

**THE WEATHER**  
Rain tonight and tomorrow.  
The Message of the Signs.  
White—Fair weather.  
Blue—Rain or snow.  
White and blue—Local showers.  
Black triangular—Above white, warmer; below white, colder.  
White with black center—Cold.

# MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

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## GREAT BATTLE NEAR CASTRO CIENGAS

### LOSSES ON BOTH SIDES REPORTED TO BE VERY HEAVY

EL PASO, Nov. 23.—A fierce battle between a force of 1000 rebels under the command of Francisco Madero, the revolutionary leader, and an equal number of loyal Mexican troops was fought early today at Castro Ciengas, according to reports received here at 9 o'clock this morning.

The result of the engagement could not be learned up to that hour. At 3 o'clock, two hours after the battle began, the rebels were reported steadily gaining and about ready to storm the town.

According to the meagre details obtained the Insurrection force quietly occupied a hilltop outside the town under cover of darkness and at midnight moved to the attack. At 10 o'clock a sentry challenged the vanguard and immediate fighting began.

It is impossible to estimate the casualties, but from the most reliable accounts, it is believed the losses on both sides were heavy.

El Paso is eagerly awaiting news of another conflict expected at Chihuahua. A force of 9000 rebels occupied an American smelter company plant just outside the town at dusk last night, preparatory to attacking the town at daybreak. General Terrazas, commanding the Mexican garrison at Chihuahua, issued a draft order and every citizen of military age was ordered to report for duty. No word has reached here since midnight, and it is believed that the fighting is now in progress.

Another battle is expected when 3000 loyalists, hastening to the aid of the sorely tried garrisons of Gomez Palacio, Torreón and Parral are met by a large force of revolutionists which have gone to meet them. Re-

ports received here today from the three points named are that the fighting is still going on steadily. The rebels twice occupied the town of Gomez Palacio last night and each time were driven out. Two federal soldiers and several rebels were slain.

Refugees from Torreón and Gomez Palacio arrived here today. They declared that at Gomez Palacio the municipal palace was burned and the chief of police killed. The revolutionists were driven out but returned, only to be again repulsed by the rurales. The casualties on the side of the insurgents are unknown, the rebels having taken their dead and wounded to the hills.

Parral, it is reported, has been retaken by the government troops.

Two American citizens, one a miner named Lawton, who was standing in a doorway of the Foreign club at Gomez Palacio, were killed by stray bullets. When reinforcements arrived for the federal troops the rebels fled to the hills.

Torreón is reported quiet, the refugees denying that fighting occurred there. They maintain that the conflict was continued to Gomez Palacio.

Troops and rurales are guarding and fortifying Chihuahua. Machine guns have been mounted on the municipal palace and one the cathedral, with a command of the principal streets. A nattack was momentarily expected when the refugees left.

The revolutionary junta here denounces that insurgents killed or maltreated Americans, saying that the reports were spread by government sympathizers in order to discredit the uprising.

### TOMORROW IS MOVING DAY

TOMORROW the Mail Tribune intends to move the greater portion of its newspaper plant into the new building at the corner of Fir and Sixth streets, and on Friday will be ready for business in the new quarters.

The moving of a newspaper plant is a fierce undertaking and for that reason no paper will be issued tomorrow.

The management hopes to soon be able to invite its large circle of friends in to inspect the new quarters. Once in the new building the Mail Tribune will have the finest, most convenient home of any newspaper in the state outside of Portland, and we want you all to see it.

### MEDFORD WILL FULLY OBSERVE THANKSGIVING

Stores Will Close Tomorrow—Churches to Hold Proper Ceremonies—Football Game Is Arranged for Afternoon.

#### STORES TO CLOSE.

In accordance with the wish of the majority of the merchants of the city, the board of directors of the Merchants' association have requested that all the stores, with the exception of groceries and meat markets, be closed all day Thanksgiving day in order that the day may be enjoyed as a holiday by all.

Groceries and meat markets will remain open until 11 a. m. to accommodate their patrons.

H. C. GARNETT, Pres.  
J. H. CARKIN, Sec.

### EIFERT CANDIDATE FOR MAYOR

To the Editor:  
Acting upon the advice and solicitation of my friends, I have decided to announce myself as a candidate for election to the office of mayor at the coming city election. I feel that my three and a half years' experience as councilman, president of the council and acting mayor have qualified me to give Medford what is desired by all our people—a business administration, and, if elected, that will be my earnest and sincere endeavor.  
W. W. EIFERT.

