

The Weather
Prediction Showers
Maximum 91
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Daily—Seventeenth Year.
Weekly—Fifty-Second Year.

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

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GOVERNMENT PROBE FILM MARRIAGES

U. S. Dept. of Justice to Investigate Marriages of Frank Mayo and Henry B. Walthall in Addition to Rodolph Valentino—White Slave Act Is Said to Be Involved.

LOS ANGELES, May 18.—The federal government, through the department of justice bureau of investigation agent here will investigate the marriage of Rodolph Valentino, screen actor to Miss Winnifred Hudnut by New York in Mexico, Mexico, it became known here today.

LOS ANGELES, May 18.—Investigation of marriages of two prominent motion picture actors who took this step after obtaining an interlocutory decree of divorce and without waiting for a final decree, is under way in addition to the probe of the marriage of Rodolph Valentino, it was announced at the district attorney's office here today.

The actors are Frank Mayo and Henry B. Walthall. According to the district attorney's announcement, Mayo was married at Tijuana, Mexico, after the granting of an interlocutory decree of divorce here. Walthall was married at Tijuana to Dagmar Godowsky, daughter of Dr. Leopold Godowsky, noted pianist.

Valentino will be questioned by federal officers. It was stated at the federal building and an effort will be made to interrogate the bride as soon as she can be reached at some point between here and New York, the reported destination.

Frank M. Sturgis in charge of the department of justice bureau here, said that the investigation into the Valentino marriage was prompted by reports made to his office that Valentino had violated the Mann white slave act.

Probe Valentino's Past.
LOS ANGELES, May 18.—The antecedents of Rodolph Valentino, the motion picture actor, whose marriage at Mexico was recently announced, are stated by his friends here to be unquestionably Italian. He was born in Italy, they say, and there is no record available here to show that he has even lost his Italian citizenship by naturalization, although it was stated at his studio that he was commonly understood there to be an American citizen by adoption.

Valentino was married here in November, 1919, to Miss Jean Acker, from whom he was given an interlocutory decree of divorce on January 10, 1922. His name was given in the marriage application as Rodolph Guglielmo, and his place of birth as Italy. He was then 24 years old.

At the studio where he is employed here, it was said that the records disclose that Valentino had been born at Castelli, province of Ancona, Italy, and that he was educated at Perugia. He came to America as a youth and was employed in New York and elsewhere as a tango dancer. He entered motion picture work about the time of his marriage to Miss Acker in 1919.

Wrecked Boat Rescued.
SEATTLE, May 18.—Word was received here this morning that the power schooner Ozmo which struck the rocks off Cape Blanco, Ore., yesterday, had been rescued by the tug Daisy while towing the disabled vessel to the mouth of the Columbia river. The Ozmo was pulled from the dense fog in which she was drifting.

PHILADELPHIA, May 18.—Gifford Pinchot, republican candidate for nomination for governor and apparent victor in Tuesday's primary today received a congratulatory telegram from Mrs. Edith Roosevelt, widow of Theodore Roosevelt, under whom Mr. Pinchot served as national forester.

"Hurrah for Pennsylvania. Your friends are delighted," the telegram read.

PHILADELPHIA, May 18.—A steady increase in his lead over Attorney General George E. Alter for the republican nomination for governor of Pennsylvania was maintained today by Gifford Pinchot, former state forester who was prominent in the progressive party move-

Trick Hen Presents Evidence Leading to Sentence of Thief

OMAHA, Neb., May 18.—The happy song of a contented hen sent Charles Grady to jail for sixty days at Butte, Neb. Grady was on trial in the Boyd county district court charged with stealing chickens from his neighbor, Andrew Lorenson, living near Butte. Among the poultry, said to have been found in a butcher shop, still alive, was a little hen, which Lorenson and his sons insisted belonged to them and which, they contended, had been trained to do various stunts.

Accompanied by the district judge, the jury went to view the chickens at the concern where Lorenson's son said the hen would fly to anyone's arms if called, and sing a song. Juror Cline decided to try it with the result that the jail sentence followed.

LASKER STATES NO MORE SHIPS WILL BE BUILT

Chairman Shipping Board Declares Government Through With Ship Business—Ship Subsidy for Private Owners Or No Merchant Marine.

