

The Weather

Maximum yesterday 47 1/2
Minimum today 37 1/2
Precipitation .01

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

Predictions

Rain.

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

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PRESIDENT WINS OUT ON TREATY

Harding's Reservation Accepted and Four-Power Treaty Reported Out Favorably Over Opposition of Johnson and Borah—Naval Limitation Pact Passes.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—The four power treaty, together with its supplements, and a reservation and the naval limitation and submarine treaties, were ordered favorably reported today by the senate foreign relations committee.

The reservation attached by the committee to the four-power pact embodies the compromise suggested after the conference with President Harding and declares that nothing in the treaty shall be construed as forming an "alliance." It was approved by a ten to three vote.

Also by a division of 19 to 3, with Senators Borah, Idaho and Johnson, California, republicans, and Shields, Democrat, Tennessee, voting in the negative the four power treaty then was ordered reported to the senate. The vote by which the naval limitation and submarine treaties were favorably reported was unanimous.

Fight in Senate

Several other votes were taken on proposed substitutes to the compromise resolution, but the administration leaders brought about the defeat of all of them and the reservationists abandoned all attempts to qualify further the four-power and other treaties in committee. They said to acquiesce in committee actions simply meant, however, that they were ready to transfer their fight to the senate.

As it will be embodied in the report of the four-power treaty, the compromise resolution approved by the committee follows:

"The United States understands that under the statement in the present or under the terms of this treaty there is no commitment to armed force, no alliance, no obligation to join in any defense."

A motion by Senator Pomeroy to strike out the words "no alliance" was defeated 19 to 3, only Senators Kellogg, republican, Minnesota and Williams, democrat, Mississippi, joining the Ohio senator in its support. Senator Pomeroy then moved an entire substitute for the resolution, but was voted down 12 to 1.

The original Brandegee blanket reservation for which a majority of the committee members are said to have indicated their support before the conference with President Harding was offered again by Senator Johnson and was rejected 9 to 4, Senators Johnson, Borah, Shields and Moses voting in the affirmative. On adoption of the compromise reservation, Senators Kellogg, Williams and Pomeroy voted in the negative. Senators Hitchcock, Nebraska, Pittman, Nevada, and Swanson, Virginia, all democrats, were absent.

Give Princess Big Estate As Present

LONDON, Feb. 25.—In commemoration of the coming marriage of Princess Mary, Mrs. Anne Archbold Sanderson, daughter of the late John D. Archbold, has arranged to present to the princess the Archbold residence at Foxlease Park, Lyndhurst, Hampshire, together with eighty acres of park land. The estate will be used as a training center for girl guide officers. Princess Mary is president of the girl guide organization.

SALES TAX FOR BONUS DEFEATED, ENTIRE PROPOSAL IS UP IN THE AIR

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—Failure of the special subcommittee of republican members of the house ways and means committee to approve any provision for financing the soldiers' bonus after rejecting the sales tax proposal by a vote of seven to two, had placed the question again today in the hands of the entire majority membership of the committee for further study.

In addition to the vote against the sales tax, the subcommittee was understood to have gone on record yesterday, 5 to 4 in favor of reporting

Good Samaritans Aid 2 Sick New Yorkers To Tune of \$153,000

NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—Police today were seeking "good samaritans" who robbed two New York business men of sums and currency amounting to more than \$153,000.

Leo Sherman, Manhattan diamond importer, fainted in the Times Square subway. When he awakened in Bellevue hospital some time later he announced he had been robbed of diamonds which he said were worth \$75,000. The name of the second victim has not been made known. The police say he suffered an attack of vertigo after leaving a brokerage office from which he had withdrawn \$75,000. Passersby carried him into a doorway and he was revived. One of his "benefactors," police say, made away with the money.

TERRIFIC BLAST SHAKES CHICAGO, LOSS IS LARGE

Explosion of 30 Tons of Dynamite in Stone Quarry Causes Huge Property Loss, But Only One Man Is Seriously Injured.

CHICAGO, Feb. 25.—After an all night investigation of the dynamite explosion which last night wrecked South Chicago, causing \$1,000,000 damage, R. M. Perbohner, assistant fire marshal, declared today he was convinced the blast was the result of a premeditated plan.

Two deputies, George M. McNally and Calvin T. Weeks, agreed with Mr. Perbohner that the blast, which occurred at the McCook quarry of the Consumers company near Argo, Ill., could not have been caused accidentally.

