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MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

THE WEATHER.

Today and Monday—
Cloudy. Saturday—cloudy;
high, 44; low, 28; range, 39.

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WHISLER IS SENT ON TO WASHINGTON

WILL FIGHT BIG FIGHT IS LA FEAN BILL

Representative of Local Fruit Growers Is Wired Two Hundred Dollars and Told to Proceed to Washington to Fight Apple Bill Now Before Congress.

Disappointed by the action of the Western Jobbers' convention in Denver yesterday, in endorsing the La Fean apple bill, now before congress, the local fruit growers wired C. E. Whisler \$200 and instructions to proceed to Washington in order to oppose the measure there. Mr. Whisler is in Denver as a representative of the growers of this section opposing the bill, as was J. A. Westlund, and now Mr. Whisler will do what he can in Washington. He can line up the Oregon and Washington delegations and by a concerted attack may be able to defeat it.

The La Fean apple bill is a measure backed by the jobbers of the east, and provides for the creation of a standard box and grading of fruit in a way that would work a great hardship on the growers of the northwest, as the box provided for in the bill is one not suited to the apples grown in this section.

Wood Nerve Acts.
HOOD RIVER, Or., Jan. 8.—(Special)—The apple growers of this section are taking steps to send their delegation to Denver on to Washington to protest against the La Fean apple bill. This action follows the report that the western jobbers had endorsed the bill. It is reported here that the apple growing sections of Washington will also send on a strong delegation to lobby against the passage of the measure.

BIG FIGHT IS NOW ON TAP

Dismissal of Pinchot by Taft Means That Trouble Has But Begun—May Lend Impetus to the "Back From Elba" Move—Only Two of Roosevelt "Tennis Cabinet" Left.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 8.—Gifford Pinchot, dismissed from office as chief forester of the United States, cleaned out his desk today, while his friends polished their trusty hammers and the impression everywhere is that the biggest fight is now on.

With the dismissal of Pinchot, only two of the famous Roosevelt "tennis cabinet" remain in office, Lawrence C. Murray is still comptroller of the currency and Herbert Knox Smith remains in his position. After the official axe had been whetted at six hours of cabinet meeting, the official heads of Pinchot, Associate Forester Price, and Assistant Law Officer Shaw of the forestry bureau, were chopped off at a single blow.

Was Not Surprised.
The friends of Pinchot here today say that he was not surprised at the result. They assert that he believed his letter to Senator Dooliver would result in no other way. It was looked on here as a practical defiance.

Pinchot's intention throughout the controversy with Secretary Ballinger has been that of upholding the Roosevelt policies and that Ballinger was opposed to them.

Was Not Started.
With the fight having gone to such extremes, it is now considered practically certain that Pinchot and his adherents will continue the struggle, and some of them are expected to be in Washington.

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JAMES B. WOOD WITHDRAWS FROM RACE

EIFERT HAS CLEAR FIELD, 3RD WARD

Wood Issues Statement Saying He Believes Best Interests of City Demand the Retention of the Old Officers.

To the Editor.—I hereby withdraw as a candidate for the office of councilman for the Third ward. After consulting with my friends, I believe that this step will best conserve the interests of Medford. I look to the coming year as the greatest in the history of this city in the way of growth, advancement and the concomitant civic improvements that go with the same, and I also regard the present city administration as most capable, honest and efficient, and sincerely believe our municipal progress will be best conserved by their retention in office.

GLAVIS SAYS HE IS TO "SHOW 'EM UP"

Former Special Land Agent Located Near White Salmon—Starts Soon to Washington.

LOCAL SHRINERS HAVE BIG TIME

ASHLAND, Or., Jan. 8.—For the past two days pilgrims have been arriving on every train en route to the Mystic Shrine to attend the semi-annual "Ceremonial" of Hillah Temple, held in this city tonight. Nobles from all over this state and northern California were present to witness the spectacle of seventeen aspirant and aspiring candidates, hot-footing across the burning sands of the desert. The third floor of the Elks' temple was engaged for the occasion, and from the elaborate preparations, it was evident that the event was a memorable one.

HEAVY QUAKES DO GREAT DAMAGE

VAN DYKE PLACE IS SOLD FOR \$50,000

Southern Men Purchase Old Sam Van Dyke Place—Sold Two Years Ago for \$25,000.

J. R. Pepper, a banker of Memphis, Tenn., and Edmund Taylor, a wholesale dealer of Greenville, Ga., have purchased the old Sam Van Dyke place, next to Gore's, south of Medford, paying \$50,000. Two years ago the place was sold to Frank Wortman for \$25,000.

