

The Weather

Maximum yesterday 69
Minimum today 44

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

Predictions

Fair tonight. Rain Thursday.

Daily—Sixteenth Year.
Weekly—Fifty-First Year.

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BOMB EXPLODED U. S. EMBASSY, PARIS

ATTEMPT TO KILL MYRON T. HERRICK

Package Addressed to U. S. Ambassador Explodes in Valet's Hands—Valet Seriously Injured and Residence Wrecked—Pershing Aids in Search for Culprits.

PARIS, Oct. 19.—(By the Associated Press.)—A bomb exploded today in the house of Myron T. Herrick, the American ambassador, seriously injuring the valet who opened the package containing it.

The room in which the explosion occurred was wrecked.

Ambassador Herrick arrived at the house two minutes after the bomb blew up.

The bomb explosion followed receipt of threatening letters which have been coming to the ambassador in the last few days in connection with the cases of two Italians recently convicted of murder in Massachusetts.

Addressed to Herrick
The bomb was contained in a carefully made package, delivered this morning and addressed personally to the ambassador, who, it appears, might well have opened it himself, as it seemed to be a gift designed for him.

Immediately after the explosion Ambassador Herrick went to the Hotel Crillon, where General Pershing is stopping. The prefect of police joined the general and the ambassador there and this evening they were conferring on the case while the entire detective service of Paris was at work in an attempt to trace the origin of the bomb.

Considerable damage was done the ambassador's residence.
PARIS, Oct. 19.—(By Associated Press.) Threats to tear down the American flag over the American embassy here are confined in many letters which have been received at the embassy in the last two days protesting against the conviction in the United States of Nicola Sacco and Bartolomeo Vanzetti, two Italians, for the murder of Frederick A. Parmenter, paymaster of a shoe manufacturing establishment at Braintree, Mass.

Between 300 and 400 letters of protest have been received, at the rate of more than 100 a day.
There have been numerous demands by radical elements in Italy over this case and the communist newspapers here in Paris have taken up the campaign urging their followers to protest to the embassy, and announcing a mass meeting for Friday. It is reported an attempt to demonstrate in front of the embassy is being planned to follow the meeting.

A pamphlet attacking American justice and the American government was circulated widely in the Paris street cars yesterday and a copy of the pamphlet was delivered at the embassy today.

DEDHAM, Mass., Oct. 19.—Nicola Sacco and Bartolomeo Vanzetti, were convicted here July 14 of murder in the first degree for the killing of a paymaster and his guard in a payroll robbery at Braintree in April, 1920. The evidence turned on the question of identity, counsel for the men advancing alibis. One attorney charged that they were arrested because they were radicals.

1,750,000 Idle Men in Great Britain As Direct Result War

LONDON, Oct. 19.—(By Associated Press.) The situation in England as regards trade and unemployment is worse than at any time since the end of the Napoleonic wars, declared Prime Minister Lloyd George in the house of commons today, in outlining the government's policy on these two subjects.

At present, he said, there are 1,750,000 persons unemployed and added that the greatest unemployment, to the extent of 17 per cent, was in the metal trades.

He declared that the causes for this situation could all be summed up in one word—war.

R. MATTHEWS INDICTED FOR KILLING JACKS

Bill for Second Degree Murder Returned By Grand Jury Against Eagle Point Rancher—Wolgammott and Edwards Also Indicted.

Thirteen indictments and one not true bill were returned by the grand jury Tuesday afternoon. Of this number three were John Doe indictments, two of the number being for alleged violations of the prohibition laws, it is said.

Raleigh Matthews of Eagle Point, was indicted on a count of second degree murder, as a result of the fatal shooting at Eagle Point last month of Wilbur (Wig) Jacks.

True bills were returned against J. Oswald and Jesse Housely, charging the manufacture of intoxicating liquor. The alleged infraction of the Volstead Act occurred on a farm on Griffin creek last summer.

John H. (Ham) Lewis was indicted on a count alleging receipt of stolen goods, knowing same was stolen. This is a case arising out of thefts from the local National Guard company.

John Goodwin, taxi driver, James (Shine) Edwards, taxi driver, and Ernest S. (Dud) Wolgammott were indicted on counts charging selling intoxicating liquor. Two indictments each were returned against Edwards and Wolgammott.

An indictment charging burglary was returned against Ward Chamberlain, and Charles Randall was indicted for the alleged making of a contract to dispose of intoxicating liquor. A not true bill was returned against Frank A. Mulligan, former Southern Pacific depot agent at Talent, charged with embezzlement.

The grand jury continued its deliberations today.

R. R. STRIKE SITUATION IMPROVING

Labor Leaders Said to Be Hopeful Basis of Settlement Will Be Reached in Conference With U. S. Labor Board—Reduction Freight Rates Basis of Negotiations.

