

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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TREMENDOUS QUAKE FELT, NO DAMAGE

Most Severe Shock Since San Francisco Disaster Is Recorded by Seismographs in Various Parts of Country—Experts Believe Center in Pacific, Off Oregon.

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Jan. 31.—The earthquake recorded in all parts of the United States today probably occurred under the Pacific ocean off the coast of Washington or Oregon. It was said after thorough reckoning at the Harvard university today.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 31.—An earth tremor was felt here early today. The oscillation was faint and continued for several seconds. No damage was done.

SPOKANE, Jan. 31.—Earthquake shocks, emanating, it was reckoned, from a point 700 miles southeast of this city, were recorded by the seismograph at Gonzaga university today. They started at 5:19 a. m. and continued until 7:05 it was stated, with heaviest shocks at from 5:21 to 5:24.

SEATTLE, Jan. 31.—A pronounced earth shock centering probably several thousand miles in a southerly direction from Seattle, was recorded on the seismograph at the University of Washington here today. The record began at 5:21 a. m., reached its maximum at 5:22 and ended at 7:22 a. m. So violent was the disturbance at the maximum that the needles of the seismograph were lifted from the recording drum for several minutes.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 31.—An earthquake of great intensity, probably 2,500 to 2,600 miles south of Washington, was registered early today at the Georgetown seismographical observatory. The quake began at about 8:25 a. m. and ten minutes later the tremors had become so pronounced as to throw the registering needles off the scale.

The quake also was registered on the seismograph of the weather bureau, officials of which described it as "monstrous." The Rev. Francis Tondorf, director of the Georgetown seismographical observatory and one of the foremost earthquake authorities of the world, said the quake was "enormous," both machines were still registering the quake at ten o'clock.

NEW YORK, Jan. 31.—Geologists in New York seeking to locate the earthquakes which today shattered seismographs in various parts of the United States, estimated that the shock originated along the west coast of South America somewhere between the Panama canal zone and Ecuador.

DENVER, Jan. 31.—The seismograph at Regis college here today registered the most severe quake recorded in the last fifteen years, according to Father Forestall. The quake started at 6:20 a. m. and continued without abatement until 7:30, the maximum intensity being recorded between 6:30 a. m. and 6:40 a. m., at which time the tremor was so severe that the recording needle was forced off the drum of the instrument.

The disturbance was declared by Father Forestall to be about 1,500 miles south of Denver. The shock was even greater than that registered here at the time of the San Francisco earthquake.

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BOSTON NEGRO SURRENDERS UNHURT AFTER SHOOTING 4, TWO SERIOUSLY

BOSTON, Jan. 31.—Sixty patrolmen armed with riot guns, battled more than an hour early today against Renzy Murray, a negro, who barricaded in his home in the south end, shot and seriously wounded two patrolmen, a negro and a negro, and set fire to a bed in which an infant lay. Murray surrendered unhurt when a dozen policemen broke down the door of the house.

The trouble began when Murray ejected Mrs. William Jackson, a

Woman Bandit Fells Widow, Grabs \$240 From Hose, Escapes

NEW YORK, Jan. 31.—A woman bandit yesterday entered a butcher shop, felled Mrs. Rebecca Bell, the widowed proprietor with the butt of a revolver, took \$240 from Mrs. Bell's stocking and escaped. Mrs. Bell was found unconscious an hour after the holdup.

DEATH LIST IN MOVIE COLLAPSE REDUCED TO 97

Official Report On Knickerbocker Theatre Disaster Is Issued By District Columbia Authorities—Some On Injured List Still in Danger.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 31.—Ninety-seven persons, according to a final and official list issued today by the District of Columbia authorities lost their lives in the collapse Saturday night, under a burden of snow of the Knickerbocker theater roof. Any additions to the list, it was said, would result from the fatal termination of injuries sustained by other victims.

Death List Reduced. WASHINGTON, Jan. 31.—While the city began the burial of its dead today, District of Columbia authorities pushed their investigation of the Knickerbocker disaster and the senate was expected to take action on the resolution of Senator Capper, republican, Kansas, proposing an independent inquiry by that body.

A resolution for the same purpose also was pending in the house, although Representative Mondell, republican leader, has announced that body would not authorize an inquiry, pending the outcome of those by local authorities. A re-check of the death list by the police today showed that the final total, outside the expected deaths of injured, of which there are now three, probably would be reduced to 95 from the total of 105 carried yesterday. Of the total of 133 injured, 62 remained in hospitals today, with a dozen reported in critical condition. E. H. Shaughnessy, second assistant postmaster general, although included among those, was said still to be showing improvement today.

