

Maximum yesterday 77
Minimum today 36

Fair. Heavy frost in morning. Warmer Saturday.

MEDFORD, OREGON, FRIDAY, MAY 27, 1921

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BIG TIMBER TRACT SOLD TO MR. OLDS

87,500,000 Feet in Crater Lake Forest Awarded to Local Owner Pacific and Eastern R. R.—Deal Means Tremendous Development Medford's Lumber Industry.

PORTLAND, Ore., May 27.—Increased development in Southern Oregon will be a direct result of the award made to Millard D. Olds of Medford...

Situated 11 1/2 miles east of Butte Falls, the eastern terminus of the Pacific & Eastern railroad, which Olds is reported to have purchased recently...

The contract makes it necessary for the buyer to begin cutting operations June 1, 1923, allowing two years in which to erect necessary apparatus and build a logging road.

Facilities for lumbering are excellent, T. T. Mungler of the forest service points out, for the country is of gentle topography that makes it possible to log by what is known as horse logging.

The expenditure of approximately \$28,000 to extend the tracks one of the largest costs. The total cost of logging 1000 feet and delivering at Butte Falls is estimated at \$11.20.

When shown the above dispatch today, G. L. Buhman, who represents the M. D. Olds interests in Southern Oregon, said he had no reason to doubt the authenticity of the report...

"I am expecting Mr. Olds in Medford within the next two months," said Mr. Buhman, "and at that time he will no doubt make a public announcement concerning his plans. Until then I have nothing to say, except that if we have the timber, we will certainly cut it. In fact, to hold the timber, we will have to begin operations on or before June, 1923."

For some time there have been rumors that the Olds company, which now owns the Pacific and Eastern railroad planned to build a large saw mill in Medford, extend the P. & E. to the yellow and sugar pine timber tract, and go into lumber operations on a large scale, and this dispatch seems to substantiate this rumor.

The Brownlee plant, with a capacity of 150,000 feet a day, is now nearing completion, and the Olds mill will undoubtedly be as large if not larger. Certain freight considerations may

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RICKENBACKER SMASHES MACHINE AT CHEYENNE; CONTINUES IN MAIL PLANE

OMAHA, Neb., May 27.—Eddie Rickenbacker, American ace, arrived here at 11:53 a. m., from Cheyenne, Wyo., in an air mail plane.

CHEYENNE, Wyo., May 27.—Eddie Rickenbacker resumed his transcontinental flight from this city at 6 o'clock this morning as a passenger in a mail plane piloted by C. V. Pickup.

At Omaha Rickenbacker intends to take command of the ship and drive to Washington, arriving there Saturday night.

N. W. Radicals Plot To Set Forest Fires To Make a Cleanup

SPOKANE, May 27.—To resist what they declare are plots on the part of radicals of the Pacific northwest to set fires in the forests, department of justice officials here today announced organization of a force of state and federal officers to cooperate with forest service officials to protect standing timber during the forest fire season.

CALIFORNIA AND STANFORD STRONG IN EASTERN MEET

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., May 27.—The athletes of Harvard university competing on their own grounds today led a field of 29 colleges in qualification for the final competitions tomorrow in the annual inter-collegiate track and field championship meeting.

Leland Stanford, with an even smaller group of contestants, was high in the day's rankings, placing seven men in the same group with Princeton and Cornell.

MRS. MAHONEY, SEEN WEDNESDAY

CENTRALIA, Wash., May 27.—A woman, believed to be Mrs. Kate E. Mahoney, for whom Seattle police have instituted a nation-wide search was seen as a passenger on a train out of here May 25, leaving the train at Aberdeen, Wash., according to police here.

SEATTLE, May 27.—James E. Mahoney, held here on a charge of first degree forgery while a search is being conducted for his second wife, Mrs. Kate Mahoney, who disappeared last April, was married to his first wife in Tacoma, eight years ago, and subsequently divorced.

IOWA SWEEP BY TORNADO, 1 DEAD

MASON CITY, Ia., May 27.—Buildings on a half dozen farms were blown away and at least one man lost his life in a tornado which late yesterday afternoon swept a path almost a quarter of a mile wide between Plymouth and Manly. Wires are down and it has been impossible to learn the full extent of the damage wrought.

DISREGARD OF HONESTY HALTS TRADE REVIVAL

Judge Gary Declares Full Return to Prosperity Will Be Slow Until Principles Common Honesty and Decency Are Applied.

