

The Weather
Prediction: Occasional rains
Maximum yesterday.....48
Minimum today.....38
Precipitation.....75

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

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

MEDFORD, OREGON, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 28, 1922

Weather Year Ago
Maximum.....42
Minimum.....32
Precipitation.....Trace

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HARDING OPPOSES BORAH RESOLUTION

PRESIDENT WORKING ON OWN PLAN

Chief Executive in Open Letter Explains Why the Borah Resolution Not Desirable—Would Embarrass Him in Negotiations Already Conducting for Conference.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—President Harding asked the senate today not to adopt Senator Borah's proposal for a new international economic conference, saying in a letter to Republican Leader Lodge that formal congressional action on the subject now would embarrass him in negotiations he already is conducting looking to such a conference.

The president's letter was sent to Senator Lodge for presentation during the senate's second day of debate on the Borah proposal, which is embodied in an amendment to the naval appropriation bill.

The president acted directly to block senate action after he had consulted with Secretary Hughes and after Senator Lodge had visited the White House and had reported on the progress made in the determined fight already being waged against the Borah amendment by administration leaders in the senate.

The letter stated that while the senate might properly "advise" in regard to international obligations, its action on the Borah plan might give "false impressions" to European powers.

Trying to Be Helpful

The administration, the president said, was trying to be helpful in the European situation, which had been given "most thorough and thoughtful consideration for many months."

Without disclosing details of what he is doing, the president suggested that congress might be helpful by freeing the hands of the allied debt commission. He also declared that the reparations question was the foundation of European difficulties.

As to further armament limitations negotiations also provided for in the Borah plan, President Harding warned against what might be "A gesture of promise to the world which cannot be fulfilled until the nations directly concerned express their readiness to co-operate to such an end."

The Letter in Full

The president's letter follows: "My Dear Senator Lodge: "Replying to your inquiry relative to the proposed amendment to the pending naval bill, authorizing and requesting the president to call an economic conference to deal with conditions in the war torn nations of Europe, I write to say that I know of no prohibition against such an expression on the part of congress, but I do frankly question the desirability of such an expression. I think it is undesirable because of false impressions which may be conveyed thereby to Europe and even more undesirable because of the wrong impression it might convey to our own people.

"On the face of things it is equivalent to saying that the executive branch of the government which is charged with the conduct of foreign relations, is not fully alive to a world situation which is of deep concern to the United States.

"As a matter of fact the European situation has been given most thorough and thoughtful consideration for many months. Without question—

MOLLY FULLER, TOTALLY BLIND, STAGES A COMEBACK IN BROOKLYN THEATRE

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—Molly Fuller came back to the stage last night. The audience in a Brooklyn theater laughed at the lines she had and listened appreciatively while she sang of Broadway. No one knew that Molly came back to the stage totally blind.

Molly Fuller first became known more than a score of years ago as a member of Henry E. Dixie's company in Adonis. Later with her husband as Hallen and Fuller she played vaudeville circuits over the country for 23 years.

Friends found her last week in a hotel room just off Broadway, penniless, alone and blind. They arranged an act, provided a setting and obtained engagements for the former Broadway favorite. The parties arranged to conceal her blindness.

"I thought I never would act again," Miss Fuller said. "But next week we're going back to Broadway. It seems too good to be true."

Two Oakland Men Attempt to Climb Mt. Shasta Jan'y. 1

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 28.—An attempt to make the first winter climb of Mount Shasta will be made New Year's day by Charles E. Warner and Leonard Thatcher of Oakland. Shasta is 14,162 feet high, and has five residual glaciers.

The men expect to leave Sisson, Cal., today for Horse Camp, at an altitude of 8000 feet. Equipped with snowshoes, they will attempt to climb from Horse Camp at midnight, December 31 and hope to reach the summit within twelve hours. This climb of 8,123 feet is very steep.

