

The Weather

Maximum yesterday 42
Minimum today 32
Precipitation 18

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

Predictions

Rain or snow.

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

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WAGE WAR THREATENED BY MINERS

President Lewis Declares Any Wage Reduction Now Will Result in Outbreak—Recognizes Determined Campaign to Lower Wages—Responsibility Rests On Owners.

SHAMOKIN, Pa., Jan. 17.—(By Associated Press.) It is idle to talk of reducing the wages of the coal miners of the country, International President J. L. Lewis of the United Mine Workers told the anthracite wage convention which opened here today. He recognized, he said, that there is an organized propaganda to reduce the wages of the miners, but added "that there could be no backward step in the progress of the United Mine Workers of America."

"If an industrial conflict must come to protect the interests of the mine workers and guard their honor," Mr. Lewis explained, "then an immediate conflict must come."

The mine workers of the country, President Lewis said stood ready and willing to negotiate new wage contracts in the bituminous and anthracite fields to take the place of those that expire March 31 and if the mine owners of the country do not respond then there would be no contracts and the peace would not rest with the United Mine Workers.

"It is idle to talk about reducing wages of the men in face of the fact that approximately 300,000 miners in the soft coal fields are idle and many other thousands are working broken time. The miner must eat and he must have a living wage."

The international president contrasted conditions in the organized Pennsylvania hard coal fields with those in the unorganized fields of West Virginia.

Mr. Lewis referred to factional quarrels in the union, mentioning the state of Kansas and Illinois. He said when the union leaders forgot their obligations and ran counter to the policies laid down by the membership then the dissolution of the organization would begin.

ARBUCKLE TRIAL STARTS AT LAST

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 17.—Testimony began today in the second manslaughter trial of Roscoe C. (Patty) Arbuckle, accused of having caused the death of Miss Virginia Rappo. Dr. Shelby Strange, acting autopsy surgeon, was the first witness.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 17.—There was no session of the Roscoe Arbuckle manslaughter trial in superior court this morning. District Attorney Brady having asked time to study certain phases of the case more thoroughly. The court set the first of a series of extended sessions for 2 p. m.

Taking of testimony was expected to begin at this session. The long sessions—from 2 to 6 o'clock each afternoon are being held to render night sittings of the court unnecessary. It was announced. Both prosecution and defense have expressed a desire to expedite the hearing. Morning sessions are as usual, from ten to twelve o'clock.

U. S. TROOPS ARRIVE FOR ITALIAN CEREMONY, PEOPLE OF ROME GO WILD

ROME, Jan. 17.—(By Associated Press.) Rome outdid itself today in extending a welcome to the American troops which came here to participate in tomorrow's ceremonies attending the bestowal of the congressional medal of honor upon Italy's unknown soldier.

The American composite company from Coblenz, under Major General Henry T. Allen, was greeted on its arrival by the strains of the "Star Spangled Banner" from the band of the royal carabinieri; by a picked company of the grenadiers as guard of honor, by scores of be-medaled gen-

W. B. THOMPSON MAY TAKE PLACE OF HAYS IN CABINET



The reported resignation of Willard B. Hays from the postmaster-generalship in President Harding's cabinet has caused many rumors to the effect that Colonel William Boyce Thompson, of New York, will probably accept the appointment. Mr. Hays is expected to leave the cabinet about January 15 to accept the offer of motion picture producers to act as director general of the industry.

NICHOLS HELD TO GRAND JURY BOOZE CHARGE

One of Principals in Cutting Fray Bound Over On \$500 Bail—Charge of Assault By Hawaiian Dismissed in Justice Court.

The case of the state against Brice Nichols on a charge of possessing liquor was heard this morning with District Attorney Moore representing the state and Attorney Don Newberry representing the defense.

Albert Garcia, Marie Nickerson, Hazel Garcia and Lee Nelson testified that they had seen liquor in his possession and although the testimony of the first three witnesses did not correspond in several details with that of Nelson, Nichols was bound over to the grand jury on \$500 bail. The testimony brought out an allegation that Nichols had made offers to sell liquor, namely moonshine whiskey, to Albert Garcia and to Nelson.

The case is a result of Saturday night's stabbing affray in which Luis Garcia is alleged to have stabbed George Grigsby.

Luis Garcia was arraigned yesterday afternoon in Justice Farrell's court on a complaint charging assault with a dangerous weapon which was filed by George Grigsby, Sr., father of the injured boy.

