

The Weather

Maximum yesterday 56
Minimum yesterday 46

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

Predictions

Rain.

Daily—Fifteenth Year. Weekly—Fiftieth Year.

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LLOYD GEORGE MAY LEAVE PARIS MEET

British Premier Enraged by Attacks From French Press, Says He Will Never Come to Paris Again—Briand Disturbed—Breath Widens Between Two Countries.

PARIS, Jan. 26.—Premier Lloyd George is understood to have taken umbrage to an article in a Paris newspaper criticizing his attitude on various questions now being discussed by the supreme allied council. He has complained bitterly to Premier Briand, regarding the tone of the French press, says the Oeuvre. "Since I am treated this way," the newspaper quotes Mr. Lloyd George as saying, "I tell you I will never come to Paris again."

No Agreement Near. PARIS, Jan. 26.—Consideration of German reparations, viewed as vitally important by the people of France, was begun by the supreme allied council today. Private conversations have been going on between David Lloyd George, British prime minister, and Aristide Briand, president of the council of France, but there was no indication that anything resembling an agreement had been reached.

After the morning session Premier Lloyd George and Briand took luncheon together for a private discussion of the reparations question. From information as to the tone of the conference it appeared that the general policy outlined was that Germany must be made to pay all she could. The question most perplexing to the conferees, it was said, was how to obtain payment without injury to allied industries.

THOMAS INVITES 'BOB' TO ADDRESS SENATE

SALEM, Ore., Jan. 26.—A joint resolution extending an invitation to Senator-elect Robert N. Stanfield to address the house and senate was today introduced by Senator Thomas. It mentions that Mr. Stanfield is preparing to leave for Washington and proposes that as an expression of confidence in the senator-elect he be invited to address a joint assembly.

REP. KUBLI TO FIGHT FOR PLACING OF STATE PRINTING IN THE OPEN MARKET

SALEM, Ore., Jan. 26.—Charges made for state printing by the state printing department were under discussion when Representative Kubli interrogated W. M. Plimpton, secretary of the state printing board at the ways and means committee meeting last night. The session was another busy one in which Mr. Plimpton, H. S. Boshardt, state printer, Secretary of State Koser, and O. M. Plummer of Portland were before the committee, the latter to plead in the interests of the Pacific International Livestock exposition.

Negro Slayer Taken From Train, Present Location Unknown

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Jan. 26.—Henry Lowery, negro charged with the killing of O. T. Craig, a planter, and Craig's daughter, Mrs. C. O. Williamson, at their home near Wilson, Ark., Christmas day, was taken from officers at Sardis, Miss., early today by a crowd of men who bundled him into an automobile and disappeared, according to a telephone message received here. Lowery, it was stated, was taken from a train, aboard which he was being returned to Arkansas from El Paso, Texas, where he was captured last week. According to advices received here about eight or ten automobiles accompanied the one in which the negro was placed by his captors.

FINE ELMER COX \$25 FOR HAVING CONCEALED GUN

PORTLAND, Jan. 26.—Lieutenant Colonel Cox was fined \$25 in court here yesterday on charge of carrying concealed weapons. Charges of registering at a local hotel under an assumed name were dismissed against both Cox and Mrs. Louise Barry.

Cox was arrested in this city on the night of January 11, by the police and sheriff's office, with a companion giving the name of Jones, and two other men giving the names of Stewart and Hill, charged with having liquor in their possession. Cox posted \$150 through the courtesy of a valley orchardist for his appearance in the justice court. He afterwards secured a continuance of his trial. He claimed to be a victim of circumstance. Stewart and Hill who afterwards showed up as nationally known bootleggers, posted \$500 bonds which they forfeited. Cox when arrested, begged so convincingly that his name be kept a secret that the local authorities acceded. He was an army officer with the 91st division in France, the son of a wealthy and well to do California family, but is said to be the "black sheep" of the family. Mrs. Louise Barry, the woman in the case, was not with Cox on his visit to this city, but is said to be an attractive Los Angeles divorcee.