EX-PRESIDENT WILSON HONORED 66TH BIRTHDAY

Delegation From Woodrow Wilson Foundation Visits Home of Ex-President—\$900,000 Raised for Fund—Senate Takes Action.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—Former President Wilson, planning a quiet observance of the occasion at his S street home, was receiving congratulations today on his 66th birthday. The only scheduled event of the day for the former president was the visit of a delegation from the Woodrow Wilson foundation at three o'clock to extend birthday greetings and inform him of the progress made by the foundation in raising the one million dollar fund to be used in perpetuating the ideals enunciated by him while he was president. It was announced that the fund was an-



EX-PRESIDENT WILSON whose 66th birthday was celebrated today.

announced at the meeting of the foundation's board of trustees in New York yesterday that \$800,000 of the amount had been contributed with another \$100,000 expected.

Hamilton Holt of New York, executive director of the foundation, and Mrs. Kate Trenholm Abrams, vice-chairman of the District of Columbia branch of the organization, headed the delegation of six members appointed to all on Mr. Wilson. No special demonstration had been planned by the delegation, it was said.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—Without debate and with a chorus of ayes from democratic senators and silence from most of the republican side, the senate today adopted a resolution offered by Senator Harris, democrat, Georgia, expressing "the pleasure and joy of the senate" upon the recovery toward health of Former President Wilson.

Two Irate Women With Subpoenas Stalking The Fair Ganna Walska



NEW YORK—Along with the usual flock of friends with flowers and newspapermen with cameras, the beautiful Ganna Walska, now Mrs. Harold F. McCormick, will have to dodge a string of bill-collectors and process-servers when she steps off the boat from France this week.

Another lawsuit, this time to collect \$3,000 in attorney's fees, has been brought by Clarice Margoles-Baright, attorney, 170 Broadway, for two suits against managers which she brought to trial only to have Madame Walska wire from Paris (on the eve of her wedding to McCormick) to let them go.

Mrs. Walska McCormick also faces a suit for \$200,000 brought by Madame Meliss, another opera singer, for the loss of a concert tour when her manager broke an exclusive contract with her to sign up as Madame Walska's impresario instead.

BOMBING ATTACKS ARE RESUMED IN DUBLIN DISTRICT

DUBLIN, Dec. 28.—(By the Associated Press.)—The first bomb attack in Dublin for some time took place in Aungier street today when a missile was thrown at a military car in which several officers were riding. The bomb burst behind the car and the officers, none of whom was injured, fired at a man standing on a nearby street corner, shooting him through the mouth. The wounded man ran into a Carmelite church where he was captured.

A woman was injured by the flying bomb splinters.

DUBLIN, Dec. 28.—(By the Associated Press.)—The Irish Bulletin today prints a statement from Eamon DeValera replying to the recent criticism of his attitude by President Cosgrave. The republican leader says: "The present government of the republic is acting as the emergency trustee of the government and it is prepared to surrender its authority the moment the rightful parliament of the nation—namely, the second Dail—is allowed to meet and the supreme court of the republic is allowed to determine the legal and constitutional differences which both sides now are trying to solve by force."

BRITISH SHIPS GO BACK TO TURKEY

MALTA, Dec. 28.—(By Associated Press.)—As the result of unsatisfactory reports from Lausanne it is said the ships of the British Mediterranean fleet which arrived here on December 23 for a three weeks' visit have received orders to return to the Near East.

Naval authorities were reticent today but it is believed Admiral DeRock commander in chief, was prepared to leave this afternoon with all available ships.

BERLIN—A committee of six Germans was named to assist the Carnegie foundation in the preparation of an "economic and social history of the world war."

Daily Report on the Crime Wave

AUSTIN, Minn., Dec. 28.—Clarence Hamblen of Ceylon, Minn., arrested in Stockton, Cal., on a charge of arson, has confessed that he poisoned his wife in her sick bed at their home at Ceylon on October 9, according to a statement issued today by Sheriff W. S. Carver. The alleged confession, the sheriff said, was made in the county jail here last night.

