

FORECAST
FAIR TONIGHT
AND THURSDAY.

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

WEATHER
Maximum yesterday, 81;
Minimum today, 48.

MEDFORD OREGON, WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 1916

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ALLIES SECURE GAINS BOTH IN EAST AND WEST

British Capture All of Leuse Wood, French Take Clerly — Russians Force Teutons Back in Volhynia, Capturing 4500 Prisoners—Conflicting Reports Rumanian Invasion

LONDON, Sept. 6.—While the Germans were making attack after attack south of the Somme last night, seeking to recover ground won by the French in their latest advance, the British struck another blow north of the river. An official announcement from London says all of Leuse wood, part of which was captured yesterday, is now in possession of the British. Fighting continues between Leuse wood and Combles.

The attacks south of the Somme were delivered near Denicourt. Although German infantry charged repeatedly, its efforts, the Paris was offe announced, were broken by the French fire. In the Verdun sector the Germans prepared an attack against Fleury, but the Paris communication says French quick-firers prevented them from debouching.

Russian Pressure Exerted.

Russian pressure is being maintained on the Austro-German lines in Volhynia and eastern Galicia, and violent fighting continues. Petrograd announces 4500 more prisoners have been taken along the lower Gorod-enka river, southeast of Lemberg.

Accounts of the invasion of Dobrudja, the eastern portion of Rumania, by Bulgarians and Germans, are at variance. An official Rumanian statement reports that the invaders have been checked and that the entire Dobrudja frontier is in possession of the Rumanians. Recent German and Bulgarian statements have reported the capture of several Rumanian towns and the infliction of considerable losses on the Rumanian forces.

Germans Concede Reverses.

BERLIN, Sept. 6.—Russian forces, says the official statement issued today at the German army headquarters, have pressed back the center of Arpeluhke Charles' front between the Zlota Lapa and the Dniester river in Galicia.

The town of Clerly, on the Somme river, three and a half miles north-west of Peronne, has been captured from the Germans by troops of the entente allies. Says the official statement today issued by the German army headquarters staff.

Seven of the Tatrakan works in southeastern Rumania, including their armored batteries, have been stormed by troops of the central powers, according to today's German official statement.

Russian Successes.

PETROGRAD, Sept. 6.—Russian troops yesterday captured a Teutonic fortified position in the region of the lower Gorodenka, in the direction of Halez, Galicia, and drove the Austro-Germans toward the northwest, says the Russian official statement issued today.

The number of prisoners taken in the fighting on the lower Gorodenka, the statement adds, so far amounts to 4500 men, among whom were about 2000 Germans.

Italians in Albania.

LONDON, Sept. 6.—A steady advance into the interior of Albania by Italian forces from Avlona is reported.

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SUGAR DROPS IN PRICE 75 CENTS

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 6.—The larger sugar refiners here announced a drop of 75 cents per 100 pounds today in refined sugar in consonance with recent decreases in raw sugar quotations. It was said to be the most important change in refined sugar since European demands sent prices up to \$7.85 per 100 pounds. Today's drop left cane granulated at \$6.45 a 100 pounds. "Simply the result of supply and demand," explained one operator.

STEEL TOUCHES PAR IN STOCK MARKET BOOM

For First Time in History. Steel Common Passes Hundred Mark—Revival of Public Interest in Market Shown by Heavy Business—New High Records Made in All Lines.

NEW YORK, Sept. 6.—Revival of public interest in the stock market on a scale unequalled since last year's sensational movement in war brides, was indicated by today's operations, the first hour's business aggregating fully 400,000 shares, or at the rate of 2,000,000 shares for the full session.

New high records were made by some of the popular speculative favorites, United States Steel for the first time in its history touching par, which is actually equivalent to 102 1/2, adding its recent regular and extra dividends.

Mercantile Marine, which have been the spectacular features of the last fortnight, also scored new maximums, the preferred in the first hour going four points at 124 and the common 3 at 56 1/2.

Inspiration Copper at 59, Kelly, Springfield Tire at 84 1/4 and Atlantic Gulf and West Indies at 74 1/2 furnished the other new records.

Everywhere in the list, excepting the railway division which has shown marked restraint prior and since the passage of the eight-hour law, gains ranged from one to three points, in industrials, equipments, munitions, motors, metals and petroleum shares varying in the rise. Profit taking served to reduce early advances, but fresh buying helped to check any pronounced recessions.

