

The Weather

Maximum yesterday.....39  
Minimum today.....27.5

# MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

Predictions

Rain.

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

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## 108 DEAD IN MOVIE CRASH 132 INJURED

### Extent of Horror Grows As Wreck of Knickerbocker Theatre in Washington Is Searched—Fear Many of Injured Will Die—Senate Demands Investigation.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 30.—The death toll from the Knickerbocker theater disaster of Saturday night was brought to 108 today with the body of a resident of Washington. At daybreak this morning the searchers had explored almost every portion of the debris-strewn structure without finding any more bodies and it was believed that any additions would come from the list of injured, several of whom were in a serious condition.

Colonel Charles Keller, U. S. A., engineer, commissioner of the District of Columbia, took charge of the military force at the theater site.

Probe Is Demanded.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 30.—Investigation of the Knickerbocker theater disaster by a senate committee proposed in a resolution introduced by Senator Capper, republican, Kansas, a member of the senate district of Columbia committee. Under the rules the resolution was referred to the subcommittee and control committee.

Supporting the resolution, Senator Frelinghuysen, republican, New Jersey, said the investigation should be "a widespread one of the entire district government," adding that he knew from personal knowledge that many buildings in Washington were fire traps, which might at any time cost scores of lives.

Two House Pages Killed.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 30.—Two house of representatives pages were among those killed in the Knickerbocker theater disaster. They were Laverne Sprout, a nephew of Representative Sprout of Illinois, and Cutler Laflin, Jr., both of Chicago. Laflin worked at night as a Knickerbocker usher.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 30.—With a total of 107 dead and 132 injured removed from the ruins of the Knickerbocker motion picture theater at an earlier hour today, the searchers still were struggling with the snow-laden roof of the structure collapsed during the showing of a comedy feature last Saturday night.

Brigadier General Bandholtz, commander of federal troops in the district, in personal charge of the rescue work, said it might be twenty-four hours before it could be said definitely there were no more dead or injured.

It was believed, however, that the section now being explored would yield few additional to the awful list of dead and injured, it being near the rear and under the part of the balcony which held up when the front of it crashed upon the theater pit beneath the impact of the falling roof.

A party of the rescuers early today had been struggling for hours to remove from the part of the wreckage now being overthrown, one man believed to be yet alive, although imprisoned under the mass of nearly 36 hours. The great weight of the steel beams and concrete which crashed with the roof have in many instances made the rescue of victims harrowing and difficult.

Capital Bowed in Grief.

The city of Washington is in grief today to learn the full extent of the tragedy with the recovery of victims yesterday and last night. This was the more intensely shared by the rest of the country because of the considerable number of visitors who suffered in the catastrophe. President Harding, in a statement last

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## 'Down With the Pope!' Yells Crazy Member Of Pontifical Choir

ROME, Jan. 30.—(By the Associated Press.)—Suddenly becoming violently insane, a member of the pontifical choir today created a sensation in the Sistine chapel during the requiem mass for the late Pope Benedict XV. by shouting: "Down with the pope."

## AGREEMENT ON NAVAL TREATY IS ANNOUNCED

### Two Plenary Sessions to Be Held Wednesday One to Make Public Naval Treaty, Other Agreement On Problems in the Far East.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 30.—(By Associated Press.) Two plenary sessions of the Washington conference will be held Wednesday, it was said today after a meeting of the naval committee of 15 at which a final agreement was said to have been reached on the fortifications question, the only naval issue remaining unsolved when the committee went into session.

Under the agreement said to have been reached by the naval committee of fifteen today in taking up the question of fortifications there will be no increase in the fortifications in the Aleutian Islands, owned by the United States and the Kurile Islands, owned by Japan.

The first plenary session will be held in the morning and the other in the afternoon. One, it is understood, will be held to proclaim to the world the text of the naval treaty and the other probably will deal with Far Eastern questions. It was indicated, however, that this might not mean the final ending of the Washington conference as other details might have to be considered later.

The armament committee of the conference will meet at 3:30 tomorrow afternoon to receive the reports of its naval committee of fifteen and the Far Eastern committee of the conference will meet a half hour later to receive what may be final reports from its sub-committees.

## New Cattle Finance Company for Oregon

WASHINGTON, Jan. 30.—Formation of a livestock company for handling the financing of sheep and cattle in Oregon and Idaho will be undertaken shortly as a result of conferences of western bankers at the war finance corporation, it was announced today by Mr. Polman of Baker, Oregon.

Mr. Meyer said, had been discussing the livestock needs of eastern Oregon and southern Idaho with the corporation and proposed to form a company with an authorized capital of at least \$7,250,000 to take care of those states' needs.

Sweden Accepts Invite STOCKHOLM, Jan. 30.—The Swedish government has accepted the invitation received a few days ago from the Italian government, to send representatives to the Genoa conference.

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## EIGHT NOTRE DAME F.B. BALL STARS QUIT

### Pigskin Cracks Confess Guilt to Father Carey As Result of Carlinville Scandal—Eddie Anderson, All-American End Is Among Number—John Mohardt Exonerated.