MILLER, S. D., Dec. 28.—A. J. Ferguson was in jail here today awaiting a hearing on a charge of slaying his wife, who was found dead in her bed Christmas morning. Ferguson was arrested late yesterday and sent to jail in default of \$10,000 bond.

ORANGE, N. J., Dec. 28.—William Battles, a negro, was held without bail early today in connection with the killing yesterday of Mrs. Eleanor L. Brigham, wife of Charles Brigham, a New York business man. Mrs. Brigham's body was discovered late last night in a preserve closet in her home. She had been choked to death.

The negro was identified by Margaret Brigham, the dead woman's daughter, as a former employee at the Brigham home. Battles denied any knowledge of the crime.

JACKSON SCHOOL HEAD HONORED

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 28.—The general assembly of the Oregon State Teachers' association convention today was addressed by Superintendent W. C. Wood of California and Dr. A. E. Winslow of Boston, editor of an educational journal. Rev. W. S. Gilbert, representing the American Legion and C. A. Howard of Marshfield, retiring president, also spoke.

Announcement was made today of the election late yesterday of C. W. Ager of Bend as president; A. C. Strange, Astoria, vice-president; H. E. Inlow, Pendleton, Susanne H. Carter Jacksonville, and J. S. Landers, Monmouth, members of the executive committee.

Plans were being made today for the establishment of a placement bureau by the association to replace commercial teachers' agencies.

321 KILLED, LOS ANGELES BY AUTO DURING YEAR

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 28.—Three hundred and twenty-one persons were killed in traffic accidents in Los Angeles during the year 1922 and 538 were injured, according to a report by the police statistician. Last year the death toll was 288.

BRITISH PAPERS THINK TERMS OF DEBT TOO HARD

LONDON, Dec. 28.—In all newspaper comment on the Baldwin financial mission to the United States hope is expressed that the terms fixed by the American congress for repayment of the British debt may be modified. They are universally regarded here as excessively onerous and in some quarters are described as such as Great Britain would not dream of trying to exact from a debtor.

The period of redemption is particularly condemned and Otto H. Kahn's suggestion for a 47 year term is thought far more reasonable than 25 years set by congress.

The chief hope here for modification is based upon American bankers, who it is trusted may be able to influence congress and American public opinion in effecting easier terms. Some of the newspapers understand that the American funding commission will not be limited by congressional stipulations and expect that discussion will result in an easier deal for Great Britain.

Commentators complain that any impartial committee of bankers would agree that 25 years is an unreasonably short period.

TED THYE THROWS RUSS GRAPPLER

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 28.—Ted Thye, Portland middleweight, defeated Al Karasick, Russian wrestler, in two out of three falls here last night.

Basant Singh, welterweight, won a wrestling bout from Kid Ireland, obtaining a fall in nine minutes of a scheduled thirty minute contest.

In a mixed wrestling and boxing bout, Jimmie Anderson, wrestler, easily defeated Danny Needham, boxer, capturing two falls in quick succession. Needham was able to land but a few ineffective blows before being seized and pinned to the mat.

Yeggs Get \$3000.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—Robbers early today blew open the safe of the Harlem office of the New York Edison company and escaped with \$3000 after gagging the night watchman.

Robber Makes Oregon Merchant So Angry Knocks Him Cuckoo

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 28.—J. D. Kelly, hardware merchant of Sylvan, near here, became so angered last night when one of two robbers who had helped up his sister and himself attempted to seize a cash box which his sister carried, that he smote his sister's assailant on the jaw. The blow knocked the robber down and he dropped the weapon which Kelly promptly seized. Covering the prostrate outlaw, Kelly forced him to surrender. The second would-be robber fled.

The captured robber was surrendered to the sheriff. He gave his name as Roy Walters, 20.

ASTORIA FIRE IS LAID TO FIREBUG, ARRESTS LOOM

ASTORIA, Dec. 28.—That the fire which wiped out the business district of Astoria December 8 was of incendiary origin and that clues have been found which will lead to arrests was the information given out here today following an investigation by deputies from the state fire marshal's office.

