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WEATHER
Fair tonight. Very light frost. Max. 73.5, min. 30.

Forty-second Year.
Daily—Seventh Year.

MEDFORD, OREGON, MONDAY, APRIL 1, 1912.

No. 8.

CROP VALUE OF ALL FRUITS IS $1,000,000

March a Normal Month—Precipitation Ahead of Last Year But Below Average—Weather Has Been Ideal for Farmers.

Great Improvement in Conditions Over Those of Last Year—Prospects Excellent in all Lines.

The month of March, 1912, has been a very normal March, temperatures being practically normal. The precipitation was about 0.9 inches below the normal, but compared with last year the precipitation has been practically fives times as great. On the whole, the weather has been ideal for the needs of farmers in general.

Orchards are in fine condition and the blooming period will be normal. In 1911, pears were practically in full bloom on March 31st. This year, full bloom for most varieties will not be recorded until about another week. While the precipitation to date has been below normal, the condition of the soil is excellent showing a large amount of water storage.

Taking the Rogue river valley as a whole, the value of all orchard fruits at this time might be placed at $1,000,000 gross.

Weather report for March, 1912, Medford station, United States Weather Bureau:

Date.	Max.	Min.	Range
1	50.	27.5	22.5
2	44.	31.	13.
3	54.	20.5	33.5
4	54.	23.	31.
5	52.5	39.5	13.
6	51.	38.	13.
7	52.	35.	17.
8	52.	36.	16.
9	56.	29.	27.
10	55.	27.5	27.5
11	57.	25.	32.
12	54.5	43.5	11.
13	49.5	38.	11.5
14	54.	32.	22.
15	49.5	38.	11.5
16	46.5	33.5	13.
17	52.	36.5	15.5
18	55.	30.	25.
19	48.	35.5	12.5
20	56.5	25.	31.5
21	63.5	23.5	40.
22	69.	27.	42.
23	68.	30.5	37.5
24	51.	38.5	12.5
25	69.	30.	39.
26	69.	32.5	36.5
27	69.5	32.	37.5
28	56.5	33.5	23.
29	52.5	38.	14.5
30	63.5	30.	33.5
31	73.5	30.	43.5

Mean temperature for March, 1912, 44.1 degrees; departure below normal 1.4 degrees; mean maximum, 56.1 degrees; departure below normal 0.0 degrees; mean minimum 31.9 degrees; departure below normal 2.1 degrees; maximum 73.5 degrees; date 31st; minimum, 20.5 degrees; date 3rd; precipitation 1.66 inches; departure below normal, 0.91 inches; greatest precipitation in 24 hours, .42 inches, date, 6th; number of clear days 11; number of cloudy days, 7; number of partly cloudy days 13. Mean temperature for March, 1911, 49.6 degrees; maximum for March, 1911, 86.5 degrees; minimum for March, 1911, 24 degrees; precipitation, .34 inches.

P. J. O'GARA.
Special Meteorological Observer.

Mean temperature for March, (24 year period) 45.5 degrees; mean max. temperature for March (24 year period), 57. degrees; mean min. temperature for March (24 year period) 34 degrees; mean precipitation for March (24 year period) 2.57 inches.

RIVAL CLAIMS OF CANDIDATES FOR PRESIDENT

Wisconsin Primaries to Be Held Tomorrow—Practically Assured to Lafollette—Roosevelt Not Making Fight There.

Mormon Church's Position to Be Shown Saturday—Kentucky and Vermont Decide This Week.

The Presidential Handicap.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Apr. 1.—Direct order of presidential booms contributed their claims of delegates up to this morning as follows:

Republicans.

Delegates in convention, 1075.
Necessary to choice, 539.
Claimed for Taft, 274.
Claimed for Roosevelt, 62.
Claimed for La Follette, 10.
Claimed for Cummins, 2.
Conceded by Taft bureau to Roosevelt, 30.
Conceded by Roosevelt bureau to Taft, 36.
Contests admitted by Taft managers, 12.

Democrats.

Delegates in convention, 1092.
Necessary to choice, 728.
*Claimed for Clark, 66.
*Claimed for Wilson, 38.
Pledged for Governor Marshall, 30.
Pledged for Governor Burke, 10.
Claimed for Harmon, 3.

*Both Wilson and Clark managers claimed the 20 Kansas delegates. The Wilson bureau claimed 8 of the 12 Maine delegates, who are uninstructed.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 1.—Whether Taft, Roosevelt or some one else will be nominated at the Chicago convention and what La Follette influence will be shown will be determined by the conventions scheduled for early in April.

