

The Weather

Prediction Rain or snow
Maximum yesterday 57.5
Minimum today 27.5

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

Weather Year Ago

Maximum 52
Minimum 27.5
Precipitation .09

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

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INDICTMENT FOR MURDER TO BE ASKED

Attorney Genl. Coco Will Ask Grand Jury to Indict Capt. Skipwith, Head of Ku Klux Klan for Deaths of Daniel and Richards—Hearing to End Tomorrow.

BASTROP, La., Jan. 24.—(By the Associated Press)—Attorney General Coco said today that he would attempt to obtain an indictment for murder against Captain J. K. Skipwith, head of the Morehouse parish Ku Klux Klan, when evidence obtained at the hearing here into conditions in the parish is placed before the grand jury.

BASTROP, La., Jan. 24.—(By the Associated Press)—Leon L. Jones of Moselle, Miss., regarded as the "mysterious witness" was en route here today to testify at the open hearing. Jones is said to be the owner of the broken down automobile parked near Lake LaFourche on the night of August 24. It is said that he saw a black hooded band having Watt Daniel and T. F. Richard as prisoners, arrive at the lake. The bodies of Daniel and Richard were found in Lake LaFourche on December 22.

End Hearing Tomorrow. BASTROP, La., Jan. 24.—(By the Associated Press)—Because of the inability of Leon L. Jones of Moselle, Miss., to come to Bastrop today, it was officially announced this afternoon that the open hearing into hooded band activities would not close until tomorrow.

Martial Law Threatened. BASTROP, La., Jan. 24.—(By the Associated Press)—Governor Parker will declare martial law in Morehouse parish if threats of any kind are made against any of the state's witnesses between adjournment of the Morehouse open hearing and trial of persons to be indicted for alleged participation in outrages by hooded men in the parish, it was learned today on good authority.

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BASTROP, La., Jan. 24.—(By the Associated Press)—H. H. Riordan, general manager of the Monroe district of the Southern Carbon company, was the first witness today in the hearing into the activities of masked men in Morehouse parish. He was questioned concerning time books and records of the plant at Spkyer, from which Harold Teegerstrom, the timekeeper, disappeared December 29.

Teegerstrom's time book and other documents were brought into court by Mr. Riordan and were placed in evidence.

Under date of August 24, there appeared in the time book a check mark indicating, he said, that J. Jeff Lynett had worked as night watchman that night.

Can Explain Erasure. "But there also appears a disturbance or an erasure on this line. Can you explain how that occurred?" Riordan was asked.

Burnet who has been identified by several witnesses as a member of the hooded band which kidnaped Watt Daniel and T. F. Richard on August 24.

Tennessee Judge Is Nominated for Seat U. S. Supreme Court

WASHINGTON, Jan. 24.—Edward T. Sanford, United States district judge for the eastern and middle districts of Tennessee since 1908, was nominated today by President Harding to be associate justice of the supreme court to fill the vacancy caused by the retirement of Justice Pitney.

C. HALL'S BILL IS FAVORED BY SENATE

Committee Decides to Report Favorably On Charles Hall's Consolidation Measure—Minority Report to Be Made Favoring Carkin Measure Junket to Corvallis.

SALEM, Ore., Jan. 24.—Favorable report by a majority of the senate committee on county and state offices on the consolidation bill introduced by Senator Charles Hall, which proposes to reduce state departments to four, has been decided upon but a minority report will be filed by Senator A. J. Johnson, who with Representative J. H. Carkin is author of another consolidation bill providing for six departments.

The senate committee on medicine, dentistry and pharmacy will report favorably the bill providing for sterilization of defectives and criminals. The measure is intended to replace one which was declared unconstitutional.

Senate and house members today went to Corvallis to inspect Oregon Agricultural college.

The house judiciary committee has under consideration arguments made last night on the proposed anti-alley land bill. Phillip Tyndall of Seattle, who was invited by the American Legion to speak in favor of the bill declared it a measure of national defense.

SALEM, Ore., Jan. 24.—Compromise of a dispute between the federal government and the state of Oregon over lands at Malheur lake and modification of an act passed at the 1921 session of the legislature, affirming the state's right in beds of all lakes in the state, which had special reference to Malheur lake are recommendations made in a report prepared by a committee given out today and which will be considered Friday by the state land board.

Rights of squatters within the meander lines are recognized in the report of the committee, which is composed of L. A. Lilley, member of the state attorney general's staff, J. A. McAllister, secretary of the state desert land board, and Percy A. Cupper, state engineer.

The legislature's action two years ago was a development in a contest between the state and the federal government over the Malheur lake land, the federal government having

Rody "Out," But Flappers Rejoice Three New "Sheiks" In Beauty War!



NEW YORK—Choose your Sheik, girls—the war's on! A beauty contest beside which all others will pale is now being staged and the hearts of misses are doing a frantic pit-a-pat from Broadway to Main Street.

MEMBERS FATAL HUNTING PARTY FINED \$50 EACH

A number of game law violations for hunting deer out of season were disposed of by Justice Taylor today, due to the activity in enforcing the law by Patrick Dailey and William Coleman, game warden and deputy game warden respectively.

An echo of the illegal deer hunting party of last Thursday in the Foothills district when Ralph Temple of Portland was accidentally killed, came when W. E. Temple and W. H. Temple, father and brother respectively of the dead man, and J. W. Harrison, Foothills Creek rancher, the accidental discharge of whose rifle ended young Temple's life, entered pleas of guilty, and were fined \$50 and costs.