HIGH PEAK IN FARM WAGES REACHED 1920

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26.—Wage rates for farm labor reached their highest point in the history of this country in 1920, according to figures gathered by the department of agriculture and made public today. The average wage rate for labor hired by the month, it was shown, was \$46.89 with board, and \$64.95 without board; for day labor at harvest \$3.60 with board and \$4.85 without board. For day labor other than at harvest the scale averaged \$2.86 with board and \$3.59 without board.

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 25.—Sergeant R. J. Ellis and Sergeant B. E. Sherwood were suspended from the police force by Captain Chester A. Inspeck last night when the captain and Lieutenant Harvey Thatcher charged they had found them playing cards in a club. Chief of Police L. V. Jenkins today approved the suspension, with the result that the two officers will be taken before Mayor George L. Baker for a hearing.

For the state printing department, Mr. Plimpton estimated receipts for the next two years at \$182,559 and expenses at \$192,559 leaving \$10,000 that the legislature is asked to appropriate. After Mr. Plimpton had finished Mr. Kubli served notice that he expects to introduce a bill giving heads of state departments outside of Marion county authority to get their printing done in open market if they so desire. He declared he knew of cases in which the state's charges were 25 per cent higher than those of the open market.

JAPAN REPLY TO U. S. NOTE IS EVASIVE

Points Raised by United States Not Met Declares State Dept.—Note Little More Than Acknowledgement of Receipt of U. S. Communication—Will Investigate.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26.—Japan replied today to the American government's note regarding the killing of Naval Lieutenant W. H. Langdon at Vladivostok by a Japanese sentry with the promise of a "thorough investigation" of the circumstances surrounding the incident. The Japanese government's note was said at the state department not to meet the points raised by the American government in its communication and was regarded as little more than an acknowledgement of the receipt of the American note. At the same time the navy department was advised by Admiral Gleaves at Vladivostok that the American naval court of inquiry there had decided that Lieutenant Langdon was the subject of "an unwarranted attack" by the Japanese sentry. The finding of the court as summarized by Admiral Gleaves was that "Langdon was blameless and that the Japanese sentry fired the first shot and that Langdon was the subject of an unwarranted attack by the Japanese sentry."

LABOR REQUESTS REOPENING U. S. TRADE IN RUSSIA

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26.—Removal of all governmental restrictions depicted as hindering immediate and complete resumption of trade with Russia was urged before the senate foreign relations committee today by Senator France, republican, Maryland, and officials of organized labor. Timothy Healy, president of the Brotherhood of Firemen and Oilers, presented what he termed "the demand of labor for trade with Russia," saying that the opening of the Russian markets would absorb the surplus commodities in this country and give work to the three and a half million workers not employed. "In view of the hardships labor is suffering throughout the United States," Mr. Healy said, "and because the United States policy in the past has always been to leave every country to its own salvation, we feel that our government's policy now should be to allow immediate resumption of trade with Russia."

SPARKS FROM TODAY'S WIRE

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26.—Chief Justice White of the supreme court returned to the bench today after an illness of several weeks.

FORT PIERCE, Fla., Jan. 26.—Golf attracted President-elect Harding ashore from his houseboat, the Victoria, again today, the vacation party putting in here for a round of the Fort Pierce links. It was midway before the journey southward was resumed and indications were that the Victoria would not reach Palm Beach until tomorrow.

CARSON CITY, Nev., Jan. 25.—A resolution to amend the constitution to provide that foreigners ineligible to become citizens shall not "hold, possess, enjoy or inherit real property which is adapted to agriculture, horticulture, viticulture, grazing or mining," was adopted unanimously by the Nevada senate today.

CHICAGO, Jan. 26.—Suit to set aside the order of the inter-state commerce commission allowing railroads to advance passenger fares in Illinois to 2.5 cents a mile was filed today in the federal district court.

