

The Weather	
Prediction	Fair
Maximum yesterday	55
Minimum today	51
Precipitation	.22

# MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

Weather Year Ago	
Maximum	68
Minimum	49

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## HONOLULU LINER AFIRE IN THE PACIFIC

### PASSENGERS TAKE TO THE LIFE BOATS

Nearly 300 People Adrift on Open Sea As Blazing 'City of Honolulu' Is Abandoned—Ships Rushed to Rescue—Sea Reported Calm—Long Wait for Rescue.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 12.—(By the Associated Press.)—The passengers and crew of the liner City of Honolulu, burning at sea and abandoned at 10:10 o'clock this morning are facing 14 hours in open boats before the first ship dashing to their rescue can reach them.

The army transport Thomas is expected to beat the Matson Navigation company's vessel Enterprise in the race to the castaways. The Thomas, according to wireless messages from her commander, should reach the scene of the disaster at 1 o'clock tomorrow morning.

Earlier advices this morning stated that the Enterprise turning from her course from Honolulu to the mainland would reach the side of the stricken ship between noon and 1 o'clock this afternoon. A later message from the Enterprise, said however, that when she started her race a 5:30 o'clock this morning she was 242 miles from the City of Honolulu. Her speed ordinarily is ten miles an hour, but her owners believed she would crowd on all steam and better that mark in the emergency.

The last message received here from the City of Honolulu was at 10:10 o'clock this morning when her passengers as well as officers and crew took to the boats.

There were 76 passengers aboard, 64 of them saloon and 12 third class. Doherty's Yacht Near

E. L. Doherty's yacht Casiana was believed by shipping men here to be within a hundred miles of the City of Honolulu when that vessel took fire today. Ship reports received last night indicated such a position for the yacht. Port officials said they were sure the yacht had gone to the scene and that its last reported position made it almost certain to be the first to arrive.

Sea Is Calm

Reports of the weather on the ocean lane down which the abandoned vessel was running on her way to her home port were that the sea was smooth and the wind moderate.

Last Message Received

A message to the Radio Corporation of America from the United States army transport Thomas reported early this morning in the neighborhood of the City of Honolulu at full speed to the help of the burning vessel. The message from the Thomas said she expected to reach the scene of the disaster at 1 o'clock tomorrow morning.

The Thomas is reported to have been about 200 miles from the City of Honolulu when she turned south in her dash to the rescue at 8 o'clock this morning.

The last message received from the ship sent by the wireless operator just before he abandoned his key, said:

"Captain and gang leaving ship. Goodbye to you all."

The three radio operators aboard the City of Honolulu were W. P. Bell, H. B. Hancock and M. C. Kunder.

### Indian Acquitted On Charge Killing U. S. Dry Official

DALLAS, Ore., Oct. 12.—Philip Warren, Grande Ronde Indian, was today found not guilty of the murder of Grover Todd, federal prohibition agent, who with Glenn Price, another prohibition agent, was shot to death at New Grande Ronde September 3.

Doubt as to whether Todd had been killed by a bullet fired by Warren or by a stray bullet fired by other agents caused the verdict of acquittal, it was announced. Warren will be tried again on the indictment charging first degree murder in the case of Price, it was announced.

### U'REN HAS A NEW PLAN FOR OREGON

Inventor of Oregon System Files Plan at Salem Which Would Entirely Change the State Govt.—Abolish Senate, Elect Representatives By Occupation.

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 12.—The plan of state government would be entirely changed, and a representative body chosen each four years from among different occupations, would have full control, if a plan proposed by the Peoples' Power league, including adherents of the state senate, the Farm Bureau, the State Federation of Labor and some business men, is adopted by the voters.

An initiative measure, proposing a change in the constitution to be voted on in 1924, was filed yesterday with the secretary of state at Salem. It had been planned to have the measure before the people at the coming election, but sufficient signatures were not obtained in time, according to W. S. U'ren, secretary of the Peoples' Power league.

Among provisions of the proposed amendment the voters registered in each occupation or classification of occupations having one sixtieth of all the registered legal voters in the state who are registered in that occupation or classification of occupations.