GEORGE P. MIMS NOMINATED TODAY FOR POSTMASTER

WASHINGTON, Sept. 6.—President Wilson today nominated George P. Mims postmaster at Medford, Or.

Colonel George P. Mims comes of an old and influential southern family. He was born at Panataville, Tenn., in 1861, and has had a varied business career, having been merchant, banker, hotel man, farmer and orchardist. In 1885 he was appointed by President Cleveland postmaster of Newport, Tenn., and in 1888 resigned to go west. He has never been a candidate for any office, but has always been a democrat, in season and out.

Colonel Mims has lived in the Pacific northwest since 1889, first locating in Douglas county. From there he moved to Idaho. In 1907 he came to Medford and has since resided here. He owns the Seven Oaks orchard, north of Central Point.

Colonel Mims' appointment followed a long contest among local democrats for the office. Many candidates were in the field and many knockers. Postmaster Woodford's term expired in June, and Colonel Mims will take office as soon as his bond is approved.

WILSON'S RENTAL GOES TO HOSPITALS

LONG BRANCH, N. J., Sept. 6.—Congressman Thomas J. Scully of New Jersey announced today the receipt of a check for \$2500 from President Wilson. The money is to be divided among Monmouth county hospitals, in accordance with the president's program in accepting Shadow Lawn as his summer home. When Monmouth county citizens, headed by Congressman Scully, made arrangements for the engagement of Shadow Lawn, Colonel Greenleaf, the owner, refused to accept rental. The president, however, insisted on contributing the sum required to charity and refused the tender of the place under any conditions.

SENATE DEBATES BILL TO LIMIT ELECTION FUND

Filibuster Begun for Corrupt Practices Act While Conferees Debate Revenue Bill—Measure Is Taken Up Over Protest of Leaders of Both Parties.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 6.—Prospects for adjourning congress today went glimmering when the house and senate conferees began informal discussions on the revenue bill. The conferees found some obstacles which it is hoped will be smoothed out tomorrow.

The house meanwhile put in its time hearing political speeches. The senate, having nothing else to do, took up the Owen corrupt practices bill, but democratic leaders said it had no chance of passage and would be put aside whenever adjournment could be secured.

Paper the Obstacle.

Representative Mann, republican leader, declared the senate amendment taxing print paper above certain prices would have a tendency to increase the price and drive the industry to Canada. He said, however, that an investigation would doubtless show no justification for raising the price.

The senate decided 32 to 14 to take up Senator Owens' corrupt practices bill, which would greatly curtail campaign expenditures and impose heavy penalties for violations of its terms.

Seven republicans voted with the democrats to take up the bill and seven democrats voted against the motion. There has been a lively fight against the bill, during which there have been charges and recriminations from both sides. The vote to take it up today does not necessarily forecast delay in adjourning congress.

Leaders Object to Bill.

The senate took it up, having nothing else before it, but administration leaders said that in their opinion it could not reach a vote. Republican leaders insisted that they would never let it reach one.

It was planned to adopt a concurrent resolution fixing the time for adjournment as soon as the revenue conferees can indicate when they can reach an agreement. Such a resolution would check any attempted filibuster on the corrupt practices and would end debate.

The proceedings settled down to the semblance of a filibuster. No effort was made to replace the bill with any other legislation and Senator Justing of Wisconsin said that he for one was ready to stay until after election to pass it.

GERMANS DENY HUNGER STRIKE

BERLIN, Sept. 6.—The German newspapers today published a statement obtained from a competent authority declaring that recent reports current in foreign countries that there had been hunger revolts in Germany were absolutely false. In fact, it is said, not one person has been killed in Germany on account of the question of supplies.

The denial was in reply to stories printed in French newspapers alleging that seven women had been killed in Berlin, that 20 persons had been killed at Muelhausen and that the king of Wuerttemberg had intervened to stop the riots at Stuttgart.

BORAH TO STUMP WEST FOR HUGHES

CHICAGO, Sept. 6.—United States Senators Borah of Idaho, Kenyon of Ohio, Curtis of Kansas, Sterling of South Dakota and Jones of Washington, and former United States Senator Burkett of Nebraska, will make speaking tours of the central and western states in behalf of Hughes and Fairbanks in October, according to an announcement made here today.

SKULL AND CROSSBONES DECORATE FLIER



Death, marked on the hull of this Farman biplane used in the French reconnoitering service, shows the spirit of the men within. The biplane is used for scouting and two machines are used to fight off attacks.

