

The Weather

Maximum yesterday.....35
Minimum today.....31
Rain.....Trace

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

Predictions

Occasional rain or snow.

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

MEDFORD, OREGON, SATURDAY, DECEMBER 24, 1921

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SENATE PASSES FAIR BILL BY 1 VOTE

PRESIDENT OF SENATE OVERRULED

Bitter Fight Marks Final Action On Exposition Measure—Ritner Rule Bill Defeated But Decision Overruled By Vote of 15 to 14—Thomas Boosts for 'Pop' Gates.

SALEM, Ore., Dec. 24.—After President Ritner of the state senate had ruled that a question submitting a constitutional amendment, creating a state commission to manage the proposed 1925 Portland fair and providing a gasoline tax to aid in financing it had failed to pass on a vote of 15 to 14, and a motion that the resolution be transmitted to the house with its amendments was carried.

SALEM, Ore., Dec. 24.—The state senate today voted 15 yeas and 14 noes on a resolution submitting to the people a constitutional amendment providing for the creation of a state commission to conduct the proposed world's fair in Portland in 1925 and proposing a gasoline tax of one cent a gallon to raise \$5,000,000 to aid in financing the project. This measure had passed the house by a big majority. President Ritner of the senate announced the measure failed to receive a constitutional majority of sixteen and that the resolution had failed to pass. As the question of whether the resolution had received a constitutional majority was raised, it was declared possible that the senate might reconsider the resolution. Another possibility was that the senate might adjourn this afternoon until Tuesday and give the whole exposition subject further consideration.

Alternative plans before the legislature for raising \$5,000,000, the state's share of \$8,000,000 needed for the fair, call for a property tax or an income tax. Mosser Appeals Decision. Senator Mosser appealed from the decision of President Ritner declaring a legal question was involved because of circumstances under which the senate was operating there being only 29 members due to the death of Senator Hume a few months ago. He contended that the 15 favorable votes had passed the measure. President Ritner explained that on the point at issue he had obtained an opinion from Attorney General Van Winkle. This was read, the attorney general holding that a majority vote of the normal thirty members of the senate and not of the actual number of members was necessary to pass a measure.

Thomas Urges Gates. When the question of legislating names into the fair resolution came up today Senator Thomas of Jackson county insisted that C. E. Gates mayor of Medford, should be on the board but that he would not undertake to say what name should be eliminated to give him a place. "The senate is going to beat this resolution," said Thomas, "and you are going to initiate a measure. Then you will need Charley Gates in southern Oregon. I am just offering you that as advice."

Frank Warren Named. SALEM, Ore., Dec. 24.—President Ritner of the senate and Speaker Bean of the house appointed Frank M. Warren of Portland as the fifth member of the commission created by the (Continued on page six.)

Angelo Conati Will Have All Cookies He Can Eat, Christmas

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 24.—Cookies for a family of ten will be supplied tomorrow by Zeno Bolinare, maître de hotel of one of the largest hotels here, in response to a letter addressed to "Mr. Chief Cook" from Little Angelo Conati, who wrote that he knew such a big hotel must have lots of cookies while he was sure his father, who had been out of work part of the time lately, would not be able to furnish them.

JAPAN CEASES WORK ON FOUR LIGHT CRUISERS

TOKIO, Dec. 24.—(By the Associated Press.)—All the shipyard laborers in Japan are assured continued employment for at least a year in completing the ten light cruisers and 24 destroyers now building or projected.

This assurance comes from Vice Admiral Keisuke Okada, chief of the department of naval equipment. As a result of the understanding reached at Washington, work has been suspended on four battleships and battle cruisers.

Assuming that the Japanese government would be allowed to proceed with the building of auxiliary craft, Vice Admiral Okada recommends such allocation of the workmen as to preserve the efficiency of all dockyards possible. This would be merely a precaution against any possible developments which might necessitate additional construction during the ten year "naval holiday" over the amount allowed under the present agreement.

M'NARY DENIES HE OPPOSES TREATY

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—(Special.)—Senator McNary has denied widely published reports that he had declared himself as opposed to the four-power treaty. He said he had been inclined to take the president's oftband view of a few days ago that the homeland of Japan was not included in the islands of the Pacific region around which the agreement centers and that he had drafted a reservation to clear up that situation.

"I am strongly in favor of the treaty," he said, "but simply desire to make sure that Japan is placed on the same footing as the other three powers in the compact by limiting the agreement to cover only the island possessions of that country which are apart from the seat of the empire."

