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The Weather
Prediction ..... Showers
Maximum yesterday 60½
Minimum today 37.6

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

Weather Year Ago
Maximum 79
Minimum 44

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Weekly—Fifty-Second Year.

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LIVES LOST IN TERRIFIC MAY GALES

Worst Storm in History for This Time of Year Sweeps Over Rocky Mt, and Missouri River Sections—3 Killed Near Omaha—Fruit Damage Extensive.

OMAHA, Neb., May 11.—Three persons were killed and widespread damage to property was done as a result of wind storms in various parts of Nebraska yesterday and last night, according to advices received here today.

OMAHA, Neb., May 11.—(By the Associated Press.)—With all wire communications between Omaha and Lexington, Neb., interrupted details of the tornado that struck near that village early last night and caused damage in other parts of Dawson county were still meagre early today.

LEXINGTON, Neb., May 11.—Several homes were lifted from their foundations, juggled and replaced as a child plays with toys, trees of large circumference were broken at the ground, torn out by roots or twisted, farm buildings were demolished and all avenues of communication closed in a windstorm that neared the proportions of a tornado which swept over a corner of Lexington last night and passed into the northeast part of the county. No loss of life has been reported.

SIOUX FALLS, S. D., May 11.—Heavy windstorms that swept central South Dakota late yesterday damaged numerous farm buildings and wrecked small structures in several towns. The wind was most severe near Pierre where many buildings were unroofed. Stocks of hay scattered broadcast and many outbiulidings demolished.

Fruit Crop Injured.

DENVER, Col., May 11.—Rocky Mountain states today are suffering in the grip of one of the worst May storms in history.

Damage to fruit crops, danger of the loss of livestock and interrupted wire and railroad communications are results of heavy snow and rainfall accompanied by fierce gales.

Tracks of the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy railroad east of Edgemont, S. D., have been washed out and trains annulled, according to reports from Sheridan, Wyo. Telegraph and telephone communications throughout eastern and central Wyoming are broken.

Olin Lee, a ranchman, and Harry Montoya, storekeeper, were killed last night when their automobile plunged into Chicos creek 14 miles east of Trinidad during a wind storm, according to a dispatch from that country. The bodies of the two men were found this morning by a passing tourist.

Officials of the Colorado and Southern railroad have announced that two passenger and three freight trains are "lost" between Cheyenne and Casper, Wyo.

Telegraph wires in this region are down.

Henry O'Malley Honored

WASHINGTON, May 11.—Henry O'Malley, now in charge of activities of the bureau of fisheries on the Pacific coast and Alaska, was nominated today by President Harding to be commissioner of fisheries succeeding Dr. Hugh M. Smith, who resigned several weeks ago.

Grieving Over Chum's Suicide, Leads Girl To Take Own Life

SEATTLE, May 11.—Grief stricken over the death of her chum, Miss Bertha Brackett, who shot and killed herself while singing in a church choir here April 9, Miss Elizabeth Whitman, 16 years old, committed suicide today by taking poison. Before she died Miss Whitman told the physician who was called she had brooded over her friend's death and had finally decided to end her own life.

Miss Whitman and Miss Brackett were members of the choir of the first Baptist church and close friends.

Miss Whitman was the dauster of the late Rev. B. L. Whitman, former pastor of the church.

KLAN REFUSES TO LET LOCAL MEMBER RESIGN

J. E. Edmiston Told He Can't Resign From K. K. K.—Letter of Resignation Never Acknowledged or Accepted—Condemns Organization.

To the Editor:

May I impose upon your good nature by asking that you publish in The Mail Tribune, the enclosed letter, together with a statement of the facts which prompt me to make this request? These facts are:

In company with a score of reputable business and professional men of Medford, including a number of your more prominent citizens, the writer, attracted by a statement of principles which appealed to me as being worthy of my support, and by a series of promises which appeared to be made in good faith by men regarded as reputable, I separated myself from ten (count 'em) perfectly good American dollars, attached my name to a card, and went through a very brief ceremony which I was informed constituted me a citizen of the Invisible Empire of the Ku Klux Klan, and a member of Medford Provisional Klan. This honor was conferred on me at the first meeting of the Klan ever held in Medford, so I was informed.

We prospective "citizens" were assured and reassured that the Klan stood for, and would lay down its klanty life for these doctrines:

1. Maintenance of white supremacy.
2. Separation of church and state.
3. Law and order enforcement.

For purely personal reasons I took no active part in the affairs of the Klan until, nearly a year later, it stood charged with the commission of crimes against the person of three individuals. Having been told that the Klan "saw all," that it was the greatest force for good in the country today, that it was the greatest aggregation of private detectives in the world and that lawlessness could not exist where Klansmen, unknown to the lawless, went about their daily pursuits, I very naturally expected Medford Klan to round up the guilty parties and bring them before the bar of justice in a perfectly orderly manner and with record-breaking promptness.

