

The Weather

Maximum yesterday.....51
Minimum today.....32
Precipitation.....Trace

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

Predictions

Rain.

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

MEDFORD, OREGON, WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 28, 1921

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DAUGHTER OF JOHN D. DIVORCED

Mrs. McCormick, Daughter of Oil King, Given Decree in Record Time—Desertion Charge Admitted By Husband—Couple Have Lived Apart Eight Years.

CHICAGO, Dec. 28.—Mrs. Edith R. McCormick, daughter of John D. Rockefeller, Sr., was granted a divorce from Harold F. McCormick, president of the International Harvester company, in superior court today.

No provision for alimony was included in the divorce decree which was signed in court by Judge Charles A. McDonald, after Mrs. McCormick had filed suit charging desertion against Mr. McCormick, whose attorneys filed an answer admitting the charge.

Property Settlement

While no announcement of any settlement was made in court, an agreement has been reached between Mr. and Mrs. McCormick on a division of property according to Clarence Darrow, one of counsel for Mr. McCormick.

Mrs. McCormick appeared in open court with her lawyer and two witnesses.

Mr. McCormick was not present although his three lawyers were there. Otherwise the courtroom was deserted.

According to Mrs. McCormick's testimony the McCormicks were married in 1895 and lived together until 1918, when she alleges that Mr. McCormick deserted her while they were staying in Zurich, Switzerland.

"I have lived in Chicago since 1897," Mrs. McCormick testified. "On November 26, 1895, I was married to Harold F. McCormick and lived with him continuously until May 27, 1918. At that time we were in Zurich, Switzerland, when he left me."

Questioned by her counsel, Mrs. McCormick said Mr. McCormick had not contributed to her support since the date he is alleged to have left her.

"Did he give you any reason for leaving?" Mr. Cutting asked.

"He did not and there was none," Mrs. McCormick answered.

CHICAGO, Dec. 28.—Mrs. Edith Rockefeller McCormick today filed suit for divorce in superior court against Harold F. McCormick, president of the International Harvester company.

Mrs. McCormick is the only daughter of John D. Rockefeller, Sr. She returned to this country a few weeks ago, after spending eight years in Switzerland. Upon her return she took up her residence in the McCormick town house, while Mr. McCormick moved to his estate at Lake Forest. Although they are jointly the backers and principal contributors to the Chicago Opera association and attend almost nightly, Mrs. McCormick has occupied a box on one side of the house and Mr. McCormick and his daughter, Muriel, on the other.

Mrs. McCormick's suit alleges desertion. Rumors of the impending suit have been current ever since Mr. and Mrs. McCormick returned from Europe last summer at the same time, but on different ships. Mrs. McCormick denied at that time that a divorce was contemplated while Mr. McCormick issued a laconic statement that he had moved his home to the country estate. Simultaneously with Mrs. McCormick's suit, Mr. McCormick filed a suit for divorce against her.

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Marries 7 Husbands Then Divorces Them To Boost Business

GENEVA, Dec. 28.—(By Associated Press.) Marriage is, for a woman, the solution of the problem of getting passports to various European countries, the difficulties of which became almost insuperable after the war, a Lucerne business woman has discovered.

Before the war, this woman, who is well educated and good looking, earned some \$10,000 a year by obtaining orders for millinery and furs from royalty and aristocracy in the several capitals of Europe to which she traveled.

The war and postwar passport difficulties hurt her business.

She then formed the plan of marrying men of different nationalities and paying them to let her divorce them as soon as she had established a passport in her new citizenship.

She at present has seven ex-husbands.

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RECEIVERSHIP KU KLUX KLAN IS DEMANDED

170 Members of Secret Organization and Deposed Grand Goblines Ask Court Action—Removal Imperial Kleagle Clarke Also Demanded.

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 28.—(By Associated Press.) Receivership of all property, funds, documents and records of the Ku Klux Klan is sought in a petition filed today in the Fulton superior court by 170 persons describing themselves as "bonafide members" of the Klan.

The petitioners are headed by Harry B. Terrell, Lloyd B. Oliver, F. W. Atkin and A. J. Padon, Jr., deposed grand goblines.