The legislative assembly would consist of a house of representatives of sixty members. The full term of office would be four years. Representatives would be subject to recall and the legislative assembly subject to recall or dissolution.

Abolish State Senate.

The state senate and the office of state senator would be abolished.

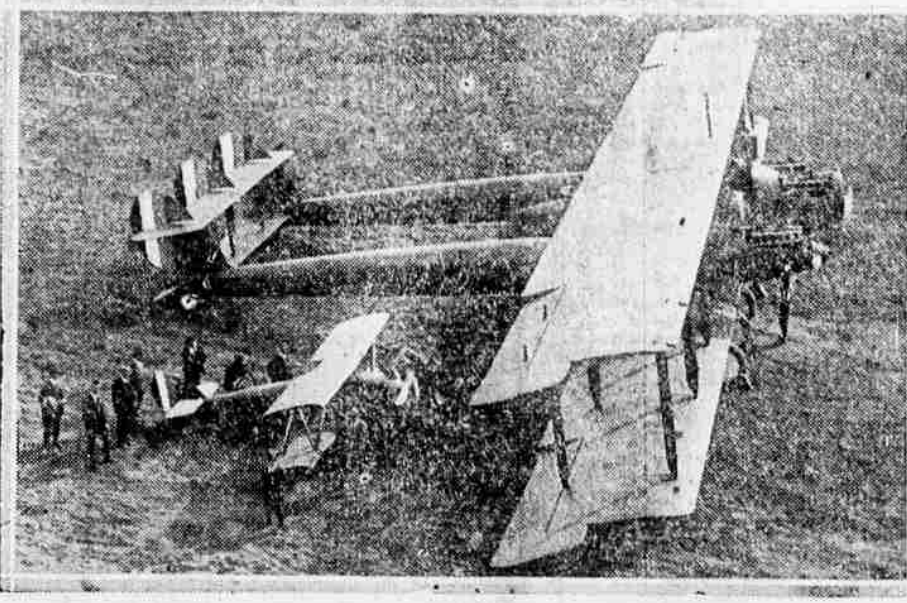
The legislative assembly, under the amendment, would elect the governor. He also could be recalled by the legislative assembly.

The amendment was signed by C. E. Spence, president of the Peoples' Power league of Oregon and other officials of the organization. They include O. R. Hartwig, vice-president; W. E. Kinsey, treasurer, and W. S. U'ren, secretary. Spence is president of the state senate and Hartwig is president of the State Federation of Labor.

"Occupations would be classified according to the number of registered voters in each," said U'ren, explaining the plan. "Each would be entitled to representation, according to the proportion its membership bears to the whole. Lawyers, for instance, would have one seat for every 1000 registered voters."

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### United States Has Largest Bombing Plane



Maj. Gen. Mason Patrick, chief of the air service of the U. S. army, was an interested spectator at Mitchell Field, Mineola, L. I., on Sept. 1st, at the tests and tryout of the new giant bombing plane 'The Owl.' This machine is driven by three powerful Liberty motors at a speed of 100 miles an hour, and carries two thousand four hundred pounds. The latest word in bombing planes, this giant machine is pictured in comparison with an ordinary flight plane.

### BOY REPUDIATES CONFESSION IN JERSEY MURDER

SOMERVILLE, N. J., Oct. 12.—(By the Associated Press.)—Raymond Schneider this afternoon repudiated the alleged confession in which he accused Clifford Hayes, 19, of the murder of the Rev. Edward W. Hall and Mrs. Eleanor R. Mills. It was unofficially announced that Hayes probably would be released before night.

SOMERVILLE, N. J., Oct. 12.—Raymond Schneider, detained as a material witness in the Hall-Mills murder case, today collapsed in the Somerset county jail. A physician who worked over him nearly half an hour before he was revived, stated that he was suffering from a severe nervous breakdown after the grilling to which he had been subjected.

It was Schneider's accusation that Clifford Hayes had slain the Rev. Edward Wheeler Hall and Mrs. Eleanor Reinhardt Mills in mistake for another couple that led to Hall's arrest on a murder charge.

