

The Weather	
Maximum yesterday	50
Minimum today	31
Rain	1.07
Snow	4 in.

# MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

Predictions	
Probable rain or snow tonight and Tuesday.	

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## REAPPORTION BILL MAY BE THROWN OUT

**Senator Thomas Introduces Resolution to Have Committee Report to 1923 Session, Making Investigation Meanwhile—50 Bills Out of 678 Signed by Governor.**

SALEM, Ore., Feb. 14.—House bill 158 by Sheldon to repeal an obsolete section regarding location of mining claims was indefinitely postponed by the senate by adoption of an adverse report of the mining committee.

SALEM, Ore., Feb. 14.—Because of the nearness of the end of the legislative session and the short time remaining for action on the subject of reapportionment of representative and senatorial districts, Senator Thomas today introduced a joint resolution to have the special reapportionment committee continue to investigate in the next two years and report to the session of 1923.

Should the Thomas bill prevail, the committee would be instructed to have a bill prepared for the 1923 session and to present it during the first week of that session.

SALEM, Ore., Feb. 14.—The senate today passed a house bill to prevent false advertising. It was introduced at the request of the Portland Ad club.

SALEM, Ore., Feb. 14.—To expedite the business of the senate in an effort to adjourn at the end of this week, President Ritter announced this morning that senate rule 27 will be enforced. This prevents any senator except the author of a bill or speaker on any measure on final passage for more than five minutes or any member except the author to speak on a resolution more than three minutes. Any member, however, may waive his time in favor of another member.

SALEM, Ore., Feb. 14.—A senate bill by Bell, providing for the regulation of the retail sale of garments and cloth by requiring the merchant to show in writing the amount of the various kinds of material in the cloth was killed in the senate by indefinite postponement today.

The Hindman house bill relating to abandonment of or failure to support a wife or minor child was killed in the senate by indefinite postponement.

**50 Bills Signed.**  
SALEM, Ore., Feb. 14.—Fifty measures passed by the legislature had been signed by Governor Ben W. Olditt when the legislature this morning began the last week of its forty-day session. Thirty-one of the bills originated in the house and 19 in the senate.

Up to the hour of adjournment Saturday afternoon, a total of 337 bills had been introduced in the senate, while 341 measures had found their way to the clerk of the house. This makes a total of 678 bills as against an aggregate of approximately 1150 measures introduced during the biennial session of the lawmakers held two years ago.

If the legislature does not dispose of the business before it this week, members said holdover sessions would be run into next week. Legislators would receive no pay for the time over the constitutional 40-day session.

SALEM, Ore., Feb. 14.—Representative Hindman of Multnomah today introduced a bill amending the code relating to teachers' certificates so that graduates of standard colleges and universities now entitled to teach only in high schools will be entitled to teach in all schools of the state.

OGDEN, Utah, Feb. 14.—Five hundred men are affected by an order posted at the Southern Pacific shops here today, closing the shops tonight until February 23.

## JOE JACKSON AND WILLIAMS NOW DENY CONFESSION GAME THROWING

CHICAGO, Feb. 14.—Formal repudiations of alleged grand jury confessions of crooked baseball playing were filed in the criminal court here today, on behalf of Claude Williams and Joe Jackson, Chicago American league players indicted on charges of conspiracy to throw the 1919 world's series.

The petition filed today on behalf of Williams, Jackson and George (Buck) Weaver, a teammate, declares that none of the three ever made admissions charged against the first two and deny that they ever threw ball games or conspired to do so. Weaver

## Scandinavian Bank Of Fargo Is Closed By Bank Examiner

BISMARCK, N. D., Feb. 14.—Inability to satisfy its liabilities to the Bank of North Dakota caused the closing today of the Scandinavian-American Bank of Fargo, it was announced by O. E. Lofthus, state bank examiner.

The institution had been mentioned frequently in the investigation by a committee of the house of the North Dakota legislature of a recent audit of the Bank of North Dakota.

