

The Weather
 Maximum yesterday 54
 Minimum today 29
 Rain Trace
 Snow Trace

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

Predictions
 Occasional rain.

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U. S. DEMANDS \$241,000,000 BE PAID

STERN NOTE IS SENT TO THE ALLIES

Pay U. S. A. for Expenses in Occupation of Rhineland Before Any Other Reparations Are Paid, Says Hughes—Disposition to Disregard United States Claimed.

PARIS, March 10.—(By the Associated Press.)—A demand from the United States that \$241,000,000 for its expenses in connection with occupation of the Rhineland be paid before any reparations were paid was presented to the allied finance ministers at their meeting this morning.

The distribution of this year's German payments, it is learned on good authority, already was practically decided upon before the American note was received. The total is not to exceed 800,000 gold marks and the ratio of sharing this amount is practically the same as was decided upon at the recent meeting of the supreme council at Cannes which was a slight modification of the percentages worked out at the Spa conference.

According to this schedule, France would receive 52 per cent of the payment and Great Britain 21 per cent. The appraised value of the Saar valley coal mines, estimated at 200,000,000 gold marks, is charged against France's receipts.

Up to Commission
 A high allied authority said this afternoon that the American claim for the expenses of the American forces in Germany was a matter for the consideration of the reparations commission which is directly charged with the collection and distribution of Germany's payments.

Thus far the commission has accepted modifications of the terms of payments suggested by the allied powers and it is considered a foregone conclusion that it will accept the decisions of the financial ministers in this series of sessions. The American claim, however, may modify the distribution of this year's payments.

The question of extending the scope of the Wiesbaden reparations agreement between France and Germany so as to make Germany's payments in kind applicable to all the allies, was before today's session of the finance ministers.

The point at issue is the amount of deliveries Germany should make to France for the devastated regions, some of the allies desiring to limit the amount to 300,000,000 gold marks worth of material, so as to leave part of Germany's capacity for payments in kind available for the other allies, Belgium, Italy and Great Britain.

Hughes Says Nothing
 WASHINGTON, March 10.—(By the Associated Press.)—Secretary Hughes refused today to comment on the news from Paris that representatives of the United States had presented a demand to the allied finance ministers that expenses aggregating \$241,000,000 sustained by the United States in the occupation of the Rhineland, be paid before any reparations. There was nothing that could be said on the subject at this time, Mr. Hughes declared.

Press dispatches from Paris recently indicated that the allied foreign ministers were preparing to ap-

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GIRL BANDIT BATTLES POLICE



Miss Myrtle Bates, 22, who battled the police of Syracuse and nearby townships while armed with a repeating rifle and a revolver. Miss Bates and a male companion who escaped commandeered a taxi, drove to a little town outside of Syracuse and held up the proprietor of a grocery, who resisted and was shot.

SEATTLE BOXER KILLED BY SHIP YARD EMPLOYEE

SEATTLE, March 10.—Johnny O'Leary, former Canadian champion lightweight boxer, was shot and instantly killed here this morning by E. Frank Leslie, a ship worker, who later surrendered to police.

Leslie told officers O'Leary and another man had attacked him, O'Leary with a piece of pipe and the other man with several large rocks.

The other man disappeared. The attack took place, according to Leslie, while he was crossing a vacant lot on his way to work at the plant of the General Petroleum corporation on Harbor Island where he is employed. He said O'Leary and others had been annoying him because he worked at the petroleum plant, where a strike is in progress.

Leslie was held on an open charge. O'Leary first came into prominence as a boxer here in 1911. Later he went to San Francisco, where he met and defeated some of the best lightweight boxers on the Pacific coast. The next year he went east. In Winnipeg, Man., he fought a ten round draw with Freddie Welsh, then lightweight champion of the world. In Buffalo a few weeks later he fought to a draw with Johnny Kilbane, bantamweight champion.

O'Leary's last fight was in Seattle in 1916, when he was knocked out by Eddie Pinkham in the third round.

The Daily Bank Robbery

MADISON, Wis., March 10.—Three armed bandits held up the Randall State bank here at 9:45 this morning and after attempting to lock the employees in the vault, escaped with \$1,200 in cash.

SAN ANTONIO, Texas, Mar. 10.—Twenty thousand dollars in gold, silver, and currency and \$50,000 in state and county bonds, together with jewelry with an unofficial estimate value of several thousand dollars, was stolen when five bandits robbed the New Braunfels State bank, 39 miles north of here, this afternoon and escaped in an automobile.