It is enough to say that I was dissatisfied with the Klan as constituted and conducted. Public officials charged with the enforcement of law assured me the Klan had given them no assistance and, indeed, had offered none. For this reason, I tendered a letter of resignation and re-

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TED LEWIS IS KNOCKED OUT FIRST ROUND

Georges Carpentier Makes Quick Work of British Champion—Victor Is 18 Pounds Heavier On Entering Ring—Tremendous Crowd Sees Big Match.

LONDON, May 11.—Georges Carpentier won over Ted Lewis in the first round of their scheduled 20-round match for the world's light-heavyweight championship.

Carpentier's victory was achieved after two minutes and 15 seconds of fighting.

Carpentier tried his right and just missed one to the jaw, when they again clinched and on the breakaway, Carpentier, with a right to the jaw, sent Lewis to the boards to be counted out.

It was a sensational finish. Carpentier was holding and hit his man on the breakaway. He was entitled to do this, but the spectators raised a clamor, there were many cries of "foul," and the Frenchman, as he returned to his dressing room after he had knocked out Lewis, was hooted by a section of the crowd.

When the two fighters weighed in at the ringside, Lewis, fully clothed, registered 157 pounds, while Carpentier, clad only in his undergarments tipped the beam at 175 pounds.

Major A. J. Wilson, who is promoting the match, etimated the paid admissions at 16,000 and declared the demand for tickets was so great that the last of the 3000 seats in the specially erected overflow stands were rapidly being snapped up.

The interior of the Olympia, where the fight will take place is a maze of color, with elaborate decorations in the balconies and galleries, rising tier above tier about the great quadrangle in the center in which the white-roped arena, with its white, red and blue posts and glaring canvas awaited the gladiators.

The Daily Mail has arranged to employ a broadcasting station for the dissimenation of a running story of the fight from the ringside to amateur wireless telephone users, which is an innovation here.

NO OUTPUT OF ILLEGAL BONDS U. S. TREASURY

WASHINGTON, May 11.—The report of the special treasury committee which made an inventory of the supplies and equipment of the bureau of printing and engraving, following the recent reorganization of the bureau's personnel, completed today, is virtually a substantiation of the declaration by treasury officials that no output of illegal bonds, note or stamp issues had taken place within recent years.

The report which is expected to go to Secretary Mellon this afternoon will record that a descrepancy of some fifty sheets was found when a check was made of the special paper used in the bureau for printing of bonds and notes.

Since the discrepancy occurred within the period covered by the last four years of operation of the bureau and was not confined to any one section of the institution, officials held that the missing material would not have been sufficient, even if diverted to illegal purposes to have given foundation to the charges that the country had been flooded "with spurious bonds."

FRUIT INJURED EASTERN OREGON

PORTLAND, Ore., May 11.—Fruit in eastern Oregon counties is thought to have suffered serious damage from frost Tuesday, according to the weekly state crop report of the weather bureau, issued here. The temperature at Baker Tuesday was the lowest of record for May there.

Cherries bloomed heavily and appear to have set well in western counties. The weather has been ideal for pollinization of all fruits in Douglas county; pears are blooming in Hood River valley, but apple bloom is delayed by cold weather; in Rogue River valley the petals are falling from pears and the crop is setting well.

Opera Diva to Wed H. F. McCormick

Mme. Ganna Walska Cochran to get $200,000 and Paris home, jewels, autos and furniture, according to reports received here of a settlement effected between the diva and Mr. Cochran. In addition it is expected that by September 15th, she will become the wife of Harold F. McCormick and stepmother of three of John D. Rockefeller's grandchildren.

RUSSIAN REPLY TO THE ALLIES, IS MADE PUBLIC

GENOA, May 11.—(By the Associated Press)—Russia's reply to the allied memorandum, made public this evening, declares the financial differences between the powers and Russia require deeper study and it suggests the appointment of a mixed committee of experts by the economic conference to consider these questions.

The reply rejects the mixed tribunal system proposed by the allies for settling the claims of foreigners. This system, it says is irreconcilable with the communistic system. The reply maintain that the preferential rights Russia proposes to grant former proprietors will make it possible for them to participate in Russian reconstruction without the mixed tribunals.

The reply reiterates the claims for damages because of the blockade of Russia and the wars against her promoted by foreigners, quoting the Alabama claims growing out of the American civil war as a precedent. It says the soviet government waived these claims only on conditions that real credits were placed at her disposal and her war debt annulled which was not done in the allied memorandum.

The developments of the morning had strengthened the general impression that German reparations to France might play a prominent part in the settlement of the Russian question.

"It's the heart of the whole question," said the leading statesman today. Everything goes back to that, for France wants a restored France before the reconstruction of Russia or Germany."

