

The Weather
 Maximum yesterday.....41 1/2
 Minimum today.....29 1/2
 Rain.....19

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

Predictions
 Rain tomorrow.

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

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LABOR PLEA BEATEN BY FARMERS

Sam Gompers' Motion to Spare Railroad Labor From Reduction in Wages Defeated By Overwhelming Majority Amid Cheers—Labor Wins On Other Points.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—The Great Lakes-St. Lawrence waterway project was endorsed today by the national agricultural conference.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—A declaration that railroad labor and railroad corporations should share in the deflation to bring prices of other commodities in line with agriculture was adopted today by the national agriculture conference over the protest of Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor. Mr. Gompers' motion to strike out the recommendation was overwhelmingly defeated amid cheers.

The conference also struck out of the committee report a recommendation for repeal of the commonly known 2-cent clause of the transportation act which fixes 6 per cent as a proper return for railroads.

Sam Gompers Dies

This action was taken after a bitter debate in which Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, denouncing a resolution introduced by W. H. Stackhouse, president of the National Impement and Vehicle Association, calling for reduction of miners' and railroad union labor wages and also the committee report on repeal of the Adamson law. Mr. Gompers warned the farmers that after they had become thoroughly organized they might in the future face a similar fight by interests which he said now were making a drive on union labor.

The sentiment of the conference as voiced by several speakers seemed to be that the whole matter of transportation, including wages paid to union labor and the railway question generally, had better be left to congress and not passed on by the conference. Several of the delegates joined with Mr. Gompers in denouncing the proposals as an attempt to drive a wedge between labor and the farmers.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—Union labor won a victory in the national agricultural conference today when that body by a vote of 83 to 64, struck out of a committee report a recommendation for repeal of the Adamson eight hour law.

Implement Dealers Elect A. C. Hubbard

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 27.—A. L. Jameson, McMinnville, was today elected president of the Oregon Retail Hardware and Implement Dealers Association for the fourth time. W. W. Baldwin, Klamath Falls, was named vice president and A. C. Hubbard, Medford, was re-elected on the executive committee.

New members of the executive committee chosen were W. E. Craven, Independence; B. A. Kendall, Redmond and O. G. Sapper, Hermiston.

The Noted Dead

ROME, Jan. 27.—Giovanni Verga, noted Italian novelist and poet, died today, aged 82 years. One of his best known works was *Cavallera Rusticana* from which Mascagni's opera was adapted.

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Ice Jam Threatens Interstate Bridge Pasco, Washington

PASCO, Wash., Jan. 27.—Dynamite is being used here today to break ice jams in both the Columbia and Snake rivers. The Oregon Washington bridge just below Pasco is threatened and may go out at any moment. Last night the big ice gorge at Richland tore out and moved 600 feet down the stream. This jam is fully nine miles long and the ice is piled in some places to a depth of fifty feet. Should the Chinook continue this jam will move forward and nothing will save the railroad bridge between Pasco and Kennewick.

HARDING ASKS WORK FOR U.S. UNEMPLOYED

President Directs Departments of Government to Provide Work for Idle Men During Remainder of Winter—Public Action Praised.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—Aid of the war, navy, agriculture, treasury, interior and commerce departments in providing work for the unemployed was requested by President Harding in a letter addressed to the heads of those departments.

The executive suggested that in those departments there might be repair and construction work which could be undertaken now when "the most difficult period of the winter is still before us," rather than later in the year.

"The response of employing interests throughout the country to the appeal for special efforts to afford employment to the greatest possible extent, has produced highly gratifying results," the president said.

"States and cities, as well as private companies and individuals, have taken more comprehensive and effective measures than probably have ever been taken before in such a situation. The natural self-reliance of the American citizen has been supplemented in these times by neighborly help, by part time work, by odd jobs; employers have, to a marked degree, exerted themselves to find work for employes and have anticipated repair and construction operations which otherwise would have remained to be taken up later."

"The response of the general public to the appeal for the widest possible employment has been so generous and effective that I think we should be more concerned to have the agencies of the federal government do their very utmost share in this humane effort."