FAMILY RETURNS TO HAUNTED HOUSE IN HOPE OF ATTRACTING THE SPOOK

CALEDONIA MILLS, N. S., Mar. 10.—Nothing even faintly like a ghost was seen or heard last night in the little valley home from which Alexander MacDonald and his family were driven by pranks and noises and uncanny occurrences. But today the spark of hope still remained with Dr. Walter Franklin Payne, the New York scientist who has been on the scratchout for the playful person or spook, since last Tuesday.

"On an expedition like this, it is a case of pot luck," he said. "The fish may bite or they may not. To change the metaphor, the psychic feat is not always on tap."

CHICAGO MAN NAMED HEIR TO EARLDOM

Cyril Woodward Clubley, Who Sold Newspapers for Living Prefers Title of American Citizen to Any Foreign Coronet—Certain of Identity—Gives History of Life.

CHICAGO, Mar. 10.—(By the Associated Press.)—Cyril Woodward Clubley Armstrong, self-made Chicago lawyer, whose struggle for a living has been only moderately successful, today was informed that he is sole heir to an English earldom, but the news had little effect on him, for he calmly informed newspaper reporters that he already possessed the greatest title in the world; that of an American citizen, and desired no other.

Mr. Armstrong received a communication which had been sent to friends of his by the consular department in Washington in response to queries of relatives in India, asking that he be located. He produced many letters and documents to prove that he was the man sought, but said he knew nothing of the title he is supposed to have inherited, for he became separated from his family when a child, and had worked his way up to membership in the bar through night schools.

Previously he sold newspaper subscriptions for a living, worked on Canadian farms and finally became a reporter on the Quincy, Ill., Whig Journal.

"I know nothing of the title," said Mr. Armstrong today, but I do know that I am the Armstrong sought. If the reports of a title prove correct, well I'll cross that bridge when I come to it. I came to this country, became an American citizen, fought my way up to a position of respect in this community, and it will always be foremost in my mind that I hold the greatest title in the world—that of American citizen.

"This is a bad day for any other title and I have no desire to change. My father's name was, I think, William George Armstrong. He died when I was so young that I don't remember it. I had two younger brothers—William Lawrence and Captain St. John Shelvorne. My mother re-married and St. John took his step-father's name.

"When I was about nine years old, my uncle, Lawrence Hennessy Clubley Armstrong, a noted civil engineer, took me to England from India, where I was born about 1880. I went to school at St. Mark's Windsor, England and Querramore house at Bromley. I didn't make much progress in my studies, so my uncle sent me to Canada when I was 16. I worked on a farm near Norwich, Ont., for two years and later became subscription solicitor for a newspaper. I came to the United States then, going to work as a cub reporter in Quincy when I was about 21.

"I determined to do better and went to night school, finally being admitted to the bar in 1908. I came to Chicago in 1913 and have been practicing law here since."

Mr. Armstrong learned of his second brother's death in France in the war through the communications received today. Mr. Armstrong tried twice to enlist in the American army during the war and once the Canadian army, but was rejected.

Klamath County Court Wants D. Atty. Fired

SALEM, Ore., Mar. 10.—Incompetency is charged against C. C. Brower, district attorney for Klamath county, in a letter received by Governor Orcutt from R. H. Bunnell, county judge of that county, and the two county commissioners, Burrell Short and Asa Fordyce.

Brower recently wrote a letter to the governor, complaining that the young people of his community were in danger of being led astray through negligence of the properly constituted officers to enforce the law. The governor, in a reply, reminded the district attorney that the responsibility of law enforcement was largely on his own shoulders.

The letter received from the county judge and the commissioners says that any assistance the governor can give in causing the office of district attorney at Klamath Falls to be vacated without obliging the taxpayers to go to the expense of a recall will be appreciated.

Chicago Woman Killed By Husband



Edgar O. Frady, a Chicago automobile salesman and his wife, a sister of John R. Thompson, well known Chicago restaurant millionaire. She was killed by her husband at Miami, Fla., jealousy being given as the cause. Her husband then attempted to cut his throat with a penknife.

SANDEFER FORCED TO PAY \$550 FOR ARREST G. F. JONES

PORTLAND, Mar. 10.—For damages to his reputation when he was searched for liquor near Medford last August by S. B. Sandefer, George F. Jones was allowed \$550 by the federal jury hearing the case Wednesday. Jones sued Sandefer for \$10,000 damages.