In some quarters it was said important last moment modifications were made in the soviet answer.

BASEBALL SCORES

American League.

At New York:	R.	H.	E.
Chicago	1	5	1
New York	4	8	1

Faber and Schalk; Jones and Schang.

At Philadelphia:	R.	H.	E.
Cleveland	5	9	3
Philadelphia	4	7	2

Lindsey, Morton and O'Neill; Heimach, Eckert, Rommel and Perkins.

At Boston:	R.	H.	E.
Detroit	5	11	5
Boston	3	8	1

Johnson, Stoner and Bassler; Collins and Walters.

National League.

At Pittsburg:	R.	H.	E.
Brooklyn	6	13	5
Pittsburg	12	18	1

Reuther, Vance, Gardiner, Decatur and Miller, Hungling; Adams and Mattox.

At Cincinnati:	R.	H.	E.
Boston	5	9	2
Cincinnati	9	14	0

Watson, Oeschger, McQuillan, Lansing, Brexton and O'Neill; Couch, Rixey and Hargrave.

BLIMP A-4 IS IN DISTRESS AT SEA, AID RUSHED

NEWPORT NEWS, Va., May 11.—(By the Associated Press)—The blimp A-4, in a wireless message to Langley field this afternoon reported that engine trouble had developed when she was over the ocean near Virginia Beach and that a forced landing might be necessary. The A-4 left Langley early today with four or five men aboard on an experimental flight.

A second wireless message from the Blimp at 3:30 o'clock stated that the engines were dead and the machine drifting. The velocity and direction of the wind at the capes were not given.

The weather observed at Cape Henry reported that the wind was from the Northwest which means that the dirigible is slowly being taken out to sea.

The blimp was reported over the ocean just off Virginia Beach.

Langley Field authorities say the blimp can remain afloat for an indefinite period if all goes well, but the five men aboard have no food and little water. The authorities at the flying station decline to make public their names at this time, believing they will reach the shore safely in a short time by repairing the engine trouble or bringing the craft down near some of the several ships always passing in and out of the capes.

CAROLINA MAN FOR FARM LOAN BOARD

WASHINGTON, May 11.—Selection of Governor Robert A. Cooper of South Carolina to fill the vacancy on the federal farm loan board caused by the recent resignation of Asbury F. Lever, is understood to have been made by President Harding.

Ask Resignation of School Principal Who Powders Nose

SANTA ROSA, Cal., May 11.—A controversy over the question of whether Mrs. Thornberry Close principal of the Rinconcille school here should be compelled to resign because she powders her nose and wears her skirts eight inches from the floor, has resulted in the resignation of two of the three members of the school board of trustees, it was learned today. Mrs. Thornberry Close was asked to resign, but refused to do so until a poll of the school parents was taken on the matter. The poll sustained her by 27 to 3 and the resignations followed.

French Newspaper Divulges Terms of German Soviet Pact

PARIS, May 11.—(By Associated Press). The newspaper L'Eclair, today printed the text of a military convention said to have been signed by representatives of the Russian soviet army and the German general staff in Berlin, April 3, by the principal clause of which the Germans agree to furnish the red army with the arms and material necessary to equip 180 regiments of infantry and sufficient heavy field artillery for 20 infantry divisions.

The German general staff, is pledged to reorganize the Russian Baltic and Black sea fleets and furnish 500 airplanes, together with spare parts and 150 field wireless outfits. The Germans will train sixty Russian aviators in the latest discoveries and send technical experts to Russia to speed up the existing munition plants and open new factories.

MRS. STILLMAN EXPLAINS RING FROM BEAUVAIS

Initials F. B. Referred to Former Brothers, Jewelers, Not to Fred Beauvais—Money Given Guide Regular Pay to Stillman Servant.

POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y., May 11.—Mrs. Anna U. Stillman, under cross-examination by lawyers for James A. Stillman, who is suing her for divorce, today stuck to her story that nothing improper had ever taken place in her experience with Fred Beauvais, Indian guide alleged by the plaintiff to be the father of young Guy Stillman.

POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y., May 11.—Mrs. Anne U. Stillman was understood to have been called for examination today at the trial of the divorce suit brought against her by James Stillman, New York banker.

Yesterday she denied she had ever had improper relations with Fred Beauvais, the Indian guide, alleged by Mr. Stillman to be the father of little Guy Stillman. Ida M. Oliver, Guy's nurse, also was scheduled for quizzing by the banker's attorneys.

Then the defense planned to have James "Bud" Stillman, the banker's oldest son, testify. The boy, it was said, would contradict stories that his mother had misconducted herself with Beauvais in the Canadian woods at various times since 1916. "Bud" accompanied Mrs. Stillman on several of her excursions to Canada.

"Did you pay Fred Beauvais?" Colonel William Rand, who conducted the cross examination, was reported to have asked Mrs. Stillman:

"You usually pay your servants," she replied.