The first big fight will come tomorrow in Wisconsin. The state's 26 delegates are practically conceded to La Follette. Roosevelt's managers are not making a fight there. The Taft boomers are making a perfunctory contest, but they admit that "Fighting Bob" will get all the delegates.

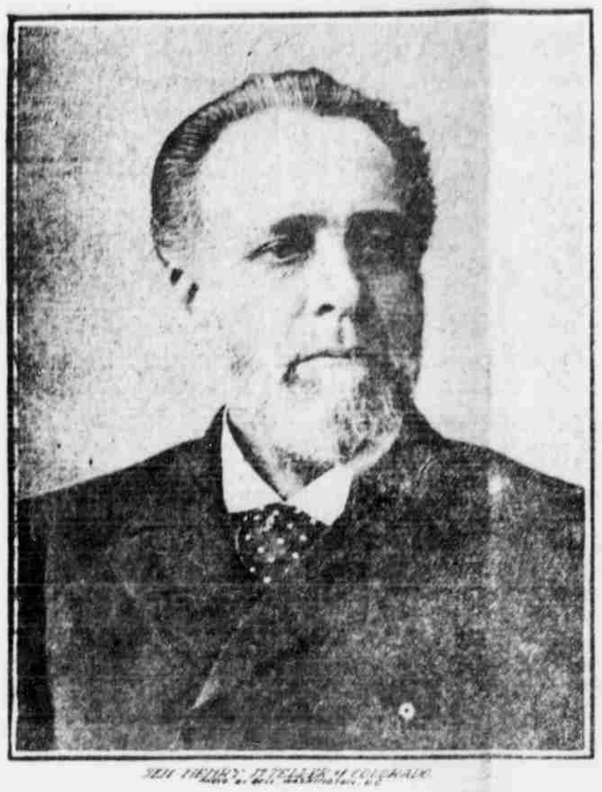
Mormon Attitude.

The Mormon church's position in the republican fight will be shown on April 6, when the Utah state committee meets. A Taft indorsement is expected.

The New York republican state convention and the Illinois primaries will be held April 9. The next day the Kentucky and Vermont state conventions are scheduled. St. Louis ward primaries and the Pennsylvania congressional district primaries will be held April 13. Seventy-two of the Keystone state's 76 delegates will be chosen then. The majority will be probably controlled by the organization which is at present friendly to Taft.

COPENHAGEN.—The men's trade unions of Denmark have opened their ranks for the admission of women workers and will demand for them equal pay for equal work with men.

COLORADO STATESMAN IS CRITICALLY ILL



SEN. HENRY M. TELLER OF COLORADO

Henry M. Teller, former United States Senator from Colorado and once Secretary of the Interior, is reported critically ill at his home in Denver. He has been confined to the house for some time.

SUPREME COURT UPHOLDS MISSOURI ANTI-TRUST LAW

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 1.—The United States supreme court here today upheld the constitutionality of Missouri's anti-trust statute, affirming the decision of the Missouri supreme court in ousting the Standard Oil company of Indiana, and its subsidiaries, the Republic Oil company and the Waters Pierce Oil company from doing business in that state. The $50,000 fines imposed on each company also were affirmed.

The suit was the biggest trust busting attempt ever conducted under Missouri's anti-trust law. Governor Hadley started the suit when he was Missouri's attorney general.

OXFORD EASILY WINS RACE FROM CAMBRIDGE

LONDON, April 1.—Oxford easily defeated Cambridge today by six boat lengths in the annual race, which was postponed from Saturday. The race was rowed in a driving rain and hailstorm. Both shells raced on fairly even terms to the first half mile, but after that it was a procession, and Oxford won easily. Time, 23 minutes, 3 seconds.

STREET SPEAKING AT END IN SAN DIEGO

SAN DIEGO, Cal., April 1.—Street speaking in San Diego is at an end, at least for the present, according to all indications today. The police are rigidly enforcing the "move on" law and as soon as crowds gather on the streets they are immediately dispersed, whether inside of the "congested district" or not. The police say that they have won their fight and that the I. W. W.'s are rapidly leaving town.

CHICAGO CARPENTERS OUT ON A STRIKE

CHICAGO, April 1.—More than 15,000 carpenters struck here today, affecting $35,000,000 worth of building operations. A police force of 500 are guarding big jobs where non-union men are at work.

President John Metz of the carpenters' council declared that unless the men get 5 cents an hour increase, making their wages 65 cents an hour, the entire building trades of the country will be paralyzed.

