

The Weather

Maximum yesterday.....30
Minimum today.....32

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

Predictions

Rain.

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

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HARDING FOR ST. L. CANAL AS FARM AID

President Opens the National Agricultural Meeting With Speech Endorsing Waterways Project—Tremendous Stimulus to Great Lake Region and Midwest.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.—Attended by approximately 800 delegates representing agriculture in all its phases and the industries related to farming, the national agriculture conference was convened here today by Secretary Wallace and immediately heard from President Harding a declaration of interest and sympathy by the administration in the present plight of the nation's farmers, together with a series of suggestions for remedying existing conditions.

Aid Farmer Financially

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.—Development of a thorough code of law and business procedure with the proper machinery of finance, to assure the farmer as generous a supply of working capital on as reasonable terms as is granted other industries, was advocated here today by President Harding in opening the national agricultural conference.

"An industry" he said, "more vital than any other, in which near half the nation's wealth is invested can be relied on for food security and certain returns."

Declaring that on the matter of what may be called fixed investment capital, the disadvantage of the farmer—so impressed public opinion that the federal farm loan board was established to meet the need, the president said that the farmer still needed some provision for supplying him with working capital.

"Compared with other industries," he continued, "the wonder is that agriculture deprived of easy access to investment and accommodation capital has preceded even so well."

Lines on which financial support of agriculture may be organized, he said, are suggested in the plan of the federal farm loan board and in the rural finance societies which have been so effective in some European countries.

"The cooperative loaning associations of Europe have been effective incentives to united action of farmers," he continued. "And led them directly into cooperation in both production and marketing which have contributed greatly to the stabilization and prosperity of agriculture."

Whether these organizations are considered as means of buying the farmers requirements in a cheaper market, he asserted, or to selling his products in a more remunerative one, "the conclusion in all cases is the same; it is that the farmer is as good a business man as any other if he has the chance."

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.—Feasibility of the St. Lawrence-Great Lakes waterways project is "unquestioned," President Harding declared today before the national agricultural conference.

"I have spoken," the president said, "of the advantage which Europe enjoys because of its easy access to the sea, the cheapest and surest transportation facility. In our own country is presented one of the world's most attractive opportunities for extension of the seaways many hundreds of miles inland."

"The heart of the continent with its vast resources in both agriculture and

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"I KILLED MY WIFE AND BABY", CHICAGO MAN TELLS POLICE, "PLEASE KILL ME"

CHICAGO, Jan. 23.—Patrick Tierney, 29, walked into a police station here early today and confessed, according to the police that he had decapitated his wife and baby as they lay sleeping Sunday morning. He was destitute and jealous, he told the police and could not find employment, and for these reasons had committed the crimes.

A short time before Tierney's arrest the police had obtained his description. The police sergeant had just sent out a message to arrest him on sight when he staggered in out of the cold and warmed his hands at a radiator in the hallway. He walked into the station and asked for lodging for the night.

The police sergeant glanced up at

California Orange Crop Cut 50 Per Cent By Recent Cold Snap

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 23.—Southern California's orange crop has suffered from 40 to 50 per cent damage during the present cold snap, according to preliminary estimates furnished by the state division of markets here by the branch office of the state department of agriculture at Los Angeles. It is added that injury to citrus crops cannot be definitely fixed until the fruit dries out, about the middle of this week.

FINGER PRINTS ARE DAMAGING IN FAT'S CASE

Expert Testifies Door of Room Shows Ar buckle's Finger Prints Superimposed Those of Miss Rappe—Admits He Is Sherlock Holmes.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 23.—E. O. Heinrich, a finger print expert, testified today to examining a door of Roscoe C. (Fatty) Arbuckle's room in the Hotel Francis and finding thereon finger prints alleged to be those of Arbuckle and Miss Virginia Rappe, in the second trial of a manslaughter charge against Arbuckle.

The door itself was introduced into the examination. Heinrich described the finger prints in detail saying that those supposed to be Arbuckle's superimposed those supposed to be Miss Rappe's.

Heinrich compared the police finger prints of Arbuckle and the post-mortem prints of Miss Rappe with those on the door, and said that all of the prints concerned were made by the same hands.

"The right hand of the man was clutching the right hand of the woman," he testified. "The position of the woman's hand on the door appears to have been due to pressure exerted by the man's hand."

The door was admitted into evidence.

Under cross-examination, Heinrich said he "may have" introduced himself at the Hotel St. Francis as "Sherlock Holmes" and his secretary, Miss S. E. Boyle, as Dr. Watson.

While examining the rooms involved in the case, he locked the doors "in order not to be disturbed, as I was being shadowed," he testified.