PERSHING TO AID MEXICAN TROOPS PURSUING VILLA

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Sept. 6.—If Francisco Villa gets within striking distance of the American expeditionary force, General Pershing's soldiers may join troops of the de facto government in an offensive campaign to exterminate the bandit and his followers. This was the statement of General Funston this afternoon.

EL PASO, Tex., Sept. 6.—Trains leaving Juarez for the south today carried heavy additional guards of soldiers. Mexican military authorities would not discuss reports that the step had been taken because of the northward march of Francisco Villa, said to be operating in the Santa Clara canyon.

Twenty-four cases of typhus have been discovered in Juarez. Efforts are being made by United States immigration authorities to prevent the disease being brought into El Paso.

Hipolito Villa, a brother of the bandit chief, turned over by federal authorities to state authorities, were placed in the local county jail charged with an alleged conspiracy to destroy a bridge last February.

CONFLICTING REPORTS GERMAN WAR LOAN

BERLIN, Sept. 6.—Subscriptions to the fifth German war loan continued to be received in large amounts. The corporations have subscribed 29,000,000 marks.

LONDON, Sept. 6.—Subscriptions to the German war loan during the first two days indicate that the loan is a failure, according to reports from Berlin to the Exchange Telegraph company via Amsterdam. The returns for the first two days were far behind the total raised in that time for previous war loans.

MILWAUKEE BUILDS SHOPS SIOUX CITY

SIOUX CITY, Ia., Sept. 6.—A deal which it is said will call for the expenditure of nearly \$1,000,000 in Sioux City, was closed by the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul road today when land was purchased for the erection of shops and roundhouse. Road officials say the new plant will be the second largest on the entire system. It was announced that the shops will bring nearly 5000 working men to Sioux City. Work on the shops is to begin at once.

HUNGARIAN DIET IN STORMY SESSION OVER RUMANIA

LONDON, Sept. 6.—According to a Budapest telegram, says the Reuter correspondent at Amsterdam, yesterday's session of the Hungarian diet was an extremely stormy one. When Premier Tisza entered the house he was greeted with loud shouts of "resign" from the party of Count Michael Karolyi. The three other opposition parties remained quiet.

When order was restored Premier Tisza, who was repeatedly interrupted, said the attitude of the Rumanians was without precedent in the history of the world and that he hoped measures, which had been taken would shortly bear fruit.

"Rumania will not escape her fate," the premier is quoted as declaring. "I am confident that we will win this war on all frontiers. Our duty is to maintain the unity of Hungary in its fight for existence."

Ex-Premier Count Julius Andrássy agreed that the entire energy of the nation should be exerted in the fight, which was in self defense, but criticized the manner in which the government carried on its business and its lack of foresight. The position of the country, the ex-premier said, was serious, but not critical, and while he had confidence in the outcome, there must be a new leadership.

PRESIDENT DELAYS APPOINTING BOARDS

WASHINGTON, Sept. 6.—President Wilson decided today that it would be impossible to nominate before the end of the present session of congress the members of the shipping board provided for by the shipping bill, the members of the tariff commission created by the revenue bill, or the members of the board created by the workmen's compensation laws. He expects to make recess appointments within the next two weeks.

BELGIANS TO OPERATE NEW STEAMER LINE

NEW YORK, Sept. 6.—A fleet of steamships financed by the Belgian government will be operated between New York and French and Italian ports by the Royal Belgian Lloyd Steamship company, it was announced here today by A. W. Daelckx & Co., the line's American agency. A direct service to Havre with sailings every ten days, will be instituted with the departure from this port on October 5 of the Belgian steamer Halieere.

SUFFRAGISTS SHY AT ENDORSING ANY CANDIDATE

National Association Will Not Be Committed as an Organization to Any Presidential Nominee—Will Work as Heretofore for Both State and National Suffrage for Women.

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Sept. 6.—The National American Woman Suffrage association, which opened its forty-eighth annual convention here today, will not, according to influential leaders, endorse or criticize as an organization any candidate now in the field for the office of president of the United States because of their views on equal rights for women.

It was said by some leaders, who include Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt, president, and Miss Anna Howard Shaw, former president of the association, that the association will vote down all the amendments committing the association to work exclusively for the suffrage amendment to the federal constitution or to work for equal suffrage through the states alone. The association will continue its fight for both the federal and state amendments, it was declared.

