

The Weather

Prediction Rain
Maximum yesterday.....44.5
Minimum today.....22

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

Weather Year Ago

Maximum 50
Minimum 22

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

MEDFORD, OREGON, WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 1923

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ENTIRE LAND IN GRIP OF STORM KING

**Portland Partially Snowbound
By Blizzard—Cold Wave
Spreading, Florida Alone
Exempt—Zero Weather in
Northwest and Middlewest
Had Hit.**

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 14.—Portland was partially snowbound this morning as the result of a blizzard which continued about 24 hours. The storm reached its height last night and had abated this morning. Drifts two to five feet high impeded traffic but the street cars were gradually resuming service on such lines as had been blocked. Railroads reported trains moving. The minimum temperature early today was fourteen above.

ELLENBURG, Wash., Feb. 14.—The worst blizzard of the year was raging in the Cascade mountains west of here today. Telegraph lines between Seattle and Ellensburg were down and transcontinental train service delayed.

Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul passenger train No. 18, eastbound, from Seattle, was stalled at Garfield, just west of the Cascade summit. The mountain stretch of the road which is electrified, was temporarily out of commission as the result of prostrated trolley, power and feeder lines.

Northern Pacific passenger train No. 334, eastbound, was delayed four hours by the heavy snow. In the last three days, according to reports here, six feet of snow have fallen in the foothills.

The minimum temperature recorded here last night was one degree below zero. High winds continued today.

OMAHA, Neb., Feb. 14.—The cold wave which began in the Missouri valley last night today brought sub-zero temperatures, with eight below reported at Sioux City, Iowa, and three below at Omaha. Valentine was the coldest point in Nebraska with ten below.

Prediction for colder weather for eastern Nebraska tonight was made by the United States weather bureau.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 14.—Cold weather will spread all over the sections east of the Mississippi river except southern Florida by late tomorrow, according to weather bureau forecast which says the cold snap will continue the remainder of the week.

The weather bureau referred to the cold wave in the west as "severe" but made no prediction as to its duration.

SPOKANE, Feb. 14.—A blanket of snow that covered the state of Washington and extended as far south as Salem, Ore., was being increased in most parts of the state today. The heaviest fall was reported from western Washington cities, Aberdeen reporting twenty inches, Olympia two feet and Bellingham six inches.

At Aberdeen drifts had stalled motor and street car traffic. Local traffic at Everett was suspended but trains were moving, although railroad wires were down. Street cars were tied up at Olympia and interurban stages were finding hard going.

Meanwhile near zero temperatures prevailed over the state. At Walla Walla, where four inches of snow during the night brought the fall to 17 inches, the minimum was four above. At Wenatchee and Yakima it was three above with a light snow falling. Everett and Aberdeen reported fifteen above and Bellingham eleven above. Olympia reported thirty above and Salem, Ore., nineteen above.

The minimum temperature here

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BORAH WOULD OUTLAW WAR AND PUNISH DIPLOMATS AND PROFITEERS

WASHINGTON, Feb. 14.—A resolution declaring it to be the sense of the senate that war should be "outlawed as an institution or means for the settlement of international controversies," and proposing creation and adoption of a code of international law and an international

Now Mabel Normand Wears Wedding Ring Denies She's Married

NEW YORK, Feb. 14.—Mabel Normand, moving picture star, denied today that she was married, but declined to explain her diamond studded wedding ring.

She arrived last night on the steamship Baltic after several months abroad. There was gossip among the passengers that she had been married last December in London.

FRENCH DISCLAIM REPORT HAMBURG WILL BE SEIZED

**Berlin Rumor Fabrication—
Gold Marks to Stabilize Ex-
change—Severe Penalty for
Sabotage and Tampering
With Wires.**

PARIS, Feb. 14.—(By the Associated Press.)—France has no intention of occupying Hamburg, it was officially announced today by the foreign office.

The report that such an intention existed, published in the German press, giving even the name of the French admiral entrusted with the operation was an entire fabrication, it was declared.

PARIS, Feb. 14.—(By the Associated Press.)—The German government has asked the Reichsbank to throw 350,000,000 gold marks on the market in order to stabilize exchange, says a Havas dispatch from Berlin today, and the governors of the bank, convinced of the futility of the proposal, have resigned. The government, adds the message, is persisting in its demand.

PARIS, Feb. 14.—(By the Associated Press.)—The French government has decided to propose in the chamber of deputies a decrease of one-half of one per cent in the interest rate of the national defense bonds. A bill to this effect has been deposited with the finance commission of the chamber.

