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THE WEATHER.
Tonight and Friday—Partly
cloudy.
Wednesday's Temperatures —
High 58, low 38, range 51.

FOURTH YEAR.

MEDFORD, OREGON, THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 1910.

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STATE CONSTABULARY ORDERED TO PHILADELPHIA

20,000 MORE MEN MAY STRIKE

Quaker City Faces Greatest Crisis in Her History—Business in Every Direction Is Damaged by Threatened Strikes—Stores Sufferers.

SCHOOLS FORCED TO CLOSE; NO PUPILS

Rioting Continues on Streets of City—State Militia May Be Ordered Out—Unions May Strike.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Feb. 24.—Leaders of the striking platform men of the Philadelphia Rapid Transit company admitted today that the arrival of four companies of gray-clad constabulary and the possibility of the calling out of the state militia is a severe blow to their cause.

The leaders were in conference nearly all night and today announced that they, too, had been preparing "drastic" measures with which to meet the new turn of events in the industrial strife that has rent the city since last Saturday and in which several persons have lost their lives.

Drastic Measure.
They declared that the arrival of state constabulary was regarded by them as a drastic measure on the part of their opponents and said that equally decisive action would be taken by the unionists to win their fight.

They refused, however, to reveal what action they would take or the nature of the measures under consideration. The city was filled with wild rumors today that every union man and woman in the city would be ordered out of the workshops, stores and factories before sundown.

Facing Crisis.
Both sides admitted that the city faces one of the greatest crises in Philadelphia's history. Already business in every direction is damaged by threatened strikes. Stores are suffering from lack of customers. Some schools have been closed because of danger in the streets to children, who are compelled to walk through the districts which are being disturbed by rioting.

The calling out of 20,000 laboring men will completely stagnate the commercial life of the city and would add fuel to the fires of riot that break out spasmodically.

Police Charge Mob.
The first disturbance today resulted in the injury of several of the rioters who stoned a car in West Philadelphia. The police charged the mob and dispersed it, arresting a ringleader.

The four companies of constabulary were ordered to Northeast Philadelphia, the section where the most of the laboring people live. The Frankfort car barn was surrounded by a detail of constabulary and a line of the state troops was thrown along Kensington avenue to give protection to the cars of the company in operation there today.

The massing of the constabulary in the northeastern section of the city enabled the police authorities to distribute their 5500 men with better effect in other sections.
The increase of the police force by addition of the constabulary indicated that the authorities have responded to the transit company's demand for police protection to enable it to run its full quota of cars. Mayor Reyburn announced that the company would be given adequate protection and that if the

WORK BEGINS GOLD HILL ROAD

First Step Taken in Development of Great Lime Beds Near Gold Hill—Large Lumber Mill to Be Erected for Foot's Creek Lumber.

MACHINERY FOR LIME KILN IS ON GROUND

Baxter Last Week Purchased 4000 Acres Timber Land for \$125,000—Composed of Pine and Fir.

Construction began Wednesday by the Gold Hill Railroad and Lumber company of a railroad to extend from Gold Hill to the lime deposits four miles west and thence to the timber belt in the upper Foot's creek country. This marks the first step in the development of the great lime beds near Gold Hill. The machinery for the lime kilns is on the ground, and manufacture will begin shortly on a large scale.

The railroad is being built by the timber men, comprising John Baxter of Walla Walla, Wash.; B. H. Harris of Medford, and others who have secured a contract from Mr. Hughes of Salem, who is developing the lime deposits, calling for the shipment of 400 barrels of lime or 100 tons a day for the next 20 years.

The Gold Hill Railroad and Lumber company plan to work many men during the coming season. A large mill will be built at Gold Hill for the manufacture of lumber and the refuse will be hauled to the lime kiln for fuel. Construction of the lumber mill, announces Manager B. H. Harris, will begin at once.

Mr. Baxter last week purchased 4000 acres of timber land in the Foot's creek section from Dr. Fowler and associates of Cleveland, O., at a cost of \$125,000. The timber is pine and fir, and manufacture will commence upon a large scale at an early date.

NATATORIUM IS SOON TO BE BUILT

Ground is Being Cleared and Contracts for Materials Made—Amusement Park Certain.

