

The Weather
Fair and warmer Saturday.
Maximum 59
Minimum 32

Daily—Seventeenth Year.
Weekly—Fifty-Second Year.

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

MEDFORD, OREGON, FRIDAY, MAY 26, 1922

Oregon Historical See
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Maximum 77
Minimum 48

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BABE RUTH RULED OUT BY JOHNSON

As Result of Fracas With Umpire, Bambino Must Warm Bench Again—Final Decision to Be Made After Full Investigation—Babe Near Nervous Breakdown.

CHICAGO, May 26.—Babe Ruth was fined \$200 and removed from the captaincy of the New York American club by Ban Johnson, president of the American league, this afternoon.

CHICAGO, May 26.—(By Associated Press.) Babe Ruth of the New York Yankees today was declared ineligible to play until a complete investigation has been made of the argument with Umpire Hildebrand, which resulted in the home run king's being put out of the game and then climbing into the stands when he became offended at the booing of fans. The decision was handed down by President Ban Johnson of the American league this morning.

Mr. Johnson said an investigation would be made at once and that a final decision would be made by tomorrow. Ruth, however, will not be permitted to play today.

"I have received only the report of Umpire Hildebrand," said Mr. Johnson. "I have started gathering complete evidence in the case and expect to have this in my hands by tomorrow. In the meantime Babe Ruth will not appear in the lineup."

While Mr. Johnson made no official statement concerning the probable length of Ruth's suspension it was learned that the American league chief was of the opinion that a one-day suspension with an unusually stiff fine added would be ample punishment for the slugger who has just returned to the game after a 25 day suspension by Baseball Commissioner Landis for playing post-season games last fall.

Babe Is Upset

Mr. Johnson, it was learned, has received several reports concerning Ruth lately, all of them being to the effect that Babe has become extremely nervous and anxious over his previous suspension, the long lead in home runs obtained by Kenneth Williams of the St. Louis Browns during Ruth's absence from the game and the Yankee outfielder's failure to hit when he did get back into play. These conditions, according to reports received by Mr. Johnson, have affected the mental attitude of Babe and placed him in such a condition that he might do and say things in the heat of the game which he would deeply regret a few minutes later and which he would not do under normal circumstances.

It was pointed out that Ruth's previous suspension was the longest ever given a player and that during the slugger's nine years of experience, Mr. Johnson had occasion to punish him only once. Ruth then wrote a letter apologizing for his act.

Mr. Johnson today wired Umpires Evans and Nallin for their versions of yesterday's affair.

Umpire Reports

Umpire Hildebrand in his report to Mr. Johnson, said the decision at second was "not even close," and that Ruth threw dirt at him, the dirt striking his shoulder. He made no mention of any dirt getting into his eyes.

Hildebrand's report follows: "In the third inning of today's game at New York Ruth singled to center field and tried to stretch the hit into a double and was thrown out at second base."

"After I called him out he protested

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Prosperity Special Of S. P. Locomotives Leaves for the West

PHILADELPHIA, May 28.—(By the Associated Press.)—Flying pennants proclaiming it the "Prosperity Special," the largest and perhaps the most remarkable single train of locomotives ever hauled across the country was scheduled to leave the Eddystone plant of the Baldwin Locomotive Works today for East St. Louis, Ill. It consists of 20 oil burning engines of the Santa Fe type, each with its tender, nearly 100 feet long and weighing 621,000 pounds. The train is part of an order of fifty locomotives of this type built for the Southern Pacific lines. All of them are ready for delivery and the remainder will be forwarded as rapidly as possible.

ATTY GENERAL ADMITS ACTION IN MORSE CASE

Daugherty in Letter to Senator Watson Denies He Ever Disclaimed Aid to Banker—Received \$4000, Only Half Expenses.

WASHINGTON, May 26.—Attorney General Daugherty in a letter to Senator Watson, republican of Indiana, read today in the senate at the latter's request, denies that he told the Indiana senator that he had no connection with the procuring of a pardon of Charles W. Morse as stated by Senator Watson in the senate on May 2, when Senator Caraway, democrat of Arkansas, opened his attack on the attorney general.

Mr. Daugherty said he regretted if Senator Watson had misunderstood him. He wrote that he remembered the general discussion of the Morse case with the senator and added:

"I certainly did not make the statement to you that I had no connection with the Morse case."

The attorney general stated he had "no disposition to deny" his connection with the case and added that he received \$4,000 from Thomas B. Feider, in connection with it, but that this sum was sufficient to pay only about half of the expenses.

GOVERNOR NAMES LEAVITT, JUDGE

SALEM, Ore., May 26.—A. L. Leavitt has been appointed circuit judge for Klamath county, to succeed C. F. Stone, according to announcement made by Governor Olcott this morning. Stone was appointed to the judgeship upon the resignation of Circuit Judge Kuykendall several months ago and agreed to serve only until the primaries. Leavitt is the republican nominee for the position.

