

The Weather

Maximum yesterday 64
Minimum today 29 1/2

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

Predictions

Fair.

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

MEDFORD, OREGON, TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 1921

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4 SHOT IN HOLD UP OF I. C. TRAIN

Most Daring Robbery in History of Middle West at Paxton, Illinois, When New Orleans Limited Attacked By Big Bandit Band—Robbers Drop \$100,000.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 8.—Means of bringing an end to the wave of postal robberies throughout the country were discussed today by President Harding and his cabinet, and it was indicated after the meeting that Postmaster General Hayes probably would have a statement to make in the near future on the subject.

CHICAGO, Nov. 8.—E. A. Germer, chief postal inspector, announced at noon that the loot obtained by six robbers who held up an Illinois Central train near Paxton, Ill., last night, fought a forty-five minute battle with the train crew and passengers, wounding five men, dynamited and burned the mail car, will total approximately \$400.

"They got two pouches of registered mail and overlooked two others," Mr. Germer said.

One of those overlooked is said to have contained \$100,000.

"In the two they took," Mr. Germer added, "there was nothing but the ordinary run of registered letters—no bank shipments or other packages of special value. It will take a week to see each individual sender and check up the exact loss, but I estimate it at about \$400."

PAXTON, Ill., Nov. 8.—A mail pouch containing \$100,000 in cash was believed to have been the object of ten armed and masked bandits who last night held up the New Orleans Limited on the Illinois Central line near here in one of the most spectacular train robberies in the middle west. Ironically enough, the bandits had the sack with the cash, but for some reason dropped it beside the tracks. After setting fire to the car the robbers escaped in two automobiles with two other sacks of registered mail.

The bandits used firearms, explosives and torches to accomplish their work, firing a fusillade into the mail car door and when the clerks refused to open it, they blew it in with two charges of dynamite. After slugging and overpowering the clerks, the robbers blew open the safe and scooped out its contents and then fled.

Hundreds in Pursuit

PAXTON, Ill., Nov. 8.—Hundreds of men in posse early today were searching for ten bandits who last night held up the Illinois Central New Orleans Limited two miles south of here, wounded four train employees, stole two pouches of registered mail, and escaped after setting fire to the mail car.

No trace of the robbers had been found early today. The train crew declared the men started west in two automobiles after robbing the mail car. The passengers were not molested, although one was grazed by three bullets which pierced his coat when he and three companions went up to the mail car and fired on the bandits while they were fighting the engine crew and two mail clerks, barricaded in the mail car.

The injured: Arthur Moon, Chicago, colored train (Continued on page eight.)

Peggy Joyce Gets \$80,000 Cash, Jewels Valued at \$800,000

CHICAGO, Nov. 8.—Peggy Hopkins Joyce, former New York chorus girl, will receive a lump sum of \$80,000, two fur coats and jewels valued at \$800,000, according to terms of a settlement reached outside of court with her millionaire husband, J. Stanley Joyce, Chicago lumberman, and filed today when hearing of his action to annul the marriage was reopened.

Mrs. Joyce relinquishes her \$250,000 home in Miami, Fla., returns \$400,000 in jewels purchased from a Paris jeweler, but not paid for, and also releases title to temporary alimony of \$1,350 a month, awarded her last spring, but never paid by Joyce.

WESTERN R. R.'S ASK 10 PERCENT CUT IN WAGES

Second Reduction Demand to Be Presented to Labor Board—Traffic League to Demand Corresponding Cut in R. R. Rates.

CHICAGO, Nov. 8.—Managers of the western group of railroads met here yesterday and decided upon the imposing of notices of wage reductions of ten per cent, according to an announcement today.

The roads represented at the meeting included the Santa Fe, Great Western, Rock Island, Northwestern, Union Pacific, Northern Pacific and Great Northern. In the proposed cuts, all departments would be affected and committees were appointed to draft the notices immediately so that the roads may go before the labor board and ask an early hearing.

Following this meeting the National Industrial Traffic League announced that meetings would be held tomorrow and Thursday to ask that the railroads press their claims for wage reductions on the basis of rate reductions to shippers.

