

The Weather  
Probable rain tonight and  
Thursday.  
Maximum 92  
Minimum 48

# MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

Weather Year Ago  
Maximum 94  
Minimum 44  
Precipitation .54

MEDFORD, OREGON, WEDNESDAY, MAY 17, 1922

NO. 48

## CITY COUNCIL BARS KU KLUX MASKS

### ANTI-KLAN ORDINANCE NOW A LAW

#### City Council Passes Emergency Ordinance By Unanimous Vote Preventing the Wearing of Masks On Streets Or in Public Places—Organization Condemned

The city council last night passed an ordinance which went into effect at once as an emergency measure "for the immediate preservation of the peace and safety of the city of Medford," prohibiting under heavy penalty any person or persons wearing masks or other disguises on the streets or in a public place, except when attending a public or private social entertainment.

While in the ordinance the word Ku Klux Klan is not mentioned yet it is so drawn as to apply to that organization and to prevent its members or any part of them wearing in public their masks and other regalia. In fact every councilman, the mayor and all persons present thoroughly understand that the ordinance was aimed at the local Ku Klux Klan.

With all councilmen present except R. F. Antle, the ordinance was unanimously passed under suspension of the rules with very little debate. In fact Messrs. Gaddis, Keene, Dressler, Lumsden and Miles had their minds made up as soon as the ordinance was introduced.

#### Took Mayor by Surprise

Mayor C. E. Gates was in ignorance of the fact that such a proposed ordinance was going to be introduced or was in existence until it was read by E. E. Kelly, as a citizen appearing before the council. The mayor, who by reason of his appearing before the Ku Klux Klan recently by invitation and witnessing that body's workings, in order to make a public report of its doings, etc., was made an honorary Klan member. Hence the keeping him in ignorance of what was contemplated last night.

The mayor was plainly nettled when the ordinance was read by Colonel Kelly and overwhelming sentiment was shown in its favor. He himself had in his public report on the Klan meeting suggested that the Klan should abolish the mask. What peeved his honor, however, according to his statement, was the fact that the contemplated measure was kept secret from him and then was introduced in an irregular councilmanic manner by an outsider. He explained to the councilmen after the meeting that he held no ill will against them for the passage of the ordinance. In fact during the debate he expressed approval of the ordinance, but objected to the Klan being singled out alone in it.

Councilman Keene and Colonel Kelly took the lead in the debate following the latter's reading of the proposed measure. The mayor argued mildly but positively for "fair play," and proper investigation of the Klan, rather than going by "hearsay and prejudice and drawing a yea-sure" so as to single out the Klan alone.

#### Dynamite Fuse Lighted

After the ordinance had been passed the following vehement remark made by Councilman Keene nearly

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### Disasterous Results of Genoa Conference Summed Up By Paper

GENOA, May 17.—(By Associated Press). The socialist newspaper Lavoro today sums up the results in the Genoa conference as follows:  
First—the creation of an eastern triple alliance between Germany, Russia and Turkey.  
Second—the weakening of the western entente which now exists only in name, owing to the antagonism among the entente.  
Third—the growth of suspicion in America which from the other side of the Atlantic looks with indifference upon the problems and miseries of Europe.

### SCREEN STAR'S WIFE COLLAPSES ON SUMMONS

#### Jean Acker Is Unable to Visit District Attorney's Office Regarding Husband's Divorce and Marriage to Miss Winifred Hudnut.

LOS ANGELES, May 17.—Rudolph Valentino, screen actor, whose marriage last Saturday at Mexico, Mexico, to Winifred Hudnut, daughter of a New York manufacturer, prompted inquiry by the district attorney's office here in view of the fact that Valentino legally has a wife here from whom a final divorce decree had not been granted, was reported to have returned to Los Angeles today, according to information given the district attorney.