WASHINGTON, May 18.—The government will build no more ships, Chairman Lasker of the shipping board declared in an address today before the annual convention here of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States. President Harding has placed before congress a program of legislation that undertakes to overcome the difficulties facing private operation of ships, he added, and unless that legislation is enacted the art of shipbuilding "in America will wither and die."

Mr. Lasker said that the proposed ship subsidy legislation admittedly consisted of "artificial means to meet the situation, but it is only through the temporary use of artificial means that the situation can be permanently saved and this administration declares its belief that the adoption of the program which it proposes will save the situation and make America potent in its own rights on the seas."

America must have a merchant marine comparable to that of Great Britain, the speaker added, if it is to have a naval power potentially equal to that of Great Britain.

"If all the naval ships in the world were scrapped," Mr. Lasker said, Great Britain, through her preponderant merchant marine, would be more supreme on the seas than she could ever hope to be otherwise. Certain types of merchant ships are as essential to the operation of a navy in times of war as the capital ship of the navy itself. In the types America is sadly deficient compared with Great Britain at a ratio of almost five to one in favor of the latter. And there can be no thought or hope of the United States keeping a naval parity with Great Britain unless we create merchant marine power to equalize this difference."

Mr. Lasker said his experience as chairman of the shipping board had convinced him that government ownership or operation of ships is "poison ivy in the garden."

Stanford Team Ready
STANFORD UNIVERSITY, Cal., May 18.—Stanford's track and field team will leave tomorrow for Cambridge, Mass. hopeful of winning many points in the intercollegiate association of amateur athletes of America.

ments led by Theodore Roosevelt in 1912 and 1914. Pinchot jumped into the lead early last night when about 7200 of the 7934 districts in the state had reported their unofficial returns from Tuesday's primary. Nearly every additional district heard from increased his majority.

With 462 districts missing Pinchot early today had a lead of 7639, the unofficial vote in the 7508 districts reported giving him a total of 495,442 against 487,803 for Alter. As most of the missing districts are in sections where Pinchot showed the greatest strength, his advantage was expected to grow as additional returns were received.

Returns this morning from 7542 out of 1934 election districts shows a majority of 8,027 for Pinchot. With 391 districts missing Pinchot's total was 496,956 and Alter's 488,959.

QUIT KLAN OR NATIONAL G'D SAYS GOVERNOR

W. D. Stephens, Governor of California, Issues Proclamation to Guardsmen and State Employees—No Good Citizen Can Have 2 Masters

SACRAMENTO, Cal., May 18.—(Special.)—On the theory that no one can serve two masters and that a man in the state service or national guard cannot live up to his oath in the Ku Klux Klan, Governor William D. Stephens of California has issued an order asking for the withdrawal of every guardsman and state employee who persists in his alliance with the Klan.

The statement of the governor preliminary to the order he had Adjutant General J. J. Borree issue follows:

"I have this day approved an order sent to national guard officers requiring all members of the California national guard who have joined any secret organization, the oath of which is apparently meant to be held superior to the oath to serve their state and nation, to withdraw from the organization or resign from the national guard."

"No one can serve two masters, and any one in the state service should consider his oath to serve the state paramount to any other or leave the state's employ."

The order of General Borree was: "During the last few days rumors have reached this office that a what purports to be proof has been furnished that one or more officers of the national guard have become affiliated with the secret organization known as the Ku Klux Klan."

"It is sincerely hoped that this is not true, for no national guardsman can serve state and nation in a spirit of loyalty and singleness of purpose contemplated by his oath if he is bound by allegiance to a secret organization that apparently has for its purpose the compelling of the individual citizen to conform to the moral, political or business ideas of that organization without regard for the law of our country and constitutional rights of citizens."

"The national guard is organized, equipped and trained that the state and nation may have a force of loyal, disciplined men immediately available should it be needed to enforce the law and preserve order when the civilian authorities have proved themselves unable to control a situation. This being true, no member of the national guard can afford to assume any obligation pledging allegiance to any secret organization which may compel him to choose between such allegiance and his oath to his state and nation."