MEXICO'S FATE IS HINGED UPON BATTLE TORREON

MEXICO CITY, April 1.—Addressing a joint session of congress here today, President Francisco I. Madero announced his determination to send his brother, Gustavo, to Torreon to take command of the federal forces concentrating there. Government officials believed that Mexico's fate will figure largely in the outcome of the battle at Torreon as a rebel victory will mean an attack on the capital.

More than 1800 Americans have been organized to defend themselves should necessity arise. The foreign element believes that the rebels will carry their revolution to a successful conlusion and they are prepared for any emergency.

General Zapata in command of the revolutionary forces south of here today is planning an attack on Puebla.

WOOL TARIFF BILL PASSED BY HOUSE

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 1.—The house today passed the Underwood bill reducing the wool tariff by a vote of 189 to 92. A score of progressives voted with the democrats on the ground that the bill was the only one resting the tariff question they could hope to secure at this session.

The All-Important Thing Before Medford

There will be a mass meeting at the Medford theater at 8 o'clock tonight, to discuss the possibilities and probabilities and ways and means of constructing a railroad to the Blue Ledge mine.

Assurances have been received from the mine owners that operation upon a big scale will commence upon the assurance of a railroad, thus giving employment to a large number of men, giving Jackson county its largest payroll and adding a permanent source of wealth to the county.

The estimated fruit crop of the Rogue river valley this season is 1000 cars. At very conservative figures this will bring the growers $1,000,000. The Blue Ledge guarantees a minimum of 2000 tons of concentrates a month, worth $2,000,000 per year and up.

It will be seen that this one mine means twice as much to the county as the present bearing acreage of orchards. As the orchards will yearly increase their output, so will the mine—and other mines will follow.

A railroad to the Blue Ledge is the all-important thing before the people of Jackson county today. It means the continued growth and progress of this entire section. It is the surest antidote for hard times.

By all means let us build this railroad—if we have to do it ourselves. Let us "smite the rock of our natural resources that a stream of revenue may gush forth."

Don't fail to attend the mass meeting.

MISSISSIPPI ON RAMPAGE

Serious Floods Continue in Illinois, Kentucky, Missouri and Mississippi—Levee is Broken at Cairo, Illinois.

ST. LOUIS, Ma., April 1.—Serious floods continue today along the Mississippi in Illinois, Kentucky, Missouri, and Mississippi. The government levee is broken in several places below Cairo, Ill., and the farms in that section are inundated for miles.

The river has reached a height of 31 feet at Cairo. The flood stage is 38 feet.

Rescue of a family of seven from a sinking houseboat in the Mississippi was among the many thrilling incidents of the flood in this section, which continued its work of devastation today. The rescue was witnessed by thousands of persons.

Both the Mississippi and Ohio rivers have risen to a great height at Cairo, Ill. No great damage, except to small shipping, is looked for at St. Louis unless a further unexpected rise occurs.

STOCKS SHOW INCREASED GAINS

NEW YORK, April 1—Today's opening stock market showed a renewal of activity in the industrials and the entire list was strengthened. Amalgamated Copper, Union Pacific, and Reading sold at high prices for the movement. Anaconda and Tennessee Copper were up from one to two points and American Smelting rose 1-2. American Sugar rose 1 3-4 and St. Paul was strong. Later a selling movement of Union Pacific affectin Reading occurred, but no large drops were recorded. Other railways were strong and United States Steel was above yesterday's best figure.

The market closed strong.

Bonds were steady.

STATE RIGHTS VS. FEDERAL

Rights of State Commissions to Regulate Rates to Exclusion of Interstate Commerce Commission is at Issue Before Federal court.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 1.—With the two cent passenger rate laws in Oregon, Minnesota and Missouri directly involved, the fight for the rights of state railway commissions to regulate railroad rates to the exclusion of the inter-state commerce commission opened before the United States supreme court here today.

The railway commissions of seven states are represented at the hearing. The commissions are backed by the national governors' congress, Governor Judson Harmon of Ohio, filing a brief in behalf of the state commissions which supports state rights.

Governor Harmon with Governor Hadley of Missouri and Governor Aldrich of Nebraska, was appointed by the governors' congress to intervene in the rate cases.

Judge Sanborn has declared the Minnesota law confiscatory and invalid and Judge McPherson enjoined the enforcement of the Missouri law.

LUNATIC SEEKS LIFE OF TEDDY ROOSEVELT

WAUKESHA, Wis., April 1.—Possessed of a delusion that he has a mission to kill ex-President Roosevelt, Charles Schomolla, an insane Pole who Saturday attacked Senator Gore of Oklahoma with a club during a meeting in behalf of Woodrow Wilson here, is in jail today. That Roosevelt escaped the bludgeon of the murderous lunatic is due to the fact that he did not visit this city on Saturday.