Ask Rate Reduction. The league represents many of the important shippers of the country. Resolutions for presentation to roads already have been drawn and include three salient points:

That railroad wage scales be put on a level corresponding with those of other industries.

That wage reductions and rate reductions take place simultaneously.

Abrogation immediately of national agreements, made effective during the period of federal control.

The labor board has announced that wage reductions will not be considered until after it has passed upon working rules and schedules, but the roads decided to press their wage regulation efforts so that these may be brought to the attention of the board as early as possible, it was said.

Settlement of the threatened railroad strike, voted by the railroad brotherhoods for October 30, followed a statement by the railroad labor board that wage reductions would not be passed upon until after questions regarding working conditions had been decided.

Notre Dame Swamps Rutgers. NEW YORK, Nov. 8.—By a series of dashing end runs and dazzling forward passes, Notre Dame whitewashed Rutgers 48 to 0 at the Polo Grounds today. Only once or twice did the Rutgers defense indicate it was not made of parchment.

ITALIAN BATTLESHIP OUT OF LUCK RUNS INTO U. S. 18TH AMENDMENT

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 8.—The Italian battleship Libia sent a request to federal enforcement officials here for the privilege of taking ten thousand gallons of California wine abroad. The prohibition officials here could not agree as to the exact status of the Libia as "foreign territory" under the law and referred the request to Washington.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 8.—The Italian battleship Libia, in San Francisco bay seeking to replenish her wine stores with California vintage, "has not a chance" of doing so, was the comment today of prohibition officials.

While the request for a ruling by San Francisco prohibition officials as to whether the Italian vessel is foreign territory and can be supplied with wine has not been received here, officials said the law was clearly to the contrary.

The question of whether the ship was foreign territory, officials explained, would not enter into the matter in any event as the eighteenth amendment prohibits the manufacture, sale or transportation of intoxicating liquor for beverage purposes and while it would not be illegal for the Italian vessel to have wine aboard, the law would prohibit the sale or transportation of such beverages to the ship.

SIX KILLED, 5 WOUNDED, K'Y ELECTION

Defeated Democratic Candidate for County Judge, Jackson, Kentucky, Tries to Give Orders to Election Officers—Guns Drawn and Battle Follows—Rush Medical Aid.

JACKSON, Ky., Nov. 8.—Six men were killed and five others were wounded in an election fight shortly after the polls opened at the Clayhole voting precinct on Troublesome creek, Breathitt county about fifteen miles from here, today.

The dead are: Cleveland Combs, 35; Leslie Combs, 37; Ephern, Allen, 35; George Allen, 31; John Roberts, 39; George McIntosh, 39.

The wounded: William Barnett, 50; Ed Davis, 45; Will Davis, 39; French Combs, 35; Tom McIntosh, 30.

A special train had been sent from Jackson with physicians to attend the wounded.

The story of the affray as it reached Jackson was to the effect that Ed Combs, an uncle of the Combs boys, and defeated democratic candidate in the August primary for county judge, was active in support of the republican nominee for the same office. Combs, it was said, entered the polling place today and attempted to give orders to the election officers. His relatives, according to the story, remonstrated with him, and out of the argument grew a fight in which pistols were drawn and the shooting became general.

HOGS DROP FORTY CENTS IN CHICAGO

CHICAGO, Nov. 6.—Big arrivals of hogs here today and yesterday, the most numerous with but one exception since last April, have forced prices down sharply both in the hog market and in the provision trade.

Hogs dropped in value today 25 cents to 40 cents a hundredweight, and almost as much more yesterday, with all deliveries of lard and bacon tumbling in consequence to the lowest prices touched this season on the Chicago board of trade.

It was surmised that farmers, as a result of the low grain prices, were largely holding back their wheat, corn and oats, and were letting go of their hogs as a means of obtaining ready money.