Schneider in his repudiation, declared that neither he or Hayes had anything to do with the murders. He had accused Hayes, he said, out of revenge because he had been informed that Hayes had made statements accusing him of knowing something about the slayings.

"I lied about Hayes," his statement said, "because he and Pearl Bahmer in statements to the Middlesex county authorities, lied about me when they said I was on the Phillips farm on the night of the murder. I thought they were trying to get me into trouble and have me accused of the murders."

"After I had been in the jail here for a while I began to think about the trouble I started by telling these lies about Hayes and my conscience began to bother me. When I saw Clifford's family come here to see him yesterday my heart went out to them and I thought of my own mother. From that time on I just wanted to tell the truth and make things right."

NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J., Oct. 12.—New Jersey officials investigating the murder of September 14 of the Rev. Edward Wheeler Hall, rector of the Episcopal church of St. John, the evangelist, and his choir leader, Mrs. Eleanor Reinhardt Mills, sought today to identify a potato knife found some distance from the spot where the slain bodies were discovered, and turned over to the local police yesterday.

Detectives considered it possible that the knife was the one used in slaying Mrs. Mills' throat.

Apparently the mystery was just as far from solution today as before the arrest of Clifford Hayes, a youth held on the statement of Raymond Schneider, who reported the finding of the bodies two days after the rector and Mrs. Mills disappeared.

Schneider charges that Hayes shot the pair, thinking them Nicholas Bahmer and his daughter Pearl, both of whom are being held in jail.

Schneider also is under arrest as a material witness.

### BANDIT HOLDS UP PASSENGERS ON CALIF. LIMITED

CHICAGO, Oct. 12.—(By the Associated Press.)—Gallantry of the men passengers when a negro bandit invaded the Santa Fe railroad's California limited train in Kansas City last night was revealed today when the train reached Chicago. Mrs. S. R. Sweet of Detroit, the only woman in the car where the robber appeared, told how six men had gone to her aid when the negro entered.

The robbery took place within the city limits of Kansas City and shortly after the train had pulled out of the station. He evidently climbed into the vestibule as the train was leaving the station, and robbed only the passengers in the third car from the rear. He escaped with only about \$200.

Mrs. Sweet told how the men had protected her.

"I was walking toward the observation platform while the porter was making up my berth," she said. "I heard a cry, 'drop your bag, I didn't see anyone and didn't pay any attention.' A negro with a revolver appeared in the doorway. The revolver looked as if it were a mile long. I dropped the bag."

"The six men in the car jumped up as the negro yelled 'hands up,' the men surrounded me and threw out their pocketbooks. They crushed me back toward the wall and stood between me and the negro. It was all over in a few minutes. The robber did not go into the other cars, but jumped off the train."

CHICAGO, Oct. 12.—Sixty-eight Chicago-bound passengers in sleeping cars were robbed of their jewels and money by a negro bandit who boarded the Santa Fe California limited train out of Kansas City, Mo., late last night, according to official railroad reports here early today. The train is due in Chicago at 10 a. m. today.

The bandit, his face covered by a handkerchief mask, boarded one of the sleeping cars as the train pulled out of the Kansas station, the report said.

He went through two cars, ordered passengers out of their berths and seats robbing all of them. Rings and necklaces were torn from women.

The negro swung off the train ten blocks from the station and disappeared in the darkness of the railroad yards before any of the train crew except two frightened porters were aware of the holdup.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Oct. 12.—Police today were searching for a negro who late last night held up two Pullman cars of Santa Fe train number four, the California limited, soon after it pulled out of the Union station here and robbed the passengers of an undetermined amount of cash and jewelry.

The negro boarded the rear just as the train left the station, and came back to the station, the report said.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 12.—Manager William Essick of the Vernon club was fined \$50 and suspended for three playing days today by President W. H. McCarthy of the Pacific Coast league, while Pitcher Tom Hughes of the Los Angeles team was fined \$25 and given a like suspension. Penalties for both were imposed because of their alleged abusive language toward umpire McGraw in the Vernon-Los Angeles game yesterday.