NEW YORK, May 27.—Full return to satisfactory business conditions will be slow until the minority of business men and working men who have ignored the principles of common honesty are aroused to the necessity of sound and decent standards of conduct, according to Elbert H. Gary, chairman of the United States Steel corporation.

Speaking today before the American Iron and Steel Institute, of which he is president, Mr. Gary said the American people are not buying enough to supply themselves fully with the ordinary comforts of life, although they have the disposition and the means to do so. This, he explained, was due to the opinion of the purchasing public that there has not been complete and proper readjustment of prices.

Patience, courage and a fair disposition will bring satisfactory conditions in due time. Present steel selling prices, Mr. Gary declared, will not permit a reduction until wages are further decreased. It would be unjust, he said, to further reduce wage rates before the costs of living are lowered.

Retail prices for many commodities are much too high, declared Mr. Gary, adding that without justification workers' wages have been advanced through reclassification so as to designate them as skilled men.

"I think," he continued, "there has been and still is charged and collected for certain commodities unreasonable and unfair, if not extortionate, prices. They apply to particular lines and persons."

The vast majority of business men and working men are sincere and fair but there is perhaps always will be a part that ignore the principles of common honesty. He urged that the observance and enforcement of law be insisted upon throughout the world as a necessity to the improvement of the general situation.

The speaker asserted that one of the most hopeful signs of the times was the apparent disposition of the present administration at Washington to aid rather than obstruct the national and legitimate progress of business.

WOMEN IN OREGON GAINING ON MEN

WASHINGTON, May 27.—Oregon grew in population in the last ten-year period, 119,624. Women increased greatly in the count during the decade. The details of the population as compared with ten years ago, as announced by the census bureau follows: The total population of the state, 783,389, comprises 416,334 males and 367,055 females. The corresponding figures for 1910 were: Total, 672,765; males 384,266, females 288,500.

SECY. OF NAVY TO VISIT IN OREGON

WASHINGTON, May 27.—Secretary of the Navy Denby says that he would be able to decide tentatively as to the dates for his Alaskan and western trip in a few days. On his return from the Alaskan inspection it is his plan to visit the ports of the Pacific and spend as much time as possible in each of the larger centers. Tentatively he will begin at Seattle and follow with his visits to Portland, San Francisco, Los Angeles and San Diego in the order named.

J. A. Stillman Denies Divorce Settlement, Will Continue Fight

NEW YORK, May 27.—Counsel for James A. Stillman, New York banker, today issued a statement denying they had taken any part in negotiations for settlement of the divorce action which he has brought against the former Bill Potter.

U. S. FLEET MAY BE LOCATED IN PACIFIC OCEAN

WASHINGTON, May 27.—(Telegram) Washington Bureau—An informal, but none the less definite understanding is being approached by which the entire United States navy may be permanently concentrated in the Pacific to guard the commerce of that great theater of commerce, while the Atlantic will be policed by the fighting craft of Great Britain.

This proposed arrangement is predicted on advances made by the British government and has received much encouragement at the hands of the new administration. Now Up to Hughes. Just how far it has progressed none in authority will say, but it is known that the proposal to place all the fighting craft of the United States navy in Pacific waters awaits only the sanction of Secretary of State Hughes and that this depends upon the progress of the mutual understanding between the United States and Great Britain.

Orders have been issued by the navy department to the Tennessee, newest and finest of the battleships, to join the Pacific fleet as soon as practical and the last word in fighting ships will soon be with the New Mexico and the other units of the Pacific armada.

World's Best Ship. The Tennessee will reach the West coast through the Panama canal and should be at her position station within a few weeks. This movement is indicative of orders to transfer the Atlantic fleet to the Pacific which are expected at an early date.

BASEBALL SCORES

Table with columns: National, R, H, E. Rows include Cincinnati, Pittsburgh, New York, Boston, Brooklyn, Philadelphia, St. Louis, Chicago, American, Chicago, Detroit.

Tariff Bill Signed

WASHINGTON, May 27.—The emergency tariff bill was signed late today by President Harding. The new law will become effective tomorrow. It will affect for a six months period most farm products and carries a provision, designed to prevent the dumping of foreign goods in this country.

SECOND TRIAL BLAKELEY CASE GOES TO JURY

Woman Defendant Tells a Frank and Straight Forward Story On the Stand—Liljquist Closes Argument for the State.

Closing arguments in the retrial of Mrs. Myrtle W. Blakeley, charged with malfeasance in office while county treasurer, began in the circuit court this morning, after the defendant had testified in her own behalf—the only witness for the defense. The case went to the jury this afternoon.

