

BANK CLEARANCES
TODAY
\$43,537.01

Temperature Today; Max. 42; Min. 29, Beats Middle West Weather, Doesn't it

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

THE WEATHER
Fair tonight and tomorrow.
The Message of the Flag.
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.

FIFTH YEAR.

MEDFORD, OREGON, TUESDAY, JANUARY 3, 1911.

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SEVEN ANARCHISTS, BARRICADED IN HOUSE, DEFEAT ENTIRE LONDON POLICE

MACHINE GUNS USED WHICH SET FIRE TO HOUSE

Battle Is Kept Up Until Finally Walls Fall and Gang Is Burned to Death—Attacking Forces Are Led in Person by Secretary Churchill.

LONDON, Jan. 3.—Barricaded in their lair in a house in the very heart of London's slums, seven anarchists defied the police, the fire department and three companies of Scots guards today, all headed by Home Secretary Churchill, until the house was set on fire by the shots of machine guns and the defenders were burned to death. The fight began when the police, seeking two members of the notorious "Houndsditch" anarchists gang, discovered two of them in the house. The men began the battle by firing down on the unarmed officers. Other police were called and the Scots Guards were brought in. The defenders still resisted. Others, evidently belonging to the gang and living in the house, joined in the battle. The attacking party at last faced seven desperate men, heavily armed and firing with reckless abandon into the ranks of the attackers and the crowd of spectators gathered by the sight and sounds of a battle in the streets.

After the fire the anarchists retreated to the roof, where they continued to pour shot from rifles and revolvers into the police until the flames ate away the supporting walls and the roof on which they stood fell with a crash. All the men are believed to have been thrown into the fire and incinerated. For five hours the battle raged. Half a dozen persons were fatally wounded and a score of others received lesser injuries. Police Sergeants Leeson, Chessam and Chief, Policeman Dyer, John Gidman, a spectator, and an unidentified man were shot and are now dying from their wounds. Many of the others injured were spectators of the battle who, defying the police, forced their way through the lines into the rifle range of the defenders.

It was not until machine guns brought up by the Scots Guards were used that the defenders were driven from their position. The first shots sent crashing through the building were answered by the burglars. Soon the machine guns set fire to the house. Gasping for breath, the defenders were seen at the windows for brief intervals, but they still kept up their fire. At last the shots came only from the upper windows, and then the barking of their arms from the roof and the slight rifts of fire in the smoke showed that the men had taken a last stand above the raging fire in the house that had been their refuge.

The anarchist-burglars were recognized as "Peter, the Painter," and "Fritz," members of the Houndsditch gang, who are believed to be plotting to kill King George, and who, it is believed, murdered two policemen two weeks ago, when a tunnel they were digging underneath the vaults of a Houndsditch jewelry store was discovered.

A posse of policemen conducting a house-to-house search of a block in the slums for the two criminals came upon them in a house in Sydney street. Without warning the men fired from the attic, driving the policemen, who were unarmed, into the street. Even then the firing was kept up until the police ran out of range. The Scots Guards were called out, section at a time, and finally practically the entire London police force was at the scene. Rifle balls sent through the windows and walls of the house, from which the men kept firing, had no effect. Attempts to smoke them out likewise failed, and firemen were summoned to pour streams of water through the broken windows.

The outlaws seemed possessed of an inexhaustible supply of ammunition. It is estimated that 1000 shots

SEVEN MEN, ONE WOMAN, ASK FOR THAT CHINA TRIP

W. H. Lyman, Employee of Manhattan Cafe, Lands the Job, as He Is First to Apply—Off on His Long Trip Tomorrow.

Seven men and one woman rallied to the appeal of John A. Perl, a local undertaker, for a volunteer to accompany the remains of Leon Wuwe Wee, a Chinaman who died Saturday, on their homeward-bound voyage to the land of the poppy, and of the number, W. H. Lyman, until recently employed in the Manhattan cafe, has been decided upon as the lucky man.

Hardly had the copies of the Mail Tribune containing Perl's request been delivered than Lyman, who for some time past has been anxious to emigrate to the Philippine islands, had registered his application for the trip, and true to his promise of first come, first served, Perl decided upon him.

The opportunity for a free passage to the Celestial empire is made possible through the requirements of the steamship companies that a body in transportation be accompanied, which in this case it will have to be as far as Hongkong, China.

Lyman will deliver his charge to the dead man's widow there and will continue to Manila on his own initiative.