Jones, who is a Seattle man, was in Medford last summer at the time the Mazamas were ready to leave Crater lake. Hearing that conveyances were needed to bring them out, he secured employment to bring out a carload. Near the edge of the national forest boundary he was stopped and searched by Sandefer, who was then acting as special prohibition agent, commissioned by the governor.

Jones said at first he thought it customary for everyone to be searched who crossed the national forest boundary line, but when he saw other cars pass, he became suspicious. He alleged that the search was made without warrant.

Sandefer, who is now employed by Klamath county, did not appear in court.

RABIE EPIDEMIC IN E. OREGON SPREADS

PORTLAND, Ore., Mar. 10.—The epidemic of rabies reported yesterday from Harney county to the United States biological survey, predatory animal service, was today said to have spread from Harney into Grant county and to be gaining considerable headway, according to information received by Stanley E. Jewett, chief of the predatory animal service.

Rabid coyotes were reported to have been seen in various parts of Grant county. Many have grown so savage, the communication said, that they are entering houses and camps. Many sheep have been reported killed.

Floating Palace of Booze Beyond 3-Mile Limit Is N. Y. Idea

NEW YORK, Mar. 10.—Ralph A. Day, prohibition enforcement director for New York, has gone to Washington to confer with Prohibition Commissioner Haynes in regard to preventing the establishment of a floating liquor "palace" outside the three mile limit, with a ferry service to New York.

RESIGNATION OF LLOYD GEORGE IS AGAIN TO FRONT

LONDON, March 10.—(By the Associated Press.)—The Earl of Derby, former secretary of war, has been offered the secretaryship for India in succession to Edwin S. Montagu, who resigned yesterday, according to reports in the parliamentary lobby today. In the event of Lord Derby's refusal the Duke of Devonshire is mentioned as the likely appointee.

LONDON, March 10.—(By the Associated Press.)—Removal of Lord Reading as viceroy of India, it is believed in some quarters, will be the denouement to the publication of the Indian government's note. There is nothing tangible on which to base this belief, but it is not improbable as a sequel to the virtual dismissal of Edwin S. Montagu as secretary for India.

The probable effect in India of Mr. Montagu's resignation is the subject of much curiosity and there are some misgivings lest the removal of the champion of Indian political reform have a dangerous repercussion there.

Equally momentous from the democratic political point of view is the effect the whole affair may have on the fortunes of the government, especially as to the position of Prime Minister Lloyd George. Some believe the chances that the premier will make good his threatened resignation have considerably increased, and that, if he also takes the view that American abstention from the Geneva conference lessens the prospect of success there, the country may soon learn of his definite retirement.

The successor to Secretary Montagu must be appointed soon, in view of the dangerous situation in India. The opinion in the lobbies over night was that Winston Spencer Churchill, who was first mentioned, is too intimately concerned in the Irish settlement to allow his removal from his present office as secretary of the colonies.

Talk is mostly centering about the Duke of Devonshire, former governor general of Canada, although other names are mentioned. The duke is a conservative and should be chosen if it would make the third replacement of a liberal minister by a conservative within ten days.

Princess Off for Italy.
 PARIS, Mar. 10.—Princess Mary and her husband, Viscount Lascelles, who came to Paris yesterday and were overnight guests of Lord Hardinge, British ambassador to France, left for Florence this morning. They will spend an extended honeymoon in Italy.

Martial Law S. Africa.
 JOHANNESBURG, Union of South Africa, Mar. 10.—(By the Associated Press.)—Martial law was proclaimed here today. Fighting between bands of strikers and the police has broken out in the extreme eastern section of the Rand.

Only Physician in Jail, Citizens Ask Ia. Governor to Act

OTTUMWA, Iowa, March 10.—With their only physician in jail and a prevalence of disease in the village, residents of Lockridge, Iowa, have stormed Jefferson county officials for a reprieve.

The physician, P. J. Shorlock, is serving four weeks at Fairfield after having been found guilty of intoxication.

Dr. Shorlock's case probably will be before Governor Kendall in a day or two. The sheriff called the governor on the long distance telephone and was told the governor will act quickly if four county officials joined in the petition for the physician's release.