Mrs. Blakeley testified as to her conduct of the office, and was cross-examined by Assistant Attorney General Liljquist in detail, upon technical points. Mrs. Blakeley testified that one time she was forced to take \$10,000 in currency to her home, because there was no safe place to keep it. She was visibly excited by the question, and answered all her questions hurriedly, sometimes before her attorney could register objections.

District Attorney Moore in his opening statement to the jury said that there had been a technical violation of the law, and that the "defendant had admitted her guilt on the witness stand."

Attorney Gus Newbury for the defense declared that no moral crime had been committed, "but because of an unusual situation, this little woman is dragged into court, and confronted with the possibility of a prison term." He declared "that not a county treasurer in the state of Oregon but what could be indicted under the same law." He said it was "ridiculous," and that Mrs. Blakeley "for a paltry \$100 a month handled a million and a half dollars a year for Jackson county without a blot on her good name and efficiency."

It was also contended that the state had failed in its case, and that the method of handling county funds was faulty. Attorney Newbury also ridiculed the claim that "the business of Jackson county had been impaired by Mrs. Blakeley's acts. In closing his appeal Attorney Newbury asked the jury "to extend to the little woman on trial consideration for public service well rendered," and "return a broad minded verdict, tempered by mercy."

Attorney Liljquist closed for the state and told the jury that "he came only as a duty," and "to be fair and impartial alike to state and defense." His argument was devoted entirely to a discussion of the legal phases of the case.

Thursday's Session. At the Thursday afternoon session of the circuit court, four witnesses for the state testified in the retrial of Mrs. Myrtle W. Blakeley, former county treasurer, charged with malfeasance in office.

About the testimony of E. M. Wilson, public accountant of this city, a storm of objections and spirited cross examination centered most of the afternoon. Wilson was called to give expert testimony on the conditions and methods employed in the books of the treasurer's office during the regime of Mrs. Blakeley. On direct testimony he testified that "about one-third of the total county funds were in the Bank of Jacksonville."

"Can you testify from the records—not your imagination—that one cent of the money in the Bank of Jacksonville belonged to Jackson county," asked Attorney Gus Newbury for the defense upon cross examination.

The witness answered "yes," and the defense attorney retorted "Then show it to me, so I can point it out to every man on the jury."

The witness was unable to do this except in a general way, and brought from Attorney Newbury the surmise: "You can read, can't you, Mr. Wilson?"

A spirited exchange followed, the court cautioning the defense counsel. Efforts to induce the witness to admit "that he was drawing on his imagination, and something he had conjured up in his own mind," failed. The state questioned the distribution of county funds, and read from a report he had made from the books of the treasurer's office in August, 1920. "The contention of the defense was that the money belonged to the various departments of Jackson county, but not to Jackson county as a corporation as alleged. Mr. Wilson was on the stand for two hours, and his questioning involved complicated points of law and accounting. The first witness called after a day

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Continued Rise of Columbia Threatens Disastrous Flood

PORTLAND, Ore., May 27.—Continued slow rise of the Columbia and lower Willamette was forecast today by the weather bureau, with stage of 23.3 here Monday. Reports from the upper Columbia this morning showed further slight rise and there was a rise of four-tenths reported in the Snake river.

VANCOUVER, Wash., May 27.—Rising water of the Columbia today washed out six feet on one side of a cattle run through the embankment of an industrial road and paralleling the river. The water stands on both sides of the road within two feet of the road's surface. The county engineer repaired the damage with several loads of gravel.

MEDFORD MEN JOIN IN MINE EXTENSION WORK

The latest result of the great stimulation in mining interest in Josephine and Jackson counties brought about by the rich discoveries of the Boswell mine in the Brucker Creek section, and which is bringing here mining men from all over to prospect the hills of Southern Oregon, is the formation of the Boswell Extension Gold Mines company in which Medford and Grants Pass men are interested, together with A. M. Knapp, of San Francisco, who is a mining man of 25 years experience.

Mr. Knapp has just returned to Medford from Carson City where he took preparatory steps to incorporate the Boswell Extension Gold Mines company, final papers for which will be mailed Saturday. Interested with him in the company are the Page-Dressler corporation of Medford; George S. Barton, president of the Boswell mine; H. D. Norton, president of the First National bank of Grants Pass, and John Breeding of Grants Pass.

