

The Weather

Prediction ... Rain
Maximum yesterday ... 87
Minimum today ... 54

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

Weather Year Ago

Maximum ... 97
Minimum ... 55

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GOV'T READY TO TAKE OVER RAILROADS

EMERGENCY GOV'T ACTION IS PROBABLE

Senator Cummins Declares Legislation Is Ready to Empower President to Take Over Railroads—Embargo On Santa Fe Declared—Opposition Forces Meet.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 11.—Chairman Cummins of the senate interstate commerce committee conceded today that legislation was under consideration which would empower the president to take over the railroads if transportation became seriously paralyzed.

The legislation under consideration by certain republican senators was said to provide for a declaration of an emergency and for authorization to the president to take whatever railroads were deemed advisable. "The strike is not settled and the railroads cannot operate," said Senator Cummins, "then there is nothing left to be done by the government but take them over and operate them."

ABILENE, Texas, Aug. 11.—(By the Associated Press.)—Congressman Thomas L. Blanton of Abilene today sent out telegrams to numerous leaders throughout the country asserting that President Harding had summoned congress to take over the railroads. This means national bankruptcy and weak trucking to autocratic unions far worse than when they forced passage of the Adamson law," the message said.

"This is exactly what the brotherhoods have planned. Remember how they held the government up during the war? Instead of the government trucking, there must be a final showdown. We must make the labor board's decision final and stop this continuous tying up of our nation's industries. The republican administration must be big and patriotic enough for the good of the country to forego the advantage of appointing hundreds of incidental fat patronage jobs.

"Loyal Americans must organize and fight this menace."

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 11.—Emergency passenger service on Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe system is tied up and no through trains will leave Los Angeles until the walkout situation of the big four brotherhoods in the Arizona division, centering at Needles, Cal., is cleared up. It was announced early today by I. L. Hibbard, general manager of the Santa Fe coast lines.

"We do not want to send passengers out to be held up in the desert," Hibbard said. "There is no change overnight, although the walkout of the trainmen seems to be confined to the Arizona division, with the California and other divisions not affected."

Conductors, firemen, engineers and trainmen refused to answer calls in the Arizona division last night, tying up trains unexpectedly, and their representatives here indicated the matter rested with brotherhood officials in the east. The cause for the rail-

PRESIDENT HARDING ENTERS TARIFF FIGHT; INSISTS ON FLEXIBILITY

WASHINGTON, Aug. 11.—President Harding in a letter today to Chairman McCumber of the finance committee read to the senate not only urged that a flexible tariff be provided for but that the tariff commission be made the agency for investigation and recommendation for changes in tariff rates. The executive wrote that the varying conditions in the world made it essential that there be elasticity in the tariff and declared that the flexible plan proposed would be a "highly constructive and progressive step in retaining the good and eliminating the abuses" in the present system of tariff making.

Truck Loaded With \$75,000 Worth of Hooch Seized, S. F.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 11.—Two motor truck loads and an automobile load of whiskey having a total value of \$75,000 were seized by the police today on a hay wharf in the Protrero district here and six supposed custodians of the liquor were arrested and charged with violating the Volstead act. One truck and two automobiles escaped, according to Lieutenant of Police H. Barnsfield, who directed the seizure. One of the men arrested is believed by S. F. Rutter, federal prohibition enforcement officer for California, to be "Whitey" Allen, who is wanted in connection with a big liquor seizure at Monterey, Cal., recently. The manner in which the liquor was landed was similar in both instances.

SEN. LA FOLLETTE ATTACKS SEATING SEN. NEWBERRY

RACINE, Wis., Aug. 11.—The seating of Senator Newberry, republican, of Michigan, was attacked by Senator La Follette in a speech here last night, in which the senator from Wisconsin heralded the acceptance of Newberry as a signal that the greatest danger menacing the life of American democracy is corruption from within.

"The only plea on which senators can defend a vote to seat Senator Newberry," said Senator La Follette, "is that he did not know of the enormous funds expended in his behalf and was not a participant in his own campaign. This lame excuse will make no appeal to the common sense of the American people. It is contradicted by the admitted facts in the record.

"Newberry himself suggested the organization of the business men's committee which was placed in charge of his campaign. "Every penny of the \$195,000 openly acknowledged to have been spent was contributed by members of the Newberry family and his business partners. Of the total amount, John Newberry, brother of Truman, admitted he had contributed \$90,000.