CLEVELAND, Oct. 19.—Prior to their departure tonight for Chicago, where tomorrow they will confer with the railroad labor board in an effort to find a basis for settling the nationwide railroad strike set to begin October 30, heads of the "big five" railroad transportation organizations met here today and discussed matters that may be presented at the Chicago conference, as well as those pertaining to carrying on the strike.

Those attending today's meeting were W. G. Lee, president of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen; Warren G. Stone, head of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers; W. S. Carter, president of the Brotherhood of Firemen and Enginemen; T. C. Cashen, president of the Switchmen's Union of North America, and E. P. Curtis, representing L. E. Shepard, president of the Order of Railway Conductors.

While the "big five" leaders have maintained almost unbroken silence in regard to the purposes of the conference with the labor board and its possible results, it is known they are hopeful that some basis of settlement, which can be accepted by both themselves and the railroad executives will be evolved and paralysis of the nation's transportation systems averted.

Refuse to Walk Out
COLUMBUS, Ohio, Oct. 19.—National headquarters here of the Railroad Yardmasters' Association of America, with a membership of more than 8,000 throughout the country, sent out notices to its members to remain at work performing their usual duties in the event of a railroad workers' strike.

CHICAGO, Oct. 19.—(By the Associated Press.)—The first of a series of conferences in Chicago at which representatives of all factions in the railroad strike situation may decide the outcome of the strike called by the big four brotherhoods for October 30 began here today to continue over the week end.

Three group meetings are scheduled:—Executives of the shopmen maintenance of way, clerks, telegraphers and others meet to decide their attitude toward the announced strike of the train service employees with indications of a final decision at a joint meeting Saturday.

Brotherhood leaders are on their way here to learn the government's attitude through the labor board tomorrow.

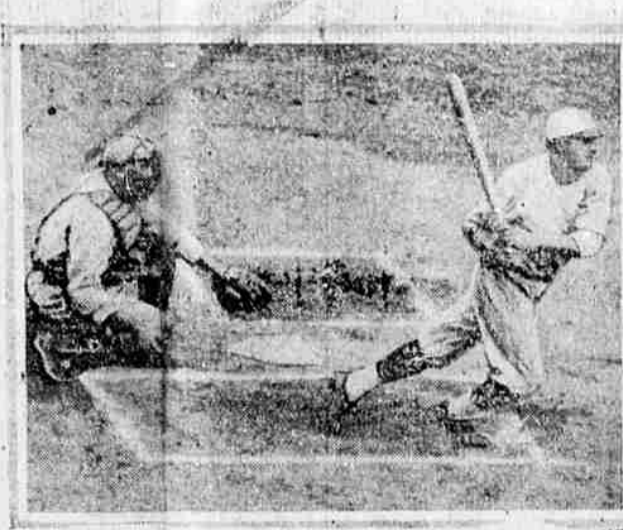
Railroad executives of the central division meet tomorrow in Chicago to discuss all phases of the strike situation while executives of other divisions meet simultaneously in their own regions.

Freight rate reductions approximately equivalent to the 12 per cent reduction in wages ordered last July 1 by the railroad labor board were indicated as the probable basis the labor board will propose with the backing of the administration to avert the strike.

"I understand," said Commissioner Ben W. Hooper, a member of the "public" group of the labor board, "that the inter-state commerce commission has a number of important rate reduction cases on hand."

While government efforts for settlement of the strike were proceeding army officials, it was understood, were making preparations for operating trains by federal troops.

Babe Ruth Hitting Homer



Despite the one-and-a-half-inch incision made in his arm to remove an abscess, Babe Ruth refused to stay out of the fourth game of the world series. In the ninth inning Bambino made his first and only home run of the series by clouting the ball into the right-field bleachers. Despite Babe's circuit swat the Giants won 4 to 2.

FRIENDSHIP TO BRITAIN IS PLEDGED

War Between England and United States Unthinkable Declares President in Speech at Yorktown Commemorating the Surrender of Cornwallis—Opposes Isolation.

YORKTOWN, Va., Oct. 19.—A doctrine of enduring friendship between the United States and Great Britain was pronounced by President Harding today at a ceremony commemorating the final surrender of the British expeditionary forces here to the revolutionary army of Washington.

Surrounded by high officials of his administration and standing within sight of the spot where Cornwallis laid down his sword in 1781, the president declared in deliberately chosen words a sentiment of peaceful relationship between the two great English-speaking nations for all time to come.

That either should ever again lift the sword against the other, he said, must be "unthinkable."

In the trusteeship of preserving civilization," he continued, "we were naturally arrayed together and the convictions of a civilization worthy of that costly preservation will exalt peace and warn against conflict for all time to come."

