

# MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

**THE WEATHER.**  
Tonight and Tuesday—  
cloudy. Possible showers;  
Warmer Tuesday.

FIFTH YEAR.

MEDFORD, OREGON, MONDAY, MAY 2, 1910.

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## TIPTOP PRICES FOR FRUIT OF ROGUE VALLEY

Horace W. Day of Sgobel & Day, New York Fruit Brokers, Here Paying Annual Visit to Fruit Men—Says if Quality is as Good as Usual High prices Will Be Paid.

## CALIFORNIA HAS ABOUT TWO-THIRDS OF CROP

Ruination of Middle Western Crop Will Raise Prices Paid for Rogue River Fruit—Mr. Day Urges Quality as Usual.

That higher prices will be paid for Rogue River fruit this year than ever before, if the quality is on a par of that of former years, and it will be, is the prediction of Horace W. Day of the firm of Sgobel & Day, the largest fruit brokerage firm in their line in America, who is in Medford meeting with local fruit growers, Mr. Day is accompanied by his son, Kenneth H. Day. They will remain until Saturday.

Mr. Day bases his prediction that the record prices for Rogue River fruit will be smashed this year upon several facts. One is that the entire middle western crop is ruined and that only two-thirds of the California Bartlett pear crop will go east this year. All through the Sacramento valley the fruit is dropping badly and the canners are out after the fruit, bidding \$42.50 a ton, and it is reported that this bid will be increased to \$60.

"The Bartlett pears are dropping very badly," state Mr. Day, "all through the Sacramento valley. They are short at Suleau and only 60 per cent of a crop at Vacaville, the two largest districts in the state."

## JEFFRIES AT WORK WITH OLD VIM

News That Mrs. Jeff Has Recovered From Operation—Big Fellow in Excellent Spirits Hits the Training Program Hard.

ROWARDENNAN TRAINING CAMP, Cal., May 2.—Inspired by the good news from Oakland that Mrs. Jeffries has entirely recovered from the operation performed upon her two weeks ago and that she is now ready to rejoin her husband, Jim Jeffries, feeling better than at any time since his arrival here, today went at his work with great vim. His better mental state and last week's rest brought out all his old spirit when he began the day's grind.

He felt so good that he varied his usual program on work days by going into the gymnasium a couple of hours after breakfast instead of waiting until afternoon. He was on the road at the same old hour, doing the trip to Boulder Creek and return in fast time. The sun bath followed breakfast and then he went into the gymnasium. He plans to do some boxing this afternoon.

## HEIDEL MAKING GOOD HEADWAY ON CRATER ROAD

Highway Engineer Will Soon Be in Shape to Call for Specifications for Actual Construction of Section of Highway Near Pumice Hill.

## SUBSCRIPTIONS COMING INTO HIGHWAY FUND

Commission Will Leave Soon to Visit Commercial Club at Northern Points—Interest and Enthusiasm Keeps Up Well.

Word has been received from Benjamin F. Heidel, highway engineer, office of public roads, who is at work surveying and preparing specifications for that portion of the Crater Lake road near Pumice Hill, that he is making considerable progress and will be soon able to call for bids for the actual construction of the road.

The Crater Lake road commission is making considerable headway with the soliciting of subscriptions over the state. Nearly every mail brings in some reply, the majority of which are favorable. It will not be long now before the commission leaves to visit commercial clubs in northern centers.

## "CONSPIRACY" IS HOPE OF DEFENSE

Hyde's Lawyers Decide Upon Course of Argument to Be Employed Before Trial Closes—Will Also Attack Miss Swope's Testimony.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., May 2.—In the case of Dr. C. B. Hyde, charged with the murder of Colonel Thomas H. Swope, the defendant's lawyers have decided upon what definite points of "the alleged conspiracy of the prosecution" they will present to the jury in their arguments. The two main points as evidence of such "conspiracy" in their opinion are the hostility of the Swope family to one whom they regarded as an interloper in competition for the good will and millions of the eccentric philanthropist, and hostility of the nurses.