SWEDISH WOMAN AVIATOR KILLED

STOCKHOLM, Jan. 23.—Elsa Anderson, the only Swedish woman to hold an aviator's certificate, was killed at Askersund yesterday. Four thousand spectators were watching her make a flight. Miss Anderson attempted a parachute descent. The parachute failed to open and she plunged 2000 feet to death.

St. Louis Shivers.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 23.—St. Louis experienced its coldest day of the season when the temperature registered three above this morning. Police reports stated one man froze to death last night.

the man and said "why you're Patrick Tierney, aren't you?"

"Yes, that's me," Tierney replied, the police said. "I killed my wife and baby. Please kill me."

Then he collapsed.

Speaking without apparent emotion, Tierney told of meeting his wife when he was an army chemist at the Presidio, San Francisco, during the war.

With his last eighty cents he purchased a hatchet. After killing his wife and baby, he said, he wandered about the streets, begging money, intending to purchase poison with which to end his life. Failing in this, he gave himself up. Tierney said his father was a lieutenant of police in New York and that a brother was a police sergeant there.

G. PERSHING REFUSES TO TAKE CROSS

'Black Jack' Spoils Surprise Party Planned By Secretary Weeks—Refuses to Accept Distinguished Service Cross for Heroism in Philippines—Claims Honor Not Deserved

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.—General Pershing declined today to accept a distinguished service cross voted him by the army board of awards and which Secretary Weeks had planned to bestow on him at a "surprise party" arranged to take place in the war secretary's office. The plan was cancelled when the general discovered the secret and went immediately to Mr. Weeks's house to declare his undesiredness of the honor.

General Pershing declined the award of the medal of honor for the same exploit concerned in today's presentation. This was an incident occurring when he was a brigadier general in the Philippines in 1913.

The citation, made public earlier in the day by Secretary Weeks on which the board's decision was made, follows:

"For extraordinary heroism in action against hostile fanatical Moros at Mount Bagak, Jolo, Philippine Islands, on July 15, 1915. He personally assumed command of the assaulting line at the most critical period when only about 150 yards from the last Moro position. His encouragement and splendid example of personal heroism resulted in a general advance and the prompt capture of the hostile stronghold."

BOLSHEVIKI WILL CLAIM THE EARTH AT CONFERENCE

MOSCOW, Jan. 23.—(By the Associated Press)—Bolshevik delegates to the conference will present claims against various European powers and the United States. If these claims are made in terms of bolshevik rubles, new names for large amounts may be necessary, for the familiar terms of the decimal system will not cover the staggering sums claimed by this country which issues single bills for one hundred million rubles.

The Versailles conference mustered no such brigades of experts as the Moscow government called into service months ago and has been training for the communist attack upon capitalist fortresses at Genoa. Foreign debts owed by Russia and the claims of other governments against the soviet regime will be as nothing when compared with the amounts that Moscow has chalked up against England, France and America.

The Alabama claims, upon which the United States was successful after the Civil war, form the chief precedent upon which the bolshevik government will present its claims. Reams of documents will be presented to show the responsibility of the great powers for the damage suffered by Russia as a result of the Czecho-Slovak advance in Siberia, Admiral Kolchak's ill-fated movement, the Archangel expedition, General Denikin's sweep northward from the Caucasus, General Baron Wrangel's Crimean expedition, General Yudenitch's fiasco in the Baltic states, Simon Petliura's activities in Ukraine and hundreds of smaller expeditions not reported to the western world.

As western imaginations cannot comprehend the figures presented by bolshevik money, it seems probable Moscow will make her claims in gold rubles.

36 Below, N. Dakota.

ST. PAUL, Jan. 23.—Virtually the entire northwest today experienced the coldest weather of the season, according to the United States weather observatory here. The coldest spot on the United States weather map was 36 below at Williston, N. D., while at Minnedosa and Prince Albert, in Canada, the thermometer touched thirty below zero.

Kearns Off for N. Y. OAKLAND, Cal. Jan. 23.—Jack Kearns, manager of Jack Dempsey, world's champion heavyweight boxer, is on his way to New York where, he said, before he left here Saturday, he was called. Kearns would not say whether he expected to arrange a match for the champion while in the east.

General McArthur to Wed, Is Report



WASHINGTON—The brief War Department order granting permission to Brigadier-General Douglas MacArthur, superintendent of the military academy at West Point, to go abroad for two months, has set in motion the rumor of a possible honeymoon trip. Report has it that the engagement of General MacArthur and Mrs. Louise Cromwell-Brooks will be announced shortly. Mrs. Brooks is the only daughter of Mrs. E. T. Stotesbury, of Philadelphia, by her first husband, the late Oliver Cromwell-New York and Washington. She divorced Walter Brooks, of Baltimore in France in 1918. She is a noted beauty. General MacArthur had a distinguished career in France, where he was known as a progressive commander, both in methods, and achievement.