Coincident with the summons of Jean Acker, actress, wife of Valentino in which divorce case an interlocutory decree was handed down, it became known that the district attorney is inquiring into procedure relating to bigamous marriages. An interlocutory decree was handed down in the superior court here January 19 for hearing of matrimonial troubles of Valentino and his wife, Jean Acker, but under California law this does not constitute a divorce and the marriage is still binding until a year later, a decree of divorce may be taken out.

Winifred Hudnut was named in the divorce case.

Jean Acker notified the district attorney's office that she would be unable to present herself for interrogation today owing to nervous prostration, but expects to be able to appear tomorrow.

### WANT B. V. D.'S IN U. S. ICEBERG ZONE

BOSTON, May 17.—From the iceberg zone of the north Atlantic today there came a call for summer underwear. The coast guard cutter Tampa, pausing in its reports on the ice patrol, sent word by radio that "one bale drawers, nainsook," of standard sizes and "one bale undershirts, cotton," were urgently needed. It was requested that the summer weight garments be forwarded through the American consul general at Halifax.

### NOMINATION OF PINCHOT IS CONCEDED

#### Secy. of the State Republican Committee Regards Victory of Conservation Expert As Assured in Pennsylvania Primary—Alter's Majority Cut to 6553.

PHILADELPHIA, May 17.—Gifford Pinchot "has apparently won the republican nomination for governor on the face of unofficial returns," W. Harry Baker, secretary of the state republican committee declared in a statement issued this afternoon.

"Unless Allegheny county gives a larger majority than my advices indicate, there is no doubt that Pinchot carried the state," the statement said. "The result in Philadelphia and other parts of the state has undoubtedly contributed to the Pinchot victory which I am prepared to concede," Mr. Baker said.

Expressing confidence that he had won the nomination, Mr. Pinchot

planned to leave Philadelphia today to go fishing. With Mrs. Pinchot he was to leave this afternoon for their home at Millford, Pike county. Mr. Pinchot said he had received word from his campaign leaders in Allegheny county that the Alter majority there would not exceed 32,000.

"I don't want to wait and hear the results," Mr. Pinchot said. "I'm confident I have won the nomination." Returns from 6178 of the 7534 districts in the state received shortly after Secretary Baker made his announcement had reduced Mr. Alter's majority to 11,696. The vote was Alter 443,399; Pinchot 431,694.

PHILADELPHIA, May 17.—The majority of Attorney General George E. Alter, candidate for the republican nomination for governor in yesterday's Pennsylvania primaries, kept dwindling late today as additional districts in the interior of the state were heard from. Figures received from 6802 out of 7934 districts in the state gave Alter a majority of 6553. The vote was Alter 462,606; Pinchot 456,503.

### Babe Ruth's Operation Successful



Although the Babe feels a great deal better after having his tonsils removed, he was unable to smile. If you have ever had your tonsils removed you can sympathize with him. The only photograph made of the home run king in his room at St. Vincent's hospital, N. Y., after the operation.

### FRANCE TO SEND SPECIAL ENVOYS TO U.S. ON DEBT

PARIS, May 17.—(By the Associated Press)—The French government has informed the American war debt funding commission that it is ready to send a special mission to the United States to confer regarding the payment of the French debt.

Finance Minister De Lasteyrie recommended to the cabinet today that a special mission headed by Jean Parmentier, administrator of the ministry of finance be sent to the United States to confer with the debt funding commission.

Premier Poincare accordingly had addressed a note to Ambassador Herrick to this effect asking the commission to notify the French government when it would be most convenient to take up the question.

M. Parmentier, it was stated, will make a full and frank statement of the situation of France's finances and then ask the debt refunding commission for a specific declaration of what it expects from France.

The French budget for 1923 makes no provision for the payment of either interest or principal on the French debt.

WASHINGTON, May 17.—(By the Associated Press)—The allied debt commission is prepared to negotiate the funding of the French war debt to the United States whenever French representatives reach here, treasury officials declared today.

The French war debt to this country on May 15 amounted to \$4,349,357,593 of principal and \$439,000,000 of accumulated interest. Great Britain's debt on the same date totalled \$4,135,818,358 of principal and \$611,000,000 of interest.