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### MARTIN PLANE WINS AIR RACE AT MT. CLEMENS

MOUNT CLEMENS, Mich., Oct. 12.—Averaging 105.1 miles over the 240 mile triangular course, Lieutenant Erid H. Nelson of Mount Clair, N. J., driving a Martin, transport won the Detroit News aerial mail trophy race here this afternoon.

Lieutenant Harold H. Harris of Chicago averaged 135 miles an hour in winning the Detroit aviation country club trophy race. He piloted the "Honeycomb Express."

MOUNT CLEMENS, Mich., Oct. 12.—Two races, one for large multi-motor bomb or mail carrying airplanes and the other for light commercial craft, today ushered in the three days air racing meet at Selfridge Field. The meet closes Saturday with the national air classic, the Pulitzer trophy race.

More than 100 planes, including the best fighting machines of the army and navy, aerial mail carriers and experimental craft, were here to compete in the previous events. Included in the entries was one plane built as far back as 1918 and which still holds a record, as well as the latest speed creations of the larger laboratories.

Army entrants were in the majority in the opening days races. Four Martin bombers and one Martin transport, each having two 400-horsepower Liberty motors were the starters in the multi-motor plane race for the air mail trophy, offered by the Detroit News. All these ships are after the same general design, except that the transport is fitted out to carry twelve passengers instead of a load of explosives.

The bombers were to fly ten times around a 24-mile triangular course, most of which is over Lake St. Clair. The three pylons must be turned at an altitude of less than 200 feet and on the last leg of each lap, a balloon anchored at an altitude of 2000 feet must be hurdled.

The lighter plane race, for the Detroit aviation country club trophy was under the same rules that governed the bombers. Two single motor army machines and four commercial planes piloted by civilians were entered. It brought into competition a wide range of motive power, the Curtis entry being driven by a 160-horsepower Curtiss C-6 motor, while the army planes carried Liberty 12's of 200 horsepower. Two of the machines mounted 200 horsepower Hispani Suiza motors.

### FINE COAST PLAYERS FOR CUSSING UMPIRE

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### Permit U. S. Ships To Take On Booze Again Up to Oct. 14

WASHINGTON, Oct. 12.—In order to promulgate tentative regulations for enforcement of Attorney General Daugherty's new dry prohibition ruling, the bureau of internal revenue announced today that American ships which voluntarily had surrendered their stocks of liquor in American ports would be permitted to take such stocks aboard again, provided they are sailing prior to October 14.

### PUBLICITY IS DISLIKED BY KOKE KING

Atlanta Capitalist Chides His Former Fiancee for Giving Publicity to Private Affair—Mrs. De Bouchel in Reply Makes Public Copy of Letter Requesting Information.

ATLANTA, Ga., Oct. 12.—Mrs. Nezima DeBouchel made public today a copy of a letter she said she had written to Asa G. Candler, Sr., Atlanta capitalist, before she came here, demanding to know the names of the persons she said he told her had reflected on her and which caused termination of their engagement.

The letter was made public through Harry Gamble, attorney for Mrs. DeBouchel, at the same time he announced he had changed his original plan to accompany his client to New Orleans today. He said he would remain for at least a day longer.

The letter, which Mrs. DeBouchel said was her final one to Mr. Candler and was dated September 28, called on Mr. Candler to divulge the names of the men who he said cast reflections on her character.

No statement came from Mr. Candler today.

ATLANTA, Ga., Oct. 12.—Firm in her intention to "bring the kind of legal action against Asa G. Candler, which will properly make him vindicate her name," Mrs. Nezima De Bouchel of New Orleans, whose engagement to the Atlanta capitalist recently was terminated, today was completing preparations to return, with her attorney to her home in Louisiana.

Harry Gamble, New Orleans attorney representing Mrs. DeBouchel, intimated that he may return to Atlanta in connection with legal proceedings against Candler, whom the Louisiana divorcee alleged in statements had broken his engagement to marry her because of information reflecting on her character.

Other than a statement issued through his attorneys that he regretted that Mrs. DeBouchel had sought publicity of a private affair and that information in his possession made a marriage with the divorcee impossible, Candler has refused to discuss the termination of the engagement for publication.