SOUTH BEND, Ind., Jan. 30.—(By Associated Press.) Eight Notre Dame university athletes today voluntarily confessed to Father William Carey, chairman of the athletic board, and Knute Rockne, football coach, that they had played in the semi-professional football game at Taylorville, Ill., November 27, 1921, with the Carlinville, Ill., team. They were immediately disqualified from further athletic competition at Notre Dame.

The eight men were: Eddie Anderson, Mason City, Iowa, all-American end; Chester Wynne, Orinque, Kas., all-Western fullback selection of several football writers, and star hurdler; Roger Kiley, Chicago, star varsity end, captain of the basketball team and star track man; Lawrence Shaw, Stewart, Iowa, varsity tackle and western champion shot putter.

Harry Mara, Huntington, Ind., substitute center in football and regular baseball player; Robert Phelan, Fort Madison, Iowa, substitute varsity fullback; Earl Walsh, Adrian, Iowa, substitute varsity back; Dick Seifert, Carlinville, Ill., substitute end.

The players exonerated Gus Deach, member of the American Olympic team and John Mohardt, all-American back from taking part in the game, saying that neither was in any way implicated in the affair.

CARLINVILLE, Ill., Jan. 30.—Mr. Anderson declared he has not said he had hired and paid the Notre Dame men and that as far as he could say they did not receive any money. He said all he had done in the past was to handle the club's finances and that he had little personal touch with the players.

## TOWNLEY RELEASED HASTENS TO WIFE

JACKSON, Minn., Jan. 30.—A. C. Townley, president of the national non-partisan league, was released from the Jackson county jail here today after serving a ninety-day sentence for violation of the state espionage act. Townley immediately left for St. Paul to visit his wife, who is ill.

JACKSON, Minn., Jan. 30.—After serving a 90-day sentence for violation of the state espionage act, A. C. Townley, president of the national non-partisan league, will be released from the county jail here this morning.

Townley has promised to appear at Fargo, N. D., on February 6 to answer to a charge of complicity in the alleged embezzlement of \$5000 by J. J. Hastings from the Scandinavian-American bank of Fargo. Hastings is a former officer of the bank and is being sought.

## 6000 DRESSMAKERS WALK OUT, N. Y.

NEW YORK, Jan. 30.—Six thousand women and girls employed in shops in the lower Fifth avenue district were ordered on strike today by the Ladies' Waist and Dressmakers' union as a protest against a proposed 25 per cent wage reduction.

Tomorrow and Wednesday, union leaders said, the remainder of the 40,000 workers affected by the wage reduction proposal would be called out.

Yakima River Frozen Over, YAKIMA, Wash., Jan. 30.—The continued cold has frozen over the Yakima river between Harrison and Pomona so that persons may now walk across the stream in safety. The hummocks of ice on the surface are about fourteen inches thick. The river at this point has not been frozen over for about ten years.

## One May Be Successor Pope Benedict



Cardinal Sabriere Cardinal Vannutelli  
Here are four cardinals mentioned as likely successors to Pope Benedict. Cardinal Pietro Maffei is archbishop of Pisa; Cardinal Merry Del Val is the present cardinal chamberlain; Vincenzo Vannutelli is dean of the college of cardinals; Cardinal Sabriere is the oldest cardinal in the college of cardinals.

## WILLARD BATTERY SERVICE STATION ROBBED OF \$1000

The Willard Battery service station and electric shop at 8th and Bartlett was entered by thieves Saturday night sometime after 10 o'clock and approximately \$1,000 worth of automobile accessories and office fixtures were stolen.

The stolen goods consists of one Burroughs adding machine, one check protector, half dozen spotlights, half dozen electric horns, one Elsmann magnet, spark plugs, an assortment of switches and four new Willard storage batteries.

Entrance was gained by "jimmying" the lock from the front door of the establishment with a crowbar and the loot was carted away in a car. It is not believed that the work was that of local thieves but C. L. Brown, proprietor of the Electric Shop requests that local garage men and accessory dealers be on the alert and report to the chief of police any attempt to dispose of the stolen goods to them.

No definite clues have yet been found as to the identity of the culprits but it is believed that a number of persons took part in the robbery.

## 26 INCHES SNOW BALTIMORE, MD.

BALTIMORE, Jan. 30.—Baltimore and its suburbs today were slowly digging themselves free of the two days' snow blockade. The railroads reported a return to virtually normal conditions yesterday and the ice in the bay had broken up enough to allow a partial resumption of navigation.

Snow fell continuously from 7 p. m. Friday to 6 a. m. yesterday, with a total precipitation of 26.5 inches.

## O. A. C. to Enter Team Pennsylvania Relay

CORVALLIS, Ore., Jan. 30.—Oregon Agricultural college track team will enter a four-mile relay team in the 23rd annual inter-collegiate track meet at the University of Pennsylvania, April 28-29, in Philadelphia, according to "Dad" Butler, track coach. The men who will compete are Ray Dodge, Walker, Swan, Graves and Sims. Men also may be entered in the javelin, high jump and hurdle and distance medley relay.