In October, 1918, the bank was ordered closed by the state banking board was reopened by the state supreme court a short time later.

The supreme court ruled that the bank was solvent.

## R. R. LABOR BOARD HOLDS CONTROL IN WAGE REDUCTIONS

CHICAGO, Feb. 14.—The United States railroad labor board today refused the application of employees of the Atlanta, Birmingham and Atlantic of the Atlanta, Birmingham and Atlantic railroad to throw out the dispute over wages on the plea that it was without the jurisdiction of the board. The railroad's defense of its proposed reduction of wages, which was ordered held up by the board recently, was inability to meet operating expenses, of which the employees' payroll constitutes 71 per cent.

CHICAGO, Feb. 14.—Recent reductions in the wages of maintenance of way men and changes in the working conditions of train dispatchers as announced by the Erie railroad were suspended by the federal railroad labor board today. The board announced that no reductions in wages or changes in working conditions could become effective except by agreements between the road and its employees until the board has an opportunity to pass upon the case. The hearing was set for February 23.

Train dispatchers' representatives also charged that the road had ordered them to work seven days a week. Previously they had a six day week.

DETROIT, Mich., Feb. 14.—Belief that the hearing into wage reductions of maintenance of way men, announced today by the federal railroad labor board in Chicago would serve as a test case for maintenance men on all railways of the country, was expressed here today by E. F. Grable, president of the United Brotherhood of Maintenance of Way Employees and Railway Shop Laborers.

## LATEST NEWS OF THE STATE

SALEM, Ore., Feb. 14.—The Lebanon Electric Light and Water company has filed with the public service commission an application to increase its service rates.

SALEM, Ore., Feb. 14.—The public service commission will be represented today at a hearing at Harrisburg to inquire into the derangement of two passenger coaches on Southern Pacific train No. 18. The cars were overturned, but no one seriously injured.

PORTLAND, Feb. 14.—Soft snow and heavy rain were accompaniments of a storm which swept over the Oregon and southwest Washington coast districts yesterday. In Portland the snow fell continually after noon. Astoria reported two inches of snow early in the day.

did not appear before the grand jury and has from the first denied taking part in the alleged conspiracy.

GREENVILLE, S. C., Feb. 14.—Joe Jackson, former Chicago White Sox outfielder, may have to pay upwards of \$1300 income tax and penalty on the \$5000 he is said to have received during the world's series of 1919, according to a statement today by Attorney James J. Price, who has been retained as counsel for Jackson. Jackson claimed the money was received as a gift.

It is said a decision will be given soon by treasury officials.

## LANDIS IS IMPEACHED IN SPEECH

**Federal Judge Impeached by Representative Welty, Democrat, From Ohio, Who Soon Retires—Five Charges Are Filed—Senator Dial Will Follow Suit.**

CHICAGO, Feb. 14.—Judge Kenasaw M. Landis, when shown dispatches from Washington telling of his impeachment by Representative Welty of Ohio, in the house of representatives, read carefully the charges outlined. As the jurist perused the dispatches he smiled occasionally and then handed the dispatches back saying that he was thankful for having had the opportunity of reading them but he had no comment to make at this time.

"In the meantime, let these boys lather themselves good," the judge said with a broad smile.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 14.—Federal Judge Kenasaw Mountain Landis of Chicago was impeached in the house of representatives today by Representative Welty, democrat, Ohio, who



JUDGE K. M. LANDIS Whose Impeachment Is Demanded by Two Congressmen.

charged him with "high crimes and misdemeanors" in connection with his acceptance of the position of supreme arbiter of baseball at a salary of \$12,500 a year.

Should the house decide to institute proceedings against Judge Landis on the basis of Mr. Welty's charges, a formal trial before the bar of the house would be held and a decision rendered. Mr. Welty did not introduce a resolution proposing impeachment as is the usual procedure in such matters. Instead he arose to "a question of high personal privilege," and announced he "impeached" the judge.