"A few thousand dollars were spent by Lorimer's friends to purchase the votes of half a dozen members of the Illinois legislature. Lorimer was not active in the canvass; it was shown by circumstantial evidence only that he had knowledge of the acts and approved the plans of his dishonest agents; he never admitted the expenditure of a penny in his behalf, only a portion of the \$100,000 slush fund alleged to have been raised was ever shown to have been expended."

Baby Killed By Ant Powder.

SEATTLE, Aug. 11.—The death yesterday of Howard Nelson Smith, Jr., 18 months old of this city, is attributed to a poisonous powder used about the house by his mother to kill ants. Dr. Thomas Morcom said he found indications of poison and Coroner W. H. Corson is investigating.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 11.—President Harding intervened today in the senate fight over the flexible tariff provisions, outlining to senators summoned to the White House the desirability of elasticity in the tariff during the present shifting world conditions. The executive conferred first with Senator Odie of Nevada, a leader of the republican bloc, some members of which are opposed to the flexible plan in any form, and later saw Senator Helfin, republican, New Jersey, sponsor of the "scientific" tariff plan.

GOBLIN MAY GOBBLE IN K. K. TRIAL

Arthur Perry, Attending Los Angeles Trial, Declares Goblin Coburn Is Peeved at Lodge Mates—Hollywood Quiet As Jacksonville—Primary Arouses Interests.

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 8.—(Special Correspondence.) They are trying a goblin, a king kleege, a plain kleege, and 34 knights of the Invisible Empire of the Ku Klux Klan, in the superior court here, and two days were exhausted in securing a jury. It is an undramatic, unemotional procedure, to date but the air is full of rumors, as the air generally is, when the Ku Klux Klan is involved. Rumor, seems to be a handmaid of the secret organization, of which half the population knows so little, and the other half so much.

The thirty-four knights are ranged in cane bottom chairs across the court room from the prospective jurors. Their counterparts could be found on any Main street. They range from boyish looking chaps, to gray-haired men; some in the fishnet ties and Palm Beach suits of the prosperous, and some in suits that to the casual observer have seen service only on Sundays. They nodded to friends and acquaintances before the opening, but all took a keen interest in the selecting of a jury. There is not a mustache of any kind, or a baldhead in the lot.

Grand Goblin Peeved

By himself sits William S. Coburn, former "Grand Goblin of the Realm of the Pacific." He bellies in appearance his ex-grandiose title. After the raid he went back to Atlanta, Ga., to report to his superiors. He is no longer an official of the Ku Klux Klan. The penny papers this evening carry a story in big and glaring headlines, that Coburn, peeved at the course of events will "turn tail" against his co-defendants. He has personal attorneys, but told the world through the press "they would have to watch proceedings in court." This is one of the big guns that is predicted to rattle later on.

Kieagle Overseeps

A momentary thrill was furnished the spectators this morning, at the opening of court, when N. A. Baker, a plain kleege, mixed up in the "Inglewood raid", failed to answer the roll call of the defendants. He appeared late, and called upon for an explanation told the court "that he had overseeped" owing to "spending the night in the interests of the court." He further explained "that if given ten days he could prove it." The court excused him with the admonishment "not to let it happen again."

The day previous Kieagle Baker figured in the headlines, by indulging in a verbal argument with a "Times" reporter over the merits and demerits of a published article.

The defense, from the line of its questioning of talesmen, expects to prove that the "Inglewood raid" was a lawful raid, led by officers, that out of 200 in the "party," only 37, thought or known to have Klan leanings are on trial, and the entire proceeding is "a plot of the state of California to crush the Klan." Because of this last allegation, there is considerable interest outside of Los Angeles and elongated environs in the final result.

The prosecution contends that the occurrence is just what it looks to be, regulation of community morals by unofficial forces, and anti-Klan adherents scoff at the so-called "defense" as an eleventh hour alibi.

It seems to be generally agreed, however, by both sides, that the trial will be long.

