

The Weather

Maximum yesterday 49
Minimum today 22

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

Predictions

Fair and cold. Continued cold

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MT. RAINIER
SCALED FOR
FIRST TIME

Foot of Man for First Time
in History Treads Peak of
Lofty Mountain in Winter
Time—Entire Party in State
of Collapse—1400 Feet of
Film Taken.

PARADISE INN, Mount Rainier,
Wash., Feb. 14.—For the first time
in history the foot of man has trod
the snow capped peak of Mount Rainier
in mid winter. This feat was ac-
complished Monday when four men,
Jacques and Jean Landry and
Jacques Bergues, Alpine mountain
climbers, and Charles R. Perryman,
cameraman, reached the top of Colum-
bia crest after nearly 10 hours of
torturing toil.

Starting from Anvil Rock rangers' cabin shortly after 4 a. m. yesterday the men toiled upward past Gibraltar, hewing footholds on the ice crested rocks with axes. The same method was followed in ascending the heights beyond.

After passing the two points they found the ascent somewhat easier, but non-the-less dangerous. Cravasses in the ice field forced them to detour and in places where the going was somewhat easier but none the less dangerous, cravasses in the ice field forced them to detour and in places where the going was steep they had to use axes to cut steps.

They reached the crest at 2:15 yesterday afternoon.

However, in order to settle any controversy as to the actual accomplishment, the mountain climbers wrote their names, the date and the time on a slip of paper which was encased in a bottle and placed in a cairn of stones.

Photographic evidence also was obtained. Perryman obtained 1,400 feet of film, showing views at the summit and also pictures of the arduous climb. All records and evidence will be submitted to a commission of three men who have first hand knowledge of the mountain and its condition.

Descent is easier
The descent was made in half the time required for the climb. The four men reached Anvil Rock at 7:20 last evening, after nearly 15 hours spent on the mountain in the piercing cold, intensified by a raw wind.

They were in a state of complete physical collapse when they reached the cabin and after sending out a flash to Paradise Inn over the signal telephone announcing the summit had been reached, they declared they were unable to discuss or give details of the trip until after they had recuperated somewhat from their exhaustion.

Jean Bergues told the details of the harrowing trip today. He was suffering from a frozen cheek but took time before getting much needed sleep to communicate the results of the trip over the field signal telephone.

The story was replete with mention of deep cravasses, icy rocks and deep and clinging snow.

Exhausted the four men slept last night and today were making ready to return to Paradise Inn from Anvil Rock, when they discovered Jean Bergues' cheek was badly frosted and chose to stay at Anvil Rock until Bergues is able to travel.

1,036 U. S. Troops Arrive
NEW YORK, Feb. 14.—The United States army transport Cantigny arrived from Antwerp today with 1956 troops from the area of occupation in Germany and the bodies of 276 war heroes, brought here from cemeteries in France for re-burial.

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Ford's Muscle Shoal
Proposal Is Favored
By Secy. Agriculture

WASHINGTON, Feb. 14.—The agricultural department approved today the Ford offer to develop the government's properties at Muscle Shoals, Ala. Dr. Richard C. Tolman, director of the fixed nitrogen research laboratory appearing before the house military committee, said that Secretary Wallace had authorized him to say the department believes "that farmers would be benefitted" by operation of the Muscle Shoals plant for manufacturing of fertilizer as proposed by Mr. Ford.

LINCOLN CLUB
BANQUET ONE
OF BEST EVER

Good Speeches, Good Food
and Fellowship Mark Annual Meeting of Republicans
—Eloquent Address By Professor Bissett On Lincoln.

The annual banquet of the Lincoln club of the Rogue River valley held at the Hotel Medford last night, was in the opinion of many who attended, the best banquet ever held in the eight years' history of the Lincoln club.

The main feature was the wonderfully impressive and scholarly address of Professor Clark F. Bissett of Seattle of the law department of the University of Washington, and a national authority on the life of Lincoln through his forty years' study of the subject.

Referring to the famous utterance of the distinguished American during the world war about "making the world safe for democracy," Professor Bissett in the course of his address, said that if Lincoln had been alive he would, in his belief, have paraphrased the utterance to read "God help us to keep the United States safe from democracy as well as anocracy."

Republican, But Non-Partisan.
While the banquet was a republican affair and rally it was non-partisan in character and nothing was said which would give offense to any denomination, and the program was confined purely to extolling the life and great deeds of Abraham Lincoln, and in honoring his memory. In fact, a number of prominent democrats were in attendance at the banquet and to cheer them and give them honor from any apprehension of unfriendly partisanship the orchestra early in the program struck up that stirring air of "Dixie."