### TWO TONS AND HALF IS WEIGHT MEDFORD'S BIRD

Great American Turkey Will Form Chief Article of Food on Many Tables in Medford Tomorrow—Many of Them Sold.

Here are the specifications of Medford's Thanksgiving turkey:  
Weight—5110 pounds, or two tons and a half.  
Average price paid—28 cents a pound.  
Cost—\$1430.80.  
This turkey will be distributed among 511 families.

### CAVEIN BLOCKS STORM SEWER

Property Is Flooded by Flood Water—Large Force of Men at Work Putting in a Temporary Drain.

The heavy rain of Tuesday night caused a cave-in of the storm sewer ditch between Oakdale and Ivy street, and smaller slips along the line to Grape.

The big slide, however, is the only one from which damage resulted. The contractors were just ready to connect the storm sewer under the pavement of Oakdale and the trench had not been filled below. The many tons of earth falling upon the unprotected pipe caused a break, which stopped the flow of the water and backed it up over the surrounding property.

Street Commissioner Baker has a force of men putting in a temporary drain to relieve the congestion and to divert the flow of the water into the sewer below the break.

### NORTH YAKIMA IS SOME SORE

Fruitgrowers Are Not Pleased by the Decision of Judges at the National Apple Show—Exhibited Nine Carloads.

NORTH YAKIMA, Wash., Nov. 23.—With nine carloads out of 10 shown at the Spokane apple show from the Yakima valley, this section is not overly pleased with the decisions of the judges. That North Yakima fruit would not win the sweepstakes was a foregone conclusion. There are growers here who believe that Yakima could exhibit for a quarter of a century without once carrying off the big prize. Aside from the carload of Winesaps exhibited by H. M. Gilbert, practically no first in the important classes came this way, though in box and plate exhibits the valley received a number of awards. Late awards give first prize on a mixed carload to Richard Hart of Toppenish, for Delicious and White Winter Pearmain.

#### Eight Injured.

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 23.—Eight persons were injured when a street car on the Vermont avenue line jumped the track shortly after midnight. No one was seriously hurt, although several received cuts and bruises.

### DR. CRIPPEN PAYS WITH HIS LIFE FOR MURDER OF WIFE

LONDON, Nov. 23.—Among a score of unmarked flagstone-covered graves in the yard of Pentonville prison today lies the body of Dr. Hawley H. Crippen, while Miss Ethel Claire Leneve, for whom Crippen committed a crime for which he paid with his life, is being borne toward America on the liner Majestic.

Dr. Hawley H. Crippen hanged today at Pentonville for the murder of his wife, Belle Elmore Crippen, is accepted to be one of the most remarkable criminals that ever sprung a trap on any gallows in Merrie England.

#### Did He Confess?

Whether Crippen confessed the crime to his spiritual adviser, Cary, after embracing Catholicism, shortly before he started his journey to the gallows, whether he confessed the details of a horrible crime to his counsel, or whether he sold a bonafide or spurious confession to the London Evening Times to provide Miss Leneve with a compensation, probably never will be known. The Times reiterates that today the American physician confessed a cunningly planned crime; Father Carey, Miss Leneve and Arthur Newton, Crippen's counsel, denied knowledge of any confession.

#### Was Wakeful?

The doomed man's last night on earth was a wakeful one. He called frequently to the death watch to ask the time. Father Carey of the church of the Sacred Heart arrived at dawn and administered the last rites of the church. Crippen engaged in earnest conference with the priest and apparently did not brood over his approaching end.

Frequently during the talk in the dimly lighted cell Crippen referred

solicitously to Miss Leneve, who, the solicitor told Miss Leneve. At that time the girl, who registered as Miss Allen, had left England soil.

#### No Breakfast

Breakfast was served at 7 o'clock but Crippen would not eat. At 8:30 the governor of the prison notified the condemned man that he must prepare for the march to the scaffold. Jailors pincioned Crippen's arms and bared his neck for the easier adjustment of the rope.

The little procession, consisting of the doomed man and two wardens, led by Father Carey, who intoned prayers for the dying, crossed the few yards separating the condemned cells to the gallows and the scaffold, where Executioner John Ellis stood waiting.

#### Has Firm Step

Crippen, without hesitation, as though he had rehearsed his part, in a mimic tragedy, mounted the gallows with a firm step. He did not falter and he did not break down. To the few onlookers—the governor, the sheriff, the priest, the jailers and two representatives of the press—Crippen seemed acutely conscious that his time had come. He did not speak, however, and stood firm while the black cap was being adjusted.