Opposes U. S. Isolation.
In his address the president took occasion to renew the nation's pledge of participation in the broader affairs of the world and declared his belief that the time had come for "essential co-operation" among nations generally for the betterment of the world.

"We must not claim for the new world," said Mr. Harding, "certainly thought of a century and a half ago. There were liberal views and attending sympathy in England and a passionate devotion to more liberal tendencies in France. The triumph of freedom in the American colonies greatly strengthened liberal views in the world. Inevitably this liberal public opinion liberated and grown dominant, brought Great Britain and America to a policy of accommodation and pacific adjustment for all our difficulties."

There has been honorable and unbroken peace for more than a century, we came to common sacrifice and unanguished association in the world war and a future breach of our peaceful and friendly relations is unthinkable. In the trusteeship of preserving civilization we were naturally arrayed together and the convictions of a civilization worthy of that costly companionship will exalt peace and warn against conflict for all time to come.

In our great crisis, nearly a century and a half ago France came to our aid and made our independence possible. In her supremely anxious hour, we gladly went to her support and did our part to secure her liberty. A grateful nation filled an obligation which the passing generations had not dulled.

Hunger for Understanding.
"Reflecting today upon the inevitableness of our participation, on our ties of kinship, friendship and fellowship..."

SOAK THE RICH TAX PRINCIPLE OF G. O. P. BILL

WASHINGTON, Oct. 19.—Urgent adoption of the Smoot manufacturers sale tax, Senator Moses, republican, New Hampshire, told the senate it would "soak the rich" by the principle of graduated taxation which appears on the pending tax bill and which is but a modern legislative adaptation of the communistic doctrine of Karl Marx.

Senator Moses, a leader in the group of eastern senators opposing the republican compromise tax revision program, declared that the finance committee measure had "placidity drawn under the inspiration of the inspiring slogan 'soak the rich.'"

He referred to the agricultural bloc which proposed the compromise plan as "that division of the invincible empire which may be styled as the Ken-Cap-Klan."

Senators Kenyon of Iowa and Capper of Kansas are leaders in the agricultural bloc.

"I hold no brief for the rich," Senator Moses said. "Neither I nor any of my kin have ever stood within their circles. But I cannot help thinking that the rich may learn from much buffeting, even as Peter the Great learned from the repeated assaults of Charles XII, how to fight. Indeed, they have already begun. Capital has gone on strike."

Senator Jones, democrat, New Mexico, expressed regret that the pending bill did not contain a provision taxing undistributed profits of corporations and said that he would offer an amendment within a day or two designed to make this possible.

FIND BERGDOLL BOX, BUT PAPERS MISSING

WASHINGTON, Oct. 19.—The box containing Bergdoll investigation and private papers stolen from the office of Representative Johnson of Kentucky Monday night was found early today on the fifth floor of the house office building broken open and with documents missing.

Employees of the building reported they located the box covered with rubbish in an unoccupied storage room. After a hurried examination, Mr. Johnson announced that not a slip of paper relating to the Bergdoll investigation was left.

After a conference with Speaker Gillett, who stated he proposed to go to the bottom of the matter, Mr. Johnson called on the Washington police to obtain the finger prints of all office building police and workmen.

Joy Riders Drive Into Astoria River; Two Men Drowned

ASTORIA, Ore., Oct. 19.—Two persons were reported drowned when an automobile plunged through the open draw of the Lewis and Clark bridge near here early today. Two women and a man were rescued by a tug which was approaching the bridge.

Joseph Corrigan, of Warren, Ore., and the driver, whose name was reported to be George Hickie, were missing. The river was being searched for their bodies.

Harry Ewing, who said he was a barber of San Francisco, and Pearl Hutchinson, two of those rescued, were taken to a hospital suffering from cuts and bruises. Irene Scott, who was rescued unhurt, said the party had been drinking since yesterday afternoon.

SPEND MORE ON EDUCATION IS HARDING'S PLEA

President Harding Urges the People to Awaken to Need of Stronger Support for Teachers and Education—Welfare of Country at Stake

WILLIAMSBURG, Va., Oct. 19.—Declaring the nation confronts an "educational crisis" through lack of teachers and public school facilities President Harding appealed in an address here today for patriotic support of an educational system commensurate with national resources.

"I wish it were possible," said the president, "to drive home to the whole American people the conviction of needed concern for our educational necessities. We must have more and better teachers and to get them the profession must be compensated as it deserves."

Mr. Harding spoke before a gathering of students and alumni of the College of William and Mary, a part of a ceremony which inducted Dr. J. A. C. Chandler into the presidency of the institution. An honorary degree was conferred on the chief executive who came here with a distinguished group of government officials after delivering an address during the morning at Yorktown.