In fact, the great spirit of Lincoln hovered over the banquet, stated Prof. Irving E. Vining of Ashland, who presided as toastmaster with his well known ability and eloquence, and who uttered praise for President Harding and Secretary Hughes for bringing about the world peace, and that the program was a great success.

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Wife Who Divorced Slain Movie Director and Their Daughter



Mrs. Edward L. C. Robins, the divorced wife of William Dean Taylor was Ethel May Harrison, actress, when she married William Cunningham Dean Taylor as he was known in 1901, four years after he had vanished mysteriously. After he turned up as Taylor in California, his daughter now nineteen years old, began a correspondence with him which lasted till his death. She will inherit his estate estimated at \$50,000. Mrs. Robins is now the wife of the well known restaurantier leasee of Delmonico's.

KENYON'S FINAL
BILL ON COAL
IS INTRODUCED

WASHINGTON, Feb. 14.—Establishment of a federal tribunal and code of laws for regulation of the coal industry was proposed in a bill introduced by Senator Kenyon, republican, Iowa, chairman of the senate labor committee, which investigated the recent West Virginia coal fields disorders.

The bill follows the line of Mr. Kenyon's recent report on the West Virginia situation and probably will be his last before he retires to go on the federal bench. It would create a "national coal mining board" and provide statutory rights for both labor and capital in the coal industry. Decrees of the board would be enforced by public opinion and their violation not made punishable.

The board would be composed of nine members, three each representing the employees, employers and the public. All would be appointed by the president. The labor board would be selected from six names presented by the United Mine Workers of America. Employers' nominations would be made by the National Coal association and the Anthracite Operators association.

Under the bill, employers and employees would be required to make every possible effort to settle disputes between themselves, but in event of failure would be required to submit the controversies to the board.

Decisions of the board would require assent of a majority. The board members would receive annual salaries of \$10,000.

The coal mining "code" detailed in the bill follows the recommendations of Senator Kenyon in his report on the West Virginia controversy. It includes eleven "principles."

The first would declare coal to be "a public necessity and in its production and distribution the public interest is predominant."

Others would declare for collective bargaining, human standards in fixing wages and working conditions, adequate return for invested capital and a six day standard working week on an eight hour basis, and would prohibit employment of women or children under sixteen years of age. Other provisions prohibit interference with non-union men or with union men seeking peacefully to organize.

The bill was referred to the senate labor committee.

General Pruned,
Ex-Commander Mex
Army Is Executed

MEXICO CITY, Feb. 14.—(By the Associated Press.)—General Antonio Pruned, former commander of federal troops in the state of Chihuahua was shot by a firing squad this morning following a trial by court martial on charges of rebellion.

General Pruned and eight of his officers arrived in Mexico City last Sunday in answer to a summons from the war office. He was immediately arrested. The court martial met yesterday.

It was in session all night and the sentence of death was read shortly before six o'clock this morning. The fate of his companions has not been decided.

TOO MUCH KISSING
IN WOMAN'S TRIAL
TO SUIT THE JUDGE

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 14.—The trial of Mrs. Madalynne Obenchain, charged with the murder here last August of J. Bolton Kennedy, was resumed today after a recess from last Friday.

William Laughlin, commercial agent for the Western Union Telegraph company here, the first witness, began identifying thirty or more telegrams, exchanged between Mrs. Obenchain and Arthur Burch, her co-defendant, while she was in Los Angeles and Burch was in San Francisco the summer before the shooting and messages exchanged between Mrs. Obenchain and Kennedy.

These telegrams were not being read but marked for identification, over the objections of counsel for the defendant.

A sample of Burch's handwriting also was introduced, the jail register that he signed when taken into custody a day or two after the shooting having been identified in court by a deputy jailer.

Mrs. Obenchain, who has been permitted to enter the court room before the sessions were called and who has been greeted and kissed there daily by a bevy of feminine friends, was held on "the bridge of sighs" connecting the jail and the court room, until time for court to convene today, pursuant to orders of Judge Sidney N. Reeve, the state having objected to Mrs. Obenchain's "receptions" as possibly prejudicial before the jurors.

Smoking Not a Fad
Or Confirmed Habit
With College Girls

BERKELEY, Cal., Feb. 14.—Smoking has not become a habit or even a condoned fad among women students of western universities, was the emphatic statement of Miss Olive Prester, president of the Associated Women Students of the University of California, commenting on Associated Press dispatches from middle-western university centers.

FRANCE INSISTS
ON INCLUSION
LITTLE ENTENTE

LONDON, Feb. 14.—(By the Associated Press.)—France has agreed to the appointment of Anglo-French experts to make a preliminary examination of the agenda of the Geneva economic conference. Reuters says it has learned, she suggests, however, the inclusion of the little entente countries (Yugoslavia, Czechoslovakia and Roumania), together with Poland, in the conversations.