### RUSSIA ACCEPTS CONDITIONS FOR HAGUE MEETING

GENOA, May 17.—(By Associated Press). Russia has accepted the proposals of the powers for the meeting at The Hague to discuss the Russian situation, it was announced this afternoon.

M. Tchitcherine, the Russian foreign minister, said he thought the frontier truce proposed should include the allied soviet republics, declaring he would take it in that sense. He desired to have the truce broadened in order to include aggression by Japan.

The French delegation has received word from Paris that French public opinion entirely endorses the government's stand on the negotiations with the bolsheviks and especially France's initiative in approaching the United States.

At this morning's session of the political sub-committee to which the Russian representatives were admitted no decisions were reached but the atmosphere was apparently more harmonious than that of yesterday.

The opinion prevails strongly today that the Genoa conference should not adjourn without addressing another memorandum to the American government.

M. Tchitcherine registered his protest against exclusion of Germany. He concluded by reserving the right to suggest certain amendments to the proposals.

Prime Minister Lloyd George delivered an address advising against recommitments on the part of various governments and deploring the tendency of various powers, who claimed they possessed all the virtues and the others all have none.

### Minister Sentenced to 60 Days in Jail For Obscene Letters

YAKIMA, Wash., May 17.—Dr. W. E. Zediker, sentenced by the federal court to spend 60 days in jail following his conviction for writing obscene letters to a young girl, began last night to serve his sentence. He is a former Baptist minister who held pastorates at Centralia and Yakima. He appeared at the jail with a huge box containing theological and medical books which he said he would study during his term, and was assigned to quarters in the "bull pen" with a number of bootleggers and other offenders. The kangaroo court assigned Zediker to duty as lavatory orderly.

### APARTMENT BURNED BY LABOR RING

#### Chicago Police Charge Labor Agitators With Destruction of \$500,000 Building in Chicago's Exclusive North Side District—Claim Confession Regarding Murder.

CHICAGO, May 17.—Police today searched for unexploded bombs believed to have been placed in a \$500,000 apartment building in North Chicago, which last night was damaged by fire, started, police say, by terrorists in connection with the so-called Chicago labor war. Another development on which authorities worked today was the confession, said by police to have been obtained yesterday from Mrs. Margaret Miller, wife of John Miller, under arrest as the alleged driver of the "death car" from which shots were fired killing two policemen early Wednesday in the labor feud.

Police connect the firing of the building with labor disorders through a man who warned two women in an adjoining building. "To hell with the Landis award," he shouted, as he attempted to kick one of the women. He is being sought by the police.

The building damaged by fire with an estimated loss of \$250,000, was being erected under the Landis wage award, a decision handed down by K. M. Landis, former federal judge, acting as an arbitrator, which was intended to settle labor disputes between contractors and members of the Chicago building trades council.

The structure was owned by a contractor who denied receiving threats. The 199 workmen on the building are divided into two classes, steam fitters and masons, working under the Landis award and carpenters and plumbers working under the old union scale.

#### Fire Incendiary

That the fire was incendiary has been proven beyond doubt, police say. All fire fighting apparatus in north Chicago was called out and the stations filled with other engines, in expectation that more fires would be kindled in accordance with a threat police are said to have received in which it was stated that unless all labor men in custody were released by last Saturday fires would be started all over the city.

The questioning of Mrs. Miller, police said, brought a confession from her in which the names of other occupants of the "death car" was given and it is substantiated by a previous confession said to have been obtained from her husband. Police said Mrs. Miller admitted caring for the occupants of the bandits' car who were supposed to have been wounded by the policemen.

Mrs. Miller also admitted sitting in conference with labor leaders in which bombings and attacks were discussed, police said and admitted knowing that explosives were kept in her home to be used by labor men in their fight against the Landis award.