### NEGRO CONFESSES ON THE ELECTRIC CHAIR

RALEIGH, N. C., Oct. 12.—In the presence of the nineteen-year-old white girl he was convicted of attacking, Melver Burnett, a negro was electrocuted today at the state penitentiary here. Throughout his trial he had maintained his innocence, but as the jailers strapped him to the chair today, he mumbled a confession.

A fourth occupant, said by the police to have been identified as James O'Dowd, a mechanic, leaped before the crash and escaped as the police arrived.

The speedometer of the machine had stopped at 70 miles.

A California drivers' license made out to Oldfield and bearing his signature and photograph, enabled the police to establish ownership of the wrecked machine. Oldfield later was found at a New York hotel, having come here to see the world's series, he said.

### GREEK ARMY EXPECTED TO QUIT THRACE

Military Men Mutter, But People Flee and no Organized Resistance to Turks Is Expected—Massacre Is Generally Expected in Spite of Allied Promises.

PARIS, Oct. 12.—(By the Associated Press.) Greece has decided to sign the Mudania armistice convention and evacuate Thrace, according to the conditions stipulated in that document, the French foreign office was officially informed today.

ADRIANOPLE, Oct. 12.—(By the Associated Press.)—News of the conclusion of the armistice at Mudania was received quietly here as a large part of the population already regarded re-entry of the Turks into eastern Thrace as inevitable. Talk of resistance is mainly confined to the army. Withdrawal of funds from the banks and liquidation of assets has been in progress for several days and will undoubtedly be accelerated by the knowledge that the Turkish civil authorities would be in charge forty-five days after the armistice takes effect.

More than a thousand families have left Adrianople for Greece within the last week and the city is filled with refugees from the villages to the westward. The people are leaving as rapidly as possible, considering the lack of transportation facilities, caused by the fact that many horses and wagons have been requisitioned by the army.

Despite the presence of the allied mission sent from Constantinople, the Christian population seems unwilling to believe that the allies can carry out their plans for protection and that a massacre is feared by many.

The majority of the civilians are armed, but it is hoped the allied detachment can prevent serious hostilities until the Turkish gendarmerie is fully installed.

The Greek army officials still maintain their attitude of resistance, and their position has been somewhat reinforced by the civilian movement for an "autonomous Thrace," but the continued exodus westward indicates this movement has no overwhelming popular support.

ATHENS, Oct. 12.—(By the Associated Press.)—A royal decree published in the official gazette recognizes as valid the marriage of the late King Alexander and Madame Aspasia Kennos.

By virtue of the decree King Alexander's child, Alexandra Sophie, has no rights to the throne, but becomes the legal heir of the deceased king and is entitled to an annuity, or allowance for maintenance.

### FRANCE UNABLE TO PAY ANY OF HER WAR DEBTS FOR NEXT FOUR YEARS

PARIS, Oct. 12.—France will be unable to meet any part of her debts for the next four years, as all available receipts for that period must be devoted to re-construction of the devastated regions, according to the official statement of the French ministry of finance.

The government, adds the newspaper, is doing its utmost to find a new formula for the settlement of the European debt and reparations tangle and will probably submit a detailed scheme drawn up by M. Poincare when the inter-allied financial congress meets at Brussels.

The plans call for a revision of the total of Germany's indebtedness on a basis of actual reparations, only the charges for pensions, war allowances and the like being wiped from the slate.

This would reduce the French claim by nearly twenty-five per cent.

### MAN WHO STEALS BARNEY OLDFIELD'S RACING CAR MEETS DEATH IN SMASH

NEW YORK, Oct. 12.—One man was killed and two others seriously injured today when a racing car, claimed by Barney Oldfield to have been stolen from him, skidded into a curb while speeding along Riverside drive, and swerved headlong into a tree.

Joseph Degnon of New York catapulted into the tree and was instantly killed. Edgar O'Donnell and Edward McKee, both chauffeurs, were dug from the wreckage and taken to a hospital to be booked later on charges of homicide.