Primary Interest Keen

Sharing public interest with the K. K. trial is the primary, August 26. A governor, police judge, and other minor officials will be elected, but the main interest centers in the fate of Hiram Johnson, who is running for the senate. In the Sacramento valley and north of Frisco, Johnson has friends, vocal and journalistic, but after one puff by Stockton, in the San Joaquin valley, it is openly boasted that the political kibosh will be slapped on the gentleman.

And, incidentally, it is a poor telegraph pole, along the right of way of the Espee, that does not have at least the picture of one candidate upon it. They run here with the same freedom

Harold McCormick Is Married to Former Star, Chicago Grand Opera



Mrs. Ganna Walska Cochran



Shown above are the principals in the Rockefeller-McCormick domestic tangle. Above, Mrs. Alexander Smith Cochran (Madame Walska), married today to Mr. McCormick; below, Mr. Harold McCormick and his former wife, Mrs. Edith Rockefeller McCormick who secured a divorce last winter.

PARIS, Aug. 11.—(By Associated Press.) Harold F. McCormick of Chicago and Mrs. Alexander Smith Cochran (Madame Walska) were married today in the city hall of the sixteenth ward here.

CHICAGO, Aug. 11.—"Mrs. Edith Rockefeller McCormick will have no comment to make on Mr. McCormick's marriage."

That telephone message delivered by Mrs. McCormick's secretary, was the only statement forthcoming this morning when the Associated Press inquired of the former wife of the International Harvester head of the latter's marriage in Paris to Mme. Ganna Walska, the opera singer.

Mrs. McCormick, daughter of John D. Rockefeller, has declined to comment, since her divorce last winter, on either her former husband's activities or the announced engagement of her 17-year-old daughter Mathilde, to Max Oser, elderly Swiss riding academy proprietor.

Mme. Walska created a furore when she came to Chicago two years ago to appear as one of the stars of the Chicago opera company. Mr. McCormick who with Mrs. Edith McCormick was the principal guarantor of the company had employed her while visiting Paris.

Mme Walska Temperamental On the day before her announced debut with the Chicago company, Mme. Walska packed her bags and left for New York. Gossips buzzed over the incident and it was generally reported that Conductor Marinuzzo had publicly criticized her ability as a singer before the entire cast at a dress rehearsal.

Madame Walska was the wife of Alexander Smith Cochran, wealthy manufacturer. Incompatibility divided them and a divorce decree was issued by a French court on May 31 last, to become finally effective in sixty days.

Mrs. McCormick obtained a divorce last December after a married life of twenty-six years. The decree was obtained on the ground of desertion. Reports were frequent during the spring and early summer that Mr. McCormick intended wedding Mme. Walska when she had obtained her final decree and these persisted de-

2 Killed, 5 Injured By Hold Explosion On Liner Adriatic

NEW YORK, Aug. 11.—(By the Associated Press.)—Two members of the Adriatic's crew were killed, five were seriously injured and one is missing as the result of an explosion of undetermined origin in her No. 3 hold, according to a wireless message received today at the White Star line. The message reported that the Adriatic was proceeding to New York at half speed. Coal was stored in the No. 3 hold and officials of the line, in the absence of details, thought that spontaneous combustion may have caused the explosion. The men killed were a fireman and a trimmer. Those injured included an electrician and other employes of the engine room.

BIGGEST PEAR CROP IN HISTORY VALLEY

Although railroad strike news today was not encouraging, J. E. Mulchay, general freight agent of the Southern Pacific informed the Mail Tribune that he was certain there would be no tie up on the S. P. line and he is confident that there will be no serious trouble on eastern railroads. "There are too many sane heads on both sides of this controversy," said he, "to make a general walkout possible. I look for a settlement in the near future." Mr. Mulchay has been in the valley several days looking over the fruit prospects from a tonnage standpoint and he is very enthusiastic over the situation. M. Montgomery, local S. P. Agent predicts there will be 150 cars of pears shipped from the valley this year, compared to 609 shipped last year. This is the largest pear crop ever produced in Jackson county and the credit for the increase is universally attributed to irrigation established on a comprehensive scale for the first time this year.

BASEBALL SCORES

Table with columns for National, American, and various cities (Philadelphia, Boston, Philadelphia, New York, Brooklyn, Pittsburgh, Cincinnati, Pittsburgh, Boston, Washington, Boston, New York, Philadelphia, New York) and rows for R, H, E, Batteries.

THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS ALLOTTED BY CONGRESS FOR OREGON IMPROVEMENTS

WASHINGTON, Aug. 11.—(By the Associated Press.)—Final allotment of \$35,604,250 of the funds appropriated by congress for river and harbor improvement work during the fiscal year 1923 made by the chief of army engineers, was announced today by the war department. Congress appropriated \$42,215,000 of which approximately \$7,000,000 has been reserved for future emergency expenditure. Among Pacific coast allotments are: Coos Bay, Oregon, \$150,000; Coos river, \$3,000; Ququina bay and harbor \$300,000; Columbia river and tributaries, Celilo Falls to Snake river \$12,500; Snake river \$10,000; Clatskanie river \$6,200; Yamhill river \$27,300; Lewis river \$17,700; Cowlitz river \$11,000; Skamokawa creek \$2,000; Grays river \$2,000; Columbia and lower Willamette rivers below Vancouver and Portland \$850,000; Willapa river and harbor \$265,000; Grays harbor and bar entrance \$36,000.

BOMBS ARE THROWN IN RAIL STRIKE

Santa Fe Shops at San Bernardino Attacked in Early Morning—One Man Injured—Violence Increases in Many Sections—Call Out More Troops.

SAN BERNARDINO, Aug. 11.—(By the Associated Press.)—Deputy United States Marshal Albertson was seriously burned when a bomb exploded in his hands early today shortly after the explosion of 23 bombs in the yards of the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe railroad system here, which is involved in the strike of railway shopmen.

Explosion of the bombs, starting at 1:30 o'clock and continuing to 3:45, created terror in the vicinity of the shops, hurling fragments several hundred feet, but doing no damage other than tearing up earth. The bombs were of cast iron pipe elbows filled with a white powder and according to investigators were apparently thrown into the stockade.

City Lights Extinguished.

Fifty officers were rushed to the scene but did not succeed in locating the point from which the bombs were thrown. Most of the bombs landed about 200 feet from the roundhouse and there was no one in the immediate vicinity. The seventeenth bomb sent a fragment through the high voltage wires and cut off the electric lighting supply, plunging San Bernardino into darkness and adding to the fright of the inhabitants. This was at 3 a. m., an hour and a half after the first explosion.

Metal fragments from the pipe casing of the bombs were imbedded an inch in the stockade walls and some struck houses in the vicinity of the yards. A large rock was hurled 200 feet by one of the explosions and fell near one of the coppers' guards. The officers at daybreak found one unexploded bomb and were taking it to a chemist in an automobile for examination. Deputy United States Marshal Albertson had the bomb in his hands and had opened one end of it revealing a white powdered substance. It ignited and exploded, severely burning his hands. He was rushed to the emergency hospital in the Santa Fe yards for treatment.

R. R. Guard Killed.

A large number of metal fragments from the bombs were gathered by officers and newspaper men. San Bernardino has been the scene of considerable disorder since the beginning of the railroad shopmen's strike. At one time state troops were requested. Blotting occurred on several occasions. One fatality has occurred to date, Roy E. Burton, a Santa Fe guard, having been shot and killed in the railroad yards while on duty on the night of July 27. Sheriff Walter A. Shay last week arrested a suspect in connection with the shooting.

San Bernardino is a divisional headquarters of the Santa Fe system.

CHICAGO, Aug. 11.—(By the Associated Press.)—Serious threats to traffic by refusal of trainmen to move trains at points where troops are on guard; renewed outbreaks of violence resulting in several deaths and the possibility of walkouts by maintenance of way men on various yards, marked the progress of the railstrike as railroad heads and union leaders gathered for conferences today to separately consider President Harding's proposal for ending the strike.

Members of the big four transportation brotherhoods, upon whom train movements depend, were authorized by their chiefs to suspend work if they consider strike conditions and the presence of soldiers at terminals and junction points "unbearable."

SUBPOENAE 162 IN HALL CONTEST

SALEM, Ore., Aug. 11.—One hundred and sixty-two citizens, including 62 women of Marion county have been subpoenaed to appear Monday morning, August 14 in the Olcott-Hall recount case. They are cited to answer charges of illegal voting. The list includes 47 residents from twelve precincts in Salem. The largest number subpoenaed from any one precinct is forty from Mount Angel.