Upon filing of the petition Judge John T. Pendleton granted a temporary injunction against the Klan, restraining the organization from disposing of any of its property and from disbursing any moneys except for ordinary expenses, which it is stipulated, must not include salaries of officers and employees.

The petition further seeks the removal of Edward Young Clarke, imperial kleagle of the Klan and Mrs. Elizabeth Tyler, head of the propagation department, both of whom are made co-defendants to the suit.

An additional feature of the restraining order is that the defendant corporation and the two officers named are prohibited from banishing, suspending, expelling or prosecuting the Klan members whose names appear on the petition as plaintiffs.

LEGION POST FLAYS RELEASE OF DEBS

DENTON, Texas, Dec. 28.—(By Associated Press.) Resolutions condemning the release from federal prison of Eugene V. Debs were adopted here last night at a special meeting of Arthur O. McNitzky post, American Legion. A copy of the resolutions, telegraphed President Harding said:

"To let your official action go unchallenged by us would be to break faith with our fallen buddies."

RATIFICATION OF IRISH PACT NOW CERTAIN

Secret Meeting of Dail Eireann Leaders Insures Acceptance of Peace Treaty, London Reports—Lloyd George Declares Opening of Discussions Impossible.

LONDON, Dec. 28.—(By Associated Press.) It has been learned from a reliable source, says a Central News dispatch from Dublin today, that at a secret meeting of the Dail Eireann leaders, representing both the supporters and opponents of the Anglo-Irish treaty, a compromise was reached which will insure the ratification of the pact.

LONDON, Dec. 28.—(By Associated Press.) A statement from Premier Lloyd George was issued here today to the effect that the government had gone to the utmost limit in the Irish treaty and that it was impossible to reopen the discussion.

The delay in ratification in Ireland, the statement said, was holding up the working of the cabinet committee appointed to arrange the evacuation of the British forces in Ireland, settle the terms of amnesty and transfer executive responsibility to the Irish provisional government.

NAVAN, County Meath, Ireland, Dec. 28.—The urban council of Navan has adopted a resolution favoring ratification of the Anglo-Irish peace treaty.

BELFAST, Dec. 28.—(By Associated Press.) A convention of Sinn Fein clubs of North Donegal, held at Buncrana, has adopted a resolution by unanimous vote expressing satisfaction with the Irish peace treaty as embodying the essentials of Ireland's freedom.

The resolution called upon the six Dail Eireann members representing the district to use their influence to bring about ratification. Failure to do this, the resolution stated, would be regarded as betrayal of the best interests of the country.

PORTLAND LAND MARK BURNED

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 28.—One of Portland's early land marks, the Odd Fellows Hall at First and Alder streets, which held in its cupola the city's first town clock, was wrecked by fire early today. The clock had been in service since 1869. The fire loss was estimated at \$35,000. Several firemen were slightly injured.

The Odd Fellows building damage was placed at \$20,000 and the lodge reported its loss \$5,000 in equipment and costumes. A market occupying the street floor suffered \$10,000 damage.

The old clock fell into the wreckage, but the skeleton of the cupola remained standing.

Acquitted of Murder Wife Charges Spouse With White Slavery

TACOMA, Dec. 28.—Maude Moore Stubbs, recently acquitted in Knoxville, Tenn., of the murder of Leroy Harth an automobile dealer, was in hiding today following the arrest of her husband, William Stubbs, on a white slavery charge.

Stubbs was arrested Monday night on complaint of his wife, who alleged that upon her return from Knoxville last week, following her acquittal, she found "another woman" installed in her place. The complaint charges that Stubbs asked his wife to lead a life of shame, and when she refused held her while the other woman kicked and beat her.

Stubbs, in the city jail, until he is able to raise \$5,000 bail, refused to comment today beyond saying "this is gratitude for you." He said he put up the money to free his wife.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold McCormick Who Were Divorced Today



Mr. and Mrs. Harold F. McCormick

VALUE OF FARM CROPS SHRINK 5 BILLION, 1920

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—The country's important farm crops were valued this year at \$5,675,877,000 based on prices paid to farmers on December 1, the department of agriculture announced today in its final estimates. The same crops, which comprise about ninety per cent of the value of all farm crops, were valued last year at \$9,075,388,000.