U. S. OFFERS REDUCTION SUBMARINE

American Program Proposes 60,000 Tons for Three Large Powers and Present Tonnage for France, Italy and Japan—Italy Objects to Proposal, Others Undecided.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—(By Associated Press.)—A new American proposal offered as a compromise in the submarine controversy today by the American delegation failed to produce an agreement by two of the powers, France and Japan declining to accept the tonnage figures, provided for their fleets.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—(By the Associated Press.)—An American program for limitation of submarine tonnage was presented today to the naval armament committee of the five powers of the Washington conference.

The American program proposes a submarine tonnage of 60,000 each for Great Britain and the United States and the existing tonnage for Japan, France and Italy.

The American proposal would cut the existing submarine tonnage of the United States and Great Britain about one-third each and leave the other three powers in their present position, that is, France approximately 42,000 tons; Japan 32,000 tons; and Italy about 22,000 tons.

The British proposal for the total abolishment of submarines was said to have been placed on file without definite action, the committee turning to the discussion of the American limitation plan. It will meet again at 3:30 o'clock this afternoon.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—(By the Associated Press.)—Italian arms conference delegation spokesmen express the belief that Italy cannot possibly accept the American proposal for limitation of submarine tonnage as outlined at today's session of the full naval committee of the conference.

Pointing out that under the proposal France would be allowed about 42,000 tons of submarines as compared with Italy's 22,000 tons, the Italians are of the opinion that should France agree to the program, Italy must be accorded the same tonnage.

American delegates stated that the American submarine program would give to France and Italy greater submarine tonnage than they would be entitled to have under the battleship ratios, already agreed upon.

The offer on behalf of the United States was said by American sources to be generous in view of the fact that it now has approximately 95,000 tons of submarines and the plan would involve scrapping more than 33-1/3 per cent.

The British now have about 82,000 tons of submarines and the American plan therefore would entail a substantial scrapping by that nation.

The American program for submarines, it was conceded by American delegates, was considerably less than the figures advanced tentatively by France, which yesterday suggested that 90,000 tons would be adequate for a first class naval power.

The reception given the American proposals was said to have been considered but all of the other powers' spokesmen indicated a desire for further study and discussion of the program.

Admiral Baron Kato, head of the Japanese arms conference delegation, who is suffering from a slight indisposition probably due to the strain of conference work, has been directed by his physician to cancel all social engagements and to remain in bed for a week.

Ambassador Shidehara, who has been ill, has recovered sufficiently to attend important committee meetings.

Portland Pastor Quits. PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 24.—Rev. Dr. W. T. McElveen has announced his resignation as pastor of the First Congregational church here and indicated he would accept a call to the Baltimore Associate Congregational church.

Marshal Foch Sends Christmas Greetings To American Legion

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 24.—Handford MacNider, national commander of the American Legion today received the following Christmas message from Marshal Foch, who recently returned to France after a tour of the United States: "I join with the officers of my general staff in thanking you for your kind sentiments and in sending you ours, the most sincere for you and the American Legion, for whom there is a deep regard."

WATER RATES FOR CITY RAISED BY 25 CENTS MONTH

The city council at its special session last night handed the people of Medford a left-handed Christmas present by passing an ordinance raising the water rates 25 cents a month, or \$3 a year. This applies only to the dwellings and apartment houses, and goes into effect Jan. 1st. Later the council will take up the rates for commercial water users, and put each such user under the meter system.

The reason for the increase in water rates is that the number of water users has been increasing yearly and the cost of operating the water works system is much increased. It is figured roughly that the ordinance passed last night will add \$5000 to \$6000 to the water works department receipts annually. The increase in water rates was recommended recently by the city budget committee of citizens when making up the budget for next year.

The council also passed an ordinance increasing the licenses of motor bus and jitney cars, and that body declared its intention to see that only reputable owners and drivers of jitneys were given licenses hereafter. The present jitney and motor bus licenses expire the last day of this year, and new licenses must be taken out January 1st.

In this connection the case of James (Shine) Edwards came up for discussion. Edwards is who is running a for hire jitney in northern California could not be served with the councilman's summons of two weeks ago to appear before the council last Tuesday night and show cause why his license should not be revoked, as he was out of the state. Therefore the council, inasmuch as his license expires the first of the year anyhow, and he will not be given a new one, dismissed the matter.

The new jitney license fees are \$50 a year for each motor bus carrying up to 10 passengers; \$60 a year for each motor bus carrying over 10 passengers, and \$50 a year for motor busses and jitneys hauling passengers and running on calls.

DRUNK RESISTS MEDFORD OFFICER, HEARING TODAY

There was some excitement on North Front street last night when Policeman Adams placed under arrest Carol Bertelson on an intoxication charge, and the latter attempted to resist, whereupon Policeman Leggett, who was near by, came to Adams' assistance.