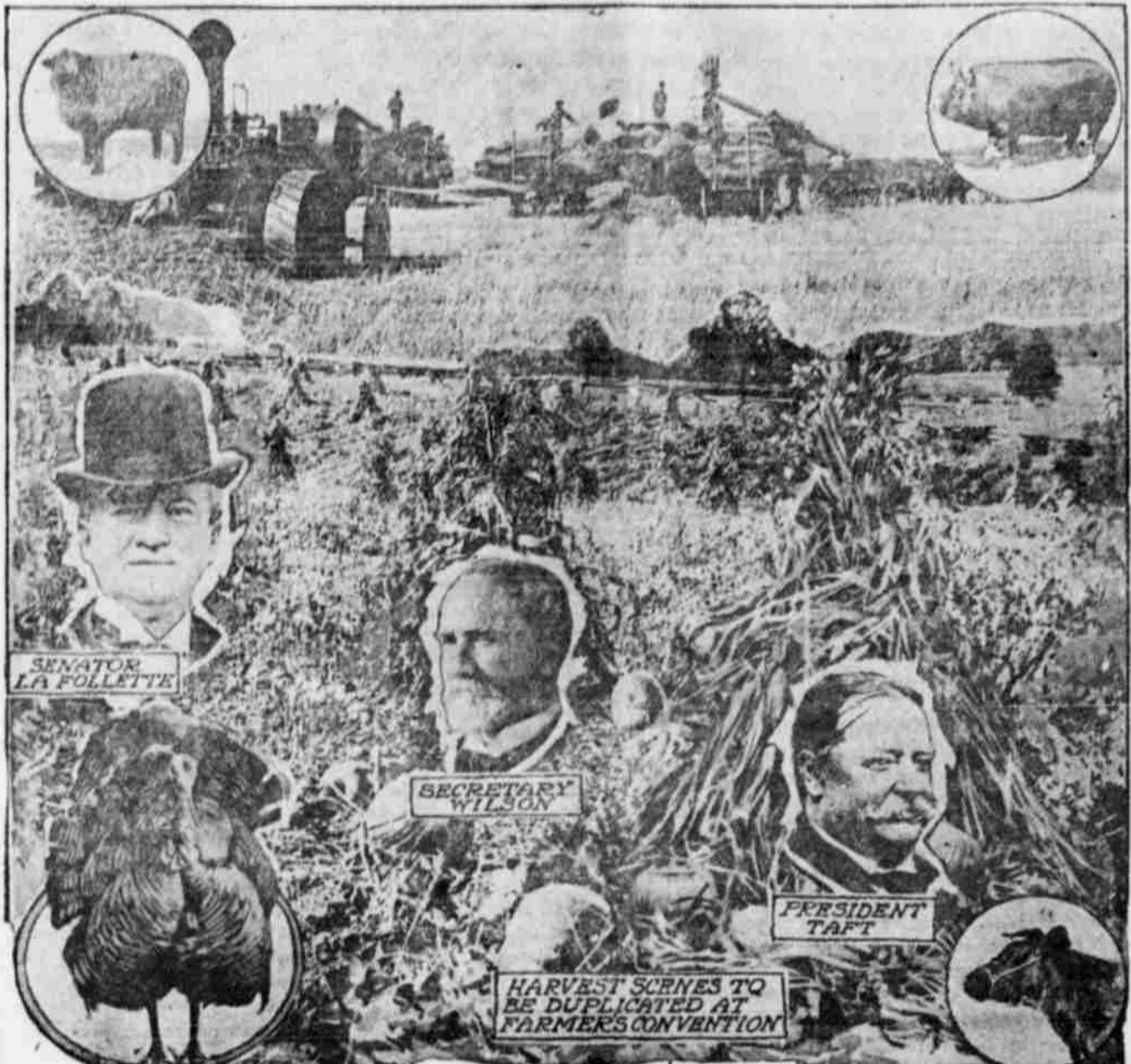
## PAVING WEST MAIN NEARLY FINISHED

Only Short Distance Remains to Be Paved—Company Met With Hard Luck on Account of Many Soft Spots.

This week will see the completion of the Warren Construction company's contract for paving in this city, there being only a short distance left to pave on West Main.

The company has had considerable hard luck in connection with the paving of this street, soft spots delaying the work. But now the finish is in sight.