PARIS, Feb. 14.—(By the Associated Press.)—The Minister of Commerce will co-operate with French experts in preparing ground for discussions at the Geneva economic conference it was announced today. The French experts will comprise representatives of mining and manufacturers with delegates from all the various ministries. Their work will begin tomorrow and will proceed pending a settlement with the allies on the question of an inter-allied meeting of experts to consider the Geneva agenda.

France is insisting that the little entente nations ought to be present at this meeting. Great Britain, however, is declared to be still of the opinion that the representation should be confined to the principal allies.

Unless the German government agrees with France on a more representative meeting than now favored there is probability of the Geneva conference itself being split up into three groups. The allies and the little entente nations have arranged separately while a third group will be followed by the Russians and the Germans. The Russian soviet government has been multiplying recently in its efforts to get into communication with the French government, it is stated here.

The French government, however, it is declared, is continuing indifferent to these overtures and will go to Geneva uncommitted to any relations with the soviet.

NO DEVELOPMENTS
IN MOVIE MURDER
CASE REPORTED

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 14.—No official connection with the William Desmond Taylor murder mystery investigation would declare today that any progress had been made toward a solution.

The officers were at work and still expressing determination to do their best to find the slayer of the film director but found themselves in forma with "too many wild tips," they said, and too few genuine real clues.

The detectives of the police department still declared their belief that the case never would be cleared up until Edward F. Sands, the missing butler-secretary to Taylor had been discovered while the sheriff's deputies still were firm in their contention that Sands had nothing to do with the case.

The air was filled with rumors of "mystery men" and "mystery women" and "mystery witnesses," "drug peddlers," "jealous motives," and "revenge theories," but back of them all were the facts that Sands had not been found; that the murderer had not been arrested and that the case was unsolved.

Immigration Extended 1923
WASHINGTON, Feb. 14.—A bill extending the life of three per cent restrictive immigration law until June 30, 1923, was ordered reported today by the house immigration committee.

Lynn Massachusetts
Bars Mabel Normand
Mary Miles Minter

LYNN, Mass., Feb. 14.—Local motion picture theaters have discontinued showing pictures showing Mabel Normand and Mary Miles Minter, whose names have been mentioned in connection with the slaying of William Desmond Taylor, motion picture director, at Los Angeles. The action was taken at the request of the city's board of censors.

FATE IRELAND
STILL HANGING
IN BALANCE

Peace Or War, Probably Be
Decided in Next 24 Hours—
British Troops Reach Ulster
—Sniping in Belfast Continues—Losses Heavy.

BELFAST, Feb. 14.—(By Associated Press.) A large body of troops appeared on the streets of Belfast this afternoon. They were the first to be sent here since the renewed outbreak of disorders.

LONDON, Feb. 14.—(By Associated Press.) Michael Collins' dramatic disclosure of an alleged republican plot to overthrow the provisional government; the sudden and unexplained suspension of the British military evacuation and the dangerous tension between the north and south have combined to produce a serious situation in Ireland. The outcome no one here ventures to forecast more definitely than by speculating on the dread possibilities, but dispatches show that the position on the frontier is not far removed from a state of war. Indeed, the prospect of civil war is being seriously discussed in Belfast and elsewhere in the north.

The dispatches sent by Belfast correspondents of the London newspapers represent the temper of the Ulster men as being such that, unless the kidnapped unionists are speedily released, there will certainly follow an explosion which may lead to war.

Increase British Troops
The British government has promised to increase the troops in Ulster by four battalions, bringing the total to fourteen, and to send more if necessary and it is assumed that some of the forces held from embarking yesterday, are destined for the north. Premier Craig, of Ulster, is said to have suggested to the British government the desirability of posting troops on the south side of the border but this was firmly refused.

All available northern police are being more to the frontier from the quiet areas, according to the Daily Mail's Belfast correspondent, and the boundary, will soon be lined with ten thousand armed and disciplined men.

The difficulty of preventing "the guns going off of themselves," under these circumstances, is emphasized by the correspondent who says that at Pettigo, in county Donegal, the rival forces are separated only by the width of a street, while at Belleek and Belleek in county Fermanagh, they are watching each other from the opposite ends of the bridge.

Irish Bill May Fail
The danger is not confined to the frontier, he adds, owing to the antagonism of the Sinn Feiners and the anglo-irish in various parts of Ulster, the results of which were evidenced in

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SECOND BIG
SWINDLE IN
CHICAGO ILL.

Western Land Operators Nab-
bed for Get Rich Quick
Schemes—People Robbed
of Over \$6,000,000—Prom-
ised 100 Per Cent in Six
Months.