As the two started away for the police station with the prisoner, one on each side of him, it is claimed that Bertelson's wife struck Leggett in the face, and his brother, Elmer Bertelson, grabbed Adams around the neck and held on until Leggett poked him in the ribs with his billy and told him to "lay off."

Carol Bertelson some time after he had been locked up on charges of intoxication and resisting an officer was released on \$50 bail pending his hearing in police court at 3 o'clock this afternoon. No charge has been preferred up to early this afternoon against Elmer Bertelson.

In accordance with its usual custom there will be no issue of the Mail Tribune on Monday, December 26th. The Medford Sun will be issued as usual on Christmas Day, Sunday, December 25th.

COLUMBIA RATIFIES U.S. TREATY

\$25,000,000 Pact Finally Gets By Colombian Congress—Action Ends Controversy of Long Standing—Treaty Changed to Satisfy Friends of Roosevelt.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—The treaty between Columbia and the United States has been ratified by the Colombian congress, according to a cablegram received today by the American International corporation.

The treaty, which provides for the payment of \$25,000,000 to Columbia by the United States, was ratified by the United States senate on April 20, of this year, and by the Colombian senate on October 13. Under Colombian governmental procedure, it was necessary to obtain ratification by the chamber of deputies as well as the senate. Ratification by that body has been off and on for seven years, having been presented by President Wilson in June, 1914, and ratified finally in a considerably changed form last April 20 at the recommendation of President Harding.

The principal change in the treaty as negotiated and as ratified by the Colombian congress and the American senate was elimination of a paragraph whereby the United States would have expressed its regret to Columbia for the loss of Panama. Elimination of this paragraph, republican leaders asserted, made the treaty acceptable, although republicans of the progressive faction opposed it as casting a reflection on the late Theodore Roosevelt who was president at the time of the Panamanian revolt.

The United States under the treaty agrees to pay Columbia twenty-five million dollars in five installments, the first, of five million dollars, within six months of exchange of ratifications.

The Colombian treaty is an outgrowth of difficulties between the United States and Columbia in connection with the acquisition by the United States of the Panama canal route and recognition of the Panama republic by the United States government during the administration of former President Theodore Roosevelt.

Considerable debate attended the ratification of the treaty in the United States senate. Those who opposed it charged that Columbia had long been engaged in trying to "hold up" the United States for a large sum of money for the canal route; that Panama, once an independent state, revolted from Colombian rule for just causes and that the presence of American naval forces at the time of the revolt had nothing to do with the failure of Columbia to force Panama back under Colombian control.

In short, opponents of ratification charged that the United States winked or connived at the Panama revolution to get control of the canal zone. This charge was denied with equal vigor by advocates of the treaty.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—Ratification by the Colombian congress of the treaty between that country and the United States brings a step nearer the close of a series of diplomatic events which began in November, 1903, when the present republic of Panama revolted from Columbia. The next step will be the exchange of ratifications which under the treaty will occur at Bogota, the Colombian capital.

When Panama revolted a small American naval force, less than 50 men, was landed to protect Americans, and 10 days after the revolution Panama was recognized by the United States. Columbia presented the claim that the part thus played was in violation of the treaty of 1846 between the United States and New Grenada, to which Columbia succeeded. As a result of this claim the treaty with Columbia was negotiated.

New Silver Dollar To Drop Sword in Honor Conference

CHICAGO, Dec. 24.—New silver dollars, marking the first change in design in 25 years will not bear a broken sword, Director of the Mint Baker said today in announcing circulation of the new coins would start about December 30.

A design showing an eagle instead of an eagle clutching a broken sword, had been accepted, officials said, in carrying out the idea of the advent of a new era of peace as inaugurated by the armament conference.

RETENTION OF U BOAT MAY BOOST ENGLAND'S RATIO

LONDON, Dec. 24.—(By Associated Press.) Presentation to the Washington conference of Great Britain's plea for abolition of the submarine as a naval weapon has aroused the greatest interest here. The newspapers comment at length upon the speech of Lord Lee of Fareham, first lord of the British admiralty before the conference on Thursday in which he made the proposal and outlined the reasons prompting it.

General opinion here undoubtedly favors abolition and there are many regrets that there seems to be no prospect of its being brought about, but on the other hand there is some skepticism regarding the possibility of preventing the use of submarines even if the conference adopted Lord Lee's proposal.

The Morning Post argues that the developments at Washington point to the necessity of Great Britain maintaining an adequate force of cruisers and small craft for the protection of her commerce against submarines.

The Daily Mail declares that the toleration of submarine warfare will compel powers dependent upon their sea communications for sustenance to arm their merchantment, with unhappy and undesirable consequences.