For its long journey the body has been thoroughly arterially embalmed. In addition, it will be placed in a casket dressed in a disinfectant robe. The casket in turn will be packed in a hermetically sealed zinc lined oak shipping case.

Lyman and his mute companion will leave Medford Wednesday morning for San Francisco, from which port they sail for China Saturday on a Pacific Mail liner.

Leon Wee, the dead man, had been in America about 35 years. He leaves an estate valued at about \$500.

Lyman could not be found this morning. A search for him elicited only the information that he was busily engaged in taking on supplies for a long journey in a salty atmosphere.

MANY SEEK NEW HUNTING LICENSES

The warning to hunters recently issued by Deputy Game Warden Charles R. Gay caused a deluge of applications for 1911 licenses to pour into the office of County Clerk W. R. Coleman.

Up to noon today ten licenses applied for were granted.

HOW \$32,000 WAS SAVED MEDFORD IN THE CITY WATER DISTRIBUTING SYSTEM

When the city built the gravity water system it issued and sold its bonds and had the money available before letting the contract. In this way the contractor, knowing the money would be promptly forthcoming, made his bid on a cash basis till the assessments have been levied, and the assessments cannot be levied until the contract is let.

CHECK ARTIST STINGS ASHLAND BUSINESS MAN

After Cashing Phony Checks to an Amount of Several Hundred Dollars, Man Flees—Is Caught by Police in Portland.

After cashing over a dozen worthless checks in Ashland Saturday, obtaining several hundred dollars, a bad check artist giving the name McAuliff was arrested in Portland today. The Ashland chief of police will go north tonight for the man.

It is thought that McAuliff is one of the check artists who operated recently in Klamath Falls, where quite an epidemic of bad checks broke out. McAuliff will be tried in this county.

Want-advertise for a new clerk or office-worker—and your business routine will scarcely be interrupted by the exit of the other one.

LOSES SKATE; BREAKS A LEG

Fletcher Fish, Assistant Manager of the "Nat," Sustains Peculiar Injury—Skate Becomes Loosened and He Is Thrown to the Floor.

Fletcher Fish, assistant manager of the Natatorium, sustained a fracture of the right leg Monday afternoon when he was thrown to the floor of the skating rink through losing one of his skates.

He was removed to his home at 609 West Tenth street. Dr. E. R. Seely, who attended him, found the injuries were not serious and stated that Fish would not be confined to his bed for more than a short time.

BANK GUARANTY LAW IS UPHELD

Supreme Court of United States Declares Oklahoma Law Is Constitutional as Well as Law of Kansas Passed in 1909.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 3.—Bank deposit guaranty laws were upheld today by the supreme court of the United States in two decisions. One declared that the Oklahoma state law is constitutional and the other upheld the law of Kansas passed in 1909.

But the work on the gravity system was being held up by the Hanley litigation and the mayor and council had faith in Medford. They believed that bond buyers, when convinced that Medford was being run as a business institution, without waste or graft, would be willing to buy our bonds. Accordingly they took almost \$50,000 from the gravity money, paid for these moneys in cash and thereby saved the city more than \$23,000.

\$285,000 PAID FOR JOSEPHINE COUNTY MINES

Frank Leland Buys Osgood, Deep Gravel and Logan Mines in Waldo District and Will Develop Them on Large Scale—Cost \$285,000.

Since September He Has Had a Large Crew of Men at Work Prospecting—So Far Favorable Are Prospects That He Closes Deal.

Frank M. Leland has purchased the Osgood, Deep Gravel and Logan mines in the Waldo mining district, in Josephine county, paying \$285,000. For the Osgood mine he paid \$35,000, for the Deep Gravel \$150,000, and for the Logan \$100,000. The mines will be extensively operated by an eastern syndicate, of which Mr. Leland is the representative.

Mr. Leland has been doing extensive development and prospecting work at the mines during the past few months. So pleased was he with the returns that he took over the mines and will operate them on a large scale.

PRIMROSE PATH'S DANGERS TOLD

Max A. Stern Commits Suicide Leaving Note of Warning to "All Other Fools"—Urges Them to Spurn Whisky and Fast Living.

PORTLAND, Or., Jan. 3.—"Let other fools take notice. Whisky, fast living and poker. I have no will-power to resist further; life would be but a repetition of the past," wrote Max A. Stern shortly before he swallowed poison in his room at the Seward hotel. A note was found among his effects in which he asked that certain people in Tennessee be notified. Messages reaching here today say that Max Stern was former assistant cashier of the New York Life Insurance company at Memphis, Tenn., and that he disappeared December 9. His books and accounts were correct.