Without debate the Welty charges, on Mr. Welty's motion, were referred to the judiciary committee for investigation and report. There were a few scattering noes.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 14.—Representative Welty, of Ohio, refused today to grant a request of Senator Dial, of South Carolina, that he include in his proposed impeachment proceedings against Federal Judge Landis the statement attributed to the judge that officials of an Ottawa, Illinois, bank were responsible for an embezzlement by a clerk of the bank because they paid the clerk only \$90 a month.

## SPARKS FROM TODAY'S WIRE

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Feb. 14.—Benjamin Leonard, lightweight champion today was offered \$20,000 by Tom Andrews, local promoter, to meet Ritchie Mitchell of Milwaukee here in March.

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla., Feb. 14.—Thomas B. Ferguson, territorial governor and prominent republican leader in Oklahoma during the days before statehood, died early today at a local hospital.

PORT ANGELES, Wash., Feb. 14.—The plant of the Port Angeles Daily Herald was wrecked by fire of undetermined origin today. The extent of the damage has not been ascertained.

WICHITA, Kas., Feb. 14.—Augusta, Kas., where a mob last night threatened the police station with the alleged intention of lynching an officer who was said to have wounded Charles Formen, an oil fields worker, probably fatally, was quiet today.

ATHENS, Feb. 14.—Strikes on tramways and in railway electric power stations have been declared off following the action of King Constantine in receiving deputations and intervening in favor of the strikers.

## Waiting for Coming Of Christ Leads to Denver Bread Line

DENVER, Colo., Feb. 14.—Joshua (Jehovah) Skyes, head of the cult known as the House of David, failed to appear in the juvenile court here today to answer charges of contributing to the delinquency and dependence of children.

It was suggested he might have gone to San Francisco to surrender preparatory to beginning a penitentiary sentence of two years on charges of violating the espionage act.

The charges which were to come up today particularly referred to Skyes regulations that men and women members of the cult of which he is head refrain from working for seven months preparatory to the coming of Christ.

A number of his flock obeyed, according to the police and their neglected children were forced to secure food thrown out by Denver housewives.

## ACCUSE JUROR OF ASKING A BRIBE

WASHINGTON, Feb. 14.—M. S. Johnson, a juror in the case of David W. Sullivan, a local broker, against John T. Davis, of West Virginia, for \$500,000 damages for the alleged alienating of Mrs. Sullivan's affections, was arrested in the district supreme court today on a charge of having offered to accept a bribe of \$55,000 from the defendant to vote for dismissal.

The court declared a mistrial of the damage suit.

## WAGES REDUCED, MEN WALK OUT

ELIZABETH, N. J., Feb. 14.—Three hundred ship carpenters, blacksmiths and caulkers at the Moore plant of the Bethlehem Shipbuilding corporation here struck today in protest against a wage reduction of 10 per cent, which became effective in the corporation's plants at Quincy, Mass., Baltimore and Wilmington, Del.

## FORBID R. R. WORKERS TO ENTER POLITICS

TORONTO, Ont., Feb. 14.—Employees of the Canadian National railways, the government system, will not be permitted to continue in the service and accept nominations from any political party, either federal or provincial, according to a ruling by D. B. Hanna, president, made public here today.

This decision followed consideration by the president and directors of a report by a board of conciliation in the case of three employees who accepted nominations and were discharged. An exception has been granted in the case of these men, who will be re-instated.

## OREGON EILERS CO. MUST PAY PIPER

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 14.—A decision directing the Oregon Eilers Music house of Portland to turn over its assets, valued at \$45,000 to H. W. Sitton, trustee for Eilers Music house, bankrupt, was handed down today by the United States circuit court of appeals here. The decision affirmed a district court judgment.

The Oregon Eilers company had held that it did not have to surrender its assets as it was not a part of the Eilers company.