Brice Nichols who was arrested at the time of the stabbing affray along with Albert Garcia, Luis Garcia and George Grigsby, was also arraigned on a charge of having liquor in his possession, which was preferred by Albert Garcia. At the same time, Albert Garcia swore out a similar complaint against George Grigsby and a complaint charging the solicitation of orders for intoxicating liquor. Lee Nelson, a laborer for the Rogue River Valley Canal Co., also swore out a complaint against Grigsby charging bootlegging.

Grigsby was not present at the time to listen to the reading of the complaints against him and it was understood that he was unable to be there having been incapacitated by the wound alleged to have been inflicted by Luis Garcia.

The entire session of the court yesterday.

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HANGING METHOD IS CORROBORATED BY U. S. COLONEL

Lieut. Col. Lamb of Hartford Connecticut Admits Bodies Were Buried With Ropes and Caps—Other Witnesses Deny Truth of Reports.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.—Former service men detailed for duty with the American graves registration service in France denied before a senate investigating committee today that the bodies of soldiers legally put to death in France were buried with a stub of rope around the neck and the black cap which had been placed on them on the gallows.

George A. Bamford of Washington and John R. Flynn of Cambridge, Mass., both testified they had heard of nothing to substantiate such charges. Flynn declared Rufus P. Hubbard of New York, who had testified that he saw bodies with rope and cap intact, was a "troublemaker" who had to be transferred on that account.

The committee went into hanging methods as part of its general investigation of charges laid before the senate by Senator Watson, democrat, Georgia, that soldiers were hanged without trial in France.

Disagreeing with witnesses who preceded him, Richard C. Sullivan of Somerville, Mass., an assistant embalmer with the graves registration service, declared he saw two bodies taken up with rope and black cap intact.

"Was there any evidence that the heart and brain were removed from the bodies of the men hanged?" asked Senator Watson.

"I did not notice," Edwin E. Lamb of Hartford, Conn., a lieutenant colonel with the expeditionary forces, was called.

"Did you witness any executions in France?"

"Yes, two at Zanalis. Both were court martialed," he said.

The condemned men were given opiates before the hanging to compose their nerves, the witness declared.

"In the case of the second man hanged, I think the body was placed quickly in a coffin with the rope and cap still on it," Lamb added.

The first woman to appear before the committee, Mrs. Griffiths of Washington, whose husband, Colonel Richard H. Griffiths, was killed in France, told of going to France in an effort to locate and identify his body.

"It was a headless body," she declared, "and there was no tag on it."

"Are you sure the body was, or was not, that of your husband?" Senator Overman asked.

"It was quite impossible to tell."

Mrs. Griffiths declared there was no identification marks or crosses above the graves at the cemetery where her husband was buried.

The hearing was adjourned until tomorrow.

FUNERAL MARQUIS OKUMA IS HELD

TOKIO, Jan. 17.—(By the Associated Press.)—Many thousand Japanese today paid tribute to the memory of Marquis Shigenobu Okuma, Japan's noted statesman who died here last week. Before the funeral services were held today, long lines of admirers filed past the body as it lay in state in a specially constructed pavilion in Hibiyu park.

Most of the members of the imperial household, as well as numerous government officials and diplomats, visited the Okuma residence yesterday to pay tribute to his memory, and to offer condolences to the family. This morning a private religious service was held in the home, after which the body was removed to the park, escorted by a special detachment of the cavalry. During the funeral ceremony a salute of 19 guns was fired. The interment was private.

CANADIAN FARMERS WOULD END SENATE

CALGARY, Alta., Jan. 17.—More than 200 resolutions were submitted for consideration at the United Farmers convention today. One proposed that the British North America act be adopted to provide for the abolition of the senate and that the position of governor general be made no longer appointive. Another resolution proposed a wheat pool.

Pepper Succeeds Penrose in Senate



George Wharton Pepper (on left), who was recently appointed by Governor Sproul, of Pennsylvania, to succeed the late Senator Boies Penrose in the United States senate. The photograph shows Governor Sproul officially notifying the noted lawyer of his appointment, in the governor's office at Philadelphia.

ASSAULT CHARGE AGAINST GARCIA IS DISMISSED

George Grigsby, Victim of Saturday Night Attack Can't Be Found—Witnesses Give Confusing Stories Regarding Tragedy.