CHICAGO, Feb. 25.—Chicago and dozens of its suburbs today found out what caused the blast which literally shook them to their foundations and caused a frenzy of excitement last night. Thirty tons of dynamite let go in a stone quarry southwest of the city shortly before nine o'clock and hundreds of thousands of alarmed residents went to bed not knowing just what had happened to give rise to rumors of concerted bombings, earthquakes, falling meteors and disasters to manufacturing plants.

For an hour after the blast the Chicago district was in a furor. The smashing of glass in thousands of windows and the noise of the explosion gave rise to reports that bombings were occurring simultaneously at many places in the city.

City Is Terrified

While the police and newspaper offices were flooded with thousands of inquiries and thousands of frightened people were trying to find the source of the blast, the Associated Press, through a curious coincidence, was able to give the first authentic news of the explosion.

A Menon railroad signal tower at Dyer, Ind., received definite word of the blast and this was relayed to the Menon dispatcher at LaFayette, Ind., from whence it was transmitted to a LaFayette newspaper and the word of the explosion on the edge of Chicago came back to the city over the Associated Press wires.

In spite of the large area of land affected by the blast, only one man

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WHITE HOUSE OPPOSED TO NAVY SLASH

President Reported Against Reduction of Navy Personnel Under 80,000—Also Urges Conversion Two Battle Cruisers Into Airplane Carriers.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—President Harding is understood to have told republican members of the house naval committee at a White House conference today that while he felt some reduction should be made in the navy personnel, the total number of enlisted men ought not to be cut under 80,000.

The president also is said to have strongly urged legislation for conversion of two battle cruisers into airplane carriers. While the question as to whether the 500 members of the first year class at Annapolis, to be graduated in June should be commissioned was not considered in detail, it was stated that the president advocated a sharp reduction in the number of men to be admitted to the academy each year in the future.

Hearing Next Week

Chairman Hittler of the committee, in declining to discuss details of the conference with the president, declared the committee would proceed next week with hearings, indicating that it still was disposed to get ahead with its plan for cutting down Secretary Denby's estimates for 30,000 enlisted men and a total appropriation of \$350,000,000.

The committee chairman said there had been simply an interchange of views between the president and members of the committee and said no conclusions had been reached and that everybody still had an open mind on the subject.

Major committee members intimated, however, that the committee would take up the work of readjusting the naval establishment under the armistice conference treaties and carry in mind the suggestions put forward at the conference today.

Members reiterated that it was a foregone conclusion that there would be a cut in naval personnel.

Representative McArthur of Oregon, a member of the committee, said he personally stood for a minimum of at least 80,000, but made it clear that this figure had nothing to do with the committee's conference with the president and simply represented his own personal opinion.

Local billiard enthusiasts are still talking about the great showing made here early in the week of H. E. Armstrong, who is by all odds the best billiard shot in Medford and the county. In his three cushion game of 20 points with Jake Schaefer, the world champion billiardist, which the latter won 20-17, Mr. Armstrong who is a government sheep inspector and former billiard champion for several years of the state of Colorado, was invited by the Elks club to contest with Schaefer, after the latter and Conti, the European champion had ended their exhibition. Armstrong made a wonderful showing and led Schaefer until close to the end when the balls rolled badly for him and the world champion then ran out.

Another electric oven was installed in the Economy Groceteria this afternoon, of 100 loaves capacity at one baking, or 500 to 600 loaves a day, which increases the total bread baking capacity of that establishment to 2500 loaves daily.

EXPECT NO ACTION BLACKMAIL CASE

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—George E. Long, veteran war department clerk, and according to the police, confessed author of the blackmail letters recently received by Henry White, former ambassador to France and several women prominent in Washington society, was caring for a seriously ill wife and his three children at their home today.

He was permitted to return there several minutes after the alleged confession was drawn from him at police headquarters yesterday. No complaint had been lodged against him today for sending the letters, which demanded large sums of money under threat of death, and the police said none would be filed unless those who received the letters showed disposition to press the case against him.

Baroness Spurns Title for Divorce



Mrs. Alma Gene, the Baroness Stach von Goltzheim, former opera star and dramatic actress who is bringing suit for divorce from her husband, Baron von Goltzheim, scion of one of the oldest houses of nobility in Prussia. She is also asking the custody of their five-year-old son known in the German records of nobility as Karl Frederick Victor Baron Stach von Goltzheim. Mrs. Gene charges her husband with impropriety.