## Charlie Paddock, the Fastest Human On Feet, to Quit Track

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 30.—The decision of Charles W. Paddock, "the fastest human," not to run this season, as he has completed his course at the University of Southern California, has given his fellow athletes among the Trojans "the cinder path blues." Paddock says golf will be his future sport.

## BORAH PICTURES BIG MONEY PLOT TO QUASH DEBT

### Idaho Senator Declares if Big Bankers Have Way Debt to America Will Never Be Paid—Senate, However, Rejects Amendments.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 30.—The most powerful financial influences in the United States and abroad intend that the \$11,000,000,000 owed the United States by the allied and associated nations shall never be paid, Senator Borah, republican, Idaho, declared today in the senate.

Senator Borah said he was satisfied that if the debt commission was given authority to extend the time of the payment of interest at its discretion no interest would be paid for five or ten years. The result would be, he added, the United States would, in fact, be making additional loans to the debtor nations at an additional cost in taxes to the American people.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 30.—Preparatory to a final vote on the allied debt funding bill, the senate today rejected 44 to 36, an amendment offered by Senator Johnson, republican, California, providing for congressional approval of the bond conversion agreements.

The Simmons amendment which would have provided for semi-annual or annual payments of interest was also rejected 39 to 42.

Next the senate voted down 44 to 33, an amendment by Senator Reed, which would have prevented the commission from extending for more than two years the time for beginning interest payments.

## Portland's Fighting Attorney Dies As Admission's Granted

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 30.—Lee Roye Keeley, attorney, aged 35, formerly of San Francisco, who figured in litigation with the Oregon State Bar association over his admission to practice in this state, was dead here today, just after a compromise had been made under which the Bar Association had recommended his admission.

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Bill Dillhoefer Near Death ST. LOUIS, Jan. 30.—William Dillhoefer, catcher of the St. Louis National league Cardinals, is in a serious condition at St. Johns hospital here as a result of an attack of typhoid fever.

## ROCKY MOUNTAIN DISTRICT IN GRIP OF SECOND COLD WAVE, 28 BELOW

DENVER, Jan. 30.—The west was in the grip of another cold wave today, the mercury falling to 28 degrees below zero in parts of Montana and Wyoming, while sub-zero temperatures prevailed in virtually all the mountain districts of Colorado. A light snow fall was general over the region.

Forecasts for the next 24 hours were for the coldest weather of the winter in Utah, Arizona, western Colorado and west New Mexico.

## SIR ERNEST SHACKLETON DIED, JAN. 5

### News of Famous Arctic Explorer's Death Delayed for Three Weeks By Wireless Trouble On 'Quest'—Heart Trouble Cause—Ship Lands at Montevideo.

BUENOS AIRES, Jan. 30.—(By Associated Press.) More than three weeks elapsed between the death of Sir Ernest Shackleton, the British explorer, and its announcement to the world, made yesterday when the body arrived at Montevideo. The delay, La Nacion's Montevideo correspondent telegraphs was ascribed to Captain L. Hussey, who accompanied the body, as due to a series of wireless mishaps.

Sir Ernest died aboard the steamship Quest, on which he was making another Antarctic voyage, while anchored off South Georgia island on January 5. His body was taken to Montevideo on the first leg of the trip home aboard the Norwegian steamship Professor Cruvel.

Captain Hussey bore a death certificate made out at South Georgia island, reading: "I, Alexander Macklin, certify to my best knowledge and belief that the cause of death was atheroma in the

### Famous Arctic Explorer



Sir Ernest Shackleton.

arteries of the heart. Before death he had not suffered an infectious or contagious disease."

This certificate was signed by Dr. Macklin, as surgeon of the expedition. The body arrived at Montevideo in an hermetically sealed zinc shell, covered with wood.

### In Best of Health

Captain Hussey told La Nacion's correspondent that the Quest arrived at South Georgia island with her main wireless plant out of commission, due to damage by heavy storms during the voyage, which otherwise was uneventful. Sir Ernest had been in the best of health throughout the trip. The day before his death he landed on the island to supervise the purchase of provisions and returned to the ship apparently well. After supper he went to the cabin and talked with his companions.

At 3:30 on the morning of January 5, he felt sharp pains in his back and called the doctor who had hardly be-

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## CRIME INCREASES AS THE BRITISH TROOPS EVACUATE SOUTH IRELAND

DUBLIN, Jan. 30.—(By Associated Press.) British evacuation of Ireland is proceeding more speedily than was anticipated. Each day sees a large number of troops leave Dublin and other points. Departure of the Dublin garrison is due to begin this week.

It is taken for granted that the new Irish army will be established promptly and green uniforms are being manufactured on a large scale.

It is noteworthy that the evacuations of the British has occurred every where without manifestation, there being no sign of either rejoicing or regret.

The transition from one government to another has been rapid, but criminals have done their best to take advantage of any confusion arising from the change. There have been daring bank robberies and holdups throughout the country and even in Dublin city, but the new government is dealing vigorously with the criminal element.