HILT SPEED FIEND PAYS FINE OF \$25

E. Toon, who claims to be a logger from Hill and who has been in Medford for several weeks, was given a jail sentence of ten days and fined \$25 by Acting Justice of the Peace Farrell this forenoon for speeding in his Mitchell Six car last night while under the influence of liquor, on the Pacific highway. The arrest was made by State Officer S. B. Sandifer, and Deputy State Motor Traffic Officer J. J. McMahon.

Toon with a woman companion and a man named Foster was returning from a dance at Talent at about 11 p. m., and his car passed the officers who were on their way to Ashland. They noticed that the car was going at a fast clip and was zigzagging on the highway. Hence they turned around and pursued.

They followed behind the Toon car for several miles, while he set the pace at from 45 to 60 miles an hour, and refused either to turn aside, or to stop when they tooted their horn repeatedly, until finally they managed to pass and stop him.

LOCAL BOOTLEGGER WHEELS \$500 FINE FROM HIS PORTLAND PATRONS

Jack Hemstreet returned last night from Portland where he as a deputized state officer, went with W. E. Harding, the bootlegger captured in a local hotel this week with 28 quarts of liquor in his possession. Hemstreet's mission was to take Hardy to Portland and keep the prisoner in custody until he had raised his \$500 fine.

Now comes the odd part of this episode. Jack Hemstreet is a former widely known professional mesmerist and still retains his skill in that line. To preclude all possibility of losing his prisoner on the trip, and on learning on the train that Harding was interested in mesmerism, he at once put him under a spell with the hypnotic suggestion that "You're not going to try to get away from me un-

REVOLUTION IN EGYPT IS THREATENED

British Troops Rushed to Village Near Cairo—5 Killed 20 Wounded—British Warships Ordered to Sail—Another Irish Problem Is Fared in Near East.

CAIRO, Egypt, Dec. 24.—(By the Associated Press.)—Disorders in connection with the Egyptian nationalist agitation broke out today in Gizeh, a suburb of Cairo, when a party of students raided the government survey offices. British troops were rushed from Cairo to cope with the situation. The students were ultimately ejected. The losses were given in the early reports as five killed and twenty wounded.

While the disorders were proceeding in Gizeh, Cairo itself remained quiet and no disturbances from the provinces were reported with the exception of minor troubles at Tanta, fifty miles northwest of Cairo.

The authorities conveyed to Suez today six followers of Said Zagloul Pasha, the nationalist leader, forcibly removed from the city yesterday, whom Field Marshal Allenby, the British high commissioner in Egypt had ordered expelled from Cairo. British warships are on the way to Egypt.

CAIRO, Dec. 24.—The rupture of negotiations between the Egyptian legation in London and Lord Curzon, the British secretary for foreign affairs late in November is looked upon in most quarters here as likely to create another Ireland in Egypt, because of the intense anti-English feeling that has been aroused among the Egyptians.

The Egyptian problem today is considered by close students of the situation as far worse than ever, judged by the tone of the native press and the number of anti-government demonstrations in the large cities.

Meanwhile the extremists under Said Zagloul Pasha are again coming to the fore and seem to be winning the support of the masses.

ALEXANDRIA, Egypt, Dec. 24.—(By the Associated Press.)—More than 100 of the city's street lamps and some shop windows were smashed today by small groups of demonstrators. Police forces and armored cars dispersed them. Otherwise Alexandria remained quiet but with an undertone of excitement evident.

PITTSBURG, Kas., Dec. 24.—A number of passengers were reported injured early today when two coaches of a St. Louis and San Francisco train en route from Fort Scott to Cerrville, Kas., were derailed and overturned at Daisy Hill, near Weir.

They followed behind the Toon car for several miles, while he set the pace at from 45 to 60 miles an hour, and refused either to turn aside, or to stop when they tooted their horn repeatedly, until finally they managed to pass and stop him.

CYCLONE SWEEPS SOUTHERN STATES, MANY KILLED, HUGE PROPERTY LOSS

MONROE, La., Dec. 24.—Spencer, a hamlet on the Monroe and Little Rock railway, sixteen miles from Union parish, was wiped out by a storm today, seven persons being killed and 25 injured, according to reports received here. A special train carrying doctors and nurses left Monroe for the scene this afternoon.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Dec. 24.—Nine persons, one white man and eight negroes killed; more than a score injured and property damage roughly estimated at \$200,000 today was the known result of a windstorm which late yesterday swept through half a dozen farming settlements in Crittendon county, Arkansas. In Clarkedale a brick store building, in which approximately fifty negro farm hands had taken refuge from the storm was wrecked.

MONROE, La., Dec. 24.—One white woman and six negroes were reported killed and several persons injured in a storm that swept Morehouse parish, near here, early today.