MRS. HARDING'S TROWEL PLANTS LICOLN ELM

WASHINGTON, Nov. 7.—Opening of Armistice week was marked here today with the planting of two American elms on the grounds of the Lincoln memorial. The trees, one for the allied armies and one for the allied navies, were dedicated by Charles Lathrop Pack, president of the American Forestry association.

Mrs. Harding presented her tree planting trowel to members of the American Legion who placed the trees at the head of what will be an international avenue of memorial trees to be planted by various governments.

AMERICA TO COMPETE WITH GERMAN LINES

WASHINGTON, Nov. 8.—Use of the shipping board's best vessels on the north Atlantic lines running from New York to Plymouth, Cherbourg, Bremen and Danzig, to meet threatened competition by German lines was announced today by Chairman Lasker.

The board plans to withdraw three former German ships used on the routes and to replace them with three new "525-footers," fitted out with special stateroom facilities, Mr. Lasker said.

Radicals Given Bail. SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Nov. 8.—William Bross Lloyd and seven other members of the communist labor party, who were convicted of plotting "reformation and overthrow of the government," in September 1919 were ordered admitted to bail by Justice Carter of the supreme court today.

AMBASSADOR TO FRANCE REPORTED ENGAGED TO MISS ANNE MORGAN



In exclusive society circles in Paris there is a report that Ambassador Myron T. Herrick is engaged to marry Miss Anne Morgan. Although denials have been made on both sides it is stated that the engagement has been known among the exclusive folk for the past three weeks. Mr. Herrick has been a widower for a year. Miss Morgan is said to be in New York at the present time. The photo is one of the most recent ones of the daughter of the late world-famous financier.

JURY MAKES A VISIT TO SCENE OF JACKS' DEATH

Immediately After Completion of Panel in Matthews Case Jurors Are Taken to Eagle Point to View Scene of Fatal Shooting.

Selection of a jury to try Raleigh Matthews, charged with second degree murder for the alleged fatal shooting of Wilbur (Wig) Jacks at Eagle Point last September was completed in the circuit court this morning.

The jury as completed and accepted by both sides is as follows: L. A. Murphy, farmer, Perrydale. R. H. Jones, merchant, Medford. R. L. Ferns, farmer, Phoenix. N. J. Garrett, farmer, Medford. Phil Hamill, farmer, Medford. W. W. Gregory, farmer, Medford. John J. Buchter, bookkeeper, Medford.

George J. Norris, farmer, Phoenix. George E. Fox, farmer, Central Point. John M. Mast, farmer, Phoenix. Carl Murphy, stockman, Ashland. Frank Miller, retired, Medford.

Immediately after the acceptance of the jury, the jury, accompanied by the court and the sheriff, and the defendant and counsel left for Eagle Point by auto to view the scene of the tragedy.

The court, under a motion filed by the district attorney will point out to the jury the scene and vital spots in the shooting. The court warned the jury to use extreme caution, and to allow no one to talk to them, and instructed the bailiffs and the sheriff's office to exercise their authority fully and to the limit to keep the crowd that might gather, away from the jurors.

At the reconvening of court this afternoon, the opening arguments will be made by both sides, and the first witness will be called to the stand about 3 o'clock this afternoon. The case is expected to be finished and in the hands of the jury by Thursday afternoon.

The defendant sat with bowed head during most of the morning session and appeared depressed by the seriousness of the charge against him. His father and brother were spectators.

The Monday afternoon session of the circuit court was spent in the examination of jurors to hear the evidence in the trial of Raleigh Matthews charged with second degree murder for the alleged fatal shooting of Wilbur (Wig) Jacks at Eagle Point last September.

Both state and defense questioned the tentative jurors closely on every phase of the case, and regarding their acquaintance with the principals and witnesses-to-be in the case.

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SENATE ON RECORD FOR PUBLICITY

Resolution By Senator Harrison, Democrat, Urging U. S. Delegation to Work for Admission of Newspaper Men, Passes—Secrecy at Paris Conference Is Scored.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 8.—The American delegation to the armament conference was requested in a resolution offered by Senator Harrison, democrat, Mississippi, and adopted today by the senate, to use its influence for the making public of the record of conference proceedings and for admission of newspapermen to all meetings of the full conference.