TWO YEARS IN JAIL FACED BY D. WOLGAMOTT

Ernest S. "Dad" Wolgamott was bound over to the grand jury this morning in Acting Justice Farrell's court, on a charge of unlawfully possessing intoxicating liquor. The bond was set at \$500. This charge grew out of the finding of six bottles of whiskey early Saturday when Wolgamott's house was searched.

The original charge was changed from selling to possessing intoxicating liquor. This is Wolgamott's third arrest on a charge of violating the state prohibition law. He has been convicted once in justice court and once in circuit court. The third conviction on a charge involving an infraction of state prohibition law provides a two year jail sentence, according to District Attorney Moore.

S. B. Sanderfer, Jackson county special prohibition agent, Night Patrolman Leggett and Sheriff Terrill were called as witnesses by the state. They testified as to having seen the six bottles of liquor, mentioned in the charge in Wolgamott's house. Officer Leggett testified that he heard Wolgamott say to another resident of the house on North Central, "Get up—they are all here and have got us."

Attorney George Roberts represented the defense and moved that the case be dismissed as there was no proof that the liquor had been obtained since the prohibition law went into effect February 2nd, 1917. He contended that if the liquor had been obtained prior to that date that its possession by the defendant would have been legal. Sheriff Terrill as a witness for the state testified that on a previous search of Wolgamott's home since the prohibition law went into effect no liquor was then found in the house.

District Attorney Rawles Moore represented the state.

The defendant, Wolgamott, was not present at the hearing which was attended by a large number of spectators.

On Saturday night the league leaders of the Y. M. C. A. of Medford went to Central Point and met the Central Point high school in the hardest battle of the season and were beaten 23 to 21, but on account, (according to the reports of the boys) of having to play the team and the referee both.

GEORGE GRIGSBY IS APPREHENDED BY PORT. POLICE

George Grigsby, who as a result of a brawl which took place Saturday night, January 14, faces charges of possessing, soliciting orders for and selling intoxicating liquor and who left town the day before he was to have been tried in Acting Justice Farrell's court, has been taken into custody in Portland.

Sheriff O. E. Terrill leaves tonight to bring him back to this city where he will likely be tried in the near future on the bootlegging charge.

Grigsby was wounded in the neck during the brawl and was supposed to have been confined to his bed Sunday and Monday after the stabbing. For this reason no cash bond to guarantee his appearance Tuesday, the day of the trial, was required by the court. Being under no bond and not being confined or guarded he left town Monday night. Evidently his wound was not as serious as at first reported.

FARGO BANKER IS CAUGHT, SEATTLE

SEATTLE, Jan. 23.—J. J. Hastings, former vice-president of the Scandinavian-American bank of Fargo, N. D., was arrested here today on a warrant charging him with embezzlement of \$3000 while an officer of the bank. The warrant was issued at the request of North Dakota authorities.

Hastings was formally arrested, but not taken in custody. According to officers he agreed to immediately post bail, which they stated would be fixed at \$5000.

Hastings has been a resident of Seattle for the last two years, conducting a brokerage business here. The alleged embezzlement, authorities here were informed, was declared to have taken place in January, 1919. A warrant for his arrest was sworn out in Fargo, January 18, 1922.

Woman Is 104. ZION, Ill., Jan. 23.—Mrs. Belia King, oldest resident of Lake county, today celebrated her 104th birthday. She was born in St. Johns, N. B., January 23, 1818, one of 11 children, the other ten of whom are dead. She has a daughter aged 32, living in California.

Looking for German Chemists Working On Non-Poison "Hooch"

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.—Prohibition authorities are on the trail of two German chemists alleged to be working with a bootlegger organization in New York in an effort to nullify the poisonous character of denatured alcohol.

Ben Atkins of the industrial alcohol division of the prohibition bureau today said the bootleggers had been engaged in the wholesale treatment of denatured alcohol.

PONTIFF'S BODY LIES IN STATE AT ST. PETERS

Vast Throngs of Mourners Pass Before Catafalque in Historic Cathedral—Successor to Be Named February 2nd.

ROME, Jan. 23.—(By Associated Press.) In the basilica of St. Peter's historic church the body of Pope Benedict XV lay in state today while vast throngs passed reverently before the catafalque.

Early in the day all that was mortal of the late pontiff, whose death in the early hours of Sunday plunged the church throughout the world into deepest mourning, was taken to the Sistine chapel from the throne room of the vatican, where it had been placed on Sunday. Then, at 9:45 o'clock it was solemnly carried to St. Peter's, attended by a procession of cardinals, priests members of the diplomatic corps and dignitaries of the vatican, and placed on the catafalque surrounded by votive candles.