CHICAGO, Feb. 14.—Investigation of the dealings of the Western Land Operators company, the third concocted by authorities within three days and believed by them to have swindled foreign born citizens of more than \$1,500,000, was under way here today by government agents.

Within three days alleged swindles totalling approximately \$6,500,000, according to conservative estimates by officers were disclosed with the arrest Saturday of Raymond J. Bischoff and the arrest yesterday of three employees of the Western Land Operators association and three employees of the American Novaculite company, Leslie Harrison, said by police to be the moving spirit in the affairs of the American Novaculite company, and Charles Urlich, and Charles Phillips, general manager and president of the Western Land Operators company are sought by the police.

Raid Last Night
The raid on the offices of the Western Land company was made last night at the request of 300 creditors. Just as the police believed they had established a connection between the working of Bischoff and Harrington so have they come to the belief that the Western Land Operators company was connected with the other two and that the three were operating huge swindles jointly.

Harrington's rise in high finances was even more rapid than that of Bischoff, the government investigators said.

A meeting of Harrington's field agents, forty in number, was held last Sunday, they said. A Lithuanian policeman, said to have invested \$7000 in Harrington notes, heard of the meeting, walked into the room, fired several shots into the ceiling and departed with \$7000 in cash.

M. P. West, arrested in Aurora, Colo. in connection with the Western Land Operators company investigation, is said to have held forth an attractive proposition which would yield 100 per cent in six months. His regular interest rate was \$1 monthly on \$100.

Prospects were told that the company owned thousands of acres of land in Montana and Colorado. A particular piece of property was specified as security. Investors in September, they said, made 100 per cent the first month. Buyers of \$1000 gold bonds in the fall were given \$2000 in bonds in December. Checks for dividends were paid by a bank in Aurora, Colo.

Then in January the checks began to come back, marked "insufficient funds."

Reports from towns near Chicago having large foreign-born populations indicate that both Bischoff and Harrington reaped large harvests there.

More than 300 residents of Aurora, Ill., and the Fox River valley were swindled by Bischoff, according to the investigators, and more than twice that number, they say, turned over sums ranging from \$100 to \$2900 to Harrington.

Just what the connection believed by investigators to exist between the Western Land Operators company and Bischoff may be, has not been indicated.

DOHENY, IRELAND'S FINANCIAL BACKER,
IS SICK OF DE VALERA'S WILD IRISH

NEW YORK, Feb. 14.—The reasons for the formation of the American association for the Recognition of the Irish Republic no longer exists, in the opinion of Edward L. Doheny, president of the association, who announces he favors the Irish free state.

Mr. Doheny had taken an active part in the association, founded by Edmond DeValera. He underwrote the recent \$4,000,000 Irish relief funds and has been one of the largest individual contributors in America to the Irish cause.

Commenting on the recent action of the executive committee of the as-

Leviathan Contract
To Lowest Bidder

WASHINGTON, Feb. 14.—Chairman Lasker of the shipping board has decided to award the contract for conditioning the liner Leviathan to the Newport News Shipbuilding and Drydock company, tomorrow, it was said today on high authority and the board will meet at nine o'clock tomorrow morning to ratify formally this decision. The Newport News company was the lowest bidder for the repair work.

N. Y. Stock Firm Fails
NEW YORK, Feb. 14.—Failure of Crawford, Patton and Cannon, members of the New York Stock Exchange was announced at the opening of business today. Henry B. Cannon is the board member of the firm, which was organized in November, 1911.

Greeters Buy Home for Aged
DENVER, Colo., Feb. 14.—A home for sick, aged and disabled members of the organization was purchased here today by the Greeters of America, an organization of hotel men. The purchase price was reported as \$12,000.

HOW NICE! ANGELS COMMUNICATE WITH
EACH OTHER AND WITH MORTALS ON EARTH

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 14.—Angels communicate with each other by telepathy and converse with men by the same means. Dr. Horace C. Stanton, secretary of the Presbyterian Ministerial association and a student of psychic phenomena, declared last night in an address before the association.

"Telepathy is the court language of Heaven," he said, "it is used by three omniscient, omnipresent, beings—the Father, the Holy Ghost, and Christ. The Father and the Holy Ghost never had any physical organs of speech. Therefore thought transmission must be the language used."

For centuries scientists have noted the marvels of telepathy and clairvoyance. By telepathy all the details of a complex event are transmitted to a distant mind. By clairvoyance all the features of such a scene would be read from some far-off mind. These occurrences were deemed occult and supernatural. But within a generation, psychologists have proved that they are caused by certain higher powers in the human soul, usually dormant, but at times becoming active."