CLOUD MYSTERY AGAIN FALLS ON MOVIE MURDER PHOENIX RANCH RAIDED, OWNER MAKES ESCAPE

CHICAGO, Feb. 25.—Five Los Angeles detectives, said to have come to Chicago in search of clues to the murder of William Desmond Taylor, moving picture director, were gadding on an investigation here today, their movements carefully camouflaged in an attempt to prevent any linking of their mission from becoming public.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 25.—Herman Cline, Los Angeles police detective sergeant, conferred today with Captain Duncan Mathewson of detectives concerning certain phases of the William Desmond Taylor murder case that have come to light in this city. Cline told Captain Mathewson that he was in San Francisco "under sealed orders" and expects further advice from his superiors.

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 25.—Excitement resulting from the "confession" of Harry N. Fields in Detroit as to certain alleged details of the murder of William D. Taylor, film director, was subsiding here today with the outspoken expressions by officials of their belief in Fields' statements. They declared they had been unable to substantiate any of the allegations Fields made to the Detroit authorities.

The Daily Bank Robbery

BANKS, Ore., Feb. 25.—Robbers last night broke into the Washington County bank here by tunneling under the rear of the building and cutting thru the floor. They gained entrance to the vault but failed to open the safe. The bank's loss, according to a report early today by officers, was \$271 in small change.

The thieves broke open eight safe deposit boxes before they were frightened away by a man living across the street who had been awakened by the noise and started out to give an alarm.

CHICAGO, Feb. 25.—Patrolman Forgan of Argo, Ill., was probably fatally injured today when he was shot through the head while guarding the Summit State bank, the windows of which had been shattered by the dynamite explosion in McCook quarry nearby.

The shooting was done by several men who drove up to the bank in an automobile and fled when Forgan fell. Police believed they intended to rob the bank, but became frightened.

RUSSIA TAKES NO CHARGE ON GENOA DELEGATION

MOSCOW, Feb. 25.—In order to insure return to Russia of the delegation sent to Genoa, only those persons who have families or possessions that may be considered good hostages or guarantees will be allowed to go there.

The soviet has had too many examples of its agents willing to work abroad but unwilling to return. Several government agents will accompany the delegation under the guise of secretaries, to insure the good conduct and return of the delegates.

Ex-Senator Mantle of Montana, 70 Yrs. Old To Wed Young Girl

CHICAGO, Feb. 25.—Leo Mantle, 70, former senator from Montana, admitted today that he and Miss Etta Daly, 25, a recent graduate from the University of Nebraska, will be married within the next few days. The marriage license was taken out here today.

None of Mr. Mantle's friends in Butte, Mont., his home, have been informed of the approaching wedding, he said.

Miss Daly formerly had lived in Butte, where Mr. Mantle said he had known her and her family since she was a small child. Mr. Mantle was speaker of the last territorial house of Montana territory, speaker of the state legislature, United States senator from 1895 to 1899 and chairman of the state central committee. He founded the Daily Intermountain, a newspaper now known as the Butte Post and was its head from 1881 to 1901.

"BLUEBEARD OF GAMBALS" DIES ON GUILLOTINE

Henri Desire Landru, Convicted of 11 Murders, Goes to Death Without a Tremor—Priest's Query Is Resented As An Insult.

VERSAILLES, Feb. 25.—(By the Associated Press)—Henri Desire Landru, "Bluebeard of Gambais" convicted of the murder of ten women and one youth, gave his life this morning in exchange for 11 he had taken. The triangular knife of the guillotine fell at 6:05 o'clock, 25 minutes after the time originally set for the execution, the delay causing many to express the erroneous opinion that Landru was making a confession.

"It is an insult to a man like me," was his reply. "Had I any confession to make I would have made it long ago."

But never did he utter the word "pardon" as he had failed to utter it during his 34 months of imprisonment and the 21 days of his trial.

Refuses Sacrament

He refused the sacrament, but conversed a few moments with the priest. "I shall be brave, never fear," he told the clergyman.

Although plans for the execution had been kept in the utmost secrecy, crowds began to gather about the old Versailles jail a little after midnight. The clatter of cavalry horses along Georges Clemenceau street, in which the execution took place was plainly audible in Landru's cell, and when he awoke he heard the sound of hammers as workmen erected "timbers of justice" by the flickering light of two square, old-fashioned candle lanterns.

