

THE WEATHER

Possible showers.

The Message of the Flags.
White—Fair weather.
Blue—Rain or snow.
White and blue—Local showers.
Black triangles—Above white, warmer; below white, colder.
White with black center—Cold.

Oregon's Leading Boosters Favor National Pear Show For Medford

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

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PORTLAND JOBBERS WOULD BLOCK MEDFORD'S EFFORTS FOR LOWER RATES

ATTY. WINIFREE ADMITS FACT WHILE ON STAND

Railroad Rate Case Adjourned Until December 20, When Commission Will Hear Railroads' Testimony—Medford Present Traffic Aired.

That the jobbers of Portland are opposing the efforts of Medford to secure distributing rates in this territory was admitted by Attorney Winifree, representing the rate committee of the Portland chamber of commerce at the hearing before the state railroad commission in Medford Tuesday. Medford completed its case and an adjournment was requested by the Southern Pacific until December 20, when the commission will hear the railroad's testimony at Portland. The Medford case was merged with that of Baker City.

Evidence submitted by Medford was much the same as that presented a fortnight ago before the interstate commerce commission. The same witnesses, H. C. Garnett, E. A. Welch, J. F. Reddy and G. Putnam, were examined and Medford's present traffic thoroughly aired before Commissioners West and Aitchison. The railroad was represented by Attorney W. D. Fenton, General Freight Agent Miller and Assistant General Freight Agent Lounsbury. Attorney W. A. McCune, for the Medford traffic bureau, submitted schedules of rates and data and examined the witnesses. Most of the cross-examination was done by Mr. Miller, who evidently sought, by recording the origin of each commodity affected, to lay the foundation for the defense that the traffic affected was interstate and hence not in the jurisdiction of the commission.

Messrs. Welch and Garnett testified that freight was hauled to Rogue River valley towns cheaper by wagon than by rail; that competition with Portland could only be met by the Medford jobbers paying the difference in freight charges over that granted the Portland jobbers, and that on account of the differential attempts made to do jobbing business entailed an actual loss to the Medford jobber in several places.

Mr. Garnett stated that unless lower rates were secured he could not carry on a wholesale hardware business, and Mr. Welch stated that it is towns like Myrtle Creek groceries were sold at a net loss. He has shipped a carload from Muncie, Ind., billed to Sacramento, then rebilled to the California line, and there rebilled to Medford cheaper than he could have shipped through the Portland gateway. Mr. Garnett has shipped by steamer from the Atlantic in less than carload quantities and thence from Portland, cheaper than he could in carload quantities direct from the east.

The witnesses set forth the growth, resources and development of Medford, its increasing commercial advantages, its geographical location, its railroad connections and established commercial institutions as reasons why this city was entitled to recognition as a distributing center.

Attorney Winifree intervened in behalf of the Portland chamber of commerce, stating that the proposed reductions would work an injustice to Ashland, Grants Pass, Roseburg and other Oregon cities. On cross-examination, he admitted that he had not been employed by these towns, had not even consulted them and that he only represented the rate committee of the Portland chamber of commerce, which was mostly composed of Portland jobbers.

SPENT \$264,000 TRYING TO DEFEAT RACE BILL

NEW YORK, Nov. 30.—That the jockey club spent \$264,000 for "legal services" in fighting the Hughes anti-race-track gambling measure before the state legislature, in addition to a \$500,000 "slush fund" alleged to have been raised by the racing interests, was the testimony of witnesses before the legislative investigating committee here today.

DEVELOPMENT LEAGUE FAVORS PEAR SHOW HERE

Boosters of State Are Enthusiastic for Pear Show to Be Held in Medford—Carey Makes Principal Address of the Day.

SALEM, Or., Nov. 30.—A national pear show to be held at Medford, Or., in the heart of what is said to be the greatest pear district in the world, was heartily endorsed by the Oregon Development league in session here today. The committee on resolutions also reported favorably on the Panama exposition for San Francisco.

G. F. Johnson of the Portland Commercial club presided today and the third day of the development congress opened bright and clear. The delegates were first taken for a drive over the city and through the fruit district in motor cars.

The principal address was by Charles C. Carey, chief counsel of the Hill system at Portland, in favor of a state bureau of immigration. President Kerr of the Agricultural college showed how that state industrial school could be made to co-operate with commercial clubs in promoting development of the community.

The Salem board of trade and citizens were remembered for the generous hospitality. The congress concludes this evening with a formal banquet at the Hotel Marion, which is free to the delegates and visitors, at which 300 plates will be laid. Prominent citizens gave a \$10 plate banquet last night to President Elliott and his party.

