

**The Weather**

Prediction	Cloudy
Maximum yesterday	28
Minimum today	20.7
Precipitation	.04

# MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

**Weather Year Ago**

Maximum	35
Minimum	30
Precipitation	.03

Daily—Seventeenth Year.  
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## G. BRITAIN READY FOR TURK WAR

**Airplanes and Troops Hastened to Mosul Oil Fields—Turks Belligerent—Only a Spark Needed to Bring Hostilities in Near East—Russia Grows.**

LONDON, Jan. 29.—(By the Associated Press.)—In view of the Turkish attitude at Lausanne regarding the Mosul district, the British military authorities in the Iraq have dispatched a battalion of troops and also a few airplanes to the area between Mosul and Sherghat (65 miles south of Mosul) as a precautionary measure.

BELGRADE, Jan. 29.—The government newspaper Tribuna says today that Foreign Minister Tschirner of Russia and Ismet Pasha have made a secret agreement at Lausanne by which Russia and Turkey will give each other military support in the Near East in case hostilities are resumed. The agreement which is said to have been accepted by both the soviet and Turkish governments, stipulates that Russia will send several divisions into Mesopotamia should the British and Turks take up arms.

The newspaper also asserts that under the terms of a special agreement made at Lausanne between Russia and Bulgaria, Russian troops may be sent into western Thrace across Bulgarian territory.

Turkey agrees not to conclude any agreement at Lausanne without the previous consent of Russia, the Tribuna adds.

**Situation is Tense**  
LAUSANNE, Jan. 29.—(By the Associated Press.)—A draft of the proposed treaty of peace which is to be submitted to the Turks on Wednesday was distributed semi-officially to all delegations today. The document contains 160 articles, to which eight conventions are annexed.

There were no developments today to show that the Turks were more favorably disposed toward signing. The eight conventions deal respectively with the straits of the Bosphorus, the status of foreigners in Turkey, the Albanian declaration regarding payment of the Ottoman debt, the commercial agreement with Turkey, the armistice declaration and the exchange of populations and exchange of prisoners of war between Turkey and Greece which last two will be signed tomorrow by these two powers.

The atmosphere about the conference was tense today, the chiefs of the allied delegations holding lengthy consultations.

The Turkish representatives said the situation was so critical and difficult that they would make no statement, although one of the secretaries expressed the hope that the speeches brought out by the presentation of the draft in the conference Wednesday would be of such a conciliatory nature that a rupture would be avoided.

**Belgrade Report Denied**  
LAUSANNE, Jan. 29.—(By the Associated Press.)—The spokesman at the Russian delegation here today characterized as an invention the Bel-

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## Claims Heads Royal Family Preserved in Alcohol at Moscow

MANILLA, P., Jan. 29.—(By the Associated Press.)—The heads of the late Czar Nicholas of Russia and of his family who met death with him at Ekaterinberg at the hands of revolutionists are being preserved in alcohol in the Kremlin at Moscow, according to Captain Firmin, chief of staff of the Russian refugee fleet anchored at the Mariveles quarantine station near here.

Captain Firmin who served with Admiral Kolchak's anti-bolshevik army in Siberia, asserted that documents captured by Kolchak troops at Ekaterinberg revealed that the heads of the murdered members of the Russian royal family were cut off and preserved in alcohol and the trunks of the bodies burned.

## ORDERS ARREST MISSING KLAN TRIAL WITNESS

**Harold Teegerstrom, Who Disappeared From Bastrop, Louisiana, Dec. 29, Suddenly Appears at Morehouse—Attorney General Acts**

MONROE, La., Jan. 29.—Harold Teegerstrom, who disappeared from the bunkhouse of the Southern Carbon company near Bastrop the night of December 29, and was sought in connection with the open hearing into "hooded band activities," in Morehouse parish, appeared on the streets of Monroe at noon and declared to all his acquaintances he was "back to stay."

NEW ORLEANS, La., Jan. 29.—Harold Teegerstrom, who appeared today at Monroe as suddenly as he disappeared from the plant of the Southern Carbon company near Bastrop last month, will be arrested immediately as a material witness in connection with the kidnaping and slaying of Watt Daniel and T. F. Richard, it was said today at the office of Attorney General Cooch here.