The momentous question affecting the organization came up at the afternoon session when there was a three-cornered debate between three prominent members of the association. Miss Laura Clap of Kentucky favored dropping the work on the federal amendment and confine the association's activities to state legislation.

The opening session of the convention in the forenoon was confined to the routine reports of officers. Mrs. Frank M. Reussing of Pittsburg, vice-president and chairman of the congressional committee, warned the delegates not to let the cause of equal rights suffer from over-confidence because Charles E. Hughes, the republican presidential candidate, had endorsed the federal amendment.

PROBE SECRET JAP DEMANDS

WASHINGTON, Sept. 6.—Details of the secret Japanese demands of China will be gathered by the state department from all available sources. The Root-Takahira agreement of 1908 provides that Japan and the United States shall notify each other if any event threatening the status quo in China takes place, but as yet this government has had no official word from Japan about the demands which are felt to have a decided political nature.

Japanese Charge Tanaka said today while he had not received the actual demands, he thought those published today might be essentially correct. The acts of reparation for the Cheng-Chinstun incident itself, he thought natural for such a serious trouble, though he was surprised at the inclusion of rights of instruction in the army and schools, as he said those rights have been long recognized. The question of special rights seemed to him entirely too vague for definition, though that, too, he said, had been recognized by China already.

UNOFFICIAL BUREAU FOR MEXICAN TROUBLES

WASHINGTON, Sept. 6.—Under chairmanship of Senator Fall, republican of New Mexico, an unofficial bureau for the investigation of Mexican affairs has been established here to receive and investigate complaints of Americans and others regarding loss of life and property in Mexico during the revolutions there. An announcement by the bureau says its object is to "go into the whole question that has been agitating the American press and public for a number of years, and to develop in the public mind an adequate idea of the situation."

CONFERENCE TO BRING PEACE TO BORDER OPENS

Views Exchanged Between American and Mexican Representatives—Summary Shows Growth and Strength of De Facto Government—Credentials Presented.

NEW LONDON, Conn., Sept. 6.—An exchange of views in which consideration was given to the "growth, control and constitutional government" in Mexico, marked the first formal conference here today of the Mexican and American commissioners appointed to bring about an amicable and permanent settlement of international difficulties.

A summary of the proceedings issued at the conclusion of the meeting alluded to the de facto Mexican government as having "become every day stronger during the last two years and in particular since the recognition of the government." This summary agreed upon by Luis Cabrera and Franklin K. Lane, chairman of the Mexican and American delegation, respectively, follows:

"This morning's session lasted three hours, during which Mr. Cabrera presided. The first matter of importance was the presenting of mutual credentials. In accordance with the Mexican form of opening conferences, Mr. Cabrera made a declaration of the purpose of the Mexican members of the commission saying it was their duty to fulfill in every way possible the greater responsibility cast upon them by First Chief Carranza and that they all stood committed to giving their full powers to bringing to a conclusion this conference in such a manner as would be most profitable to Mexico and the United States. After that Mr. Cabrera stated that it was the desire of the Mexican members of the commission that the fullest information should be given to the commission regarding all matters involved and that they were quite ready to meet the Americans in a spirit of utmost frankness.

The members of the commission then exchanged views in general about the situation in Mexico and especially on the border with the view to making a preparatory study of the subject.

BRITISH FUNERAL ZEPPELIN CREW

LONDON, Sept. 6.—A great crowd gathered today to witness the funeral of sixteen members of the crew of the Zeppelin which was brought down during Saturday night's raid. In view of the strong protests made against the burial of the German airmen with military honors, a strong force of police was on duty to maintain order. The whole route to the cemetery in the little village of Porters Bar, where the bodies of the Germans were buried, was lined with police.

Spectators began to arrive by train, automobile and bicycle long before noon and seized on the hill near the entrance to the cemetery as a point of vantage. Others gathered in nearby fields, for entrance to which farmers made a small charge.

During the night a common grave was prepared for the men and a smaller one for the German officer.

LA FOLLETTE WINS IN WISCONSIN

MILWAUKEE, Sept. 6.—United States Senator Robert M. La Follette and Governor Emanuel J. Philipp, conservative republican, were renominated, according to incomplete returns from Wisconsin's primary election held yesterday. A very light vote was polled. La Follette apparently has a lead over Malcolm G. Jeffris, conservative republican, of several thousand votes and estimates are being made that give him anywhere from 10,000 to 25,000 majority.