The area devoted to the important crops this year was:

- 348,336,000 acres compared with 349,067,000 acres last year.
- Final estimates of production and value announced included:
 - Corn—Production 3,081,251,000 bushels; value \$1,305,624,000.
 - Winter wheat 57,032,000 and valued at \$568,725,000.
 - Spring wheat production 207,861,000 and value \$17,343,000.
 - All wheat production 794,893,000, valued \$735,068,000.
 - Oats 1,060,737,000 and \$321,540,000.
 - Barley 151,787,000 and \$63,788,000.
 - Rye 57,918,000 and \$4068,000.
 - Potatoes 346,823,000 and \$385,192,000.
 - Hay (tame) 81,567,000 and \$989,693,000.
 - Hay (wild) 15,235,000 and \$101,983,000.
 - Apples 96,881,000 and \$463,215,000.
 - Peaches 32,733,000 and \$52,176,000.
 - Oranges 30,700,000 and \$63,550,000.

MURDERER OF L. A. COP IS SUICIDE

PRESCOTT, Ariz., Dec. 28.—Earl Winton, wanted in Los Angeles in connection with the murder of a policeman there, shot and killed himself yesterday morning when he was surrounded by a posse in a section foreman's house nine miles west of Ashfork, Ariz., according to word received here.

Winton, before he died, made a short statement to Sheriff W. P. Mahoney of Mohave county and other officers in which he declared that he fired no shots when the Los Angeles policeman was killed. He said he was riding on the rear seat of the automobile from which the shots were fired.

50 Injured Trolley Wreck

DETROIT, Mich., Dec. 20.—Between 40 and 50 persons were injured, some of them seriously, when a south bound Detroit United Railway Limited interurban tipped up on its side as it rounded a curve at the southern outskirts of Lake Orion, 40 miles northwest of here, shortly before noon today. Ambulances have been sent to the scene from Flint, Mich.

GOV. OLCOTT VETOES BONUS EXEMPTION

SALEM, Ore., Dec. 28.—Governor Olcott today signed seven bills passed at the special session. Yesterday he signed the three road measures and vetoed the bill exempting bonus payments or loans from debts contracted previous to the effective date of the bonus law.

Suicide Attempt Succeeds

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 28.—Albert Gatto, 19, who threw himself from a second story window last night according to the authorities, after he had been forbidden by his father to leave the house, died at a hospital today.

25 Bandits Capture Kentucky Distillery And 325 Cases Booze

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Dec. 28.—(By Associated Press.) Twenty-five bandits swooped down upon the Blue Ribbon distillery at Eminence, Ky., early today, locked five guards in the office of the plant and stole 325 cases of bottled-in-bond whiskey, valued at \$30,000, according to a report to Louisville police.

The report said all of the robbers were masked and heavily armed. Automobile trucks were used to haul the liquor away.

Soon after the bandits departed the five guards, who were bound with ropes, released themselves and notified the authorities.

JAN'Y 16, NOON, DESIGNATED AS "WILSON HOUR"

Women Commemorating 65th Birthday of Ex-President, Name Date to Raise Wilson Fund—Anonymous Telegram Reaches Woodrow.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—Former President Wilson today quietly celebrated his sixty-fifth birthday at his home here.

While no deviation from the daily program of the Wilson household was planned, many cablegrams, telegrams and letters containing greetings were delivered at the Wilson home on Street during the day.

Several of the more intimate friends of Mr. Wilson called to extend their greetings in person.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—Women from all over the United States were here today to attend a luncheon commemorating the birthday of Woodrow Wilson. At the same time they were to celebrate the first anniversary of the plan to honor the former president through a permanent foundation.

Plans for raising at least \$1,000,000 as a fund to endow periodic awards for "meritorious service to democracy, public welfare, liberal thought or peace through justice," were announced to be making progress. The campaign for this fund will begin on January 16, the period between noon and one o'clock p. m. on that day being designated as "Wilson hour."

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 28.—A telegram without any personal designation merely addressed "The Man Unto Whom Humanity is Most Indebted for a Code of Practical, Unselfish World Wide Rules of Action Which Will Ultimately Lead to Peace on Earth and Good Will Among the Nations Thereof, Washington, D. C."—safely reached former President Wilson to whom it was intended.