L. A. Worden of Medford was fined \$75 by Justice Taylor this forenoon for killing a deer out of season. Worden on last Sunday killed a deer in the Elk creek section. In some manner this came to the attention of Messrs. Dailey and Coleman and when last night Worden arrived in the city with the head of the deer to have it mounted, he was very much surprised to be caught red handed by Deputy Coleman and placed under arrest.

Daily Report on the Crime Wave

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Jan. 24.—Two armed men this afternoon robbed a jewelry store owned by M. B. Pattiz, and escaped with jewelry valued at between \$25,000 and \$30,000 after compelling Pattiz, a girl clerk and a woman customer to lie face down on the floor of an adjoining room. The jewelry establishment is in the downtown business district.

TEA POT DOME OIL PIPE LINE PLOT THICKENS

WASHINGTON, Jan. 24.—Decision of the Sinclair Pipe Line company to build a pipe line to the Wyoming oil fields was made without regard to the lease obtained from the government by the Sinclair interests to the Teapot Dome naval oil reserve.

Mr. Stewart, who was asked about the proposed pipe line because the Standard of Indiana owns half of the Sinclair Pipe Line company, explained that the decision to build the line was based on present conditions under which all oil produced in the Wyoming field must be shipped out by railroad.

"Then the Sinclair interests did not really assume an obligation by promising the government to build the pipe line?" asked the committee attorney.

COMMISSION TO WORK FOR UNDER GROUND CROSSING

O. C. Boggs outlined the contemplated activities of the City Planning commission, before the Crater club last evening, and among other subjects discussed was the matter of opening Sixth street across the Southern Pacific right of way.

SCOTTISH RITE COUNCIL BARS KU KLUX KLAN

BOSTON, Jan. 24.—Frederick W. Hamilton, supreme council of the Masonic order for Massachusetts has issued a notice to Scottish Rite Masonic members that no member of the Ku Klux Klan is entitled to membership in the organization.

This contract provides that the Sinclair company shall pay the government for the majority of oil purchased, the highest price then obtaining either in the Salt Creek field or the mid-continent field.

N. H. Solons Would Compel Everyone to Sleep Eight Hours

CONCORD, N. H., Jan. 24.—Bills were introduced in the legislature yesterday to make eight hours sleep in 24 compulsory, to provide for the appointment of a commission to investigate all homes and determine whether they were happy, to provide that no woman shall marry her grandson and to forbid the Ku Klux Klan from calling meetings unless authorized by the klegale.

YANKS HAUL DOWN FLAG QUIT RHINE

American Forces in Germany Pass in Review Before General Allen On March 'Home'—French Tri-Color Run Up—Parting Sad One to Natives.

EHRENBREITSTEIN, Jan. 24.—(By the Associated Press)—The American troops were withdrawn from the Rhine today, ending American military participation in the occupational area.



because they said they could not bear to witness the lowering of the flag that meant the breaking of so many close ties.

EHRENBREITSTEIN, Jan. 24.—(By the Associated Press)—The American flag was hauled down from Ehrenbreitstein at noon today.

PROMISE BIG LIQUOR SENSATION WASHINGTON, DIPLOMATS SCARED

WASHINGTON, Jan. 24.—(By the Associated Press)—Declaring they have hit the trail to one important source through which "embassy liquors" have found their way into the bootleg trade of the national capital, police officers in charge of prohibition enforcement here intimated today that disclosure of a sensational character might soon result.

RUHR COAL BARONS ARE CONVICTED

French Show Leniency, However, and Confine Punishment to Fines—Germans Threaten to Retaliate By Calling General Strike—Situation Continues Tense.

MAYENCE, Jan. 24.—(By the Associated Press)—Fritz Thyssen and the five other German industrialists charged by the French with refusing to cooperate with the French plans for delivery of reparations coal from the Ruhr valley were all found guilty by a court martial here today. Fines were inflicted.

Herr Thyssen was fined 5,100 francs; Herr Wolfe 224,300 francs and Herr Spindler 47,752 francs.

MAYENCE, Jan. 24.—(By the Associated Press)—Fritz Thyssen and his five fellow German industrialists apparently faced only fines by the French court martial trying them here today for their resistance to the French demands for Ruhr valley coal.

The prosecutor referred the court to the provision in the regulations of General DeGoutte for the imposition of a fine in case of refusal by the Germans to comply with orders.

The trial began immediately upon the arrival of Herren Thyssen, Kesten, Wuestenheifer, Tengelmann, Wolfe and Spindler. Dr. Grimm argued for the illegality of the arrests and the trial and demanded that the court declare itself incompetent.

Faithful to Fatherland. "I am a German and my duty compels me to obey the orders of my country and to serve my country," he said.

Thyssen told how the industrial leaders informed M. Coste, head of the French general inspectors of mines that they would supply coal if paid for it, provided the German government did not order otherwise.

Germans Protest. WASHINGTON, Jan. 24.—The German government, in two notes handed the French, British and Belgian governments, has protested against al-

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WIDOW OF CONGRESSMAN NOLAN IS ELECTED TO TAKE HUSBAND'S SEAT

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 24.—While the only two women now in congress, Mrs. Winifred Huck of Illinois and Miss Alice Robertson of Oklahoma, will retire with the adjournment of the present session, another congresswoman, Mrs. Mae Nolan, widow of Representative John I. Nolan of the fifth California district, will have a seat in the next session as the result of a special election here yesterday.

Mrs. Nolan was chosen to fill both the unexpired term of her late husband and the next regular term.