Catholic Priest Is Grateful for Help of Methodist Leader

SALEM, Ore., Jan. 26.—Tears were in the eyes of Father O'Hara leader among Catholic clergymen and educators of Oregon, as he grasped the hand of Carl Gregg, Denny, president of Willamette university, when the two met for the first time yesterday and the Catholic educator thanked the Methodist educator for the stand he had taken relative to the rights of normal schools operated by the Catholic church. Senator Hume's bill, which would cause to be stricken from the list of standardized schools in the state the two Catholic normal schools at Sawgo and Mount Angel, was under consideration while the bill reaches all schools of the kind maintained by any church, it happens that these two are the only ones now affected. As a result of the conference the senate committee on education, meeting later in executive session, voted to recommend that two of Senator Hume's bills providing for the regulation of private, sectarian or parochial schools be not passed. Senator Hume will bring in a minority report.

BLACK CAT IS HOOD TO MR. MRS. PICKETT

Dark Hued Feline Held Responsible for Arrest of Crescent City Couple in Medford—Embezzlement Charge Is Filed.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Pickett of Crescent City, Calif., will evidently have more respect for the black cat hoodoo hereafter—at least enough not to any more defy fate by taking one along with them on their travels. Their black pet put a sudden end in this city yesterday afternoon to their journey California-ward, all superstitious people will aver. They had decided to move to another part of California, packed up and shipped their household goods to their new home, and with a few personal effects including their pet cat and dog jumped into their motor cycle with side car attachment and speeded for the new location by way of Grants Pass and Southern Oregon. They had just left Grants Pass yesterday noon when Sheriff Lewis at that city received a telegram from the Crescent City sheriff to arrest and hold Pickett on an embezzlement charge. Sheriff Lewis in turn phoned Chief of Police Timothy here to make the arrest. The local chief was waiting at the corner of Main and Riverside at 1:30 p. m. when the Picketts came speeding along, and at once put Pickett under arrest. Sheriff Lewis arrived here later in the afternoon and took him back to Grants Pass to await the arrival there of the California sheriff. Mrs. Pickett decided to remain in this city with the cat and dog. Mr. and Mrs. Pickett declared they were in ignorance of any cause for his arrest.

GEDDES HURRIES TO SEE L. GEORGE

PARIS, Jan. 25.—Sir Auckland Geddes, British ambassador to the United States, called home for conference, lost no time in following to Paris the British cabinet officers. Reaching Liverpool by steamer yesterday he left immediately for London and without delay there set out for Paris, arriving here today.

Sir Auckland was summoned to consult with Mr. Lloyd George and the secretary of state for foreign affairs, Lord Curzon. These ministers came here Sunday for the sessions of the allied supreme council and Sir Auckland hastened here for his conference with them.

Liberty Bonds NEW YORK, Jan. 26.—Liberty bonds closed: 3 1/2's 92.06; first 4's 87.80 bid; second 4's 87.80; third 4 1/2's 88.02; fourth 4 1/2's 88.14. Victory 3 1/2's 97.26; Victory 4 1/2's 97.39.

SCHWAB IS EXONERATED BY REPORT

Walsh Committee in Official Statement Declares Charge Against Magnate Not Proven and Truth of Statement Not Believed—Schwab, When Told of the News Again Becomes Lachrymose.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26.—Charges that Charles M. Schwab had received payment from the government for expenses while serving as director general of the emergency fleet corporation, were not proven and not true, the Walsh investigating committee declared today in an authorized statement. The opinion was expressed in a statement by Representative Steele, democrat, Pennsylvania, who said it was based on testimony and documentary evidence, while he individually felt a great injustice had been done Mr. Schwab.

After returning here from New York the committee discussed informally the testimony relating to a voucher for \$260,000 alleged to have been paid Mr. Schwab for expenses and directed Mr. Steele to make a statement. Mr. Steele authorized the following: "When asked if he cared to make any statement relative to the hearing held by the select committee on shipping board expenditures on the charges that Mr. Charles M. Schwab had received payment for expenses which were charged against the shipping board, emergency fleet corporation, to ship construction cost, Mr. Steele replied that members of the committee who heard all the testimony and saw the documents were satisfied that the facts were not proved and further that it was not true. "Mr. Steele further stated this statement was made with the knowledge and consent of the members of the committee."