PARTY LINES ARE PASSING AWAY

So Says James J. Hill—Voters, in His Opinion, Are Becoming Independent, Showing That Laboring Man Is Tired of Buncombe.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 30.—"The recent election indicates beyond doubt that party lines are being gradually dissolved," is the opinion expressed by J. J. Hill, who came to Washington recently for a conference with President Taft. "The voters are becoming more and more independent," continued the empire builder. "There will be no place for the demagogue and the agitator in this progress."

"Independence of thought in voting is apparently not confined to business men. The result of November 8 shows that the laboring man is thinking. The laboring man is tired of buncombe and wants something more definite than campaign promises."

"The figures also show that the negro is awakening to his full responsibility and the necessity for using his head in voting. I believe a great many negroes voted the democratic ticket, which is a good indication of their independence of thought."

MINNESOTA GAINS ANOTHER CONGRESSMAN

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 30.—The census of the state of Tennessee was announced today by Director Duran as 2,847,089. Simultaneously the population of the state of Minnesota is 2,075,908.

Tennessee's gain is 8.16 per cent and the state will not get an additional congressman under the reapportionment.

Minnesota's gain is 18.5 per cent, which entitles the state to one additional representative in congress.

The matter of accomplishing things would have no difficulties, worthy of the name, if one publication of a want ad always brought what you wanted.

BELIEVE FIGHT OVER PARTITION OF PERSIA SURE

Turkish Diplomats Say They Are Certain Russia and England Will Attempt to Gain New Territory by Underhanded Method.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Nov. 30.—That Russia and England are endeavoring to secure by underhanded means what they feared to obtain by force, namely, the partition of Persia, is the belief of Turkish diplomats today, many of whom privately express the conviction that fighting over Persia cannot be averted.

Backed by the triple alliance, Turkey does not propose to see Persia divided, because of political and religious reasons. Turkey opposed a Russian grab at Persia three years ago. Recently she massed Janizaries on the Arabian-Persian frontier and caused England to back down on a similar attempt.

It transpires today that not only were Turkish troops mobilized on the frontier, but a strong Turkish force crossed into Persia and occupied a position near the small British landing parties on the Persian gulf.

The British force was suddenly withdrawn and this was interpreted as meaning that England did not feel strong enough to defy the four continental powers. It develops, however, that England played a shrewd game, as upon her withdrawal the vigilance of the opposing powers was relaxed and Russia sent a strong force into Persia from the north, which seized Urmiah and Salmas.

It was learned today that this force is merely an advance column of a Russian army mobilizing north of the Persian frontier awaiting a favorable moment for an advance. Meanwhile Russia and England renewed that representations at Teheran for the restoration of order in Persia.

Turkey and Germany are not going to be again caught napping, say the diplomats, and as a result the greatest activity in the Turkish military circles in many years has begun.

CANADA WILL PROTECT COAST

Laurier States That Canada's Naval Policy Embraces Plan to Protect Her Pacific Coast Against Invasion From Far East.

OTTAWA, Ont., Nov. 30.—Speaking on Canada's naval policy before parliament last night, Sir Wilfrid Laurier declared that the new navy was designed for Pacific coast defense. He had no fear that there ever would be an invasion of Eastern Canada, for such an invasion would be made only by the United States. With Russia, Japan and China as neighbors of British Columbia, however, the situation in the Pacific was different. The premier said Canada must prepare a naval defense on the Pacific.

MUCH INTEREST IN GO BETWEEN ATTELL AND MOORE

NEW YORK, Nov. 30.—Although the battle does not carry with it the title of featherweight championship, tonight's mixup between Abe Attell, champion, and Pat Moore is the most talked of event that has been staged in New York since the days of the old Horton law. The lads meet at 133 pounds.

Should Moore win from Attell, he announced today that he will issue a challenge to either Moran or Wolgast. Betting on the contest has been brisk with the price even. Attell is expected to be faster, but Moore will outweigh him at least six pounds.

SAYS EAST HAS BEEN READING OF PRODIGAL SON

And Now, Having Consumed Their Own Substance in Riotous Use They Want Paternal Government to Give Them Share of the West.

FRANKFORT, Ky., Nov. 30.—Speaking before the conference of governors on uniform laws and other matters here today, Governor Norris of Montana outlined his ideas of conservation.

"It seems to us of the west," he said, "as though our brethren of the east had been re-reading the story of the prodigal son. Having consumed their own substance in riotous use and abuse, they want the paternal government to make another division and assign them a part of our patrimony."

"Let it be said emphatically that the people of the northwest enthusiastically and strenuously advocate the strictest conservation of natural resources and that they do not differ from the most ardent nationalists in principle, but they do differ most radically in the method that should be adopted to bring about the enforcement of conservation."

Norris declared that the policy of "holding in the forest reserves land far more valuable for agriculture than for growing timber is a most unprofitable use of the land and the most unwise economy."