ATLANTA, Ga., Jan. 29.—(By the Associated Press.)—Jeff Smith and J. D. (Curley) Smith, two of the eleven defendants called for trial in district court here today on charges of murder of Joe Carroll in December, 1921, were granted severances by Judge W. E. Sheeman. Carroll was shot when he appeared with a gun at the door of his home after being summoned by a party of masked men.

A motion was made by counsel for Jeff Smith asking for a delay in his trial because his regular counsel was detained in Oklahoma City by the serious illness of a child. Court recessed while this motion was put into writing.

**Bebe Daniels Operated On for Appendicitis**

NEW YORK, Jan. 29.—Bebe Daniels, motion picture actress, underwent an operation for appendicitis today at Roosevelt hospital.

Dr. John F. Erdmann, who performed the operation, said Miss Daniels' condition was "most satisfactory." The actress had been ill for several weeks.

## CENSORSHIP CLAMPED ON RUHR BASIN

**France Censors All Reports, So Little News Is Available—Strike Reported Growing, Arrests Increasing—Only 50,000 French Troops in Ruhr, Says Jusserand.**

(By the Associated Press)  
Supervision of press dispatches from the Ruhr valley and the other parts of the German territory occupied by the French has been established by the French government. Dispatches regarded by the supervisor as untrue and likely to cause mischief are referred to the minister of the interior.

The news from the Ruhr was meager today. The latest advices indicated the railroad strike was continuing effectively, with the French keeping up a conciliatory policy toward the railroad workers.

The coal output of the valley was about two-thirds of the normal on Saturday, the last full working day for which reports were available. Quiet prevailed throughout the valley Sunday.

In Washington the French embassy announced that only about 50,000 French troops were engaged in the Ruhr movement. It made public a list of the forces.

COBLENZ, Jan. 29.—(By the Associated Press.)—Railroad traffic in the Rhineland was brought almost to a standstill at four o'clock this afternoon when the partial strike which has been in progress the last few days suddenly became general.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—Insisting that despite published reports to the contrary "only about 50,000" French troops are engaged in the Ruhr movement, the French embassy today made public the following list of these forces:

The 22d corps, composed of two infantry divisions; the thirty-third corps, composed of three infantry divisions, one cavalry division of four brigades and one section of railway engineers.

It was said the Belgian troops engaged in the operations amounted to five infantry battalions, two batteries of artillery and a detachment of field railway engineers.

**Guernsey Refuse to Obey**  
DUESSELDORF, Jan. 29.—(By the Associated Press.)—The Ruhr occupation officials turned their attention today to extending their control of the railway lines. This operation is being hampered by the refusal of the German workmen to take orders from the French.

The rail strike is completely effective in Coblenz, but two battalions of French engineers have taken over the lines and placed heavy guards at important points.

The workers have served notice that they will not resume their jobs while French troops are present.

There is no communication between this city and Duisburg and Essen, while yesterday only one train was operated to Mayence.

## Charley Announces His Engagement to Polish Film Star

DEL MONTE, Cal., Jan. 29.—By saying "we're engaged," Charlie Chaplin, film comedian, and Pola Negri, Polish screen star, confirmed persistent rumors that they were to be married, although rumors current



CHARLIE CHAPLIN

in film and newspaper circles indicate the wedding will be within a short time.

When the film stars granted an interview to newspaper men, Charlie bluntly said, "we're engaged," whereupon Miss Negri affirmed Chaplin's announcement. Then, according to correspondents, they terminated the interview in a typical "close up and fadeaway."

## PRESIDENT HARDING IS STILL AN INVALID

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—Because his doctor advised him against exposure while he is recovering from the grippe, President Harding today cancelled an engagement to address government bureau heads late in the afternoon at their usual semi-annual budget conference.

The president spent much of the day at work at his desk, however, and it was said at the White House that he had virtually regained the strength he lost during the week he was kept away from his desk by illness.

## Daily Report on the Crime Wave

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 29.—A pistol fight Saturday night with two bandits resulted in the death here today of William Engler, 40 years old, a pool hall owner.