The telegram was sent Christmas eve by Edward F. Goitra, democratic national committeeman from Missouri, and confirmation of its delivery was made in Wilson's reply, made public by Mr. Goitra today. The reply follows:

"Mrs. Wilson and I warmly appreciate the message you were kind enough to send and I take the liberty of sending through you to the democrats of Missouri my most cordial greetings and my confident prediction of triumphant success of the party in the new year and the years immediately to follow."

BROWNSVILLE OREGON MAN ARRESTED FOR \$29,000 ROBBERY IN CALIFORNIA

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 28.—Herbert Cox of Los Angeles and Herbert Wilson, formerly of Brownsville, Oregon, both of whom were taken into custody here yesterday by federal and county authorities, were made defendants in a series of attachments, brought late yesterday by Hale Brothers, incorporated, of San Francisco, the plaintiff company complaining that the defendants were indebted to them in the sum of \$29,000 which the store lost by robbery December 7, 1920.

Cox and Wilson were held here while the authorities continued to investigate their probable connection

FRANCE SUBSTAND MAY HALT PARLEY

Both England and Japan, After Opposing French Insistence On Increased U-Boat Tonnage, Declare Intention to Reserve Action On Naval Ratio, if Point Carries.

HUGHES AND BALFOUR RAP FRENCH STAND

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—(By Associated Press.) A proposal presented by former Senator Elihu Root to the naval committee when it resumed its session this afternoon to apply certain rules of international law to the use of submarines in warfare was referred to a sub-committee for consideration.

During the afternoon it leaked out that after M. Sassaout had presented the French demand for 90,000 tons of submarines and announced rejection by his nation of the American compromise proposal, Arthur J. Balfour, head of the British delegation and Secretary Hughes, head of the American delegation, responded in language which, while diplomatic, struck hard at the French position. One of the delegates said both Mr. Balfour and Secretary Hughes stated they "deplored" the attitude of France.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—(By the Associated Press.)—Hope for an agreement to limit submarine tonnage was declared to have been abandoned today at the meeting of the arms conference navy committee.

A demand by France for a minimum submarine tonnage of ninety thousand tons was declared by delegates to have closed the door to any agreement, the American compromise proposal having been rejected finally and completely by the French.

Casting aside the possibility of harmonizing views on submarine tonnage the American delegation brought forth a new proposal to limit the size of submarines and other auxiliary craft to a maximum of 10,000 tons.

The presentation of the French viewpoint, based on calculations of her naval experts and reinforced by approval of the French cabinet meeting yesterday in Paris was followed by lengthy discussions, the committee adjourning the session after two hours' debate to meet again at 3 o'clock.

French Stand Firm

Albert Sarraut, head of the French delegation, it was announced, presented with an air of finality the declaration that France could not accept less than 330,000 tons of auxiliary tonnage, including a submarine tonnage of 90,000. The American compromise would have given France about 31,000 tons of submarines.

The British and Japanese delegations are understood to have stated that, in view of the French stand on submarines, they would both feel compelled to reserve action on the tonnage ratio for auxiliary craft allotted Great Britain and Japan under the American plan.

Italy Joins Opposition

Italian spokesmen following presentation of the French demand, it was said, expressed regret that France had not seen its way clear to (Continued on Page Eight)

N. Y. MILLIONAIRES NOT "CLASSY" ENOUGH, JANITORS QUIT THEIR JOBS

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—(By Associated Press.) The exclusive millionaire-janitor "Skyline" colony that inhabits the skyscraper tips of Lower Manhattan is splitting up. As the millionaires move in, the janitors are moving out.

The reason is largely social—but it isn't that the skyscraper zone, with its elaborate aerial bungalows and roof gardens is becoming too exclusive for the janitors.

The trouble is that, despite the influx of millionaires, the district hasn't enough social tone to suit the family of the modern big building janitor.

who wears the title of "building superintendent."

J. H. Herson, department manager of a large downtown realty management company said today it was becoming harder and harder to find resident superintendents to occupy the apartments that most of the older skyscrapers maintain for that purpose.

"The type of men taking these jobs is becoming higher and higher," he said, "as the complexities of big building operation increases. That means that the wives have social ambitions that they feel they cannot gratify down here in the business district. They prefer to live uptown, or in the more exclusive suburbs."