EMBEZZLER OF \$190,000 DENTAL FUNDS CAUGHT

PHILADELPHIA, Mar. 10.—Plans for a speedy trial for Walter A. Unger, former assistant treasurer of the Dr. Thomas W. Evans Dental Institute and museum fund of the University of Pennsylvania, charged with having embezzled securities of the fund valued at approximately \$190,000 were announced today by Assistant District Attorney J. G. Gordon, Jr., who said that Unger had confessed his guilt.

An alleged companion of Unger, who was arrested on a charge of having received stolen goods also was to be given a hearing today. He gave the name of Charles Logan, but the police said he was known under several aliases. According to the authorities Unger had given him more than \$1,000.

When taken into custody last night Unger told the detectives that he had not been out of his room for two days and had been without food for 36 hours.

More than \$10,000 in cash was found in his possession. This, the detectives said, was part of the \$12,000 he had withdrawn the day prior to his disappearance on the pretext it was to pay salaries of instructors in the dental school.

Secure Negro Nurse As Arbuckle Witness

CINCINNATI, March 10.—Cincinnati has added a chapter to the case of Roscoe (Fatty) Arbuckle, film comedian, who has twice been tried in San Francisco on a charge of manslaughter in consequence of the death of Virginia Rappe, photo-play actress.

At the request of a representative of Arbuckle, Estelle Wyatt, congress of this city, left here last night for Chicago to give her deposition. It is alleged that she made a statement that twelve years ago she nursed Miss Rappe in a hospital on the south side in Chicago.

OBCENCHAIN LOVE STORY CONTINUED

Woman Defendant Nervous Under Cross Examination, Speaks Frankly of Relations With Murdered Man—Admits She Loved Kennedy When She Was Married.

LOS ANGELES, March 10.—Mrs. Madalynne Conner Obenchain, pale and somewhat nervous, took the stand today to face cross examination by the state upon her story of yesterday of her love for J. Belton Kennedy and his death by shooting in her trial on a charge of murdering him. She assumed a position in the witness chair so that she could face the jury.

That it was in the case of Kennedy love at first sight was indicated by Mrs. Obenchain in her responses to the initial questions of the cross examination by Asa Keys, deputy district attorney. She testified the first met Kennedy at her mother's home here in 1917 when he was showing property to a relative. They met several times thereafter and the second and third time he mentioned love to her, she testified.

"Belton said that he cared for me, but was under obligations to another girl," she testified. It was the summer of 1918 that Kennedy first approached her to marry him, she said. She gave her consent on August 31, 1918.

The engagement continued five months, she said. Ralph Obenchain, former school chum, arrived in Los Angeles on December 24, 1918. The day following Christmas, she telephoned to Kennedy and broke the engagement, a week before her marriage to Obenchain.

Broke Engagement
 The reason for breaking the engagement with Kennedy, she said was that in her opinion her home conditions made marriage with Kennedy impossible. She said during the engagements the relations between her family and the family of Kennedy were friendly.

Phrases of two love letters from Mrs. Obenchain to Kennedy were read by the deputy district attorney. Those letters were dated February 4 and 15, 1919.

"My love, my love is yours * * * it won't be long before I can come to you," was read as one of her phrases in the letters.

"It meant that Belton had induced me to leave Ralph," Mrs. Obenchain replied.

In response to questions she said that she had been in love with Kennedy at the time she married Obenchain.

Discussion of marriage with Kennedy were held with Kennedy shortly after her marriage to Obenchain, she testified. In June, 1919, Kennedy suggested that she obtain an annulment.

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HEAVY EARTHQUAKE IN CALIFORNIA BUT NO SERIOUS DAMAGE REPORTED

SANTA BARBARA, Cal., March 10.—A perceptible earth tremor was felt in Santa Barbara at 3:25 this morning. The shock appeared more pronounced in the lower part of the city near the ocean, where more clocks are reported to have been stopped than in the "hill" district. No damage was done.

PORTERVILLE, Cal., March 10.—Residents here were awakened about 3:30 o'clock this morning by an earthquake which rattled windows, moved doors off their hinges and threw furniture about. People rushed into the streets but no damage was reported.

TAPT, Cal., Mar. 10.—Houses here were rocked at 3:25 this morning by an earthquake. It was the severest shock felt here in years.

Clocks were stopped at the weather bureau in Los Angeles and other points down town but no damage was reported. The tremors were observed also at Pasadena by a light rattling of windows and glassware.

Reports were received by the Western Union that the tremors were felt at Guadalupe, near San Luis Obispo and at Delano, north of Bakersfield.