The guillotine was erected only a few feet from the main entrance to the jail. At six o'clock the doors to the prison opened slowly, revealing in the courtyard the procurator general, the warden of the prison and Landru's two lawyers, M. Moro-Gaffuri and M. Dutreuil.

Landru Pales

Then Landru appeared in dark trousers and white shirt. His beard, which was one of his most striking characteristics and which had become familiar to thousands through publication of his portrait during the

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CONFERENCE HALT, MAY BRING WAR

Delay of Meeting in Genoa Arouses Trotzky's Ire—Russ Fate in Balance—May Be Necessary to Tip Balance With Blood—Lloyd George Agrees to Action.

MOSCOW, Feb. 25.—(By the Associated Press)—Leon Trotzky, soviet minister of war, speaking before the Moscow soviet in connection with the red army anniversary today declared Russia's "sole fate is now balancing over Genoa."

If the coming conference should not result satisfactorily for Russia, he declared, it might be necessary to tip the balance with blood, perhaps this coming spring.

"It is necessary," he declared "for the proletariat to be ready then to face a blow in the spring if such a situation should be forced us. Each week of postponement of the Genoa conference must be a week of fortifying the red army."

Agree to Postpone

BOULOGNE, Feb. 25.—(By the Associated Press)—Agreement to a postponement of the Genoa economic conference until April 15 was reached by Premier Poincare of France and Prime Minister Lloyd George of Great Britain at their conference here today. The conference originally was called to meet March 8.

Mr. Lloyd George said after the conference, there would be no necessity for a further discussion of the Franco-British pact, as both parties were entirely agreed as to all its essentials. The pact would be ready for signature in a few days, he said.

France Excited

PARIS, Feb. 25.—(By the Associated Press)—Great interest was displayed in French official circles today at reports that Prime Minister Lloyd George of Great Britain intended to propose at the Genoa conference a ten-year truce in Europe to afford opportunity for reconstruction. It was stated, however, that the British government had not suggested any plan of this character to France.

In the lack of anything official on the subject, foreign headquarters would not comment on the reported proposed proposition but it was indicated further details would be awaited eagerly.

In unofficial circles, however, it was argued that such a plan was suggested involving a radical reduction for the army would have to be coupled with adequate guarantees of reparation payments before France could join.

A pledge to abstain from all aggression would meet with general approval in France, it was said, as France had no aggressive idea toward any country and was chiefly concerned with the collection of reparations and her own security.

Discussion Private

BOULOGNE, Feb. 25.—(By the Associated Press)—A Conference regarding the program for the coming international conference and financial congress at Genoa were begun here this morning between Premier Poincare of France and Prime Minister Lloyd George of Great Britain. The discussion was in strict privacy, the only other person present being M. Camerynck, the French official interpreter.

The British premier, who had spent the night at Lympne, England, crossed the channel to Calais and motored here. He was followed into Boulogne by a large contingent of newspaper men who had been awaiting his appearance along the Calais-Boulogne road.

AMERICAN SCIENTISTS TO DEFY GHOSTS IN HALIFAX FAMOUS HAUNTED HOUSE

NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—Dr. Walter Franklin Prince, director of the American Institute for scientific research today notified the Halifax Herald he was ready to go to Canada and run down the famous ghost of Antigonish, "even if the devil himself were at the bottom of it."

Dr. Prince has the solution of several ghost mysteries to his credit, but he has never met a ghost.

HALIFAX, N. S., Feb. 25.—A party of inquisitive scientists now threatens to break in upon the quiet of the Antigonish ghost whose fame grows with each new thrill it causes. Dr. Walter Franklin Prince, director of the American Institute of scientific research, New York, has declared his intention of calling at the haunted house if he can arrange to obtain a leave of absence.

In the event Dr. Prince makes the trip he will be accompanied by a member of the Montreal Spiritualists society and a professor of science from one of the maritime provinces universities.

The haunted house is the home of Alexander MacDonald near Caledonia Mills. Mr. MacDonald, his wife and their adopted daughter, fled the place in terror with weird tales of ghostly cattle tampering, and a series of inexplicable fires. A detective and a newspaper man took up their residence in the MacDonald house for three nights, fleeing it finally, with an eerie tale of being slapped in the night by hands that "don't seem to be attached to anything in particular."