"It is no exaggeration," said President Harding, "to say that the nation confronts an educational crisis. From every corner of the land, from country town and city comes the same report that the housing capacity for our public schools is inadequate; that tens of thousands of pupils have no place for their studies; that teachers cannot be listed in sufficient numbers and that school revenues are insufficient."

"So long as I find that the proportion of public revenue properly devoted to education is increasing, I desire to be counted among those in public life ready and anxious to struggle with the problem of raising the necessary revenues. More even than money and endowments, our educational establishment needs the devout, unselfish, sustaining support of people moved by instincts of patriotism and service."

"I am not sure that our young people (Continued on page eight.)"

BRUMFIELD'S PLOT WAS CLEVER ONE

Prosecuting Attorney in Address to Jury Declares Roseburg Dentist's Plan of Murder Showed Diabolical Cunning—Insanity Plea Riddled.

ROSEBURG, Ore., Oct. 19.—Jurors who are to decide the fate of Dr. R. M. Brumfield were today listening to final arguments by the state and defense attorneys who summed up and attacked the evidence which the state relies upon to support its request for conviction and the death penalty upon the accused for the alleged murder of Dennis Russell whose headless body was found beneath Brumfield's automobile near here July 13.

Judge G. G. Bingham indicated that he expected to deliver his instructions to the jury late today.

Throughout the time Special Prosecutor Hammersly was making the opening argument for the state, Brumfield never took his eyes off the attorney.

Hammersly attempted to convince the jury that the evidence showed a logical sequence to the crime, first conceived, then carried out by the dentist.

Idea Was Born June 26
"It was June 26," Hammersly declared, "that the defendant conceived the idea to take a human life. This came to him at the Meredith home when Dennis Russell was present."

"It is not incumbent upon the state," he declared, "to prove the motive for this crime, but it is so plain that we could not help but show it."

One thousand dollars was borrowed from Roseburg banks, Hammersly asserted, to pay Brumfield's expenses while a fugitive from justice. The money, he said the evidence had shown was obtained under guise that it was to be used to pay Brumfield's hired help and that it would be repaid as soon as the dentist received some expected funds from Indiana.

"This getting of funds," the attorney said, "was just a part of the diabolical plan conceived on June 26."

Well Defined Plan
"There was a well defined and systematic plan in the dentist's affairs as shown by the appointments made in his office calendar. This shows that he made professional appointments up to and including July 13, but only in one or two instances was there an appointment after that date."

The letter to the steamship company in Vancouver, inquiring rates to Australia and methods of obtaining naturalization papers there were written after Brumfield had met Dennis Russell and conceived the murder plan, Hammersly declared.

Russell Relatives Weep
Hammersly's description of Dennis Russell's cabin—once marked by the presence of a friendly man with a smile, a pipe and a dog, now merely a vacant shack with a bit of crepe clinging to the door—sent Mrs. Julia Smith, a sister of the murder victim, weeping from the courtroom.

Before Hammersly began his argument, Judge Bingham announced that he would tolerate no demonstration from the courtroom. Hammersly was to be followed by A. N. Orcutt, attorney for Brumfield. Dexter Rice (Continued on Page Eight)

SENATE RATIFIES GERMAN TREATY FOURTEEN DEMOCRATS VOTE FOR IT

WASHINGTON, Oct. 19.—The new peace treaties with Germany, Austria and Hungary were ratified by the senate in a session last night, the vote being 66 to 20, or eight more than the necessary two-thirds. The action completed the administration's immediate peace program but after the formal exchange of ratifications by the powers, it is expected that diplomatic officers will be appointed and normal relations fully resumed through negotiation of trade agreements and in other ways which have not been announced.

Both Germany and Austria have already accepted and ratified the treaties and parliamentary action is expected to be completed in Hungary at an early date. Fourteen democrats supported ratification on the final roll call while only two republicans, Senators Borah and LaFollette cast their votes against the treaties.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 19.—Exchange of ratifications at Berlin of the "treaty of Berlin" finally establishing peace between the United States and Germany is to be the next step ending the nation's legal war status.

NINE YEAR OLD TACOMA SCHOOL BOY FATALLY SHOTS PLAYMATE

TACOMA, Wash., Oct. 19.—Lynn Peters, 9, son of John Peters of Randle is in a dying condition today in the Eatonville hospital with a gunshot wound in the abdomen. The sheriff of Lewis county at Chehalis was notified that Herbert, 9 year old son of Joff Coleman of Randle fired the shot yesterday. The sheriff was informed the boys had quarreled and the Coleman boy fired a shotgun at his playmate.

Both families are prominent in eastern Lewis county. A number of Randle school children witnessed the shooting, which occurred after school last night. John Peters, father of the wounded lad, who is at the Eatonville hospital with him, today gave his son's version of the affair. According to the boy Herbert had threatened him following a quarrel and fight.