In addition to an exhaustive investigation of the disaster being pressed by the District of Columbia commissioners the federal grand jury which visited the scene of the catastrophe as the first step in its investigation, was ready today to call the first witnesses in its efforts to fix the blame. The coroner's jury, also investigating the cause of the deaths had requested the war department today to assign army engineers to make a study of the structure of the motion picture theater.

Reductions in the death list, which the police early today believed would be final, resulted from the tentative elimination of eight names for which the police have been unable to find any addresses. They are: D. M. Walsh, Mrs. M. E. Walsh, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Maine, Albert Baker, Paulus Lambly W. M. Crawford and F. H. Hall. In addition to these Miss Gertrude Taylor of Washington was found to have been reported dead by error, and Ernesto Natiello, who was killed, was found to have been listed again as Ernest Martello. These ten eliminations would reduce the total to 95.

England Challenges Again. LONDON, Jan. 31.—(By the Associated Press)—The lawn tennis association announced this afternoon that the British Isles had challenged America for the Davis cup.

DEATH MISS RAPPE DUE TO INJURY

San Francisco Physician Denies Ill Health Cause of Tragedy in Arbuckle Case—If Drink Could Cause Fits, Country Would Have Gone Dry Long Ago

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 31.—Dr. Rufus Rigdon, San Francisco physician gave prosecution rebuttal testimony today in the second trial of a manslaughter charge against Roscoe C. (Fatty) Arbuckle that bladder ailments of the nature causing the death of Miss Virginia Rappe might not necessarily be related to visible evidences of illness shown by Miss Rappe. The charge against Arbuckle grew out of the death of Miss Rappe through bladder rupture. The prosecution contends that the rupture was caused by force. The defense claims that it was the climax of a chronic condition.

Defense testimony held that the chronic condition evidenced itself in fainting and hysteria at certain periods when Miss Rappe partook of intoxicating liquors. "Drinking could not have produced such evidences," Dr. Rigdon testified, "otherwise we would have had prohibition long ago because of the prevalence of chronic bladder complaints."

CARDINAL LAURENTI FORGES AHEAD IN RACE FOR VATICAN

ROME, Jan. 31.—(By Associated Press.) Interest in the church of a successor to Pope Benedict is increasing as the time draws near for assembling of the sacred conclave and many attempts to find an indication of the result are being made.

Cardinal Laurenti, secretary of the congregation of the propaganda, although read to the purple only last year is understood to be favored by at least thirty of the cardinals. The name of Cardinal Ratti, archbishop of Milan, mentioned previously as favored by the "peace" group, headed by Cardinal Gasparri, is not heard so often now and the section headed by Cardinal Merry Del Val, which had been credited with favoring Cardinal Maffi, archbishop of Pisa, is reported as ready for a compromise before balloting begins.

Suffocated By Heat In Refrigerator Car

SPOKANE, Jan. 31.—William Muller, aged about 24, was suffocated by the charcoal heater on a refrigerator car, his body being found after the car reached Spokane today from the south. Receipts found in his pockets indicate that his home is in Spirit Lake, Idaho. He had apparently climbed in the car to come to Spokane, entering through a hatch in the top which he closed after him. The zinc-lined compartment was empty except for the heater and the body.

Would Be Rescuer of Woman In On Deal

TACOMA, Wash., Jan. 31.—John Bechtold confessed today he assisted in the robbery of Mrs. Hazel Green last week, as he was escorting her home from the grocery store where she is cashier. When two holdup men suddenly appeared, Bechtold apparently put up a valiant battle, but Mrs. Green was relieved of \$149.

In his confession, according to the police Bechtold involved Pearl, Fred and D. R. Roberts, all of whom are under arrest.

Perhaps This Was the Quake. SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 31.—Explosion of a bomb early today shattered the windows of a tenement house occupied by eight Italian families on Telegraph hill here. No one was injured. Police said a fire of mysterious origin threatened the house two weeks ago.

Banker's Wife, Child, Chauffeur and \$1,000 Gone



Mrs. Aubrey H. Bull and children: (left) Ralph Costa.