The hearing of the case against Luis Garcia for assault with dangerous weapon terminated at two fifteen this afternoon with dismissal. The victim of the brawl, George Grigsby, who faces a bootlegging charge, was not present at the court session this morning and neither was he at his home. He could not be located.

Testimony in this morning's session of court was that Mr. and Mrs. Luis Garcia, Albert Garcia and Marie Nickerson had been playing at the Shasta and that Marie Nickerson left about ten minutes prior to the time the others left. She arrived at her rooms at 510 East Mand and had been there but a short time when three men entered the room. She testified that they had been drinking and that she was not acquainted with them. The men were identified as Grigsby, Nelson and Nichols. Within ten minutes the Garcia brothers and Mrs. Garcia arrived; the visitors produced a bottle and offered drinks all around. The two Garcia brothers accepted the offer and took one drink each. The girls refrained from taking any of the liquor. Soon the alleged uninvited visitors offered to sell liquor to the Garcias, who refused to purchase it. A little later they (the alleged uninvited trio) became loud and objectionable and Albert Garcia testified that he requested them to leave the house if they felt it necessary to make such an amount of noise. They did not leave and Garcia brothers, Mrs. Garcia and Marie Nickerson put on their hats and coats and left the house hoping the trio would follow, which they did.

The Garcias and Miss Nickerson went to the Optimo cafe and procured a cup of coffee, started back down Main street toward their rooming house and met the trio at the Page theatre. The entire lot proceeded as far as the house where the Garcias room. While they walked across the bridge, it is alleged, Nichols and Grigsby used exceedingly offensive language in addressing the ladies in their presence. An argument started in front of the house.

Miss Nickerson started toward town after the police and was detained by Nichols. She called Albert Garcia to her assistance and he and Nichols became engaged in a fight. It is alleged that shortly after this Nichols called to Grigsby, "Go get the banjo" (meaning a banjo which had been taken from Garcia's rooms while he was absent at the Optimo cafe), "and we'll clean up on the whole bunch." Grigsby secured the banjo from beneath the bridge where he had hidden it and was coming across the street with it when he and Luis Garcia met. No one saw the actual meeting, as far as has been shown so far. Nichols caught Grigsby as he staggered and helped him west on Main street as far as the Medford Service Station where he collapsed and was unable to go further. At this point the officers arrived and the entire lot were arrested.

The Daily Bank Robbery

CHICAGO, Jan. 17.—Crowding their automobile to the curbstone and opening fire before giving their victims a chance to raise their hands, four armed bandits wounded and robbed two messengers of the Citizens' Trust and Savings bank of \$12,000 this morning. The messengers were Joseph Ross and Anthony Kofoote, both of whom were shot in the neck and head by the robbers.

Houghton Is Welcome

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.—The German government has notified the American government that Alanson B. Houghton, now member of the house from New York will be acceptable as ambassador and the name of Mr. Houghton will be sent to the senate this week.

JAPS INSIST ON JOINT CONTROL CHINESE MINES

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.—(By Associated Press.) Another meeting of the Far East committee to continue debate on the subject of the "open door" in China and further discussion of the Shantung question between the Japanese and Chinese delegates formed today's program for the arms conference.

As a starting point for the "open door" discussions today, the delegates of the other powers represented in the Far Eastern committee had before them for consideration a concrete "definition" of the American view of what constituted an effective application of this principle.

This was supplied them in textual form yesterday by Secretary Hughes after opening the debate with a reaffirmation of the American "open door" policy in China.

The Chinese proposed that they be given control over the mines but offered the Japanese a 50 per cent share in the capital of the ventures. The Japanese objected, declaring they would require joint control.

CHARGES GRAFT IN RESERVE BANKS

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.—Charges that there was graft in connection with the ordering of the construction of the new district federal reserve bank building in New York were made today in the senate by Senator Heflin, democrat, Alabama, in the course of an attack on Governor Harding and other members of the federal reserve board.

Woodburn Attorney Drops Dead

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The war secretary in his statement

Woman Mayor, Eighty Years Old, Declares War On Male Vamps

MAGNETIC SPRINGS, O., Jan. 17.—Twenty-four hours after assuming the duties of mayor of this health resort village, Mrs. Mary McFadden, aged 80, said to be the oldest woman mayor in the United States, today announced that she intends to give "this town a little dusting."