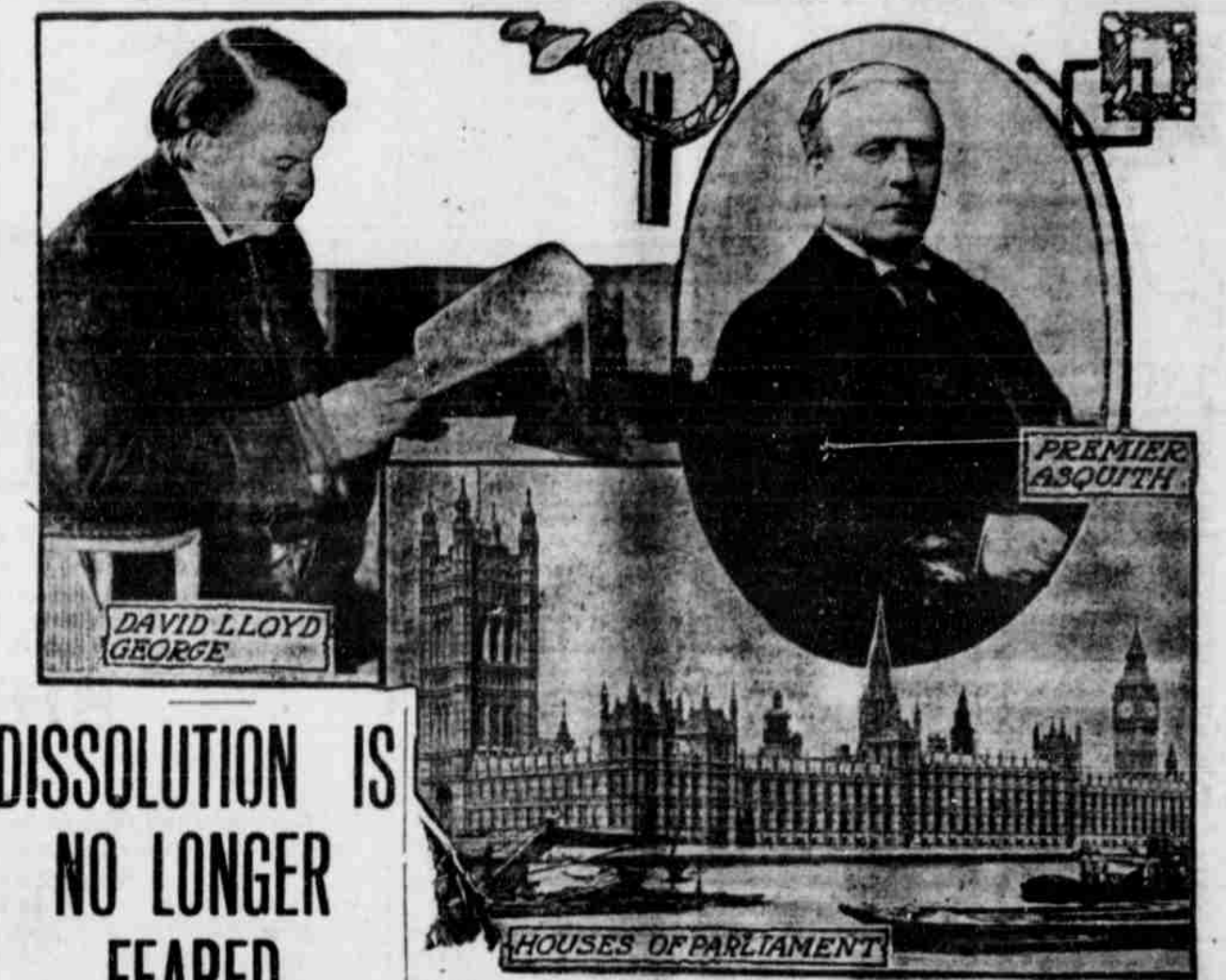
The Medford Natatorium & Amusement company have already commenced work on the park they intend building this season. The grounds are being cleared of brush in order to make way for the various amusements and the plans are nearly perfected.

The company has secured the services of R. I. Stuart, the architect who built the Fairmount hotel in San Francisco, to superintend the work. Mr. Stuart is not now actively engaged in business, but has consented to superintend the work of building the Medford natatorium.

The work will be done under his supervision and he has already contracted for the delivery of several carloads of cement to be used in the work. Also while here Wednesday Mr. Stuart was looking out for lumber to be used in the several buildings to be constructed on the grounds. The company is comprised of F. E. Merrick, J. E. Enyart, H. C. Kentner, W. H. Brown and John Orth.

H. J. Wilson of Grants Pass spent Thursday in Medford on business.

Strengthening of Lines for Battle Premier Denies Change of Attitude



DISSOLUTION IS NO LONGER FEARED

Parties Wish to Pass Budget Before Taking Chances With Throwing Out Government—Fear Conservative Victory if Elections Called.