#### WOMAN 87 YEARS OLD HELD AS PICKPOCKET

SAN FRANCISCO, May 17.—The oldest pickpocket suspect in San Francisco police annals faced the police court today in the person of Mrs. Kate Detrick, 87, who was arrested in a department store yesterday after she was alleged to have offered a bribe of \$200 to a police detective for her liberty.

### SHIP SINKS OFF OREGON COAST AID IS RUSHED

#### Motorship Ozmo Goes Down Off Port Orford After Striking Rocks—Crew Take to Life Boats—Assistance On the Way.

MARSHFIELD, Ore., May 17.—With water steadily rising and close to the motor controlling the vessel's wireless, the motorship Ozmo, which is adrift off Port Orford, Ore., after striking a rock early today, was sinking this afternoon with half her crew in lifeboats and the rest, including the captain, still on board, waiting for lifeboats from the Bandon and Blanco stations, according to messages received by the navy radio station here.

The latest radio from the Ozmo said nothing had been seen of the lifeboats or of the tug Fearless which was sent out from Coos Bay.

The captain said he would stay with the vessel until she was submerged. The vessel was drifting south at the rate of two miles an hour.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 17.—A wireless from the steamer Senator received here said the waterlogged schooner Ozmo was sighted by the Senator at 9:40 a. m. today 4 1/2 miles off the Port Orford whistling buoy and that there appeared to be about ten feet of water in her holds.

The Ozmo was drifting in a southwest direction at about two miles an hour the message said.

#### Liberty Bonds.

NEW YORK, May 17.—Liberty bonds closed: 3 1/2's \$99.37; first 4's \$99.70; second 4's \$99.60; first 4 1/2's \$99.40; second 4 1/2's \$99.58; third 4 1/2's \$99.90; fourth 4 1/2's \$99.88; Victory 4's \$100.68; Victory 3 1/2's \$100.02.

### BASEBALL SCORES

American	R.	H.	E.
At New York.			
Cleveland	4	7	1
New York	6	6	0
Batteries: Uhle, Keefe, Edwards and Nunamaker; Shawkey, Murray and Schang.			
At Philadelphia.			
Chicago	1	0	0
Philadelphia	3	10	1
Batteries: Faber and Schalk; Helmreich and Perkins.			
At Boston.			
St. Louis	3	19	0
Boston	4	6	0
Batteries: Vangilder and Severoid; Ferguson, Russell and Ruel.			
At Washington: Called at end of first inning, rain.			
National			
At Cincinnati.			
Philadelphia	0	3	1
Cincinnati	1	8	1
Batteries: Smith, Winters and Hen-			

### VESUVIUS STAGES A BIG ERUPTION

NAPLES, May 17.—(By Associated Press). The volcano of Vesuvius is in eruption with renewed violence, emitting large quantities of lava and clouds of dense smoke. The sky over a wide area is lighted up nightly with varicolored rays from the volcano piercing the clouds which hang over the summit.

Professor Malladra, head of the Royal observatory at Vesuvius has reassured the population, declaring the present eruption will not endanger the surrounding territory.

### COST OF LIVING INCREASES ON COAST ONE PER CENT, SLIGHT CUT IN U. S. A.

WASHINGTON, May 17.—An increase of one-tenth per cent in the retail cost of food to the average family in the month ending April 15 was reported today by the labor bureau's statistics.

Of 43 food articles listed, 19 showed a decrease in price, including potatoes, 6 per cent; cheese, 3 per cent; fresh milk, lard, cabbage and bananas 2 per cent and butter, macaroni and baked beans one per cent.

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### SPECTACULAR RAID FIFTH AVENUE BY N. Y. POLICE, RESULTS IN 4 ARRESTS

NEW YORK, May 17.—Four men were arrested in a loft building at 20th street and Fifth avenue today after the police had searched more than nine hours for burglars. All traffic was diverted from the street about the office building. It was the most spectacular search for thieves in New York in years.

Two men were caught on the fourth floor, two others, sliding down the greased electric cables were overpowered in the basement. The men were believed to have been seeking \$20,000 reported to have been stored in the building.