Her policy, she said, would be: War on male vamps. Enforcement of the curfew law. Strict enforcement of prohibition laws. Harmony with council.

CLAIMS CROWN OFFICIALS AID IRISH REBELS

Correspondent London Post Makes Sensational Charge Against High Salaried Gents in Dublin Castle—Troops Start to Leave.

LONDON, Jan. 17.—Details incident to the transfer of authority in southern Ireland from the crown government to the provincial administration established in Dublin were discussed here today. Eamon J. Duggan and Kevin O'Higgins, delegates of the Irish provisional government arrived in London to confer with members of the British cabinet relative to the investment of the new regime with governmental responsibility.

The war office has announced that withdrawal of British forces in southern Ireland will begin at once and that the men will be moved as rapidly as conditions permit.

The Morning Post, a newspaper which has steadfastly shown hostility to Irish home rule and has upheld the principle of unionism, today printed the following dispatch from its Dublin correspondent:

"The provisional government will make a great mistake if it does not level Dublin castle to the ground. There is an evil spell upon it. Its spirit of intolerant bureaucracy, the type of politician that it harbored and the kind of administrators it bred did more to destroy the union than agitators and treason mongers. When the exodus begins, the fastnesses of Dublin castle will discharge high salaried officials who have not done a stroke of honest work in years."

The correspondent intimated the officials against whom he was writing are in collusion with "rebels," while drawing salaries and wearing titles received from the crown.

BELFAST, Jan. 17.—(By the Associated Press.)—Owen O'Duffy, Sinn Fein liaison officer for Ulster, said in an interview today he had taken up with the British authorities the arrest Sunday by the members of the Royal Irish constabulary of ten occupants of automobiles on their way from Monaghan to Londonderry who were reported by the constables to have represented themselves as Gaelic football players but who wore Irish republican uniforms.

O'Duffy declared one of the men arrested was Divisional Commander Hagan of the northern division of the republican army and the others members of his staff.

Unless the men were immediately released, O'Duffy announced, he would take action.

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DIRT FARMER RESERVE B'D GIVEN PLACE

Effort to Defeat Amendment By Connecticut Senator Fails—Senator Glass Denounces Those Who Talk Sense to Bankers and Non-sense to Farmers—Why Not Tell Truth?

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.—The senate late today defeated a motion to send back to its banking and currency committee the bill to put a farmer on the federal reserve board. The motion made by Senator McLean, republican, Connecticut, was voted down, 52 to 17.

A few moments later the senate accepted 64 to 10, the Kellogg-Smith compromise amendment to the original bill providing that a farmer be included on the reserve board. This was held to forecast passage of the bill. The senate late today by a vote of 63 to 9 voted to amend the federal reserve act so as to appoint a farmer to the federal reserve board.

Denouncing "those who would destroy the great reserve banking system for the sake of politics," Senator Glass, democrat, Virginia, declared that much more good would be accomplished for the country "if some senators and others would talk sense to the bankers instead of nonsense to the farmers."

"Why not tell the farmers the truth once?" queried the speaker. "Why insist on drawing the picture of deflation and credits as the monster which brought reduced prices. Why not show that a lot of banks did not take advantage of the resources of the reserve system, and thereby impaired and limited their own ability to aid?"

The senator said that 42 per cent of the banking power of the south was lodged in banks not members of the reserve system and that 39 per cent of the banking power in the west was not included in the system, while in the Pacific states, 36 per cent remained outside of the system.

President Harding stands ready, it was said, today at the White House, to appoint a representative of the agricultural interests on the reserve board in event of enactment of the pending legislation.

PORTLAND AGAIN IN WINTER'S GRIP

PORTLAND, Jan. 17.—Portland was again in winter's grip today, with snow covering the ground and colder weather predicted for tonight. The snowfall last night followed an incipient silver thaw that spread a thin crust of ice on streets and sidewalks yesterday.

SEATTLE, Jan. 17.—Seattle and many sections of the Puget Sound district today were covered with snow ranging in depth from three to six inches, which followed in the wake of a northwest wind that during the night brought temperatures down to below the freezing point.

Weather bureau officials here said they expected some moderation during the day but predicted clear, cold weather for tonight.

No Ku Klux Parade Tonight. GALVESTON, Texas, Jan. 17.—Rumors that there was to be a parade of the Ku Klux Klan in Galveston tonight, brought forth a declaration from James O. Stevenson, chief of police that such a parade would not be permitted.