Rep. C. L. Lieualten, Pendleton, would make Good Friday afternoon a legal holiday, and make the state game commission pay for damage to hay done by wild elk.

Fireworks Ban

Two others would prohibit the sale of fireworks, and permit the governor to call upon local fire departments to help in other cities in cases of conflagrations. These measures were introduced by Reps. Paul R. Hendricks, Salem; Frank J. Van Dyke, Medford; Carl Francis, Dayton, and Lieualten; and Sens. Eugene Marsh, McMinnville, and Paul Patterson, Hillsboro.

Rep. Joseph E. Harvey, Portland, said he would sponsor a bill to appropriate \$884,000 from the general fund for the state fair, Pendleton Round-up, other state exhibitions and county fairs. The measure would relieve these exhibitions of being dependent upon horse and dog race betting, and is the start of a move to make racing illegal.

The senate municipal affairs committee introduced a bill to let cities condemn property for off-street parking.

Four Injured In Accidents

Two accidents, which injured at least four persons, occurred over the weekend both attributed to slick highways in widely separated sections of the Klamath basin. None of the injured was said critically hurt.

Two Medford residents, homeward bound, suffered injuries when a car driven by Julius Fletcher, 52, employee of the Medford Meat company, struck an icy spot in the road near Weyerhaeuser Camp 4 on the Green Springs highway, left the road and overturned. Fletcher is said to have a broken right arm and his passenger, Carl Owings, also of Medford, fractured a vertebrae. Both were moved by passing motorists, to Medford, state police said. The accident occurred late Sunday afternoon.

No other car was involved. The Klamath Ambulance service answered a call to the scene, but both men were moved before the ambulance arrived.

Two couples were hurt, the women more seriously, when a car in which they were traveling from Reno to Oregon City, struck a slick spot in the road three miles south of Tulelake on the Alturas highway about 5 o'clock Saturday night. The car was driven by Allan Duane Cornwell, Oregon City, and his wife Ruth had the third toe of her left foot amputated at Hillside hospital as the result of the crash. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Toering of Gladstone, near Portland, were passengers and Mrs. Toering is in Hillside hospital with a fractured third toe of the left foot, hip hurts and a cut nose. The Tulelake ambulance brought the injured to Hillside.

Arabs Protest Palestine Plan

LONDON, Jan. 27 (AP)—Dr. Jamal Effendi Hussein, vice chairman of the Palestine Arab higher executive, rejected partition today as a solution of the Palestine problem and warned that creation of a Jewish state there would be a "permanent source of trouble in the middle east."

A fresh outbreak of anti-British violence in Palestine by the Jewish underground did not dampen hopes for a satisfactory settlement.

Hussein spoke to the British-Arabian Palestine conference, which resumed its sessions despite the continued absence of Jews, a principal party to any conclusion.

Addressing 22 Arab and three British delegates in St. James palace, Hussein said the creation of "an alien Jewish state" would entail "the creation of another Balkans in the middle east." He declared all Arabs would resist partition "with all the means at their disposal."

Hussein demanded that the British labor government fulfill the pledges of former cabinets to Palestine, which, he said, guaranteed self determination.

Odell Road Very Icy

The Willamette pass in the Odell lake section was reported this morning a "sheet of ice" but sanding crews dispatched by the state highway department were making the stretch as safe as possible for winter travel.

Four inches of new snow fell at Odell Sunday and there is a depth of 44 inches of roadside snow. One-way traffic exists near Salt Creek falls due to a small rock slide but highway men said they hoped to have normal traffic by Tuesday night.

The state highway department also reported a detour on The Dalles-California highway five miles north of Klamath Falls because of culvert installation. Some snow was reported on Sun mountain and the Green Springs highway was said to be slick and frosty. The section to the north near LaPine was reported "very icy and slippery" but was being sanded Monday.

Suicide Leap Injures Woman

NEW YORK, Jan. 27 (AP)—David H. Gordon Jr., 28, leaped to his death yesterday from the 86th floor of the Empire State building and his hurtling body struck and injured seriously a woman passerby on the sidewalk below.

The pedestrian, Mrs. Mirvyn S. Coover, 51, of Ames, Iowa, wife of the head of the electrical engineering department at Iowa State college, remained in a critical condition today. Attendants said she suffered neck and arm injuries and abrasion.

Police said Gordon made the 1000-foot leap from the world's tallest building after telling Chief Petty Officer James Lambert, another visitor on the observation floor, "I'm going to jump." Lambert, unable to dissuade Gordon, called to two guards who rushed toward Gordon but missed by inches being able to grab him.

Max Furman, an assistant state attorney general, identified Gordon as his nephew and said he had been "depressed" since his release from the army on a medical discharge a year ago.

High Rents Seen As Wedge To Speed Housing Progress

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27 (AP)—With industry spokesmen predicting the housing shortage will be whipped this year, a group of senate republicans offered a higher-rent measure as one way to speed the leasing.

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Two Hurt In Ski Accidents

Skating was excellent at Crater Lake national park this past week-end but marred by two accidents, one of which sent a sports enthusiast to Hillside hospital for treatment of a badly sprained knee.