The resolution as adopted follows: "Whereas, the senate of the United States wishes every success for the conference on limitation of armament, called by President Harding to meet in the City of Washington on the eleventh day of November, 1921; and

"Whereas, the senate of the United States believes that the greatest publicity to which, in reason, consideration of the questions for which the conference is called, will admit, will tend toward the success of the conference, therefore be it

"Resolved that the senate of the United States respectfully requests the representatives of the government of the United States at the conference to use their influence to have the conference admit representatives of the press to the meetings of the full conference where the questions for which the conference was called are considered.

"Resolved further, that the senate of the United States respectfully requests the representatives of the government of the United States at the conference to use their influence to have the conference maintain and preserve a record containing the proceedings of the conference when the matters for which the conference was called are considered and acted upon."

When the vote was called, most of the "yess" came from the democratic side and a large chorus of "noes" from the republican side, and the measure was declared adopted.

It is known that the failure of the Versailles conference was because of secrecy that shrouded its work," said Mr. Harrison. "If this conference is a failure the country wants to know the reason why and they'll never know if the doors are closed."

Senator Johnson said publicly would be the "armor" of the American delegates. He declared that former President Wilson at Paris "failed not because his intentions were not good, but because he was locked up in a room over there."

WANT ENGINEERS FOR BIG PARADE

All men having served in the engineers are requested to send their names to Earl York, who has been appointed a committee of one to organize the Engineers for the Armistice Day parade. It is not supposed that men sending in their names and forming for the parade will be asked to build portable bridges, pontoon bridges, nor perform any other form of heavy duty. Although the local contingent of the engineer corps is not as large as some of the others and notwithstanding the fact that the engineers were not the most spectacular troops during the world war, it is expected that this branch of the service will show up some of the other branches when the competition narrows down Armistice Day.

All correspondence should be addressed to Earl York, Medford, Ore.

McNARY INTRODUCES NEW RECLAMATION BILL

WASHINGTON, Nov. 8.—Appropriation of \$16,200,000 as a loan to continue development of authorized reclamation projects was proposed in a bill introduced today by Senator McNary, republican, Oregon. He and other western senators said funds were urgently needed.

Yale Capt. Holds Record. NEW YORK, Nov. 7.—Captain Adrich of Yale has taken first position in the individual scorer in major college, depositing Captain Robertson of Dartmouth. Adrich has scored 76 points and Robertson 67.

Warren G. Harding, Trick Rooster, Can Smoke a Cigarette

PARIS, Ky., Nov. 8.—Paris has been able from time to time to boast of freaks of the animal kingdom, including five legged calves and three legged chickens, but for the first time it has as its guest a rooster that smokes cigarettes. Mr. and Mrs. Earl B. Wilson and Mr. and Mrs. Orton Schele of Columbus, Ohio, who stopped in Paris today, on their way to Florida, had with them two White Wyandotte roosters, "William G. Harding," and "Jimmie Cox," both of which have been trained to do a few tricks. "Warren G." numbers among his accomplishments the ability to smoke a cigarette.

MERCHANTS ASK PARKING LIMIT OF 30 MINUTES

Retailers' Bureau Unanimously Adopt Report of Traffic Regulations Committee of Chamber of Commerce—Aid Given Rural Buyers.

The Retail Merchants Bureau of the Medford Chamber of commerce unanimously adopted the report of the traffic regulation committee of the chamber which embodies recommendations as to traffic regulations for this community.

In the making of this report and also in the endorsement of it by the merchants, the sole purpose of the regulations were for the accommodation of the rural residents who do their shopping in Medford.

Parking limits of thirty minutes are embodied in the recommendations as well as the designation of streets upon which these regulations are to be enforced. Jay walking is condemned and the painting of streets, showing the angle at which autos are permitted to park and the painting of walks at intersections for the safety of pedestrians are included in the report.

In arriving at the various conclusions in the report, regulations in other communities the size of Medford were taken into consideration, so that the tourist may not be confronted with a lot of different rules and regulations here than are found in other municipalities.