FINAL ORGANIZATION POSTPONED A WEEK

Committee Not Ready to Report, so Organization of Medford Athletic Club Has Been Postponed.

Owing to the fact that the committee appointed to draft a constitution and by-laws for the Medford Athletic Club were unable to report fully, having sent for copies of clubs already organized and not having received them, the permanent organization of the club was postponed until a later date at the meeting Friday night.

Cannon's Partner Killed.
MEMPHIS, Tenn., Jan. 8.—David A. Smith, of Danville, Ill., was struck by a locomotive here today and killed. Smith is reported to have been a partner of Speaker Cannon.

LIGHT THROWN ON NEW AMENDMENTS

Mayor Canon Issues Statement Regarding the Various Measures to Be Voted on Next Tuesday.

Mayor W. H. Canon has prepared the following statement for the citizens of Medford regarding the amendments to be voted on next Tuesday:

The proposed charter amendments which are to be voted on next Tuesday were framed by the city attorney under the direction of the council to meet what seemed to them to be needs of the city. It is felt by all the members of the city council, as well as the writer, that it would be unfortunate if any of these amendments were to fail of passage, and it is for this reason that I desire to briefly set forth the reasons why they should receive the support of the voters of the city.

Police Court.
The first charter amendment provides for a city court, of which the mayor is to be the judge. Heretofore this work has been done by the recorder. The work of the recorder's office has been growing so heavy, by reason of the large number of assessments for street improvements, water mains, sewers, etc., which must be entered, collections on which must be noted and accounted for, that it seemed wise to relieve the recorder of the police judge work and to put it on the mayor's shoulders.

To meet the possible contingency that the people of the city might at some future time want a man for mayor who would be unwilling to look after

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INSURGENTS SCORE ON CANNON

For the First Time in Thirty-Two Years the Speaker of the House Is Over-Ridden—Uncle Joe Cannon Admits Letting the Reins Slip for an Instant.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 8.—The insurgents are pleased today over the whalloping they gave Cannon in taking from him the power to appoint the committee to investigate the interior department, but protest that they are still loyal to the "Taft" party when the party is right.

Friends of Cannon admit that he lost the reins when it was decided that the investigating committee shall be chosen through the election of its members by the house. While they concede that this was a severe jolt, they declare it will not happen again, and say that the "personal equation" entered into the question as friends of Chief Forester Pinchot held the balance of power.

The insurgents today say that the "personal equation" will enter to a great degree into the fight that will be made against Cannon in the next session. Both sides are lining up their forces as this first real victory over Cannon has put a somewhat new light upon the situation.

Following the tense scenes of yesterday, culminating in the dismissal of Pinchot, it is expected that the fight will develop rapidly.

It is said here today that the democrats who heretofore have usually voted with the republican machine in the house, have reached an understanding with the insurgents, which was responsible for the defeat of Cannon yesterday.

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LAKE LOSES FRIEND IN PINCHOT

Chief Forester Was Greatest Booster Crater Lake Ever Had in Washington—His Removal Is Distinct Loss to the Interests of the World's Greatest Wonder.

In the removal of Chief Forester Pinchot from his office by President Taft, Crater Lake has lost its chief booster in governmental circles in Washington. For several years Mr. Pinchot has been interested in the lake and has in many ways lent his influence to movements which tended to make the lake a better advertised and more accessible attraction. He has been active in many ways, especially so during the recent trip of Will G. Steel to Washington to urge governmental aid in making the lake accessible.

"I consider Forester Pinchot the staunchest friend Crater Lake has in Washington," stated Mr. Steel, upon his return from the east last summer, "and as long as he retains his office, I know that we can count on all of the assistance it is in his power to give."

And so, through his removal of Pinchot, President Taft, though unconsciously, has struck a hard blow at the greatest natural wonder of the world, and one that will be felt by Southern Oregon.

Perkins Improves.
WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 8.—United States Senator George C. Perkins, of California, who was injured Thursday in a fall on an icy pavement, passed a comfortable night. His physician declared that he was much improved.

COAL FAMINE IN CHICAGO

Rich and Poor Alike Suffer From Intense Cold—Thousands Idle as the Result of Factories and Offices Closing Down.

CHICAGO, Jan. 8.—Rich and poor alike are suffering from the cold today. The majority of the coal yards of the city are down to their last bunker and there is little likelihood of fuel supplies reaching Chicago for many days.