SITUATION DEPLORABLE SAYS CRANE

Ex-American Minister Declares Unarmed Syrians Fired On By French Machine Guns—U. S. Consul Hauls Down Flag Until French Apologize.

WASHINGTON, May 26.—A resolution directing Secretary Hughes to make immediate inquiry of the French government as to the correctness of reports concerning imposition of a twenty year sentence upon Charles R. Crane by a French military court at Damascus was introduced today by Representative Sabath, democrat, Illinois.

PARIS, May 26.—(By Associated Press.) The French foreign office has no knowledge of the reported conviction of Charles R. Crane, former American minister to China by a French military court in Damascus on a charge of inciting a riot, as reported in press dispatches, it was stated today.

PARIS, May 27.—(By Associated Press.) Charles R. Crane said today that an incident had occurred between the United States consul at Damascus, Syria and the French military aides there before Mr. Crane's arrival, when the consul hauled down the American flag pending an apology from the French.

"We have a true American southerner as our consul at Damascus," Mr. Crane said. "Certain circumstances arose before my arrival there in which the American consul hauled down his flag, took down his shield and refused to have any further relations with the French authorities until they apologized."

"Three or four days went by and the French became very uneasy. A sort of an apology was made which our consul refused to accept. Then a more formal one was sent which he did accept and resumed relations."

Objects to France

Mr. Crane appears recently to have expressed himself very plainly to the mandate commission of the League of Nations regarding the disturbed situation in Syria. The substance of his declaration was that the Syrians wanted first of all, complete independence and failing that preferred that the United States take the mandate over the country. If the Americans were unwilling, he said, the Syrians preferred Great Britain, but under no circumstances wished to be under the French mandate.

Mr. Crane points out that he was in Syria solely as a private citizen. He admits that in the agitated atmosphere prevalent, there may have been some feeling against him, although he declares that in neither Syria nor France has he met with anything but courtesy from the French.

He declares he has no intention of taking the matter up with the French foreign office. Troubles in Syria are provoked by "injurious talk" by Mr. Crane, foreign office officials said, but up to the present they had no information regarding formal condemnation.

Mr. Crane said he was confident the report of his conviction was an error. In explaining his visit to Syria, Mr. Crane said:

Fired on the People

"My reception by the people of Damascus was entirely friendly. They asked why their wishes, made known to the committee on mandates in Turkey three years ago, never had been heard from. They said that since that time on account of severe French censorship they had not been able to make their voice heard by the outside world."

"Whatever demonstration they made was to make me understand that their feelings against the French mandate were stronger than ever. They hoped I could get their message out. Following a street demonstration, Mr. Crane said, 'the French chief of police, a native who has been terrorizing Damascus ever since the French occupied it, used machine guns on unarmed people and some of the leading men of Damascus were sent to prison for long terms without trial.'"

"All these incidents were foreseen and indicated in the report on mandates and great injustice has been done both to the Syrians and to conservative French people as well as to our own missionaries and educators, by the suppression of that report by our state department."

Increase Shell Oil Stock

DOVER, Del., May 26.—A certificate was filed at the Secretary of State's office today increasing the capital stock of the Shell Union Oil corporation from \$1,000,000,000 to \$1,020,000,000.

"Babe" Ruth Sorry He Threw Dust



WASHINGTON, May 26.—Babe Ruth, home run king, said he was sorry and added that "it seems that a ball player is always wrong," when informed today that Ban Johnson, president of the American league, had declared him ineligible to play until an investigation had been made of the dust throwing affair in yesterday's game at New York.

WILL HAYS ASKS PUBLIC TO AID IN FILM UPLIFT

PITTSBURGH, May 26.—A plea for the public to stand behind and help the motion picture producers in their efforts to maintain a clean moral tone in film productions was voiced here today by Will H. Hayes, president of the Motion Picture Producers and Distributors of America, before an audience at Carnegie Institute.

He declared he was entirely convinced of the sincerity of the stage producers and distributors in the or-

Will H. Hayes



ganization and he pledged his heart and the best efforts of his office.

"While asking for your aid and co-operation," he said, "I would like to ask too, that you judge us by our actual performance rather than by any promises we make. We are building this industry for years to come—for generations to come and though our progress may seem perhaps slow at the beginning, the results we are confident, will be certain and permanent."

He stated that \$800,000,000 a year is paid in movie admissions and that the producing industry alone represents an investment of \$500,000,000, employing 50,000 persons at annual salaries totaling \$50,000,000.

Liberty Bonds

NEW YORK, May 26.—Liberty bonds closed: 3 1/2's 99.96; first 4's 99.86; second 4's 99.78 bid; first 4's 99.92; second 4's 99.92; third 4's 99.96; fourth 4's 99.94; Victory 4's 100.66; 3's 100.

MOSCOW, May 26.—(By the Associated Press.)—The Russian executive committee has directed the commissar of war to draft plans for a material reduction in the soviet army, contingent upon the success of The Hague conference.