NEW YORK, Jan. 26.—"I am indeed grateful," Charles M. Schwab, steel magnate today told the Associated Press, when he learned that the Walsh committee had issued a statement in Washington clearing him of charges of receiving payment from the government for expenses while serving as director general of the emergency fleet corporation. "It is the best news I have ever heard," he said, his voice shaking with emotion.

WASHINGTON BOXERS MUST HAVE A JOB

OLYMPIA, Wash., Jan. 26.—A bill legalizing ten-round boxing contests in the state was introduced in the state senate today. Senator William Wray, of King county, who submitted the measure, said that he had been assured of enough votes in both the senate and house to secure its enactment. The bill provides for a state boxing commission appointed by the governor, to have charge of all contests and exhibitions, and requires that a boxer, before entering the ring, must prove that he has a "useful, legitimate and gainful" occupation apart from boxing. Ten three-minute rounds are authorized and a referee is empowered to give a decision.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Jan. 26.—Joint committees of the Oregon and Washington legislatures will discuss interstate fisheries regulations at a meeting to be held in Seattle January 29, it was announced today.

'NO WORK, NO EAT' IS EDICT TO DAUGHTER

CHICAGO, Jan. 26.—No work, no eat, was the ultimatum to Agnes Ladzikoski, aged fifteen, which her mother was summoned to explain to Judge Arnold today. Agnes' work certificate had been revoked to school authorities to compel her to return to school. "I educated two girls and they ran away," said Mrs. Ladzikoski. "Agnes—she'll work. If she doesn't she can't eat here." When a city welfare worker found Agnes yesterday the mother's edict had caused Agnes to go without food for 24 hours.

U. S. Secret Service in Germany Fails to Capture Bergdoll

BERLIN, Jan. 26.—An attempt was recently made at Ebersbach to kidnap Grover Cleveland Bergdoll, American draft evader and a companion named Strecher, by five men in an automobile, including two American intelligence officers and one American sergeant, according to the Ebersbach Zeitung. Bergdoll was being driven to the railway station to meet wedding guests when the automobile was suddenly surrounded and its occupants ordered to surrender. The party attempted to escape and one of the Americans fired. The newspaper says, wounding a German friend of Bergdoll in the right hand. Police officers appeared and the five men fled, but the two alleged intelligence officers and another of the men were arrested.

WEST VIRGINIA MINE MURDER TRIAL STARTS

WILLIAMSON, W. Va., Jan. 26.—Twenty-four men from the little mining town of Matewan, five miles away, were here today to answer to the charge of murder in the Mingo county court. They were indicted last July for the part they are alleged to have taken in a battle with private detectives who had evicted former employes of the Stone Mountain Coal company from the corporation's houses. In the fight, seven detectives, the mayor and two other citizens were killed. The trials were set for September, but were postponed until January 19, and each of the defendants released on \$10,000 bond. Two hundred venue-men had been summoned and scores of friends and relatives of the accused men had come from all parts of the county. The defendants include Sid Hatfield, chief of police of Matewan, a number of workers and a union organizer. For several months before the battle, organizers of the United Mine Workers of America had been forming local unions among the miners. Employees of the Stone Mountain Coal company at Matewan joined the union, and it was stated at that time, were ordered to move from company houses. Some were still in possession May 19 and a party of private detectives was sent from Bluefield to serve writs of ejectment. They had completed their work and were on their way to the railroad station when the fight occurred. "Anse" Hatfield, proprietor of the hotel at Matewan, was looked upon as an important witness in the case. He was shot dead within a month after the indictments were returned and Sid Hatfield was afterward indicted for the killing.

