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# MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

THE WEATHER.  
Tonight and Saturday—  
Cloudy. Thursday—cloudy;  
high, 41; low, 21; range, 30.

FOURTH YEAR.

MEDFORD, OREGON, FRIDAY, JANUARY 7, 1910.

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## COAL FAMINE THREATENS MIDDLE WEST

### SUFFERING IS BECOMING INTENSE

Chicago Poor Already Feeling Lack of Fuel—Several Large Buildings Are Forced to Close—Office Men Out of Work.

NO RELIEF UNLESS GRIP OF STORM IS BROKEN

Iowa Is Practically Without Coal to Protect Her—Blizzards Still Rage Throughout Montana.

From all sections of the Middle West today's news brings stories of intense suffering due to the blizzards, cold snap and lack of fuel. Railroads were blocked and the poor in the larger sections can obtain no fuel. Large buildings must close owing to lack of fuel with which to heat them. Chicago is in desperate straits. No relief is in sight and unless a change in the weather comes, many deaths will probably be reported.

CHICAGO, Jan. 7.—The coal supply of this city is nearly exhausted today and with traffic demoralized because of the recent storms, there was little likelihood of quickly bringing in further shipments.

The suffering among the poor was growing. Relief measures undertaken by the various charitable organizations failed to allay the suffering because of the scarcity of fuel and the high prices of provisions.

But Little Fuel.  
The average household had not fuel enough to last over a few days. The big consumers supplies will be exhausted tomorrow, which threatens to result in a cessation of manufacturing and a depletion of electric and steam traffic.

Many buildings were scheduled to close because of the lack of heat and it was feared that a wholesale order for the temporary suspension of clerks and office men would follow.

RAILROADS THROUGHOUT MONTANA ARE TIED UP BY BLIZZARDS

HELENA, Mont., Jan. 7.—The continuance of the blizzard that has been sweeping Montana for the last 24 hours has resulted in a complete tie-up on the lines of the Northern Pacific railroad in this state.

Two west-bound Northern Pacific passenger trains are stalled between Livingston and Columbus. A snow plow that tried to clear the rails near Livingston was derailed early today, and the same fate befell a wrecking train that was dispatched to the assistance of the plow's crew.

Trains are being held up at Butte, Bozeman and various other points. The passengers are being cared for by the railroad officials.

IOWA THREATENED WITH WORSE FUEL FAMINE IN HISTORY

DES MOINES, Jan. 7.—Threatened with a fuel famine, Iowa today is practically without protection from the bitter cold that prevails throughout the state.

Governor Carroll and the state railroad commissioners today issued an order to all railroads forbidding them to appropriate any coal in transit for their own use. The officials of practically every railroad

REBEL LEADER, LOYALIST SUPPORTER AND MARINES NOW IN NICARAGUA.



Satisfied that the United States would countenance no more of Jose Santos Zelaya's methods as president of Nicaragua, Mexico sought by mediatory steps to have the department of state recognize Dr. J. Madriz, in whose favor Zelaya announced his willingness to resign. Madriz is recognized as a partisan of Zelaya, and it is believed that the tyrant's influence would continue to be felt by Americans and American interests if one of his advocates took charge of affairs. General Estrada, leader of the revolutionists, naturally expressed disapproval of Madriz and it is believed in semi-official circles in Washington that Estrada's recommendations will be considered by the state department in every detail of the negotiations for restoring peace in the Central American republic. The marines in the accompanying photograph are from the Yorktown and are some of the first United States troops to land in Nicaragua since the recent trouble.

### CARPENTERS RAISE SCALE

Owing to Increased Cost of Living Union Votes Increase of 50 Cents a Day — Will Take Effect on April First—New Officers Installed.

Owing to the increased cost of living which is general over the entire country, the local union of carpenters have voted to increase the minimum scale for a day of eight hours from \$3 to \$3.50. The new scale goes into effect April 1, 1910.

The increase is not as great as is indicated, as most of the carpenters have for some time been paid \$3.50 a day, but this will protect members of the union, by providing \$3.50 for those who are not paid a bonus

owing to their skill. Local No. 1840, held a social and business session Thursday evening at which time the officers for the ensuing year were installed. The new officers are: J. J. Seale, president; W. E. Thompson, vice-president; C. F. Leatherman, recording secretary; W. N. Offat, financial secretary; Frank Poole, auditor; W. C. Buckmaster, warden and J. L. Demmer, treasurer. A most enjoyable banquet followed the business session.

### SMITH TO ASHLAND TO MEET COUNCIL

Supposed That He Will Appear in Order to Secure Understanding Regarding Electric Franchise.