A nationwide search has been started by the police of New Jersey and New York for Mrs. Aubrey H. Bull, her daughter, Ellanore, and Ralph Costa, a chauffeur, who have disappeared from the home of Mr. Bull at Ridgewood, N. J. On December 31 Mrs. Bull drew \$1000 from the bank and, together with her daughter, left their home. Costa is the son of a wealthy family at Ridgewood.

OMAHA STRIKERS QUIT, MEN RUSH TO REGAIN JOBS

OMAHA, Jan. 31.—Large crowds of former packing house workers gathered at employment offices in the packing plant district seeking re-employment according to reports from that section today, following the calling off of the strike in the Omaha district.

A considerable percentage of the men had to be turned away, but according to C. R. Orchard, a member of the packers' publicity committee, they will be taken back in accordance with whatever demand for their services is made as a result of conditions. Two hundred former employees were put to work last week, he said, and there were prospects that increased business would necessitate further addition to packing plant forces.

Commenting on the termination of the strike in Omaha, Jacob H. Davis, president of district council No. 5 of the Amalgamated Meat Cutters and Butcher Workmen's union said: "The packing house workers of Omaha have received a temporary setback, but the spirit displayed throughout the eight weeks of struggle and sacrifice will encourage workers in all lines of industry by its show of solidarity."

Gov. Small To Be Tried First

WAUKEGAN, Ill., Jan. 31.—(By the Associated Press.)—Circuit Judge Edwards today granted a motion for separate trials of Governor Len Small and Vernon Curtis, Grant Park banker, charged with conspiracy to embezzle state funds. The court overruled the motion filed by the governor and granted a similar motion filed in behalf of Mr. Curtis, the decision having the effect of putting the governor on trial first.

Guilty Contributing To Delinquency Wife

CHICAGO, Jan. 31.—Found guilty of a charge of contributing to the delinquency of his wife, Enmaline Reavis, aged 16, Guillermo Plana, 22 years old, Filipino law student at DePaul university yesterday was sentenced to one year in the house of correction. Plana and the girl had eloped.

Counsel for Plana contended there is no law whereby a man could be found guilty of contributing to the delinquency of his wife.

Famous Sculptor Dead

STAMFORD, Conn., Jan. 31.—Solon H. Borglum, an artist of nationwide renown and head of a school of sculpture here is dead. He was born on December 22, 1868 in Ogdon, Utah, and was a brother of Gutzon Borglum, himself a noted sculptor. His five colossal busts of Civil war generals which are in the Vicksburg national park, and his statue, "The Pioneer," exhibited at the San Francisco exposition in 1915, were among his best known works.

Only Man to Answer Edison's Questionnaire Wins Sister-in-Law

NEW YORK, Jan. 31.—When Thomas A. Edison, formulated his famous and much-abused questionnaire last spring he had no idea that the only man who would answer it correctly would win his way into the Edison family, but such is the case. Samuel A. Halsey of Newark, N. J., will tonight marry Miss Charlotte W. Hawkins, sister-in-law of Charles Edison, son of the inventor. Mr. Halsey, who is now manager of an Edison concern in this city, was one of the first to get the famous questionnaire issued last year. He answered it correctly and advanced to the post of chief of the personnel staff, where he met Miss Hawkins, who was doing welfare work in the plant.

PRES'T PLEASED OVER SOLUTION OF SHANTUNG

Chief Executive Confirms Report That An Agreement Between China and Japan Has Been Reached—End of Conference Believed Near.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 31.—(By the Associated Press.)—Much gratification that the Shantung controversy had been settled was expressed at the White House, where officials said President Harding felt that the agreement reached was one of the important accomplishments of the Washington negotiations.

The White House comment was the first official expression confirming formally that the Japanese and Chinese had reached a complete accord although it had been generally indicated that they were virtually in agreement. Hill is a Russian peasant, of poor education, and at 49 is the father of five children born during nine years of married life. The court suggested that he submit to an operation to insure himself against again becoming a father of children, whom he could not support. The court explained the operation in detail and Hill expressed his entire willingness to undergo it at the expense of the county. The court then suspended Hill's sentence and gave directions for having the operation performed. Recently an habitual criminal was sentenced to imprisonment and sterilization, but Hill's case is a precedent for its kind.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 31.—(By the Associated Press.)—Virtual settlement by the Japanese and Chinese of the long debated Shantung question and final agreement on the text of the five-power naval limitation treaty brought the Washington conference very near to the conclusion of its labors today, with some of the delegates expecting to be on their homeward journeys possibly by the end of the week.