Hume Parole Wins SALEM, Ore., Jan. 26.—An effort to kill by indefinite postponement the Hume parole board bill was defeated in the senate today when a minority report against it failed to be substituted for the majority report recommending that it pass. The bill will go to third reading. Senator Bell who alone signed the minority report, gave as his reason for opposing the bill that it would deprive the board of the representatives of a class of men whose services are valuable on the board.

CUBAN CRISIS PASSES, TRIP IS ABANDONED

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26.—The proposed trip of the senate Cuban relations committee to Cuba to investigate political and economic conditions probably will be abandoned, Senator Johnson, republican, California, chairman of the committee, indicated today after a conference with acting Secretary of State Davis. "Mr. Davis told me that satisfactory progress was being made and that conditions were working out well," senator Johnson said.

HAVANA, Jan. 26.—A senate bill providing for gradual liquidation of commercial and banking obligations covered by the moratorium decree, which has been in effect since October tenth, last, was passed by the house of representatives last night. Several amendments were made, however, and the bill must go back to the senate for further consideration.

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 25.—Police today reported two Portland citizens, Dr. T. Homer Coffin, a physician and C. Stein, a baker, had received threatening letters demanding \$5000. The letters, it was said, purported to be from "Shadow," but were in written form instead of the disguised printing that marked the letters sent recently to prominent residents signed "The Shadow."

GOV. COX VISITS WHITE HOUSE TO TELL PRES'T HE HAS DECIDED NOT TO MOVE IN THIS YEAR

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26.—There has been a very marked change for the better in President Wilson's condition since last summer, former Governor James M. Cox of Ohio, declared today after a forty minute visit to the president at the White House. The executive, Mr. Cox said, was "heavier and more robust in every way" than he was on the occasion of the former governor's call last summer after he had been nominated as the democratic presidential candidate. Describing his visit as merely a "friendly" call Mr. Cox refused to go into details as to his conversation. He did say that his projected trip to Europe in June was talked about and added that he would not take any "messages" to Europe for the president. Mr. Cox emphatically disclaimed any purpose in his call to talk politics and jokingly remarked that he had gone to the White House to tell the president that he had decided "not to move in."

FISH BILL IS PASSED IN HOUSE

Piscatory Measure Starts on Way to Final Passage—General Agreement Bill Will Pass Without Opposition—Reapportionment Bill Causes Clash East and West.

SALEM, Ore., Jan. 26.—With only one dissenting vote, the house today passed the Rogue river fish bill. The one adverse vote was cast by Representative Johnston, Josephine county, who objected to the emergency clause in the bill. There is general agreement the bill with certain amendments already announced will pass both houses.

SALEM, Ore., Jan. 26.—Clashes between eastern Oregon and Willamette valley representatives and between members of the delegation from east of the Cascades marked a session of the house of representatives late yesterday over the adoption of a reapportionment resolution offered by the resolutions committee. The resolution was a feeler thrown out by the committee to test the sentiment of the house before the Upton resolution calling for a committee of senate and house members to consider all reapportionment bills, was brought out of committee. The house, after prolonged debate, decided by a vote of 30 to 29 that reapportionment legislation should be considered by this legislature. A resolution was then reported favorably by the committee and unanimously passed.

SALEM, Ore., Jan. 26.—A fight was precipitated in the senate yesterday when the majority and minority report were brought on the committee on medicine, dentistry and pharmacy on the Staples, Farrell, Hume bill to regulate drugless therapeutics. After the most prolonged debate in the senate so far this session, the bill was allowed to continue on its way to third reading.

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SALEM, Ore., Jan. 26.—To make Portland a port of the first magnitude will require an expenditure in the next ten years of approximately \$4,000,000, if the city acquires Swan Island, Mooks bottom and Guild's lake and approximately \$10,000,000 if it develops them on the assessment plan, according to figures prepared by Frank M. Warren, president of the Port of Portland commission, for submission to the legislature when it convenes tonight in the house chamber to consider the Port of Portland port bills.

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Purported copies of correspondence between Abgar, fourteenth prince of Edessa in Mesopotamia, and Jesus Christ came to light in 1900.