ASHLAND, Jan. 7.—R. G. Smith of Grants Pass, attorney for John R. Allen, applicant for an electric railroad franchise from the city of Ashland, phoned up yesterday to learn the date of the next meeting of the city council, indicating that he expected to appear before the city fathers at the first opportunity in the matter of the franchise asked for by Mr. Allen. The franchise as presented to the council met with some objections as to certain features, and the council declined to grant it or submit it to the people without amendment, and in this shape the negotia-

### ATHLETIC CLUB MEETS TONIGHT

Meeting for Final and Permanent Action is Called for Tonight at the Athletic Hall.

The committee appointed at the meeting held Monday evening to devise ways and means for the organization of the Medford Athletic Club is ready to report and a meeting of all members of the club and those who have signified their intention to become such, is called for this evening. The committee has been busy and have secured quite a bit of money. Also they have sent for copies of the charters of the different athletic clubs in the state, and will be prepared to make a full report.

### IS PINCHOT'S HEAD TO FALL?

Ballinger Closed With Taft and Indications Are That Chief Forester Will Be Removed From Office.

WOULD BE "MARTYR TO ROOSEVELT POLICIES"

Presidential Ire Aroused by Statement of Pinchot's Made in Defense of Glavis.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 7.—The house today adopted a special rule to allow the immediate consideration of the resolution calling for an investigation of the Ballinger-Pinchot controversy.

Representative Fitzgerald opposing the resolution, declared that its object was to allow President Taft "to get on the band wagon."

Fitzgerald declared that Taft has hid down the lid as long as he dares. He demanded the investigation be narrowed to Secretary Ballinger alone, proposing that the portion which brings the forest service into the scope of the investigation be stricken out.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 7.—Secretary of the Interior Ballinger was closeted with President Taft today and other conferences were held at which was discussed the question: "Shall the presidential axe chop off the head of Gifford Pinchot, chief forester of the United States?"

Many are inclined to believe that the reading in the senate by Dolliver of a letter written by Pinchot, in which the chief forester defended his subordinates for the aid they gave L. R. Glavis, former chief of the field division of the land office, in preparing the cases on which charges were brought against Ballinger must mean Pinchot's dismissal.

A Martyr.  
The question of whether Pinchot officially decapitated, in the role of "martyr" to the Roosevelt policies, would not be exceedingly embarrassing to the administration is being given serious consideration.

The presidential ire is said to have been aroused to an extraordinary extent by Pinchot's statement that Glavis was "a most vigorous defender of the people's interests." This coming in the face of the dismissal of Glavis by Taft and the presidential rebuke administered to him for his charges against Ballinger, has developed one of the most intensely interesting situations the capital has seen in many a day.

May Remove Pinchot.  
Taft could remove Pinchot for violation of the president's order forbidding officials from writing letters to members of congress on departmental affairs, which set forth that such information must emanate from members of the cabinet.

The question before the administration today is whether the dismissal of Pinchot would not bring out the troublesome ghost embodied in the so-called "Roosevelt conspiracy" and arouse the "back from Elba" movement. Pinchot's letter was one of the chief topics at today's session of the cabinet.

Perkins Injured.  
WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 7.—Senator George C. Perkins, of California, who slipped on an icy pavement and fell as he was leaving his apartments for the senate chamber yesterday, will be confined to his bed for at least a week, according to a statement by his physician today.

EUGENIE, EX-EMPRESS OF FRANCE, AND HER HOME NEAR LONDON.



Marie Eugenie de Guzman y Porto Carrero, countess of Teba, marchioness of Meya and widow of the Emperor Napoleon III. of France, was born at Granada, Spain, on May 3, 1825. She was the daughter of a Spanish grandee and of a Scotch emigrant. At the time of her marriage to Louis Napoleon she was regarded as the most beautiful woman in Europe and was a favorite at all the fashionable watering places of the continent, where her beauty and wit attracted the admiration of many of the foremost men of the old world. She was known then as Mlle. Montijo, and her love affair with Prince Jerome Bonaparte was the talk of the watering places three years before her marriage to her cousin Louis. After the battle of Sedan she fled to London with her son and educated him there. After his tragic death in Africa she retired to her home at Farborough Hill, near London, and rarely appeared in public. One of the accompanying photographs was taken when she last appeared at Westminster.

### TAFT WANTS COMMERCE COURT

Sends Message to Congress Dealing With Further Legislation Tending to Control Railroad Corporations.