Schomolla went to the Wilson meeting in the belief that Roosevelt was to speak. He said that devils told the ex-president of his plan and Roosevelt sent Gore to take his place.

MINERS IDLE; VOTE ON SCALE

Hundreds of Thousands of Coal Miners in Bituminous and Anthracite Regions Quit—Compromise Will Probably Carry.

PITTSBURG, Pa., April 1.—President Feehan of the local miners' district stated today that he expects the coal miners of the Pittsburg district to accept the proposed wage scale compromise and resume work immediately. Fifty thousand miners are idle today in western Pennsylvania.

SCRANTON, Pa., April 1.—All the mines in this section of the anthracite regions are idle today. The big companies announced that no attempt would be made to operate the collieries while the regular men are out. It is expected that peace will result from the meeting between the anthracite miners and operators in Philadelphia April 10.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., April 1.—With a total of 84 mines in the state closed, 70,000 miners were idle today in this section.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., April 1.—It is believed that the anthracite miners will be voted on the wage scale compromise measure as well as the strike question. President White of the United Mine Workers of America who is at headquarters, is confident that the operators of the anthracite mines will follow the example of the bituminous mine owners in accepting the compromise, which would mean that the question will be submitted to a referendum vote of the anthracite miners.

TEN-YEAR TERM FOR PRESIDENT

PEKIN, April 1.—The Chinese president's term of office will be ten years if Yuan Shi Kai has his way. The republicans originally suggested seven years but Yuan says the country ought not to be disturbed by an elevtion so often. He argues, too, that the first man elected should be given time enough to get things thoroughly regulated before he has to give way to a successor.

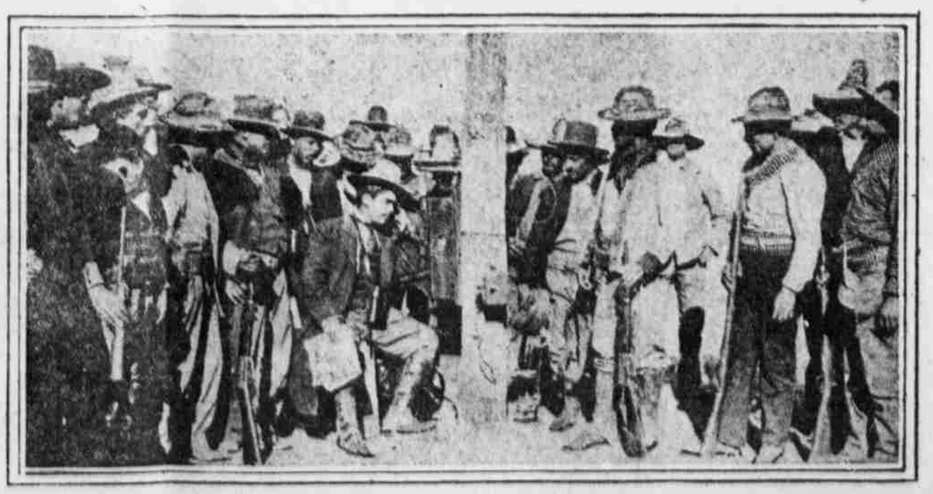
Yuan also proposes that the large provinces be entitled to eight votes in electoral representation, the medium ones to six and the smaller ones to four. He would count Inner and Outer Mongolia as two separate large provinces; Thibet as medium and the Mohammedan districts as a small one.

Yuan sees good points in both the United States and French constitutions and would blend them to suit China's purpose within important modifications to adapt them to Oriental needs.

LA FOLLETTE ENTERS JERSEY PRIMARIES

TRENTON, N. J., April 1.—Gilbert Roe, former law partner of Senator La Follette of Wisconsin, filed today La Follette's primary petition for the republican nomination at the New Jersey state primaries. Petitions for President Taft and Colonel Roosevelt already have been filed here.

GENERAL CAMPA TELEPHONING ORDERS ON THE FIRING LINE.



The telephone has taken the place of the courier in transmitting field orders in the present Mexican rebellion. The above picture shows General Emelio Campa, a rebel leader, using an instrument which has been attached to a telegraph line by a zapadore, as the lineman is called. The zapadore is in the vanguard of all detachments and by the time the leader arrives he has established connection with the base of supplies and with other corps commanders.

General Campa is an electrical engineer and perfected the system he uses in his field operations.

EVERY BODY'S DOIN' IT!

Doing what? Registering so as to vote at the primaries April 19. Any justice of the peace, any notary public or any deputy county clerk can register you.

You can register in Medford at Postal Telegraph office, or at Mail Tribune office.

Do It at Once—It's Important.