LONDON, Feb. 24.—There has been a strengthening all along the line of battle over the radical liberal budget supported by Premier Asquith and his chief lieutenant, Chancellor of the Exchequer Lloyd George, and today's session of parliament shows that open warfare is not far distant.

The reports sent out yesterday that Mrs. Asquith, wife of the premier, had wielded her influence over her husband for the prize of social preferment and had induced him to weaken in his stand against the lords, was vehemently denied today by his friends. He disclaims any tendency to adopt a vacillating policy, and the early dissolution of parliament predicted, is not borne out by his stand today.

Both the nationalists and labor parties are aware that they have nothing to gain by throwing out the government, as this would lead to a dissolution and to the probable victory of the conservatives at the next general elections. Hence the extremists today display a more conciliatory spirit.

The cabinet had a long council to draft the veto resolutions and to debate the general situation. The result of the deliberations was a speech in the house of commons by Winston Churchill, president of the board of trade, in which he announced the determination of the government to stand or fall by the veto bill. This determination should to some degree satisfy the irreconcilables, who, it should be remembered, in no way agree among themselves, the laborites being as strongly against it. Any direct co-operation between these two parties with the express intention of defeating the government is improbable.

Negotiations are now proceeding between the different parties with a view to averting a crisis until the budget is adopted, and some progress has been made with the veto resolutions.

Mrs. O. E. Rose of Applegate died at her home Tuesday morning. Mrs. Rose was a pioneer of the Applegate section and was a sister of Mrs. S. R. Taylor of Jacksonville.

REDDY PETITION FOR PAYMENT UP SATURDAY

Judge Calkins Will Hear Arguments on Reddy's Petition Soon—Davis Will Fight Payment of Fee Asked by Receiver.

The hearing of the arguments on the petition of Dr. J. F. Reddy that he be allowed a fee of \$6000 and \$1900 expense money for services as receiver of the Medford & Crater Lake railroad and A. E. Reames for attorney's fees in an amount of \$5500 will be heard before Judge Calkins on Saturday. The petition is being opposed by A. A. Davis as an unpaid creditor who protests the manner in which Reddy handled the receivership and the amount of the fee. It is expected that much of the unwritten history of the case will be brought out in court at this hearing. It is also known that a large number of local men are to be subpoenaed to show the nature of the work performed by Dr. Reddy as receiver.

NEW COMPANIES ARE INCORPORATED

Gold Hill Lumber & Railroad Company and Eagle Drug Company File Articles With Clerk.

Two companies have filed their incorporation papers with the county clerk, one the Gold Hill Lumber & Railroad company and the other the Eagle Drug company.

Gold Hill Lumber & Railroad company, B. H. Harris, L. W. Smith and J. H. Carlin, incorporators; Medford principal place of business; stock \$100,000.

Eagle Drug company, Medford; Charles Palm, A. E. Whitman, Thos. Bartholomew; stock \$15,000.

Sheriff W. A. Jones was a visitor in Medford Thursday on business.

HERE'S CHANCE TO GET A JOB; GLORY IS PAY

Weather Observer is Wanted in Medford to Work in Connection With Portland Bureau and Fix the Weather.

Who wants to be United States weather observer in Medford and regulate the climate?

The Rogue River valley fruitgrowers are looking for someone to fill that place, but so far have been unable to locate a man who will take the job over.

There is no money in it, therefore the aching void.

Observer Beals of Portland station, who was recently in the city to meet local orchardists, to arrange for a local service in order to be of assistance during the frost season, outlined a plan whereby his office would co-operate with local people. The orchardists are to purchase the necessary instruments and a volunteer is needed. The Portland bureau will furnish instructions and keep in touch with the local man.

While this arrangement is not altogether satisfactory, it is the best that can be done at present, as Uncle Sam is so busy building battleships to keep out the yellow peril.

INDUSTRY STILLED WHILE TAFT SLEEPS

Obsequious Yardmaster Hushes the Whistles, Etc., While President Slumbers in His Car.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—All traffic was tied for an hour today at the big union station because President Taft wished to sleep.

When he retired in his private car Owl last night after his speech at Newark, he gave orders that he should not be disturbed until 8:30 o'clock today. The Owl reached the union station at 7:30 o'clock. The

FEAR FLOODS TO LOOK INTO NORTHERN OREGON

Springlike Weather Causes Snow to Melt Rapidly and Rivers and Small Mountain Streams Are Fast Approaching Flood Stage.

HEAVY RAINS FALL IN HOOD RIVER SECTION

Willamette River Expected to Approach High Water Mark—Preparations Are Made.