Governor Olcott Is Now 510 Ahead in The Official Count

PORTLAND, Ore., May 26.—With official reports lacking from only three of Oregon's 36 counties, the vote cast for Governor Ben W. Olcott and Charles Hall for the republican nomination for governor in the primary a week ago stood today Olcott 43,020; Hall 42,510, a plurality for Olcott of 510. This tabulation includes complete but unofficial figures from Curry, Harney and Wheeler counties. The name of Milton A. Miller, ex-collector of internal revenue was written in for the democratic nomination for state treasurer and reports today indicated he had been nominated to oppose O. P. Hoff, the republican nominee.

JUDGE GARY OPPOSED TO BONUS NOW

U. S. Steel President Urges Service Men to Withhold Demand Until the Financial Situation Is Better—Also Wants Tariff Taken Out of Politics Sales Tax Imposed.

NEW YORK, May 26.—President Harding denied any intention of meddling in the steel business last week when he asked 40 representative leaders in that industry to investigate the practicability of eliminating the twelve hour day. Judge Elbert H. Gary said today in presenting his annual address as president of the American Iron and Steel Institute.

He discussed the White House conference at length saying that the president was relying on the steel men themselves to make "the adjustment in working hours which public sentiment now seems to demand."

Mr. Gary said he thought a committee of nine appointed by the institute to investigate the industry with a view to readjusting working hours would be necessary in order to clearly represent every phase of the industry instead of the committee of five previously appointed.

NEGRO SUSPECT CAPTURED, MOB SURROUNDS JAIL

WACO, Texas, May 26.—A negro believed to have murdered Harrell Bolton and assaulted Mrs. Maggie Hays last night was captured today about fifteen miles southeast of Waco by Constable Leslie Itegal and is in jail. A crowd has gathered about the jail. The negro's name is Sank Johnson.

WACO, Texas, May 26.—A mob is in pursuit of a negro who according to a statement to the police by Miss Margaret Hays, shot and killed her companion, Harold Bolton and then attacked her on a road near here late last night.

The negro is said to have caught a freight train bound for Fort Worth. The negro, according to Miss Hays' statement, stopped the couple while they were riding in an automobile and shot Bolton. He then carried her to a secluded spot in the woods, according to her statement, keeping her there for three hours. The negro failed in an attempt to kill Miss Hays, his gun snapping three times.

Miss Hays managed to find her way back to Waco, where she reported the incident to the authorities. Miss Hays and Bolton both live in Waco.

PEORIA DELUGED BY CLOUDBURST

PEORIA, Ill., May 26.—A cloudburst sweeping Peoria and Peoria this afternoon washed out a large section of the Rock Island tracks, a bridge on the Peoria-Chicago railroad, a block of street pavement in this city and did thousands of dollars of damage through flooding of basements. Truck gardens were destroyed and newly planted corn fields along the up-river road inundated.

Several up-river cottages are threatened with destruction by a wall of water which swept down out of the fill in the Peoria section. So far no loss of life has been reported, but it is feared many have had narrow escapes.

Still an Optimist

As for the business future of America, Mr. Gary declared himself a "still an optimist."

"In the iron and steel industry," he said, the profits are not satisfactory, but few, if any, ought to be doing business at a loss."

"Pity the blind, deaf and foolish pessimist of the United States," he declared, "who are carrying hitherto unheard of financial burdens. To bear these gracefully and contentedly there must be not only forbearance, encouragement and assistance from every department of the government up to the limit of propriety and justice. But there must be entertained constantly by every individual a spirit of patience, pluck, energy, generosity, loyalty and charity fully up to his own intelligence."

Tariff Non-Political

Summarizing his remarks on the tariff question, Judge Gary said: "As between parties the main difference is...

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DIG WAR TRENCHES IN STREETS OF BELFAST, DEATH LIST REACHES 28

BELFAST, May 28.—(By the Associated Press.)—Since Saturday last 28 deaths from violence have occurred in Belfast, including six last evening and today. The body of a man was discovered in the street today with a bullet through the brain.

In East Belfast trenches were dug in several streets, the inhabitants fearing an attack. During the sniping in the east end four men were arrested and numerous houses in the district were searched.

The residence of Bailly Walter, near

19 KILLED IN MINE AND CHEMICAL PLANT EXPLOSIONS, PA. AND ALABAMA

SINNAMAHONING, Pa., May 26.—(By the Associated Press.)—Eight men were instantly killed and three others slightly hurt in a series of explosions which today blew to pieces three lodging houses and another building of the Gracell Chemical company plant here. The cause of the explosions will probably never be determined as all the men in the building where the powder first ignited were killed.

BIRMINGHAM, May 26.—Eleven miners were killed last night in an explosion in Acmar mine No. 3, according to reports received today at

the Birmingham station of the bureau of mines.

Eighty-two men were working in the mine at the time of the explosion, but all except the eleven who were killed escaped. Ten of the bodies have been recovered.

The explosion was attributed to mine gas. It caused little damage to the mine.

VIENNA, May 26.—(By the Associated Press.)—The death list from the disaster in the munition factory in Blumenau near Vienna, which blew up yesterday, was increased to 19 today.