URGES CREATION OF COURT TO DEAL WITH QUESTION

Would Have Greater Power Given Interstate Commerce Commission to Curb Corporations.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 6.—On the subject of interstate commerce sent to congress by President Taft, after calling attention to the fact that a large number of orders issued by the interstate commerce commission have been appealed from, says: "It would not be proper to attempt to deprive any corporation of the right to review by a court of any order or decree which, if undisturbed would rob it of a reasonable return on its investment or would subject it to burdens that unjustly discriminate against it and in favor of other carriers similarly situated. What is of supreme importance is that the decision of such a question will be as speedy as the nature of the circumstances will admit, and that a conformity of decision can be assured so as to bring about an effective, systematic scientific enforcement of the commerce law rather than conflicting decisions and uncertainty of final result. For this purpose I recommend the establishment of a court of the United States to be composed of five judges, designated for such purpose from among the circuit judges of the United States, to be known as the United States court of commerce, which court shall be clothed with original and exclusive jurisdiction over the following classes of cases:

Different Cases.  
"First. All cases for enforcement, otherwise than by adjudication and for the return of penalty or by the infliction of criminal punishment of any order of the interstate commerce commission other than for the payment of money.  
"Second. All cases brought to enjoin, set aside, annul or suspend, any order or requirement of the interstate commerce commission.  
"Third. All such cases as under the section 3, of the act of February 19, 1903, known as the Elkins' act, are authorized to be maintained in a circuit court of the United States.

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were about one hundred present. The following named officers were duly installed by the G. A. R.:  
Commander, O. W. Elghmy; S. V. commander, C. C. Paul; I. V. commander, Alx Duff; chaplain, Res. James Kelso; quartermaster, Jacob Klipple; O. day, I. I. Gacey; O. guard, D. E. Clay; guard, Victor Paul; adjutant, D. R. Andus; Q. M. G., G. W. Hall; S. M., F. M. Stewart. The officers of the W. R. C. are: President, Nancy Wilson; S. V. P., Ida Kenworthy; I. V. P., Susie Perry; secretary, Ella Shultz; treasurer, Sophie Ballard; conductor, Sarah Clay; assistant conductor, Bell Terrell; guard, Mary Elghmy; assistant guard, Addie Hart; musician, Nancy B. Day; chaplain, Helen M. Kent; color bearers, No. 1, Francis E. Metz; No. 2, Birdie Lyon; No. 3, Elizabeth Kahler; No. 4, Maggie Noble.

Carl Von der Hellen of Wellen was in Medford on business Friday.

### LAND SALES MOST BRISK

Many Sales Are Being Made Although This is Supposed to Be Dull Season of Year — Many Strangers Here Seeking Orchard Land, Improved and Unimproved.

Although this is supposed to be the dull season of the year, real estate dealers are all reporting active business and state that the city is full of strangers who are seeking locations, unimproved and improved. One firm reports a sale for every day so far this year.

C. E. Denning of Sams Valley has sold 200 acres to Sylvia Robinson of Corona, Cal., the consideration being \$12,000. Mrs. Robinson will locate on the place in the spring and improve it.

Mr. Denning has also purchased 12 1/2 acres of bearing orchard in southern California. Charles Sharpe made the transfer.  
E. Gibbs of Phoenix has sold to A. C. Hermann of Colorado 40 acres for \$2900. The place will be improved.  
I. F. Williams has sold 40 acres next to the Tou Velle tract in the Willow Springs district to H. S. Pickard of Albuquerque, New Mexico, the consideration being \$12,000. Two years ago Mr. Pickard secured the place for a livery stock valued at \$4000.

### HOTEL BURNS; ONE MAN IS KILLED

Survivor of Cherry Mine Disaster Goes Among Guests and Averts Panic.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Jan. 7.—One man was killed and several injured when the Cambridge hotel was destroyed by fire early today. Scores of guests narrowly escaped with their lives. The guests at the Barnum hotel, adjacent to the Cambridge, were thrown into a panic when the flames were discovered. William Clelland, a survivor of the Cherry mine disaster, was staying at the Barnum with his family, and went among the terrified lodgers assuring them that there was no danger. He probably averted a stampede.

### VETERANS INSTALL NEW OFFICERS

G. A. R. and W. R. C. Have Pleasant Evening When New Officers For Ensuing Year Are Installed.

The G. A. R. and W. R. C. installation and banquet at the Angle opera house was a grand success, especially the supper prepared by the ladies of the relief corps which was grand to look upon but was still grander when seated at the table and permitted to partake of the good things thus prepared. The tables fairly groined under their load but was soon relieved after which songs and games of various kinds of which young and old took a part. All seemed to enjoy themselves to a full capacity. Miss Doty Shultz presided at the piano. There