Prediction that the last details of the plan for restoration to China of Shantung province would be settled at today's meeting was made by Dr. Koo of the Chinese delegation, following an agreement reached last night between the Japanese and Chinese covering all principles required as a basis for disposal of the Tsing Tao-Tsinan railroad question. The basis of settlement is understood to have been the compromise plan supported by President Harding. Meantime the naval committee of the whole was meeting today to give final approval to the text of the naval treaty as completed yesterday by agreement in the naval committee of fifteen on the Pacific fortifications article.

The treaty tomorrow will be announced to the world at a plenary session of the conference. The Far Eastern committee probably will be called in session today to clear the collateral issues now remaining in that field which, with Shantung, it was expected would take but a few days. It was the expectation of officials that another plenary session would be called tomorrow afternoon following that for the naval announcement to permit formal ratification of the dozen or more resolutions relating to China which have received committee approval only.

The fortifications article, which has been holding up completion of the naval pact for several weeks was settled yesterday by an agreement under which the fortifications status quo in the Pacific is to include the American Aleutian islands, a part of Alaska, as well as the Bonin island group of Japan.

IMMEDIATE BONUS BILL DEMANDED

Ex-Service Men Before House Committee Declare Five Option Bill Satisfactory—Senator Simmons Withdraws His Measure On Request—Refunding Bill Changed.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 31.—Immediate passage of a soldier bonus legislation was urged today at a hearing before the house ways and means committee by representatives of war veterans' organizations.

An estimate that if a bonus bill were enacted 50 per cent of the war veterans would take it in preference to insurance, vocational and home aid, and land settlement option was made by Daniel T. Steck, Ottumwa, Iowa, legislative representative of the American Legion. If a bonus is authorized, the committee was told, the American Legion expects to launch an intensive campaign to "educate" former service men as to the most desirable provision, with a view to having a great number take advantage of options other than cash.

Mr. Steck declared the passage of an adjusted compensation bill, carrying five options incorporated in the measure approved by the house during the last congress, would "permanently" satisfy able-bodied war veterans.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 31.—A provision in the allied debt refunding bill which would have given the proposed debt commission authority "to adjust and settle all claims the United States has or hereafter may have against any foreign government was stricken out today by the senate. Previously an amendment by Senator Simmons, democrat, North Carolina, which would provide that interest payments could not be postponed, for more than three years without the consent of congress was rejected 41 to 27.

Senator Simmons offered his soldiers' bonus amendment but later withdrew it at the request of Senator Norris, republican, Nebraska, who asked that consideration be deferred until after the senate had acted on his substitute bill proposing to authorize the secretary of the treasury to refund the foreign debt under conditions and terms laid down by the existing Liberty Loans act.

Los Angeles Man Will Run Science Monitor

BOSTON, Jan. 31.—The Christian Monitor today announced the election by the directors of the mother church of Charles E. Jarvis, formerly of Los Angeles, Cal., as business manager of the Christian Science Publishing society. He succeeds John R. Watts. Mr. Jarvis has been clerk of the mother church for four years.

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SENATOR KENYON OF IOWA APPOINTED FEDERAL JUDGE BY PRESIDENT HARDING

WASHINGTON, Jan. 31.—Senator Kenyon of Iowa announced today he would accept the nomination as federal judge for the eighth circuit tendered to him by President Harding and sent to the senate. The senate soon after receiving the nomination confirmed it in open executive session, an honor only rarely paid to nominees. The Iowa senator, who is one of the leaders of the senate and chairman of the agriculture bloc of that body in a formal statement issued upon receipt of his nomination by the senate, expressed appreciation of the president's action, which he said would enable him to achieve his ambition "to serve on the federal bench."

Senator Kenyon after the confirmation said he would be unable to leave Washington to take up his new duties short of a week or ten days. He expected, he added, to examine senatorial precedents to determine whether after the confirmation he must vote. The co-operative marketing bill scheduled to take the next place in the calendar of business, is one which he is vitally interested, Kenyon said.

KENTUCKY MINE BLOWS UP, 4 DEAD

PINEVILLE, Ky., Jan. 31.—Four miners were killed, two were injured seriously and two are missing as a result of an explosion in the Layman-Calloway coal mine at Layman, Ky., 20 miles from here, last night, according to reports received here today. So far as has been determined only the night crew of eight to ten men was in the mine at the time of the explosion.