## Taft, Wilson and La Follette Back to Nature At Farmers' Convention in St. Louis.



ST. LOUIS, May 2.—The Farmers' Educational and Co-operative Union of America, with 90,000 delegates, opened its session here today. President Taft, Secretary Wilson and Robert M. La Follette will address the delegates before the session comes to a close. Educational exhibits is one of the attractions of the convention, and farmers will be given pointers on how to gather the harvest as well as the best way to plant the seeds in the spring. The uniting of the southern agriculturists and the American Society of Equity with the Farmers' Educational union gives the convention a nation-wide importance.

## HUGHES IS GIVEN SENATE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

Protest of American Anti-Trust League Does Not Deter Action of Judiciary Committee of Senate—No Doubt of Appointment.

WASHINGTON, May 2.—The senate this afternoon confirmed the nomination of Governor Hughes as associate justice of the supreme court of the United States.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 2.—The senate judiciary committee today decided to recommend the confirmation of Governor Hughes of New York to be justice of the supreme court. A protest of the American anti-trust league did not deter the committee in its action.

## RUN STARTS ON NIGHT BANK IN LOS ANGELES

LOS ANGELES, Cal., May 2.—A run on the Los Angeles All Night and Day bank started shortly after noon today. Hundreds of depositors jammed the building and filled the streets.

A long line which was formed grew constantly. The All Night and Day bank is the only institution of its kind in southern California. It was organized under the state banking laws a year ago. It recently refused membership in the Los Angeles clearing house.

## Postal Receipts For April Show Great Increase

Forty-Five Per cent Growth Over April a Year Ago—Receipts Over \$2500.

The receipts of the local post-office show an increase for the month of April of 45 per cent over April one year ago. The total receipts for the month just closed were \$2,578.12. Of this amount \$2,144 was from stamp sales, the balance being for box rent. The receipts for April, 1909, were \$1,831.81, the gain being \$746.81.

## Rise Early To See Mr. Comet

Comet Visible Tomorrow Between 2:40 and Sunrise—Now Is Your Chance to Get Up.

Amateur astronomers who want to get up before Halley's comet any day this week will have to rise early. The comet will be visible along the Pacific coast from its rising time until the sun rises. Here is the comet's rising time during the week: Tuesday—2:49 a. m. Wednesday—2:48 a. m. Thursday—2:48 a. m. Friday—2:48 a. m. Saturday—2:47 1-2 a. m. Sunday—2:47 a. m.

Land Is Opened. WASHINGTON, D. C., May 2.—The interior department today opened for entry and settlement the following Indian reservations: Flathead reservation in Montana, comprising 1,000,000 acres. Coeur d'Alene reservation in Idaho, 200,000 acres. Cheyenne River and Standing Rock reservations in Idaho and South Dakota, 150,000 acres.

## MEN WHO WORK ARE WATCHING MAYOR SEIDEL

Gompers Says Executive Actions of Milwaukee's Mayor Will Have Effect on Cause of Labor Throughout Country.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 2.—The executive actions of Emil Seidel, Socialist mayor of Milwaukee, will play a big part in the coming elections, according to Samuel Gompers, who declares the "man who works" has his eye on Milwaukee.

"Whatever other influences brought about his election," said Gompers, "one important factor was the vote of protest. The indignation of the man who works and is being flouted by the courts, neglected by congress, scorned by the attorney general's department and probably by the trusts and other interests is passing beyond the bond hitherto generally observed. "He is not going to hesitate to vote under the name of socialism though he may reject socialism's final principles. He wants a slap at the party machines. He would rather be for a time with the crowd that declares itself for the people than with the rings that have shown themselves to be the paid servants of plunderers as well as traitors to the general welfare."

## MAN'S LEG CUT OFF IN TRAIN ACCIDENT

VALLEJO, Cal., May 2.—Attorney Charles W. Langan of the law firm of Langan and Merrahal of San Francisco is near death this afternoon at the railway hospital at Vallejo Junction, from injuries received when a train passed over his legs. The man's left leg was severed at the knee and the right leg at the ankle. Surgeons hold out no hope for his recovery. Langan rushed in front of train No. 9 of the Southern Pacific here while endeavoring to reach another train.

## SEVERE STORM AGAIN SWEEPS MIDDLE WEST

Thousands of Dollars' Damage Done—Buildings Wrecked and Trees Uprooted—Crops Injured Last Week Further Damaged—Large Number of Persons Injured.