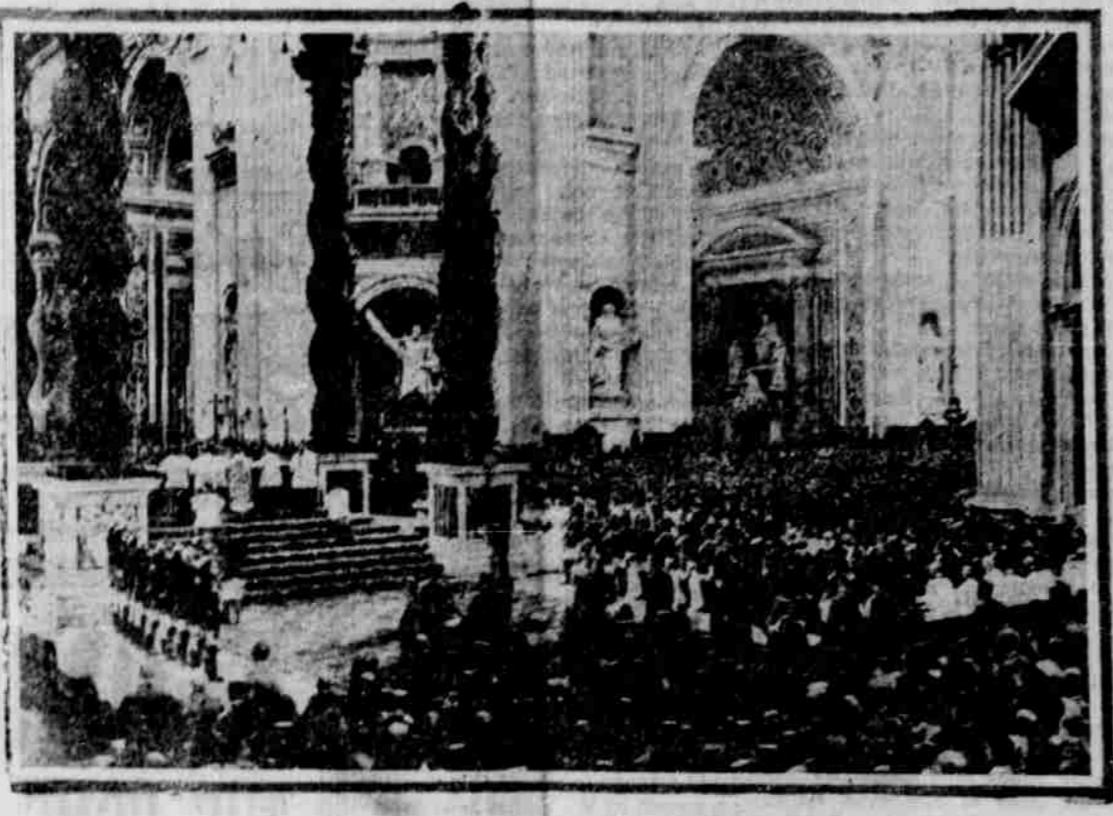
BEND LUMBER MILL STARTS FULL TIME

BEND, Ore., Jan. 27.—Capacity production of the Shewlin-Hixon company's mill here will be resumed, after a year's half time operation, on February 1, when a second shift in the mill starts work, according to announcement today. This will mean the employment of at least 150 additional men immediately and more as soon as shipping is increased.

Schaefer to Meet Conti.

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 27.—Jake Schaefer, world's 18.2 balk line billiard champion and Roger Conti, European champion, will meet in exhibition matches here February 6 and 7 it was announced.

Interior of St. Peter's Cathedral



The altar of St. Peter's Cathedral, where mass was celebrated for Pope Benedict. The body lay in state at the foot of the altar.