Incident by incident her relations with Beauvais since she met him in 1914 and employed him as a guide in the woods of Quebec, were recounted. She contradicted statements of witnesses who said they saw her misconducting herself.

The inscription "F. B." in a plain gold ring she admitted Bauvais gave her did not represent the initials of the guide, but simply the trade stamp of Former Brothers, the Montreal jewelers from whom the Indian purchased the ring, it was testified by Peter Kuhn, a Poughkeepsie jeweler.

FIGHT TO A FINISH ON IN CHICAGO

Law Enforcement Bodies Unite to Rid City of Labor Thugs and Murderers — Labor Leaders Directly Charged with Crimes — Jails Are Crowded With Suspects.

CHICAGO, May 11.—Declaring that he agreed with the contention made by the police that "Chicago is in a state of warfare," Judge Kickham Scanlon today refused to issue writs of habeas corpus releasing Cornelius Shea and John Lafferty, labor leaders arrested in connection with the murder of two policemen yesterday morning during a series of labor bombings. He told the police these two men could be held at least until Saturday.

CHICAGO, May 11.—Jails were crowded today with labor leaders and others held in connection with the murders of two policemen here yesterday and the bombing of two buildings which police attributed to Jabor disorders.

All law enforcement organizations in the city are united in what police term "a fight to the finish with organized labor." More than 100 labor leaders, including "Big Tim" Murphy, Cornelius Shea and Fred Mader, president of the building trades council, were arrested in raids on labor headquarters.

Charles C. Fitzmorris, chief of police in commenting on three suspects who are being watched by officers, says he believes the men were only hirelings of the "higher up forces in organized labor circles, putting into action a conspiracy to overthrow the citizen's committee and the Landis wage award, a decision handed down by K. M. Landis former federal judge, then acting as arbiter, which was intended to settle labor disputes between members of the building trades council and the labor unions.

The citizens committee to enforce the Landis building trades wage awards today carried full page advertisements in every Chicago paper calling on Chicagoans to unite and rid the city of "gunmen labor leaders." The advertisements said that the committee had been warned by Fred Mader, head of the building trades unions, that a campaign of violence would result if the Landis awards were enforced. Referring to this, the advertisements said:

"We will fight these labor murderers, gunmen and sluggers with every legitimate power in our means until we have rid Chicago entirely of this menace."

The advertisements boldly charged union leaders with recent murders and bombings, declaring that under the leadership of "Fred Mader, an ex-convict," the unions had "descended from bombing and slugging to wanton and coldblooded murder."

TED THYE WINS FROM PERGANTAS

PORTLAND, Ore., May 11.—Ted Thye, local middleweight wrestler, won from Louis Pergantas, of Boston here last night in a two-hour match. There was only one fall and Thye won that with a wrist lock after one hour 43 minutes and 20 seconds of wrestling.

U. S. CLOTHING UNION WORKERS VOTE TO FINANCE THE FACTORIES IN RUSSIA

CHICAGO, May 11.—Operations of all soviet clothing and textile factories in Russia, will be turned over to an American workers society to be known as the American-Russian trade industrial workers association, with a capitalization of not less than a million dollars, it was announced today at the biennial convention of the amalgamated clothing workers of America.

When the announcement of the concession by the Russian government was made by President Sidney Hillman, the convention voted amidst great enthusiasm to authorize its officers to form the company, made an appropriation of $10,000 to defray initial expenses and voted the purchase of $50,000 worth of stock for the union. Ten dollar shares will be sold to workers and others interested in restoring Russian economic life, it was said. The enterprise is to be cooperative with all earnings over ten per cent applying to the extension of the project. The necessary factories, equipment and raw materials will be furnished by the soviet government and the capital and technical skill is to be furnished by the American company.

While in Russia last summer Mr. Hillman discussed the project with Nikolai Lenine and said today he was satisfied of its practicability and usefulness.

GRAND JURY REPORTS IMMORALITY IS RAMPANT IN SPOKANE SCHOOLS

SPOKANE, May 11.—Immediate action was promised today from two sources on the report returned by a county grand jury late yesterday declaring that immorality exists in the grade schools and high schools of this city and making recommendations looking to an improvement in conditions.

A meeting of the school board to consider the recommendations advanced by the grand jury will be called for today or tomorrow, it was announced. At the same time a committee of citizens, named by the school board to investigate charges of immorality advanced by Superior Judge R. M. Webster prior to the calling of the grand jury, will be summoned to devise means of meeting the situation as disclosed by the jury's report.

B. L. Jenkins, chairman of the citizens' committee said he expected that the influence of conditions outside the schools upon the students' morality would be considered particularly and means of regulating dance halls, road houses and other places of amusement named in the grand jury's report would be recommended to the authorities.