Fernon Schilling, 822 Roosevelt, is a patient at Hillside and X-rays were taken Monday morning to determine the extent of his knee injury. Also hurt Sunday was Harold "Johnny" Madison, 2666 Eberlein, ex-marine and now employed in the sporting goods department at Sears Roebuck company. Madison is said to have been skiing down hill when a ski came off and clipped him behind the left ear.

Park officials said 216 cars, carrying 972 persons, entered the park this week-end, 104 cars making a first entry. Roads were good and three inches of dry, powdery snow covered a depth of 80 inches of packed snow. It was 11 degrees at 8:30 a. m. today.

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Tobey Raps Favorite Sons

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27 (AP)—Senator Tobey (R-N. H.) called today for "fewer favorite sons" in the republican organization.

At the same time however, he denied that he is kicking over party traces with any intent to upset GOP control of the senate.

The gray-haired New Hampshire senator—vocal defender of an unsuccessful democratic battle last week to halt continuation of the war investigating and small business committees—told a reporter he is going along with the Republicans when he thinks they are right—but not at other times.

Tobey was one of four republicans who voted against the two committees.

"I've been a republican for nearly 45 years," he said. "I'm no bolter. But I'm jealous of my party. I want it to be as clean as a whistle. I want it to deserve the commendation of the country for its forthrightness."

In this connection, Tobey said he thinks there are "too many favorite sons" in the present GOP senate organization.

Air Search On For Missing Eugene Plane

MCHORD FIELD, Wash., Jan. 27 (AP)—Air search and rescue officials here said today they were searching for a plane piloted by D. L. Williams of Eugene, Ore., and carrying one passenger, which has been unaccounted for since leaving Yakima Saturday noon. The passenger was Warren Stelzer, Eugene.

The craft, a two-place, open cockpit, single-engine low wing monoplane, departed in the direction of Eugene without filing a flight plan. McChord officials said. The weather in the vicinity was described as "very unfavorable" for that type of craft.

The Oregon wing of the civil air patrol is patrolling the Portland-Eugene area in the search and planes from the Spokane army airfield are covering the Yakima-Elleensburg route on the chance Williams may have turned back to his base.

Two C-47s and one small craft are working from McChord.

Spud Acreage Goal Cut Again

PORTLAND, Jan. 27 (AP)—Oregon's potato acreage goal for 1947 has been cut from 45,400 to 45,300 acres, the U. S. department of agriculture announced today.

Goals, smaller throughout the nation than last year, are set on a percentage of previous year's acreage, and the 100-acre revision was due to the fact that final figures showed Oregon's 1945 acreage smaller than originally estimated: 53,000 instead of 55,000 acres. The 1946 acreage is estimated at 52,000.

Oregon had 5,000,000 bushels of merchantable potatoes on hand January 1, 800,000 more bushels than at the same time last year and 1,850,000 more than the ten-year average.

National potato acreages are declining, the USDA said, but the yield per acre has been increasing more rapidly than previously believed.

Old Age Sounds Death Knell For Cable Cars

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 27 (AP)—Mayor Roger D. Lapham said today that the little old cable cars, which have boosted civic pride as high as the hills they've clattered up for more than half a century, must be replaced by modern transportation.

Sentimental San Franciscans who so long have prized their distinctive hillside transit will object, the mayor told the board of supervisors in his annual report.

But sentimentalists, said Lapham, "do not have to pay the bills and do not have to run the risk of being charged with criminal negligence in the very possible event a cable breaks and a car gets loose on any of our steep hills."

The issue of replacing or retaining the system, which at the outset was hailed as an ingenious triumph over the horse-drawn car and the force of gravity, has divided San Franciscans into two camps for years.

The miniature cars, operated by "grimpers" and towed by a cable sunk between the tracks, have been advertised like the Golden Gate bridge to the tourist trade. They are a prime subject for amateur photographers, and artists have done them in oils many times.

Today the city has only 38 cable cars in operation on Sacramento, Powell, Washington and Jackson streets. A private company operates another cable line.

The oldest of the city's cars have been clambering up San Francisco's steepest hills for 54 years. The youngest were built 41 years ago.

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Little Response To Proposed Tax

SALEM, Jan. 27 (AP)—Legislative proposals to enact a retail sales tax have failed to arouse much public interest, judging by the legislators' mail.

Most of the legislators said they haven't received any mail, either for or against.

Rep. Marie Wilcox, Grants Pass, said the Rouge River Valley grange, which claims to be the largest in the state, advised her it is almost unanimous for the tax.

Rep. Earl Hill, Cushman, said he has received 215 letters, all of them wanting it.

Sodaville Springs In Parks Division

SALEM, Jan. 27 (AP)—The senate passed today a resolution to transfer Sodaville mineral springs in Linn county jurisdiction of the state parks division of the highway commission. The springs were given to the state in 1873.

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PORTLAND, Jan. 27 (AP)—Norman Sampson, 23, Gresham, was fatally injured late Saturday night when an automobile he was riding in skidded on a suburban road and crashed into a tree.

High Wind Causes Power Failure

A southwest wind which reached a velocity of between 36 and 37 miles per hour at 3 a. m. Sunday whipped two jumpers together in the Hot Springs district and caused that circuit to go out for one hour and 30 minutes. A California Oregon Power company crew was dispatched to the 500 block on Eldorado and the power was off again another eight minutes for repairs.

The power company also reported a 30-mile wind at 11:17 p. m. Saturday.

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