PORTLAND, Or., Feb. 24.—Reports received today from Oregon and eastern Washington where unusual weather conditions have prevailed for several days, with severe blizzards in some sections, indicate an improvement, although floods are now threatened in several localities as the result of warm winds, which are rapidly melting the heavy snow that has fallen in the mountains.

Springlike weather is reported from Walla Walla today, with the heavy snow rapidly disappearing. The rivers and small mountain streams are rising rapidly and much damage from floods is feared. There is more snow in the hills now than when the last flood occurred, isolating the city.

Reports from The Dalles and Hood River say that heavy rains fell there all last night and today the ground is covered with a glare of ice. Some damage may result to small trees. "A silver thaw" is threatened, though no damage is expected from floods at these places, as there is not enough snow to cause serious rise in the streams.

Willamette River Up.
EUGENE, Or., Feb. 24.—If the high temperature and the warm rains continue another 24 hours it is expected that the river here will have reached the flood stage. Notwithstanding the heavy rain of last night and the day before, the river rose only a few inches, but it is expected to rise more rapidly during the day, as much snow is doubtless being melted in the hills.

Preparations are being made to meet a possible flood which is expected to result should the present warm weather continue for any length of time.

Great Northern Blocked.
EVERETT, Wash., Feb. 14.—Fifteen feet of snow on the tracks for ten miles from Wallington to Alblon, has completely blocked the Great Northern railway today and six passenger trains, with between 500 and 600 passengers aboard are stalled in the mountains.

The rain which fell yesterday and today, on the coast was snow in the mountains and is adding to the blockade every minute. Great Northern officials hope to have the line cleared by tonight, but it seems an impossible task. Four rotary plows and six snow plows are battling with the snow today.

MYRTLE CREEK, Or., Feb. 24.—Saferackers early today blew the safe in the general merchandise store of Rice Bros., in this town and escaped with \$100 in cash and notes valued at \$7000.

The noise of the explosion aroused persons living near the store, and the authorities were notified, but the yeggers succeeded in making their escape before officers reached the scene.

Yardmaster gave orders that no whistles should be blown, no bells rung and no car couplings made in the yard until the cessation of slumbers.

TO LOOK INTO TIMBER DEAL

United States Attorney McCourt Asks for Special Federal Grand Jury to Investigate Acquisition of 100,000 Acres Timber Land.

MAY RIVAL NOTED LAND FRAUD CASES IN SENSATION

Violation of Timber and Stone Act in General Charged—Huge Tract of Land in the Balance.

PORTLAND, Or., Feb. 24.—United States District Attorney John McCourt today made a special application for the calling of a federal grand jury to investigate the acquisition of more than 100,000 acres of Baker county timber lands by the Oregon Lumber company, one of the largest logging and manufacturing corporations in the state, and the Sumpter Valley Railway company. Federal Judge Bean granted the order and the grand jury was called to report on March 1.

Prominent Men in Deal.
The investigation promises to rival in importance and sensational features the famous Oregon land fraud cases. More than a score of prominent men in eastern Oregon will, it is said, figure in the investigation. Although McCourt's application for the immediate calling of the federal grand jury gives only a hint of its primary purposes, the district attorney today corroborated reports from Baker City, Or., which told that subpoenas were being served on all officers of the two companies, and on many land agents. The application charges the violation of the timber and stone act and asks that the jury be called immediately, as the statute of limitations in the cases will soon expire.

According to McCourt, more than 100,000 acres of valuable timber land lying in Baker county is in the balance.

The Chiefs.
D. C. Eccles, the Salt Lake millionaire, is named as president and general manager of the Oregon Lumber company, which owns and operates mills at the Oregon towns of Ingalls, Baker City, Hood River and Austin. Charles T. Early is given as the acting manager of the company, with headquarters in Baker City, and Joseph A. West is named as superintendent and general freight and passenger agent of the railway company. The Eccles interests are supposed to own more than 2,000,000,000 feet of timber in the state of Oregon.

Just what charges have been made against the officers of the two companies will not be learned until the grand jury files its finding. All that is known today is that 100,000 acres of timber land is involved, that violations of the timber and stone act in general are charged, and that the investigation will begin March 1.

MEAT TRUST WOULD BUY PROSECUTOR OFF

JERSEY CITY, N. J., Feb. 24.—That friends of Prosecutor Garvan were approached by persons representing the packing interests with an offer "to make it right with Garvan" if he would find means of dropping the meat investigation and see that no personal indictments were returned, was announced officially today. The statement came from Garvan's office, but he refused to discuss the matter. Assistant Prosecutor Vickers, however, stated that Garvan admitted that the attempts to call him off had been made. John W. Perrin of Applegate was in Medford on business Thursday.