The information upon which the fire marshal's deputies have been working, has been in their hands since after the fire, but owing to the need for secrecy while clues were being developed, the investigation was carried on under cover, it was said.

Early on the morning of the fire, E. N. Bussing, field superintendent of the Astoria water department, was awakened and when he was informed of the seriousness of the conflagration went to the telephone to order the cutting off of water service from all of the residence districts in order to allow a concentration of the water pressure in the fire area. He found his wires had been cut, so his efforts to connect with the water department were futile.

Bussing thereupon discovered that his house had been entered and the telephone wires severed inside his dwelling. He found an open window through which entry had been made and other clues which may lead to the arrest of the man who cut the connections.

Bussing gave his information to the state fire marshal's office the next day and special investigators have since been at work on the case. Suspects are now under surveillance, but no arrests have been made.

Cut Phone Wires Give Clue, and Fire Marshals Investigate—Suspects Under Surveillance—Keep Probe Secret—Evidence Offered.

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APPLE PRICES HIGHER IN EASTERN MARKET

CHICAGO, Dec. 27.—Prices for fruits and vegetables generally declined during the week ending Saturday, the United States bureau of markets reported today although the market continued steady. The holiday season brought increased prices to the apple market. Best stocks jumped from \$4.25 to \$4.75 to \$5 a barrel.

AMERICANS FIND PRICELESS JEWELS IN TOMB OF KING, DEAD 3000 YEARS

LUXOR, Egypt, Dec. 28.—Some of the priceless treasures found in the tomb of King Tutankhamen saw daylight for the first time in more than 3,000 years yesterday when Howard Carter and Arthur Mace, excavators of the Metropolitan museum of art of New York removed their find to King Seti, a half mile away. One of the objects thus transferred was a magnificent inlaid box upon which was depicted King Tutankhamen and his queen at a lion hunt. The box contained the queen's robes and jewelry, including a large black amber necklace.

An alabaster vase containing a substance believed to be balm for the dead similar to that mentioned in the Bible, also was removed to the Seti tomb, where all the treasures will be subjected to a further preserving process.

CONFESSION MER ROUGE INVOLVE 45

Ex-Mayor Designated As the Leader of Ku Klux Klan, Loses Legal Fight—To Face Murder Charge—Identity of Mob Known—Open Hearings January 5.

BASTROP, La., Dec. 28.—(By the Associated Press.)—The confessions, involving 45 citizens of Morehouse parish in the kidnapping and murder last August of Walt Daniels and Thomas Richards, whose bodies were recovered last week from Lake La Fourche, have been made, it was learned here today on the highest authority.

The signed confessions were taken to New Orleans by agents of the department of justice who obtained them, it was stated, on the promise of immunity.

Practically every man named in the confession is under surveillance and their arrests are merely awaiting word from state authorities.

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BALTIMORE, Md., Dec. 28.—Dr. B. M. McKoin, former mayor of Mer Rouge, La., today lost his fight for immediate release on habeas corpus proceedings. He was remanded "without prejudice" to give the Louisiana authorities opportunity to present their case.

Dr. McKoin was arrested Tuesday at the request of Governor Parker of Louisiana, who accused him of murder in connection with the Morehouse parish kidnapping last August.

Three judges of the Baltimore supreme bench sitting in city court denied Dr. McKoin the right to bail.

A dispatch from Attorney General Cocco of Louisiana to State's Attorney Leach, stated that Dr. McKoin formally had been charged with the murder of Walt Daniels and Thomas Richards. The dispatch added that a deputy sheriff was on his way here with the necessary papers.

Many telegrams, some of them having passed between Governor Parker and Governor Ritchie of Maryland, were read during the habeas corpus proceedings. In one Dr. McKoin was designated as a leader of the Ku Klux Klan.

Telegrams from noted physicians of the south and businessmen of Louisiana were read attesting the good reputation of Dr. McKoin.

The telegram declaring Dr. McKoin was (Continued on Page six.)