Word was given that the public of Rome would be admitted to St. Peter's up to 11 o'clock and immense crowds immediately began entering the vast edifice and filing by the body.

Scene Impressive One. The body is robed in white with stole and chasuble of red, embroidered with gold. The head, wearing the pontifical mitre, reposes upon cushions of red and gold velvet. The hands, wearing the pontifical gloves of purple silk, and holding the rosary, are clasped over the breast.

The body as it was solemnly brought into St. Peter's was borne under a red covered bier of ushers, clad in medieval costumes of scarlet. The procession was headed by the gendarmes of the vatican, the pontifical police, with their elaborate uniforms of blue and white, walking with drawn swords.

Following them were the palatin guards in dark blue uniforms and plumes of black feathers standing erect.

LONDON, Jan. 23.—Members of the sacred college will meet in conclave at Rome on February 2 to elect a successor to the late Pope Benedict XV., says a Rome dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph.

LONDON, Jan. 23.—Pope Benedict left his property at Pigli in Liguria to his nephew, Marquis Giuseppe Della Chiesa, says a Central News dispatch from Rome today. Various objects in his private apartments were bequeathed to his successor and there are many bequests to relatives and servants.

U. S. Cardinal to Attend BOSTON, Jan. 23.—The plans for (Continued on page six.)

HUGHES WILL CALL UP THE 21 DEMANDS

Secretary of State Reported As Insisting On Consideration of Critical Controversy Between China and Japan—Japan Agrees to Withdraw From Siberia.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.—(By Associated Press.) Secretary Hughes was understood to have informed the Far Eastern committee of the Washington conference at its session today that the question of the Japanese 21 demands, abrogation of which has been asked by China, would be taken up as soon as a settlement is reached in the Shantung controversy.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.—(By Associated Press.) A statement declaring that Japan had no territorial designs in Russia and giving assurance that Japanese troops would be withdrawn as soon as a stable government had been established there, was made today by the Japanese delegation at the meeting of the Far Eastern committee.

The Japanese statement was presented by Baron Shidehara. After hearing his statement on Siberia, the committee proceeded with the question of the status of existing treaties. Full discussion was deferred, however, pending presentation by China of a full list, which she was asked by the committee to make.

The Japanese disclaimer of any Russian territorial ambitions were said to include Sakhalin as well as other portions of Siberia.

Deny China Arms

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.—(By Associated Press.) As one means of giving effect to its declaration last week in favor of reduction of the Chinese army, the arms conference is considering another resolution looking to prohibition of the importation of arms into China.

The proposition emanated from the American delegation which went into today's meeting of the Far Eastern conference prepared to present it fully. The sub-committee on the Chinese Eastern railway also had a report ready for consideration today, and it was indicated that both of these proposals would be disposed of before the committee turned its attention to Siberia, the next subject on the Far Eastern agenda.

The Chinese Eastern resolution was understood to recommend continuance of the present inter-locked control of the road until more stable conditions are restored in Russia, into whose territory the road crosses from Manchuria.

The arms prohibition plan was believed acceptable to most of the delegations of the powers, and it was indicated also that the Chinese heartily supported the preceding resolution regarding reduction of China's army.

At the time of the settlement of the Boxer difficulties many years ago one of the conditions imposed upon China by the powers was that further importation of firearms into China would be prohibited. This provision, however, is said to have been "more honored in the breach than in the observance," though from time to time, mainly at the instance of Japan, attention has been called to the facility with which various brigands and factional hands in China were able to secure the latest firearms from abroad.

Bread 1 Cent a Loaf.

GREAT FALLS, Mont., Jan. 23.—As a result of the continuation of the price war between local bakeries, bread was selling at most retail stores here today for one cent for a 16-ounce loaf.

TOMB PREHISTORIC GIANT UNEARTHED IN PUEBLO COMMUNITY, NEW MEXICO

NEW YORK, Jan. 23.—The tomb of a prehistoric warrior who apparently fell in combat has been discovered in the ruin of a large pueblo community dwelling near Artec, N. M., which is being explored by the American Museum of Natural History.

A description of the burial chamber has been received from Earl H. Morris in charge of the work of excavation.

"The body was that of a warrior over six feet and an inch in height," he writes. "The frame had been wrapped in a mantle of feather cloth and enshrouded with a mat of woven rush stems."

"Within easy grasp of the right hand were the wooden handles of two stone battle axes and by them a hafted knife of quartzite, as well as chips of flint and prongs of antler—the materials and implements for arrow making. A circular shield three feet in diameter, unlike anything previously found in pueblo ruins, covered the warrior from thighs to temples."