"Those who have blazed the trail" he continued, "and have helped make civilization, who have made the development of the west possible, believe that they themselves are as fully capable of protecting their heritage as are the people of other sections to do it for them. This is the sum and substance of the so-called doctrine of states rights. In claiming this right no ghosts of disloyalty to the indissoluble union are raised from the graves wherein southern hopes lie buried."

WEATHER MAN STILL SWITCHING

Promised Fair Weather Today, But Changed His Mind and Sent Along the Storm Clouds—"Possible Showers" His Prediction.

It looks very much today as if the weather man had reneged on his promise of fair weather for the remainder of the week. "Possible showers" is his prediction for today and tomorrow.

It is highly evident that the weather man doesn't know his own mind. He sends along a snow storm and just as it got interesting he switched to a heavy rain. Then as a joker he sent along a rare day Tuesday, giving Southern Oregon a sample of her regular weather. Then on top of that he has scattered a few clouds about and sent out a warning, "possible showers."

For the first time in months it is impossible to know what to expect in the morning. Last night it was clear. This morning it looked very much like rain. But he says "possible showers," and it will have to go at that.

DOC RYAN MEETS WITH A PAINFUL ACCIDENT

A painful accident occurred to Doc Ryan of Ryan & Brown, at 10 o'clock Wednesday at the Medford. Mr. Ryan had a call to the telephone and in arising to obey the call he in some manner swung the heavy safe door which caught the middle finger of his right hand, badly smashing the member. While it is believed that amputation will not be necessary, the accident caused Mr. Ryan extreme pain and will put him out of commission for some weeks.

CAMPAIGN IN ENGLAND MOST BITTER IN YEARS

Widespread Violence at Election Rallies Testify to Intense Feeling on Part of People—200 Policemen Necessary to Protect Churchill.

LONDON, Nov. 30.—Widespread violence at election rallies continued throughout England and Ireland today. Scores of meetings last night and today were broken up, the speakers and candidates egged on in some places attacked and beaten.

Winston Churchill, secretary for home affairs, was attacked several times, and when he spoke at Sheffield it was necessary for 200 policemen to form a hollow square about him to protect him.

Followers of Redmond and O'Brien in Ireland clashed at every meeting scheduled.

The central issue in the election is the virtual abolition of the house of lords. The conservatives are vainly endeavoring to drag in the question of tariff. They have done their best for ten years to stir up a sentiment for "protection" and renewed their efforts recently when threatened with curtailment of their privileges.

The liberals will not attempt to eliminate absolutely the house of peers. As a concession they are willing to let the chamber exist, but without the power to veto any legislation enacted by the people's representatives—the house of commons. The answer substantially of the Tories is that the abolition of the lords really is being attempted by the Irish nationalists with money furnished them in the United States.

The principal concession that the lords have announced a willingness to make is a reduction of the members of the house of peers from 600 to 200; that the peers be allowed to elect 100 members to the newly organized chamber and the remaining hundred to consist of members elected generally.

MINING EXPERT WORKING HERE

Well-Known Washington Miner Sent by Seattle Men to This District to Pass on Claims and Prospects Near Here.

A. M. Barron, one of the best-known mining men of the Mount Baker district, and discoverer of the famous Eureka mine, near Barton, Wash., which property was later bought by Charles D. Lane of San Francisco, visited Medford for a short time Wednesday. Mr. Barron, who has been instrumental in finding practically all of the good claims in the Slate creek and Rabby creek districts, Mount Baker, Washington, has been sent as an expert to determine the value of mining claims in Southern Oregon, and his judgment will determine the destiny of many a claim. Some parties interested near Gold Hill, Ashland and other points, whose homes are in Seattle and other Washington points, have employed his services to determine the purchase or refusal of certain mining properties which are running page ads in the Seattle and Tacoma papers, and should his decision be in favor of our mineral resources, there will be something going on in mining circles.

Mr. Barron withholds the names of all parties concerned, but will render a just account of all claims from Ashland mine to Grants Pass.

The modern store aims to make the housewife's shopping hour restful and interesting to her—not strenuous and nerve-wrecking. If the shopper is an ad-reader, this is easy to do.

HOME SEEKERS SEND SCOUT TO ROGUE VALLEY

Forty Wyoming Families May Locate in Rogue River Valley if Geo. V. Pike Says This Is the Place—Much Impressed With Valley.

Unless all plans laid by George V. Pike of Casper, Wyo., prove a failure, a colony of 40 Wyoming families will find homes in Southern Oregon, in the early spring. Mr. Pike, who is the advance agent of the homeseekers, was in Medford Wednesday morning, and while he refused to give out any statement other than the fact that he was merely looking over the country in the interest of those who sent him and that diversified farming would be followed by the colonists, he let drop the fact that no less than 40 families from his and adjoining states may be expected in the spring as their coming rests with him and he is much pleased with what he has found here.