DIVORCED WIFE'S BABY TAKEN BY NEW FIANCEE

CHICAGO, Jan. 27.—Mrs. Mary Robbins today was refused extradition papers for the return to Chicago of Miss Frances MacLane, held at Ogden, Utah, charged with kidnapping George B. Robbins, III, aged three and a half years. The state's attorney declined to issue the papers because the child had been given into the custody of the father by the court and was being taken to Los Angeles to join him.

Mrs. Robbins, former show girl, was divorced from her husband, Cutler H. Robbins, December 23, 1920. The three and a half year old child was given to the custody of Mr. Robbins, with permission for Mrs. Robbins to see him at intervals.

Mrs. Robbins learned on Tuesday that Miss MacLane was taking the boy to his father in San Francisco and immediately swore out a warrant. The young woman and child were intercepted at Ogden yesterday and are being held there. Meanwhile Cutler Robbins is reported to be on his way to Utah from San Francisco, in an endeavor to prevent the return of the child to Chicago.

Mrs. Robbins declared today that Miss MacLane is her former husband's fiancée and she feared the couple were contemplating a trip across the Pacific making it impossible for her to see the child as permitted by the court.

OGDEN, Utah, Jan. 27.—Miss MacLane has retained counsel, and the attorneys said they would commence habeas corpus proceedings to obtain the release of Miss MacLane and the child. The child's father, Cutler H. Robbins, is expected to arrive tonight from San Francisco.

J. A. STILLMAN WINS VERDICT ON CASH

NEW YORK, Jan. 27.—James A. Stillman has won his fight against giving Mrs. Anne U. Stillman \$7500 to conduct Canadian hearings in their divorce suit.

Today the appellate division of the supreme court reversed a decision by Justice Morschauser directing the banker to pay Mrs. Stillman the sum. The opinion signed by five justices, held that Mrs. Stillman already had been given sufficient money for her defense. According to her own statement she needed only \$2000 for the proposed Canadian hearings, the opinion set forth.

Michigan Suspends "Fighting Bob" Roper

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., Jan. 27.—Suspension of Bob Roper from boxing in Michigan was announced today by Thomas W. Bigger, state boxing commissioner. The suspension will remain in effect, Commissioner Bigger declared, until Roper can explain an alleged violation of his contract in appearing in a bout in New York last Monday night, less than six days before a scheduled fight here tonight with Harry Greb.

DEFENSE RESTS ARBUCKLE CASE, TO JURY SOON

IN REBUTTAL STATE FAILS IN EFFORT TO HAVE PRESBY'S TESTIMONY STRICKEN OUT—COURT SUGGESTION TO OPEN DEFENSE'S CASE AGAIN FOLLOWED

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 27.—The defense rested at 10:35 a. m. in the second trial of a manslaughter charge against Rogues C. (Fatty) Arbuckle. Dr. George Franklin Shiels, defense expert, was the last witness.

The prosecution opened rebuttal testimony with a motion that the defense evidence of Eugene W. Presbey, secretary of the Screen Writers' Guild of Los Angeles, be stricken out.

Presbey had testified to seeing Miss Virginia Rappe taken violently ill after consuming a few drinks of a French cordial in a Hollywood, Cal., hotel. The defense contends that such illness showed a chronic bladder ailment which ultimately resulted in Miss Rappe's death. The prosecution charges that her death was due to an attack by Arbuckle.

In support of his motion the prosecution argued that Presbey's testimony had no connection between the illness in question and the bladder rupture which resulted in Miss Rappe's death.

The Daily Bank Robbery

PITTSBURG, Jan. 27.—Five bandits today robbed the First National bank of Crafton, a suburb, of \$15,000 in money and \$80,000 in Liberty bonds, after killing Harold Moss, assistant cashier, who tried to defend the institution.

The men escaped in an automobile but were intercepted on the north side by a party of city detectives on their way to the scene of the robbery. After a spectacular pistol battle, the men abandoned their car and sought shelter in a house on Pennsylvania avenue. The house was surrounded, but the bandits escaped.

George McCandless, director of public safety, threw a cordon of police around the entire section of the city with instructions to guard every street and search all houses.

Soon after noon the director reported that two men and a woman located in the restricted area had been taken and were being detained for examination.