"There is no room in the national guard of California for any man who does not hold supreme his oath to the state and nation. If there are any members of the national guard of California who have become involved by membership in any organization whose purpose or principles might conflict with their duties to the state and nation they must sever membership in such organization or resign from the national guard. By direction of William D. Stephens, governor; J. J. Borree, the adjutant general."

Presb. Moderator Elected
DES MOINES, Ia., May 18.—(By Associated Press.) The Rev. Dr. C. C. Hays, for 31 years pastor of the First Presbyterian church of Johnstown, Pa., was elected moderator of the United States of America at this afternoon's session of the 134th general assembly here.

Miss Ryan Wins
BRUSSELS, May 18.—(By Associated Press.) Miss Elizabeth Ryan, California, today defeated Miss Beamish of England, in their match in the women's singles of the international hard court tennis championship, 6-2, 6-2. By winning today Miss Ryan reached the semi-finals.

Election Day Hours
The polls for the primary election tomorrow will open at eight o'clock in the morning and close at eight o'clock in the evening.

There are two ballots—one for state and county officers, and one for the special recall election against two public service commissioners.

BASEBALL SCORES
American League.
Detroit-Washington, New York-Cleveland, Chicago-Philadelphia, St. Louis-Boston games all postponed; rain.

National League.
Chicago-Boston, Pittsburgh-New York, Cincinnati-Philadelphia games postponed; rain.

WINS SUIT AGAINST A GRANDMA FOR THE ALENIATION OF HER HUSBAND'S AFFECTIONS



Mrs. Sally Goldberg, twenty-seven, of New York, has been awarded \$100,000 in her suit against Mrs. Ray Burken, forty-five, the mother of eight children and a grandmother, for stealing the love of her husband, Edward Goldberg. She is also suing for divorce.

VANDERLIP SEES LITTLE HOPE IN RUSSIAN MESS

WASHINGTON, May 18.—Most control banks in Europe are today "in varying degrees of insolvency," Frank A. Vanderlip, New York banker, declared in a cable review of the Genoa conference sent to the annual convention of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States. The plan for a conference at London of such banks therefore promised little of immediate results, he added and their proposed co-operation in the solution of Europe's financial difficulties, "would be difficult to realize."

Describing the Genoa conference as a "clinic" which was circumscribed in the "type of diseases" which it might discuss, Mr. Vanderlip recommended that the United States enter the proposed London conference but only with the understanding that "our federal reserve system be kept free from alien commitments."

He commended the Washington government for the attitude it has maintained toward Europe and said the chamber should refrain from embarrassing it by suggestion.

"Officially the conference was not permitted even to examine the more serious diseases," Mr. Vanderlip said. "The diseases of fantastically arranged reparations, military expenditures causing unbalanced budgets, of boundary lines that outrage economic and ethical principles, of governmental debts so vast as to destroy the hope of solvency—these diseases could not be officially studied and diagnosed. The disease of the economic situation of Russia

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GRAND MASTER OREGON MASONS FLAYS BIGOTRY

Frank S. Baillie Issues Notice to All Oregon Masons Similar to Proclamation Issued By California Grand Master Against the K. K. K.

PORTLAND, May 18.—"Ominous and forbidding rumors" falsely intimate that the Masonic fraternity is aligned in approval of "a movement inciting religious bigotry and racial discrimination," according to an official statement issued Tuesday night by Frank S. Baillie, grand master of the Oregon grand lodge of Masons.

This important message was in the form of an official circular addressed to all the grand officers and to the masters and wardens of constituent Masonic lodges. It was signed by Mr. Baillie and attested by James F. Robinson grand secretary.

"Every Mason should condemn and suppress the menace to American institutions which lies in 'these new alignments in political matters fostering such sinister appeals to prejudice and discord' according to the statement."

While no mention was made in the document of the Ku Klux Klan, the circular follows closely on the issuance of a proclamation by Dr. Samuel E. Burke, grand master of Masonic lodges in California in which the activities of the Klan, specifically mentioned, was declared to be contrary to the American ideals of liberty and justice, and in which the taking into membership in the Masonic order of members of the Klan was discouraged.