Mr. Pike will visit all sections of the Rogue River valley.

ARRESTED; DIES OF HEART FAILURE

OAKLAND, Cal., Nov. 30.—Mrs. Alice Clemshire, a prominent Berkeley woman, arrested on a charge of obtaining goods under false pretenses, died from an attack of heart failure in the county jail here today. Mrs. Clemshire was arrested Monday on a warrant sworn to in Los Angeles. It was charged that she had represented herself to be the wife of a wealthy Salt Lake City business man and had secured approval \$500 worth of goods, leaving the city without paying for them.

PORTLAND APPLE SHOW OPENED

C. W. Wilmeroth of This City Is Among Speakers—Howard Elliott President of Great Northern Opens Show.

PORTLAND, Or., Nov. 30.—The Portland apple show was opened today by Howard Elliott, president of the Northern Pacific railroad, in the Majestic theater building.

Apples grown in every section of the Pacific northwest, California and in British Columbia were on exhibition when the doors were thrown open. The show will close Saturday night.

A large crowd, which included many apple-growers, was present to hear Elliott and other well-known speakers who followed him.

During the progress of the show addresses will be made daily by prominent business men and by authorities on apples and their culture.

Among those scheduled to speak are: Dr. B. N. Hamon of Portland, Professor C. L. Lewis of the Oregon Agricultural college, Professor W. S. Thornberg, Washington State college; A. B. Stuber, ranch of the Department of agriculture, Washington; C. W. Wilmeroth of the Rogue River Fruit association, Medford, Or.; Dr. F. H. McCormack, president of the Eugene Fruitgrowers' association, and H. B. Miller, United States consul at Belfast, Ireland.

Professor H. P. Van Deman of Washington, D. C., will judge the apple exhibits.

Fairbanks Guest of Taft.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 30.—Charles W. Fairbanks of Indiana will be the guest of President Taft next week. The announcement that the former vice-president and senator from the Hoosier state is about to be received intimately by Taft is causing considerable political gossip.

OREGON APPLES WIN GRAND PRIZE AT CHICAGO SHOW

Hood River Spitzenbergs, in Competition With All United States, Takes Premier Honor—Oregon Fruit Attraction at Land Show.

CHICAGO, Ill., Nov. 30.—Oregon apples carried off the grand sweepstakes prize at the Chicago land show when C. H. Sprout of Hood River won the cup and \$1000 for the best carload of apples. This is the same car of apples that won the national sweepstakes prize at the national apple show at Spokane, a week ago.

This car of Spitzenbergs was in competition with apples from all sections of the United States, and, considering the fact that they were handled farther and handled twice, this is a remarkable record. The apples scored 997 points out of a possible 1000 at the Spokane show and have now captured two world's prizes.

C. H. Sprout owns the Eldorado orchard at Hood River, consisting of 40 acres, and the prizewinning car was taken from this orchard alone. This orchard is not under irrigation.

Mr. Sprout has been offered almost fabulous sums for various boxes of the prizewinning apples, but will probably sell the car in one lot to a commission house.

Oregon fruit and other exhibits are attracting attention from thousands of people who are looking westward and the fact that Hood River apples have won the grand prize means that the tide of immigration will be heavier to Oregon than any other state, judging from the comment heard on all sides.

BANK ROBBERY IS REPORTED

One Hundred Thousand Dollars Is Said to Have Been Taken From the National Mining Bank of Salt Lake City.

PORTLAND, Or., Nov. 30.—A special from Butte, Mont., this afternoon says that the National Mining bank of Salt Lake City was held up at noon today by three masked men, and it is reported that \$100,000 was secured. The robbers escaped.

FRENCH CAPTAIN IS CHARGED WITH MURDER

PARIS, Nov. 30.—Captain Meynier of the French army, who is accused of the murder of the Baroness Olivier in his lodgings at Saint Lazare November 17, and who was supposed to have committed suicide afterward, was arrested here today. Captain Meynier was recognized and seized by detectives as he was entering the offices of the ministry of marine.

The discovery of the murder was a dramatic affair. A voice on the telephone advised the police that the woman's body would be found in Captain Meynier's room and that Meynier's body would be found in the Seine. Before the name of the informant could be learned the receiver was hung up.

DR. COOK CONFESSES HE DIDN'T REACH POLE

NEW YORK, Nov. 30.—Dr. Frederick A. Cook, the Brooklyn explorer, in an article which will be published in Hampton's Magazine, confesses he does not know whether or not he reached the north pole.

Dr. Cook, who has been in hiding for more than a year, has informed the editor of the magazine that he will return to the United States with his wife and children December 22 in order to spend Christmas here.