The body will be held at the morgue pending the receipt of advices from the south. Stern was about 29 years of age. He was well dressed and appeared prosperous. He registered from Chicago when he engaged apartments last week. According to the hotel managers the man had been in the habit of remaining out until early mornings. It is believed that he swallowed the fatal draught yesterday. The body was found lying on the bed late yesterday by a chambermaid.

Adequate advertising—frank informing, faithful, frequent—being a part of a store's service to you, it follows that a good store is necessarily a well advertised store.

New Picture of Dr. Cook, Who Isn't Sure He Discovered the North Pole



BY AMERICAN PRESS ASS'N

OREGON PLAN URGED MONTANA

Governor Norris in His Message Advocates Direct Primaries and Election of Senators on Oregon Law—Is a Progressive.

HELENA, Mont., Jan. 3.—Urging direct primary and the election of United States senators along the same plan as that in effect in Oregon, the message of Governor Norris was read in the legislature today. The document served notice on the legislators that a special message was to follow and that it would deal with conservation, forest fires, the income tax and employers' liability.

COUNTY COURT TO OPEN TOMORROW

County Judge J. R. Neil will open the first session of court for 1911 at the courthouse Wednesday morning. With him as presiding officers will sit County Commissioner James

QUEUES COME OFF JANUARY 15

One Hundred and Fifty Leading Chinese of Shanghai Will Sever Connections With Their Queues in the Near Future.

SHANGHAI, Jan. 3.—One hundred and fifty leading Chinese of Shanghai, including Wu Ting Fang, former minister to the United States, will sever connection with their queues January 15, in accordance with the edict of the Peking senate. Wu put the finishing touches on the wavering spirit of his fellow citizens when he called a meeting at his house and pointed out to them the advantages of going about with closely cropped heads. After an enthusiastic speech Wu produced a set of resolutions naming January 15 as "shaving day" and all present signed it.

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STORM KING IS HOLDING HIGH CARNIVAL EAST

Cold Wave That Came With Sunday's Blizzard Still Holds Sway—Hundreds Suffering in the Larger Cities and Hundreds Cattle Die.

Gas Plants Are Affected and Supply Runs Short—Railroads Operate Under Difficulties—Storm Will Reach New England Tonight.

CHICAGO, Ill., Jan. 3.—Although slowly rising temperature is promised for the central and middle western states tonight, the cold wave that came with Sunday night's blizzard still holds sway. Hundreds of persons are suffering in the larger cities and throughout the great stock-raising regions thousands of cattle and sheep have perished.

In Iowa the temperature today is 16 below zero. In Illinois it hovers around 5 to 8 below. Throughout Texas where the mercury dropped 50 degrees in 24 hours thousands of head of cattle have been killed.

The storm is still traveling eastward. Tonight, according to the weather bureau, it is expected to reach the New England states.

The gas plants in many of the larger cities have been affected by the cold and the supply is low. In some cities the water supply also is running short.

Railroads are still operating under difficulties. Trains are from six to eight hours late in the northwest. Through Iowa and Nebraska they are fighting huge snow drifts. Many trains have been cancelled and only a few are running on regular schedules.

The telegraph and telephone companies have suffered heavy losses. Wires throughout the storm-swept sections have been carried down and the work of repairing them has been greatly hampered by the wind and by the bitter cold.

Reports from many sections, cut off by the storm, have not yet been received. It is believed that the loss of livestock has been the greatest in a number of years.

PRINTERS BALL GREAT SUCCESS

Typographical Union Members Prove as Adept as Entertainers as They Are Along Lines Laid Down by Their Calling, the Art Preservative

Printers and publishers and a host of the friends of both attended the ball and supper given by the members of Medford-Ashland Typographical Union, No. 559, at the Natatorium last night.

A large gathering of people from the valley found their way into town to take part in the affair.

Hazelrigg's orchestra of eight pieces furnished the music for the dance, after which a supper was served in the smaller ball room. Last night's dance, the first ever held here by the "Typos," was an immense success.

The floral decorations were by J. T. Broadley and Johnston, the caterer, served the supper.

SHOW BIG INCREASE IN SCHOOL CENSUS

The school census recently completed under the direction of County Superintendent of Schools J. Percy Wells, shows a total of 6912 will have to be cared for the commencement of the year 1911.

This shows an increase in pupils of 413 over the last census.

Want-advertise for a partner, or a backer—and push that business enterprise of yours.

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