## CREEKS AND RIVERS HAVE BECOME RAGING TORRENTS

Heavy Rain in Many Places Wash Out Newly Planted Crops—No Fatalities as Yet Reported, but Several Are Expected.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., May 2.—One of the severest storms of years swept Missouri, Kansas and southern Illinois today and as a result several persons are injured and thousands of dollars' damage has been done. The storm started last night and continued today. A heavy wind which in some cases reached the proportions of a tornado was followed by a heavy rain that fell in torrents and flooded creeks and rivers. At Emporia, Kan., the wind was so heavy that trees were torn up by the roots and buildings wrecked. Windows were broken, signs torn down, roofs lifted off buildings and telegraph and telephone wires pro-

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## CALIFORNIA IS UP IN ARMS AGAINST FIGHT

Pulpit and Press Join in Protest Against Big Mill in July—Popular Agitation Gains in Strength and Volume—Churchmen Adopt Resolutions.

## MASS MEETING SOON IN OAKLAND TO PROTEST

Little Doubt But That McCarthy's Death Will Lead to Blocking Big Fight as Far as California Is Concerned.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 2.—While the body of Tommy McCarthy, the boy fighter killed in the prize ring last Friday night in the 16th round of his contest with Owen Moran of England, awaited burial today, popular agitation throughout California against the Jeffries-Johnson contest planned for July 4 gained strength and volume.

Pulpit and press are joining in protest against the big fight, and the Sunday lull afforded scores of ministers opportunity to denounce the heavyweight fight and to urge their hearers to use every power at hand to prevent it.

The keynote of the outburst against the big fight, following young McCarthy's death, is struck by the members of the First Congregational church of Oakland, which has appointed a committee to arrange for a mass meeting of protest against the fight.

The churchmen adopted the following resolution: "Whereas, the laws of California permit the holding of sparring exhibitions by domestic clubs under certain conditions, but absolutely prohibit prize fighting, and, "Whereas, it is understood by all that the contest scheduled to occur at Emeryville race track on July 4 between Jack Johnson, a negro, and James J. Jeffries, a white man, for a purse of over \$100,000, will not be a mere sparring exhibition, but a prize fight for the heavyweight championship of the world; and, "Whereas such unlawful contests are evil in their influences, especially upon the young, and are outlawed

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## COMET TAIL WILL NOT INJURE EARTH

Scientist Says That Haze Will Hang Over Mother Earth Which Will Almost Amount to a Twilight—No Need for Fear.

LONDON, May 2.—Having completed a series of observations and computations, Professor A. C. D. Crommelin of Greenwich observatory, declared today that the tail of Halley's comet is only 4,000,000 miles in length and it is becoming shorter each year.

This process of diminution, he said, has been going on for 650 years. Professor Crommelin scouted the theory that the earth would be endangered by poisonous gases composing the comet's tail. He declared that the earth's inhabitants will know only by a haze that almost will amount to twilight during the passage.

## SPEED LIMIT ON IMPROVED ROAD

County Court Will Probably Head Off Any Attempts to Travel 60 Miles an Hour on Road to the County Seat.

Any visions of speeding local joy riders may have in regard to the macadamized road between Medford and the county seat are apt to fade away in the near future, for the county court will in all probability wake them from their day dream with a restriction as to speed. The court is considering placing a limit of 20 or 25 miles an hour on the road now being macadamized and those who hoped to touch up 60 or 60 will be disappointed. The road, however, will be splendid for machines and will probably be one of the most popular in the county.

## HOT TIME SOON IN OLD ENGLAND

Coming of Roosevelt Will Be One Great Ovation—Ambassador Reid Will Be Colonel's Principal Entertainer Aside From King.

LONDON, May 2.—The arrival of Colonel Roosevelt in London on May 16 will make the early part of London's "season" the liveliest the British capital has ever known.

Already every prominent hotel in the city has its rooms engaged for the three weeks the colonel will be here and the crush of visitors promises to be the greatest in years. Ambassador Reid will be the Colonel's principal entertainer, aside from the king, of course, and Dorchester House and Rest Park, their country places, will be temporary centers of English activity. The king and queen will give the first state ball of the season at Buckingham Palace, much earlier than usual that the Roosevelts may attend. Sutherland and Field and Rochest Dorchester House, the Duchess of Roxburghe and Marlborough, formerly Miss Goslet and Miss Vanderbilt will entertain big companies of Americans brought to London by Roosevelt's presence.