The proclamation here, which is considered as directed against all organizations which may be "inciting religious bigotry and racial discrimination," was sent out last night by Grand Master Baillie to the 157 lodges throughout the state, thus to be transmitted to the 23,750 lodge members in Oregon and was as follows:

"To all grand officers: to the masters and wardens of all constituent lodges, and for the benefit of whom it may concern:

"Ominous and forbidding rumors, provoking dissension and strife, falsely intimate that the Masonic fraternity, as such, is officially aligned in silent acquiescence and approval of a movement inciting religious bigotry and racial discrimination."

"These new alignments in political matters, fostering such sinister appeals to prejudice and discord begot a menace to our American institutions which every Mason should condemn and suppress."

"Your grand master takes this occasion to record his positive disapproval of all such acts as unbecoming and foreign to the spirit of the Masonic fraternity."

"Believing that such unseemly activity is contrary to the ancient charges, your grand master places before you his positive interdiction of such acts and I therefore give you in charge to govern yourself accordingly. Fraternally.

"FRANK S. BAILLIE, Grand Master. (Attest) 'JAS. F. ROBINSON, Grand Secretary. 'May 16, 1922."

OREGON FACES A CRISIS.

SALEM, Ore., May 18.—Governor Olcott has issued the following statement:

"Oregon is facing a momentous crisis in her history. It is to be determined whether honest Americanism or blind fanaticism is to prevail."

"As far as I am concerned personally I have no interest in any religious controversy whatever. I am a Protestant, with no active church affiliations. My wife attends the Episcopal church and my children the Congregational Sunday School and are being educated in the public schools of Salem. There is no religious issue before the people of the state. It is not a question of Protestant or Catholic, of Jew or Gentile. It is a question of whether honest, whole-hearted Americanism is to rule or be ruined in Oregon; whether all citizens shall enjoy equally the rights guaranteed them under our government. It is a question of whether the spectre of intolerance is to lurk behind an automaton in the gubernatorial chair, dictating his every move, or whether free and open government for all of the people is to continue."

"I have never in any way, shape or form sought, asked for, bargained for or received the secret endorsement of any clan, society or organization. I say, with all sincerity, I would rather meet defeat in the primaries on Friday and be a free American than to serve another term in the governor's chair with the mill stone of such an endorsement hanging about my neck."

"The issue is real Americanism against secret conspiracies and cowardly, hidden hatreds. One stands for progress. Victory for the other would set the clock of government back two hundred years."

"So long as I am governor, the principle of equal rights for every citizen will be held sacred."

"BEN OLCOTT, Governor of the State of Oregon."

Chambers Commerce For Participation Foreign Reparations

WASHINGTON, May 18.—Representation of the United States on the reparations commission was urged by the chamber of commerce of the United States in a resolution adopted today at its annual meeting. The resolution adopted recommended that all necessary measures "including approval by congress, should be taken speedily."

The chamber also adopted a declaration urging that "our government promptly take its place with the other nations of the world in the international court of justice."

NATIONS EUROPE SIGN PACT FOR 8 MONTHS PEACE

Non-Aggression Resolution Is Adopted at Genoa and Final Arrangements Made for Russian Conference at The Hague in June.

GENOA, May 18.—(By Associated Press.) The eight months non-aggression pact was adopted unanimously at a plenary meeting of the political sub-commission of the Genoa conference today. The pact was not signed, but was adopted in the form of a resolution, each state pledging itself to respect it.

Reuter's today states that a reply has been received from the United States with reference to participation in the projected commission at The Hague on Russian affairs saying the United States reserves its decision pending a further investigation and until the situation becomes clearer.

The agreement contains six clauses, summarized as follows:

Clause 1 provides for the appointment of a commission by the powers to examine again the divergencies existing between the soviet government and other governments and with a view to meeting a Russian commission having the same mandate.

Clause 2, not later than June 20 the names of the powers represented on the non-Russian commission and the names of the members of this commission will be transmitted to the soviet government and reciprocally, the names of the members of the Russian commission will be communicated to the other governments.

Clause 3, the questions to be treated by these commissions will comprise debts, private properties and credits.

Clause 4, the members of the two commissions must be at The Hague on June 26.

Clause 5, the two commissions will strive to reach joint resolutions on the questions mentioned in clause three.