FORD'S CONTRACT MUSCLE SHOALS DELIVERED WASH.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—Henry Ford's signed contract proposal for purchase and lease of the Muscle Shoals, Ala., government owned properties, was delivered to Secretary Weeks at 3:30 o'clock this afternoon by W. B. Mayor, chief engineer for Mr. Ford, who carried the document to Detroit for signature so that it could be sent to congress by the war secretary for final decision.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—Completion of the Muscle Shoals, Ala., nitrate and power projects was urged in a resolution adopted today by the national agricultural conference. The resolution did not specify by whom or how the projects should be completed, the delegates apparently feeling that question should be left open for decision by the government.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—Belief that Secretary Weeks in submitting to congress Henry Ford's offer to purchase and lease the Muscle Shoals power and nitrate plants would give him "friendly endorsement," was expressed today by Senator Oscar Underwood of Alabama, following a conference with the secretary.

Mr. Underwood called at the department to make a personal request for a favorable endorsement of the Ford contract.

10,088 ASK CASH 7574 FOR LOAN

SALEM, Ore., Jan. 27.—Approximately 18,000 ex-service men entitled to benefits under the bonus and loan act have filed applications with the world war veteran's state aid commission according to announcement today.

Of the applications received, 10,855 sought the cash bonus, while 7574 have expressed a preference for the loan. It was said at the commission headquarters that money probably will be available in March to take care of many applications for cash bonus and advance a number of loans.

N. C. Pastor Barricades Church Against Flock

RALEIGH, N. C., Jan. 27.—Alleging that they barricaded the doors of the Primitive Baptist church here last Sunday and forced the congregation to hold services elsewhere, six members of the congregation have sworn out warrants against W. A. Simpkins, former pastor of the church, and three others dropped from its membership following disension several days ago.

Christian Workers Meet Monday.
 There will be a meeting of the Christian Workers' Band at the auditorium of the public library Monday night at 7:30. Election of officers will be held and plans outlined for the late winter and spring. A good representative gathering is desired. All young people cordially invited.

Dolls, 5 Feet Long For Grown-Ups, Is Latest Paris Craze

PARIS, Jan. 27.—Dolls for grown-ups, dolls that are from 3 to 5 feet in length, that hang limp with trailing limbs, are the latest craze in fashionable Paris.

A favorite is a pale-faced Pierrot, with wide staring eyes and bright red bow-shaped lips.

Another type is a shock-headed peasant, a grotesque leon on his rubicund face and dressed in a blouse, red and white striped trousers and wooden sabots.

BITTER FIGHT LOOMS ELECTION OF A NEW POPE

Deadlock Between Leading Aspirants Makes Selection of Foreign Cardinal Possible for First Time in History—Women Replace Monks.

ROME, Jan. 27.—(By the Associated Press)—With the body of the late Pope Benedict laid away beneath the flagstones of St. Peter's the interest of the sacred college and the vatican household turned today to the election of his successor. A conclave has been called for February 2 to choose the new pontiff.

The question of a rapprochement between the church and the Italian government enters into the election. A thorough canvass of the opinion in the vatican shows that the peace party or those advocating closer relations with the government are virtually deadlocked with the irreconcilables, or those opposing a rapprochement, in the number of votes each faction can muster. A two-thirds majority is necessary for election.

Twenty-nine cardinals, headed by Cardinal Gasparri, the camerlengo or acting head of the church, are known to favor continuance of Benedict's policy, which was understood to have been directed toward a resumption of relations with the quirinal; twenty members of the sacred college are thought to just as strongly oppose while nine are classified as neutral.

Foreign Pope Possible.
 The attitude of the American cardinals—O'Connell of Boston and Dougherty of Philadelphia—is unknown at the vatican, but the opinion is expressed, that unless a compromise is reached never has there been such an opportunity for a foreign cardinal to be elected pope.