Engler was accosted at his residence just as he locked up his garage. He hesitated in obeying the order to hold up his hands, believing the two men to be joking neighbors. They shot him and he fell paralyzed from the waist down, but drawing his pistol he fired at the bandits as they fled.

## The Noted Dead

ROME, Jan. 29.—(By the Associated Press.)—Elithu Vedder, artist, died here today.

Elithu Vedder was born in New York City February 26, 1836. He took up his home residence in Rome in 1877, although he subsequently made frequent visits to the United States.

## J. H. CARKIN OFFERS NEW INCOME TAX

**Local Representative Introduces New Income Tax Measure in House—Combines Features of Other Measures—Governor Opposes Property Tax, Autos.**

SALEM, Ore., Jan. 29.—The third income tax bill to appear at the present session of the legislature was introduced today by Representative J. H. Carkin of Medford, a member of the National Tax association. The bill combines features of the flat four per cent income tax on individuals and the progressive tax, which also includes corporations, and is based on recommendations of the National Tax association.

A fourth measure to consolidate state government departments was introduced today by Senator H. L. Corbett of Portland. It would establish three departments, public affairs, fiscal affairs and welfare, each presided over by an elective officer, the governor, secretary of state and state treasurer, heading departments in the order named.

The public service commissioners would be appointed by the governor instead of elected and the corporation and insurance departments would be consolidated and the state tax commission cut to one member.

In the continued absence today of Speaker Kubli on account of illness Representative C. W. Brownell of Portland was elected speaker pro tempore at the opening session of the house today.

Governor W. M. Pierce today announced he would ask Herbert Nunn, state highway engineer, and J. M. Devers, attorney for the highway department, for a conference on the advisability of having the provisions in the laws of 1919 and 1921 relating to the gasoline tax redrafted for the purpose of protecting them against attacks on their constitutionality.

The governor said he was taking this step because of a decision recently handed down by the supreme court of Florida in which a similar statute was held unconstitutional.

Governor Pierce today declared himself against placing a property tax upon automobiles as has been broached during the present session of the legislature. I would rather see the legislature double the license fee on automobiles," he declared, "than to put a property tax upon them."

The governor said he would not be surprised if the license fee on light cars is placed at \$30 instead of the present \$15 and fees on the heavier cars raised proportionately.

## FIRE AT DYNAMITE, 3 YOUTHS KILLED

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla., Jan. 29.—Three youths were killed and five others were injured when one of them fired a shot into sticks of dynamite which had been placed for snipekicking in a knapsack hanging in a palmetto tree. They were on a hiking trip at the time.

## INNOCENT OF CRIME, COMMITS SUICIDE

MANILA, Jan. 29.—(By the Associated Press.)—Lieutenant Commander Eugene P. Douglas, paymaster of the flagship Huron of the United States Asiatic fleet, committed suicide yesterday aboard the flagship while dependent over the appearance of the ship's stores (tw) which he was not responsible, according to a statement issued by Captain C. D. Stearns of the Huron. Captain Stearns paid a high tribute to the dead officer's devotion to duty.

20 Above in Bellingham.  
BELLINGHAM, Wash., Jan. 29.—The thermometer last night registered 20 degrees above zero following a fall of three inches of snow yesterday. The temperature was the lowest of the year. Snow in parts of the country was drifted this morning so that some of the stages were unable to get through.

## Wally Reid's Widow to Raise Funds for Curing Drug Addicts

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 29.—Mrs. Dorothy Davenport Reid, widow of Wallace Reid, motion picture actor, announced in detail today plans for making a film, the profits from which will be used to found a sanitarium for treatment of drug addicts.

Her husband died at Hollywood on January 18, after a collapse brought on by the use of narcotics. The sanitarium, Mrs. Reid said, will be a memorial to him.

Mrs. Reid, who has been both stage and screen actress, will be the leading woman of the film. Government officials, motion picture producers and film players who were friends of her husband will assist in producing the picture, which, she said, will be appropriated to the purpose for which it is planned.