This new concern, which will be a close corporation has purchased and paid for deeds to six claims immediately adjoining the Boswell mine and extending to the Cohen mines, owned and being developed by Seattle men. In these six claims the men interested believe they have the mother lode that fed all the rich placer territory in the Illinois river section. These claims consist of what is known as the "old Bingle brothers property," and the "old Bingle brothers property."

The claims adjoin the Boswell mine and it is claimed the same rich ore ledge, if not a far richer one, runs through them, and extends to the Cohen mine, where the first gold in Southern Oregon was discovered in 1847.

The new corporation plans to push development work and block out a large tonnage of ore before constructing a reduction plant.

ROSEBURG RANCHER MURDER VICTIM

ROSEBURG, Ore., May 27.—Abe Glivens, aged 48, a homesteader, was found murdered in his cabin at Noon, above Peel, this morning. The slayer, according to reports to the sheriff's office, had tried unsuccessfully to burn the body. Officers are reported to be investigating the movements of a stranger who had been in the neighborhood.

Caravans of camels passing through Afghanistan sometimes number 120,000 laden beasts.

HUNTER WINS GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP SMOTHERING GRAHAM BY TWELVE UP

HOYLAKE, May 27.—(By the Associated Press)—W. I. Hunter of Waimier and Kingsdown won the British amateur golf championship here today. In the 36-hole finals Hunter defeated Allan Graham, Royal Liverpool in a one-sided match by 12 up and 11 to play.

BERGDOLL PROPERTY IS SEIZED

U. S. Alien Property Custodian Springs Surprise By Taking Over Slacker's Property in U. S. A., Valued at \$850,000—Grover Will Have to Work or Come Home.

PHILADELPHIA, May 27.—All of the property in this city of Grover C. Bergdoll, convicted draft evader and army deserter, now in Germany, valued at about \$850,000 was seized today by Colonel Thomas W. Miller, alien property custodian of the United States. It consists of real estate and money on deposit in four local banking institutions.

The property was held by Mrs. Emma C. Bergdoll, Grover's mother, under a power of attorney. The seizure, Colonel Miller announced, was by direction of the president and under the authority of the trading with the enemy act. It is the first seizure since June 1918.

Accompanied by Major Vincent A. Carroll, his personal attorney, Colonel Miller seized the "Bergdoll castle" on the outskirts of this city where Mrs. Bergdoll lives. This property was left to Grover by his father. Mrs. Bergdoll owns a residence in the city in a section locally known as "Brewerytown."

President Schweidheiser of the Bergdoll Brewing company was seized with a similar order being up Grover's holdings in that company. It is expected the seizure will cut off all funds Grover may be receiving from the United States and throw him upon his own resources in Germany.

Held As Enemy. WASHINGTON, May 27.—Grover Bergdoll, by reason of his escape to Germany is now held by the American government to be an "enemy" within the meaning of the "trading with the enemy act." This is explained in a statement by Thomas H. Miller, alien property custodian, which was made public today at his office here.

This move has been in contemplation for several weeks and has been the subject of conferences between the president, the attorney general, and the alien property custodian, the statement said. "The state department has amended the general war trade board license of October 2, 1920, which permitted Bergdoll to enjoy the benefit of his property in this country."

"Bergdoll, in addition to his other crimes against this country by reason of his evasion of the draft laws and subsequent escape is today an enemy under the trading with the enemy act. The intention of the alien property custodian is to administer the property seized today as that of any other enemy's until congress directs what disposition is to be made of the enemy property in the hands of the custodian."

THYE WRESTLES MILLER TO DECISION TONIGHT

LOS ANGELES, May 27.—Ted Thye, claimant of the middleweight wrestling championship, and Walter Miller, aspirant for the title, will meet in a bout at the Los Angeles athletic club tonight. Conditions of the match call for a decision by judges at the end of three hours of wrestling, if a fall should not be scored within that time.

The men recently wrestled to a draw. Mad Hatter Wins. BELMONT PARK, N. Y., May 27.—The Metropolitan handicap at one mile, the first big event of the local racing season, was won here today by Mad Hatter.

GRABHAM'S PLAY WAS ADVERSELY AFFECTED BY THE SUDDEN ILLNESS OF HIS FATHER WHO IS NOT EXPECTED TO RECOVER.

HOYLAKE, May 27.—(By the Associated Press)—W. I. Hunter of Waimier and Kingsdown won the British amateur golf championship here today. In the first half of their match today for the British amateur golf championship, He completed the 18th