The traffic problem in Medford has long been a serious question and one that has affected the retailer more than any other class of citizens. Rural residents in coming to town to do their shopping have been forced many times to park their cars two and three blocks from the place they desired to trade and the thirty minute parking limit will do much toward accommodating the farmer.

FRANCE AND TURKEY SIGN LOAN TREATY

ANGORA, Nov. 8.—(By the Associated Press.)—After an exchange of ratifications of the treaty between France and the Turkish nationalist government the national assembly has authorized the finance minister to contract a loan in France of ten million Turkish pounds to meet army requirements. (A Turkish pound normally is worth about \$4.39.)

BRYAN'S JAP STUDENT ARRIVES WASHINGTON

WASHINGTON, Nov. 8.—Y. Bryan Yamashita, representing the Japanese peace society has arrived in Washington to attend the conference on limitation of armament. Mr. Yamashita came to the United States at the age of 19, and, he said, received his education "at the hands of" former Secretary of State William J. Bryan, then an instructor at the University of Nebraska.

BLIZZARD SWEEPS THE MIDDLE WEST WHILE MERCURY DROPS TO FREEZING

OMAHA, Neb., Nov. 8.—A snow storm prevailed in parts of Nebraska, Iowa and South Dakota today. Temperatures went down, although they were not as low as the Omaha weather bureau anticipated yesterday when it predicted the storm. Twenty-two above zero at Valentine was the lowest officially reported for Nebraska. Omaha has 35 at 7 p. m., but later it became colder with predictions for a further drop tonight.

The fall was the first of the season here. It was quite heavy in Omaha

TAX BILL IS PASSED BY U. S. SENATE

Expect Measure Will Go to President Late This Month—Few Material Changes Expected in Conference—Sur Tax Reduced, Nuisance Taxes Eliminated.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 8.—The tax revision bill now faces its third rewriting, this time by the house and senate conferees.

The measure finally was passed by the senate today 38 to 24 at the end of a continuous session lasting nearly sixteen hours. It will be returned to the house when that chamber convenes tomorrow and leaders there plan to send it to conference Thursday. It may reach the president for his approval late in the month.

Reduce Tax Toll. At a rough estimate treasury experts say the bill in its present form would net approximately \$3,250,000,000 or \$200,000,000 less than the present and about the amount of revenue which the treasury officers have said the government must have. Eventually the bill, the experts assert, would reduce the nation's tax toll by about \$750,000,000 a year. While they undoubtedly will make many changes in the measure, the conferees are not expected materially to alter the revenue total. As the bill stands there are just three major provisions on which the house and senate agree. They are repeal of the excess profits tax and the transportation taxes on next January 1 and the retention of the present tax on corporation capital stock.

Features of Bill. Other outstanding provisions of the bill are:

A reduction in the maximum surtax rate from 65 per cent on all over \$1,000,000 to 50 per cent on all over \$200,000 as against the house reduction to 32 per cent on all over \$69,000.

Retention of the house provision granting increased normal exemptions of \$500 to heads of families having net incomes of \$5000 or less and \$200, on account of dependents.

Repeal of the \$2000 normal exemption to corporations except in the case of those having net incomes of \$25,000 or less.

Drop Nuisance Taxes. An increase in the estate tax maximum rate from 25 per cent on all over \$10,000,000 to fifty per cent on all over \$100,000,000.

Increased taxes on medicinal beer, wine and whiskey.

A provision taxing gifts of property by any person at rates ranging from one per cent of the amount between \$20,000 and \$50,000 to 25 per cent on all over \$100,000,000.

Repeal of the excise taxes on chewing gum, sporting goods, musical instruments, electric fans and many other articles as well as the stamp taxes on proprietary medicines and toilet preparations. The levies on fountain drinks and ice cream also are out.

Snow in Wisconsin. LA CROSSE, Wis., Nov. 8.—Five inches of snow fell in La Crosse during the night and the storm was still in progress at nine o'clock this morning. This is the earliest heavy snow La Crosse has had in many years.