Clause 6, to permit the commissions to work peacefully and also to re-establish mutual confidence the soviet government and its allied republics, on the one side, and the other governments, on the other, pledge themselves to abstain from any act of aggression and subversive propaganda. The pledge for abstaining from any attack of aggression will be based upon the present status quo, and will remain in

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KLANSMAN ADMITS THE OATH CH'GE

E. A. Abbot of Bakersfield, Member Ku Klux Klan Tells Judge Oath Higher Than Law—Refuses to Testify—Locked in Jail for Contempt of Court.

BAKERSFIELD, May 18.—(Special.) Law and order as embodied in the person of Superior Judge Thomas N. Harvey, and the Ku Klux Klan, its perignations, by-laws, oaths and off-shoots clashed and as a result of the clash E. A. Abbott was put in jail for contempt of court on Wednesday.

Abbott admitted before Judge Harvey that he is a klansman. It is the first time since the probe has been under way here that information as to the identity of any klansman has been made public.

The clash occurred yesterday in Judge Harvey's courtroom after Abbott had refused to answer questions put to him by the grand jury of Kern county, the question being pertinent to the activities of the Ku Klux Klan.

The clash came when the grand jury attempted to get from Abbott the names of persons who attended a recent meeting of the Klan.

Refuses to Answer
He refused point blank to answer the question, and at the instance of District Attorney Jesse R. Dorsey he was placed under detention by Chief of Police Stone and brought to Mr. Dorsey's office. He was then brought before Judge Harvey and placed on the witness stand and he again refused to answer.

Judge Harvey asked him his reason, if any, for refusing to answer the questions put to him by the grand jury. "I cannot answer the questions," replied Abbott, "because it would be a violation of the oath of the Ku Klux Klan."

"That is your reason for refusing to answer a question or questions put to you by the grand jury?" asked Judge Harvey.

"Yes, your honor, that is the reason."

"Well, if that is your reason," remarked Judge Harvey as his brows compressed, his eyes narrowed and his words came from him as incisively as though chiseled, "if that is your reason, and you hold the Ku Klux Klan, or any other organization higher than you do the laws of the sovereign state of California, I will commit you to jail until you answer the question or questions propounded to you by the grand jury, and in jail you shall remain until you answer that sworn body and arm of the law, the grand jury. Mr. Baillie, take this man to jail," concluded Judge Harvey.

Issues Statement
After the incident, Judge Harvey consented to make a statement regarding the action he took in the case of Abbott, and as to what course he would pursue in all similar cases.

"You can say for me," said Judge Harvey, "and I want you to stress it, when an organization like the Ku Klux Klan and the law of the sovereign state of California come into conflict, and one of them has to give way, it will not be the law of California. The law of the state of California will not

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FAMOUS HOSPITAL AT ROME BURNS DOWN, SCORES REPORTED KILLED

ROME, May 19.—(By the Associated Press.)—A disastrous fire swept the historic hospital at Santo Spirito, one of the most ancient and picturesque charitable institutions in Rome early today. Collapse of the pavement isolated the chronic ward. Twenty bodies have been extricated from the burning ruins at 7:30 o'clock.

The institution accommodates nearly 5,000 inmates and includes a hospital, lunatic asylum, foundling home and a refuge for aged and infirm persons.

The fire broke out at midnight in the laundry. At first it seemed insignificant, but spread rapidly. Nurses and doctors carried out the bed ridden from one ward and in the next ward three of the patients crawled out.

As the immense wooden beams of the hospital fell, there was a heavy grinding noise and the pavement collapsed, burying 20 of the chronic patients and rendering access to the wards impossible. Carabineers, royal guards, nurses and doctors made heroic efforts to save the patients, rushing through the smoke and fire and bringing out 12, all of which, however were dead from suffocation. Several of the rescue parties were injured. The two wards were destroyed but the firemen saved the other buildings.

Sixteen bodies already have been recovered. Four other patients were burned badly and one dangerously injured.

The hospital of Santo Spirito is situated on the banks of the River Tiber, not far from the vatian grounds. It was founded by Pope Innocent III, in the twelfth century, enlarged by Innocent IV in the 13th and rebuilt under Sixtus IV in the 15th.