The boom for Cardinal Maffi, archbishop of Pisa, who was mentioned as favored by the government appears to be on the decline while Cardinal Gasparri and Cardinal Archbishop Merry Del Val, respectively leaders of the peace party and the irreconcilables, are acknowledged by their supporters to have little chance of being elected.

The candidate of the Gasparri party is Cardinal Ratti of Milan, while Merry Del Val's faction, after voting for their leader on the first ballot as a test of strength, it is understood, will switch to Cardinal Laurenti, the newest created member of the sacred college stationed in Rome. Laurenti presided for many years over the Roman Catholic world missions.

Cardinal VanRossum of Holland is most prominently mentioned as a neutral candidate, should a deadlock be reached in the conclave. He is 67 years of age and was raised to the purple by Pius X in 1911.

HAS A PLAN TO SETTLE COAL FEUD

Senator Kenyon, Chairman of Committee Investigating W. Virginia Fields, Makes Official Report—Govt. Regulation and New Code, Enforced by Public Opinion.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—A government tribunal for regulation of the coal industry under a statutory code of law enforced only by the power of public opinion, was recommended in a report presented to the senate today by Chairman Kenyon of the labor committee which recently investigated disorders in the West Virginia-Kentucky coal fields.

The report held that both coal operators and miners were responsible for the recent fatal conflicts and property destruction in West Virginia, and said mutual concessions by the coal operators and United Mine Workers would have to be made to end the conflict.

"The issue is perfectly plain," said Senator Kenyon's report. "The operators in this particular section of West Virginia openly announce that they will not employ men hand to the unions. On the other hand the United Mine Workers are determined to unionize these fields, which are practically the only large and important coal fields in the United States not unionized."

The proposal for a federal coal tribunal and code of laws applying both to operators and miners was his personal suggestion, Senator Kenyon said.

The proposed government coal board would be organized, under Senator Kenyon's suggestion, like the railway labor board, with three representatives each from the employes, the employers and the public, appointed by the president. The industrial code would be enacted by congress and its principles interpreted by the board.

Senator Kenyon announced that later he would introduce a bill covering his plan for the coal board and "code" which follows:

1—Coal is a public utility and in its production and distribution the public interest is predominant.

2—Human standards should be the constraining influence in fixing the wages and working conditions of mine workers.

3—Capital prudently and honestly invested in the coal industry should have an adequate return sufficient to stimulate and accelerate production of this essential commodity.

4—The right of operators and miners to organize is recognized and affirmed. This right shall not be denied, abridged or interfered with in any manner whatsoever, nor shall coercive measures of any kind be used by employers or employes to exorcise or to refrain from exercising this right.

5—The right of operators and of miners to bargain collectively through representatives of their own choosing is recognized and affirmed.

6—The miners who are not members of a union have the right to work without being harassed by fellow workmen who may belong to unions. The men belonging to a union have the right to work without being harassed by operators who do not believe in unionism. The organizations have a right to go into non-union fields and by peaceful methods try to persuade men to join the unions but they have no right to try to induce employes to violate contracts which may have been entered into with the employers, and the operators, on the other hand, have the right by peace-

VIRGINIA AND GEORGIA HAVE THE FIRST SNOW STORMS IN LAST TWENTY YEARS

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A. C. TOWNLEY FACES EMBEZZLEMENT CHARGE ON HIS RELEASE FROM JAIL

FARGO, N. D., Jan. 27.—A warrant has been issued here for the arrest of A. C. Townley, president of the national non-partisan league, charging him with implication in the alleged embezzlement of \$5,000 from the Scandinavian-American bank of Fargo.

The warrant, which was issued in the Cass county district court, it was learned today, will be served on Townley when he is released next week from the Jackson (Minn.) jail, where he is serving a ninety-day sentence for conviction on a charge of violating the state espionage law.

It is charged in the warrant that Townley on January 20, 1919, at Fargo, "did feloniously advise and encourage J. J. Hastings, former vice-president of the bank to commit the crime of embezzlement, that Hastings appropriated the \$5,000 to his own use, to the use of the defendant, A. C. Townley, and to the use of unknown persons."