Outside the jail a morbid crowd had gathered, but a heavy fog enshrouded the building and cloaked the view of the jail yard. Even the forbidding black arm of the gallows tree near the rear wall could not be made out.

#### Black Flag Up

At 9 o'clock a spectre of a black flag was hoisted to the top of the shadowy flag pole near the prison

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### BERGER TAKES FLING AT MORGAN AND INTERESTS

ST. LOUIS, Nov. 23.—Congressman-elect Victor Berger of Wisconsin, socialist, took a fling at J. Pierpont Morgan and the moneyed interests today, declaring that they were indirectly responsible for the revolution in Mexico.

"Morgan and the other money sharks are promoting the rebellion," said Berger, who is a delegate to the American Federation of Labor convention in session here. "Their in-

fluence caused the United States government to support Diaz before, and it now doubtless extends to the point where it will cause the placing of the United States army at the disposal of President Diaz. Diaz has his job as president by a close understanding with Morgan and the other plutocrats whose schemes Diaz furthered, sharing with them in the plunder they obtained.

### SINGLER LOSES OUT ON TURKEY

Constable Says His Prisoner Will Meet With Little Consideration, Inasmuch as He Came Between Him and His Dinner.

Constable Singler will take that trip to Dunsmuir after all. Yesterday afternoon, while he was waiting for the belated southbound train in order to go to Dunsmuir after one Joe Warren, accused of larceny in Medford, he received a dispatch to the effect that with the aid of his partner Warren had escaped from the Dunsmuir battle by chopping a hole in the side walls of the jail.

This morning Chief of Police Shearer received information that Warren and his partner, whose name was not given, were captured about eight miles south of Dunsmuir, and Singler left on the 10:30 train to bring back his prisoners.

"There will be no chopping out of jail, or escaping, after I get him on

### DIAZ WARNED OF SITUATION

Ambassador Wilson Reports to the State Department That He Told the President That His Army Was Too Concentrated.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 23.—It was learned today on the highest authority that the state department is suppressing reports that Ambassador Henry L. Wilson of the United States warned President Diaz of Mexico that the Mexican army was too concentrated to cope with a revolution.

boarded the train. "I usually am of an even disposition, but when a fellow train," said August D., as he is known, makes me miss my Thanksgiving dinner in making a getaway that isn't any get-away at all, it makes me sore, so that all the turkey Warren will have will be in his imagination. There may be a few bones to be grilled when I get home, but I am doubtful.

### ELLA WHEELER WILCOX TO ARRIVE THIS AFTERNOON

Ella Wheeler Wilcox, America's premier feminine author, will arrive in Medford this afternoon for a visit with friends and will remain until next Sunday. Mrs. Wilcox, with her husband, is touring the world, and are stopping over here in order to visit Mr. and Mrs. Hauptman of Table Rock.

Medford club, consisting of Messdames Carey, Keutner, Vawter, Alford, Budge, Pickel and Harmon. She will be escorted to the Nash hotel, where a room has been decorated for her. It is tastefully decorated with pink carnations and Oregon grape.

### WOMEN SMASH ASQUITH'S HOUSE

Suffragettes Execute Flank Movement and Hurl Stones and Bottles at Home of Premier, Smashing Nearly Every Window.

LONDON, Nov. 23.—Their movements hidden by a heavy fog that overhung London, suffragettes executed a flank movement on the home of Premier Asquith early today, and hurling iron bolts, stones and bottles, broke nearly every window in the house.

The attack lasted several minutes, during which a hail of missiles fell about the Asquith home. The prime minister and his family were aroused, but were unable to offset the attack. Finally, the police were summoned and several of the attacking party were arrested.

The militant suffragettes also attacked the homes of Sir Edward Grey, secretary for foreign affairs, and Winston Churchill, secretary for home affairs, as well as the home of Lewis Harcourt.

### BEN SELLING FOR SENATE PRESIDENT

Multnomah Senators in Field Already With Candidate to Preside Over State Senate—Joseph Simon Last Portland Man in Position.

PORTLAND, Or., Nov. 23.—Ben Selling, a local merchant, was the unanimous choice of the Multnomah senators for president of the senate at a conference last night. The Multnomah delegation in the house has announced that if the state will give Multnomah county the presidency of the senate it will not put up a candidate for speaker, and a meeting of the Multnomah delegation probably will be held in the near future to endorse the action of the senators last night.

Multnomah county has not had the presidency of the senate since Joseph Simon presided over the upper house and the Multnomah delegation in both branches of the legislature has taken the position that the presidency of the senate is due this county again.