## POOR SWEDE IS INDICTED FOR CHICAGO GRAFT

**Silent Boss in Big Bill Thompson's Machine Is Charged With Big Insurance Swindle—Action Believed to End Thompson's Rule.**

CHICAGO, Jan. 29.—Fred Lundin, former congressman and known as the silent power behind the political machine of Mayor William Hale Thompson, and twenty-three others, were named in a blanket indictment returned in court today by the special grand jury which is investigating school board affairs.

Virtus Rohm, Lundin's nephew, also was among the indicted men, who included several indicted previously by the same grand jury in connection with the administration of school funds and property.

The indictment contains a blanket conspiracy charge and contains 24 counts.

The third count of the indictment charged conspiracy to obtain \$1,000,000 from the City of Chicago and the fifth count charged a conspiracy to obtain \$1,000,000 from the state.

The thirteenth count charged conspiracy for violation of duty in allowing contracts to be let at the instance of Lundin, who with others was charged with sharing the profits.

The fifteenth count charged prevention of competition. The sixteenth charged that \$1,000,000 was diverted to the private use of various persons and firms by letting contracts and making purchases at exorbitant prices.

The true bill was returned before Chief Justice Michael L. McKinley of the criminal court who set the bonds of the defendants at \$10,000 each.

Mr. Lundin was reported to be in Cuba and Mr. Rohm was recently reported to be in Los Angeles. Rohm is in the insurance business and it was reported that he and Lundin were partners for a time and did an enormous business in spot insurance. It was reported that this insurance business was barred before the special grand jury and that it was in connection with the insurance deals that the grand jury acted in connection with the case of Lundin and his nephew.

## STATE BILL TO HIT THE FILM TRUST

**Measure Introduced in State Legislature to Prevent Film Distributors From Fixing of Prices at Oregon Movie Theatres—Garb Bill Passes Senate**

SALEM, Ore., Jan. 29.—Following a conference today of Governor W. M. Pierce with Herbert Nunn, state highway engineer, and J. M. Devers, attorney for the highway commission, it was announced that a bill will be drawn placing an additional tax of one cent a gallon on gasoline. This will make a total of three cents, one cent having been imposed by the act of 1919 and another cent by the act of 1921.

SALEM, Ore., Jan. 29.—The anti-sectarian garb bill passed the senate today. This measure is intended to prevent teachers in public schools appearing in costume of any religious order while teaching classes. Two senators voted against it.

Producers or distributors of motion pictures would be prohibited from fixing the price of admission to be charged by motion picture theaters under the terms of a bill introduced today by Representative E. N. Hurd of Seaside. In support of his bill, Hurd called attention to the case of a motion picture house at Seaside which operated for a time on the "pay what you please" theory. The manager, he said, was refused films from the producers unless he charged the designated admission price.

SALEM, Ore., Jan. 29.—A big Shepherd dog barely saved the lives of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Ackerman, when, early this morning, the Yale laundry and the O. K. rooming house here burned to the ground. Mr. and Mrs. Ackerman, who are sound sleepers, were on the second floor of the building and the fire was well under way when they heard the frantic bark of the dog. Roused, Mr. Ackerman dragged his wife from the building.

## R. W. BLISS NOMINATED MINISTER TO SWEDEN

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—Robert Wood Bliss of New York, third assistant secretary of state, was nominated by President Harding today to be minister to Sweden, succeeding Ira Nelson Morris, who recently resigned.

J. Butler Wright of Wyoming, who has been in the diplomatic service for a number of years, was nominated third assistant secretary to succeed Mr. Bliss.

## FAMILY REFUSES TO BELIEVE FATHER DEAD

PHOENIX, Ariz., Jan. 29.—With the ending of the sixth day since George W. Stevenson passed into an unconscious state, members of his family this afternoon continued their watch by his body and held to the belief that Stevenson is merely in a state of suspended animation.

The body lies in a Phoenix undertaking establishment, where it was removed by order of Coroner Fred Holt after nine physicians had pronounced Stevenson dead.

## INVESTIGATION OF RACE RIOTS IN INDIANA LEADS TO 2 MORE DEATHS

BLANFORD, Ind., Jan. 29.—An investigation into a report of the outbreak of the race troubles existing here resulted in a riot early today during which two unidentified men were shot to death and Sheriff Harry Newland and an unidentified man were wounded.

Prosecuting Attorney W. A. Sat-