The conditions existing among the poor is pitiful and there can be no relief until charitable organizations can secure fuel from some source. Thousands of applications for relief were received by the police today, but none was forthcoming.

The chaotic conditions of railroad schedules, due to the storms and cold of the last week has made impossible the transportation of coal from the mines.

Thousands of men are idle as a result of the closing down of factories and office forces will be reduced today until the big town buildings are again heated.

The school board reported today that the public schools will be closed in three days unless the fuel famine is broken.

NOTHING DOING IN PORTLAND PRINTSHOPS

Strike Is On and Over Fifty Print Shops Are Standing Against Demand for Higher Pay.

PORTLAND, Or., Jan. 8.—While forwarders, finishers, and rulers of local job printing shops help the striking bindery women arrange details of a mammoth benefit entertainment and ball, their strike, following that of the women, has practically tied up the printing business of Portland. The imminent strike of compositors and feeders can only prolong a serious situation, employing printers says.

Efforts to arbitrate the differences of employers and employees in local printing offices have failed so far. A canvass of employers undertaken this morning, resulted in a vote similar to that of Thursday's meeting. Fifty Portland print shops still stand determinedly together against the demands of the journeymen for higher wages. One, the Pacific Printing & Stationery Company, has already granted the increase and is running full time.

Among those spending New Year's in San Francisco was J. W. Hendricks of this city, who returned last evening.

ICE STRONG AT GOLD RAY DAM

For First Time Ice Strong Enough to Bear a Man's Weight at Gold Ray.

For the first time since the dam at Gold Ray was constructed, ice sufficiently strong to bear a man up was formed on the slack water above the dam the first of this week.

Of course, such conditions did not last long, but it was a little bit out of the ordinary.

The river is much lower than ordinarily at this season, but plenty of water is expected during the spring and summer, as the snow is accumulating in the high mountains. Twenty-six inches of snow fell at Prospect during December.

JOSEPHINE COUNTY TAX IS 14 MILLS
The county court for Josephine county has made the following tax levies for 1910, based upon \$1 valuation: School purposes, including per capita tax, high school and school library purposes, 3 mills; to cover state tax, 22-10 mills; county tax, general purposes, 28-10 mills; road purposes, 3 mills; total 14 mills.

PAISLEY, OR., IS ABANDONED

Terror-Stricken Families Flee From Town Endangered by Raging Torrent—Townsite Is Dangerously Situated—Town Will Probably Be Moved.

PAISLEY, Or., Jan. 8.—(By courier to Lakeview)—Terror stricken families are abandoning their homes in this town, preparatory to establishing residence elsewhere. An unexpected drop in the temperature has choked the channel of the Chewaucan river and the diverted waters are rushing down the canyon upon Paisley, partly inundating the town.

It was thought all danger was past as the weather had begun to moderate and the high waters in the Chewaucan had begun to subside. Twelve below

zero weather—the record cold in this section—augmented the ice jam in the Chewaucan and has deflected the stream into a course that crosses the townsite. Ice forming rapidly and this adds to the gravity of the situation.

Since the unparalleled weather conditions that have prevailed here for the past week, it is the consensus of opinion that Paisley's townsite is dangerously situated. While the name of Paisley will be retained, the town will in all probability be moved to a safer site.

DUNNE FLAYS TAFT IN FERVENT SPEECH

Former Mayor of Chicago Urges Insurgents and Democrats to Stand Shoulder to Shoulder.

JACKSON, Mich., Jan. 8.—Former Mayor Dunne, of Chicago, in a speech at the annual luncheon of the Jackson Society today, soundly flayed President Taft, his cabinet and the republican party and made a fervent appeal to insurgent republicans and democrats to stand shoulder to shoulder in the struggle he believes is approaching.

Dunne was scheduled to speak on the democratic position in regard to the Payne-Aldrich tariff. His remarks led to an attack upon President Taft, whom he charged with breaking his promises of tariff revision downward.

SPECIAL AGENT IS ACCUSED OF THEFT

Letters of Attorney General Are Stolen and Published—Special Investigator Is Arrested.

NEW YORK, Jan. 8.—Thomas L. Riley, a special investigator in the employ of the interstate commerce commission, was arrested today and charged with stealing letters and documents from the office of District Attorney Wise.

The papers alleged to have been stolen include a letter written to Wise by Attorney General Wickersham, two letters written by former Chief Counsel Parsons of the sugar trust, and much documentary evidence prepared for use in the prosecution of the sugar trust. Wickersham's letter recently was printed in the Cosmopolitan magazine.