## NAVAL REDUCTION AMENDMENT LOST

WASHINGTON, Feb. 14.—The house voted down today, 124 to 30, an amendment to the naval appropriation bill which would have prevented the expenditure of any part of the \$90,000,000 carried in the measure for continuing naval construction until the president called an international disarmament conference.

## LIBERTY BONDS

NEW YORK, Feb. 14.—Liberty bonds closed: 3 1/2's 91.20. First 4's 86.80 bid; second 4's 86.70. First 4 1/2's 87.30; second 4 1/2's 86.80; third 4 1/2's 86.14; fourth 4 1/2's 87.18. Victory 3 1/2's 97.66; Victory 4 1/2's 97.22.

## ABANDON ALL HOPE FINDING PILOT ALIVE

**Officers of Eighth Army Corps Certain Aviator Pearson Met Death in Flight From El Paso to San Antonio—Motor Was Missing Over Pecos Valley—Search Continues.**

SAN ANTONIO, Texas, Feb. 14.—Belief that Lieutenant Alexander Pearson, Jr., missing since Thursday, met death on his attempted flight from El Paso to San Antonio was generally expressed today by officers at headquarters of the eighth army corps area who are directing a search of the entire west Texas borderland. Airplanes and several parties of cowboys are taking part.

Up to three o'clock this forenoon no report of finding the aviator had been received.

His course has been traced beyond Saragosa in Reeves county and Fort Stockton, in Pecos county and both places he was headed toward San Antonio.

Speculation now centers on whether Pearson, with his motor "missing" was able to get across the Pecos valley which, divided by the Pecos river flowing in a deep gorge, is flanked on either side by rocks and crags, presenting a certain death to any aviator forced to seek a landing on its dangerous rocks. Beyond this strip of "bad land" lies the plains where he might have safely got his ship down without injury.

## Major Leads Hunt

EL PASO, Texas, Feb. 14.—Major Leo J. Heffernan, commander of aviation at Fort Bliss, took the air this morning for Sanderson, Texas, where he is to direct the search for Lieutenant Pearson who has been lost since Thursday.

Major Heffernan's first move will be to organize flying expeditions to the Big Bend district in Chihuahua and into counties further east of those searched during the last three days, it was announced at aviation headquarters.

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## CONCILIATORY SPIRIT BY ALLIES ONLY HOPE PEACE NEAR EAST, SAYS ABDUL

CONSTANTINOPLE, Feb. 13.—(By the Associated Press)—Hope that allied delegates would enter the Near Eastern conference to be held in London next week with a compromising spirit was expressed here today by Abdul Medjid Effendi, heir presumptive to the Turkish throne. Only by such an attitude would it be possible to establish peace in the Near East, and he said it might be too late to insure an end to hostilities, if the Turkish nationalists have made any military agreements with the Russian bolsheviks.

He indicated that Turkey was awaiting with interest the develop-

## Population Center Is Moved 9.8 Miles West by California

WASHINGTON, Feb. 14.—The center of population as disclosed by the 1920 census is located in the extreme southeast corner of Owen county, Indiana, 8.3 miles southeast of the town of Spencer, the census bureau announced today.

During the last decade the center of population continued to move westward, advancing 9.8 miles in that direction and about one-fifth of a mile north from Bloomington, Ind., where it was located by the census of 1910.

The bureau attributed the westward movement in the last decade, principally to the increase of more than 1,900,000 in the population of the state of California.

## UNEMPLOYMENT IN PORTLAND IS NOW GETTING SERIOUS

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 14.—The unemployment situation in Portland has become so acute that there are now more than 2000 bread winners jobless and penniless. The Portland city council and Multnomah county commissioners have authorized Portland Post No. 1 of the American Legion to take the situation in hand in order that a more serious condition may be averted.

To prevent unemployment men and women coming to Portland, where only suffering and enforced return would be their lot, the unemployment commission of Portland Post No. 1 of the American Legion is enlisting the cooperation of Legion posts and the press throughout Oregon and adjoining states in warning the unemployed to stay out of Portland until conditions improve.

"Employment will be provided for most of the unemployed Portland family men within 30 days, but the city cannot provide either work or financial aid for outsiders until conditions improve in the spring," according to the announcement of Charles B. Rucker, chairman of the unemployment commission.

## SWINDLE GANG LEADER NABBED

CHICAGO, Feb. 14.—One of the alleged ring leaders of a band of swindlers blamed by police for the disappearance of C. C. Dukes, a banker of Milan, Ga., four months ago, and the loss to their victims of \$2,500,000 was identified here today as Neal McDouglass, under arrest on suspicion of having defrauded many Chicago women of valuable jewelry.

While held under the Chicago charges, Atlanta police are said to have identified him as one of a band of confidence men, numbering at times nearly a hundred.

An elaborately equipped club was maintained by the band, police reports said, in which victims were entertained while plans were laid to swindle them.

NEW YORK, Feb. 14.—Edward Costello, motorman on a Long Island local railroad train that collided last night with an express train in Brooklyn, injuring more than sixty persons, fifteen seriously, was held today, charged with felonious assault.

## 1ST TYPHUS DEATH SINCE '92, IN N. Y.

NEW YORK, Feb. 14.—While Health Commissioner Copeland today was renewing his protests to Washington against the increasing number of infested immigrants arriving at this port, the health department recorded the first death in this city from true typhus since 1892.

## PARIS, Feb. 14.—Revision of the Sevres treaty between the allies and Turkey is being opposed by every means at his disposal by former Premier Venizelos of Greece, he declares in an interview in the Petit Parisien. Mr. Venizelos takes occasion to deny recent reports that his flight against any alteration of the Sevres pact is evidence that he has entered into relations with King Constantine of Greece.

## FORGET WAR ANIMOSITIES HARDING AIM

**Outline of President-elect's Inaugural Given Out—Return to Peace and Reconstruction Urged—Unshackling of Business and End of Government Meddling.**

ST. AUGUSTINE, Fla., Feb. 14.—A plea that the nation forget the animosities and partisanship of the after war period and wheel its shoulder unflinchingly to the wheel of reconstruction is expected to form the keynote of Warren G. Harding's message when he comes into the presidency.

Although the inaugural address still is far from complete, it was learned today that considerable had been done on it and that the subjects it is to cover virtually had been selected. It is understood it will be brief.

One of the outstanding features is expected to be an appeal for confidence in the nation's business stability, linked with assurance "that the administration will keep away from meddling methods in its relations with the business world."

Detailed statement of a taxation policy, however, is to be reserved until congress has been called into special session, probably in April.

**For Peace Association**  
It is believed Mr. Harding's address will touch very briefly on the question of an international peace association and will tersely pledge the incoming administration to use its best effort to secure a peace agreement compatible with American aspirations. There is expected also to be a word of friendship for Mexico and the rest of Latin-America.

Mr. Harding now is devoting little time to the actual wording of the document and most of the real work of putting his ideas in language probably will not be done until next week. He has a heavy appointment list during the next few days and by Saturday will have heard the advice of several prominent party leaders including Charles Evans Hughes, generally understood to be the prospective secretary of state.

Among those who had appointments today was Thomas Y. Lamont, a partner in the Morgan Banking company who helped frame the financial sections of the treaty of Versailles.

## GAS IS REDUCED 2 CENTS GALLON

NEW YORK, Feb. 14.—The Standard Oil company of New York today reduced the price of gasoline two cents a gallon, making the wholesale price 28 cents.

PITTSBURGH, Feb. 14.—Purchasing agencies here today announced further reductions in the price of crude oil. The grade known as Corning was cut 45 cents a barrel to \$2.64, while Gabel was cut 50 cents to \$2.45.