PARIS, Feb. 14.—(By the Associated Press.)—The French federation of labor authorities, at a fully attended meeting today decided the federation would not take part in the coal strike threatened for Friday by the communist group of miners, 35,000 strong. It was stated the federation's decision was taken after promises had been made by the government to obtain an equitable solution of the wage question.

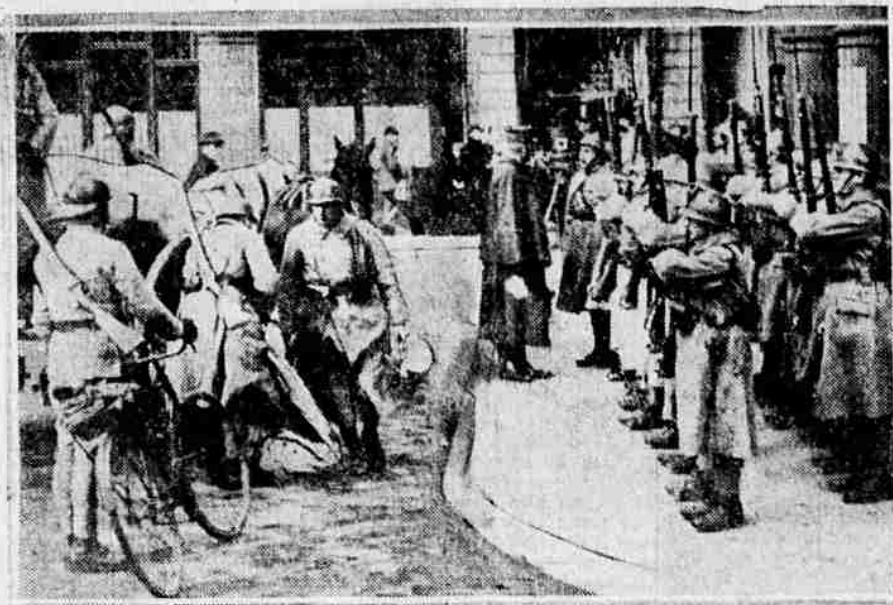
GELSENKIRCHEN, Feb. 14.—It is reported in French circles that severe sanctions are to be imposed in consequence of acts of sabotage which have caused an interference in telegraph and telephone communication with Paris.

Similar penalties will be affected at Bochum because the German authorities have refused to permit the French to requisition motor cars. A threat to murder the chauffeurs if the automobiles are taken over has been reported to the occupation officers.

SUGAR PRICES IN JUMP UPWARD

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 14.—The wholesale price of sugar jumped \$1.25 a sack here today. Best cane was quoted at \$9.25 per hundred pounds by local jobbers. This was the largest single advance here since war time.

French Soldiers Use Bayonets in Ruhr Riots



These soldiers in Dortmund, being inspected by General Hoerster, are on the alert following recent rioting by Germans in which bayonets were resorted to on one occasion.

DAKOTAS SWEEP BY COLD WAVE, WORST 25 YEARS

**Blizzard Piles Drifts On Tracks
Stalling Trains—Known
Deaths, 4—High Winds
Halt Relief—All Railroad
Service at Standstill.**

ST. PAUL, Minn., Feb. 14.—Train service was virtually tied up by snow today in Minnesota, the Dakotas, Wisconsin, Saskatchewan and Wisconsin. The storm is the worst this section has experienced in a quarter century. Gales piled fine snow into huge drifts which stalled trains on all roads except those leading to the east and south.

Close on the heels of the blizzard came a severe cold wave, with temperatures well below zero. At St. Paul early today it was 30 below. This cold wave is expected to continue to hamper trains after the winds die down.

Four known deaths were reported. Four children of a family named Gibbs perished when their farm home, 12 miles northeast of Pine City, Minn., was burned late last night. Mrs. Gibbs and a fifth child are in a serious condition.

Little effort was made yesterday or last night to send out snow plows to clear some railways, as the thin snow would blow back quickly by the winds, which reached 50 miles or more in most sections of Minnesota, North and South Dakota and western Wisconsin.

Several passenger trains were reported stalled in drifts and many were held at division points until the weather clears up. All westbound trains out of the twin cities were annulled yesterday. Eastbound trains to Chicago were said to be making slow progress.

On the Great Northern not a wheel turned last night and last night on the transcontinental line between here and Williston, N. D., officials considering traffic unsafe, under existing conditions.

Many efforts were made to care for passengers on stalled trains. Early today thirty section hands were shoveling snow in an endeavor to enable a relief train to reach five carloads of livestock stalled in drifts four miles up from River Falls, Wis., on the Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis and Omaha railroad.

EFFECT OF STRIKE ON CIVIC RIGHTS PROBED

WASHINGTON, Feb. 14.—An investigation to determine whether civic rights of American citizens have been abridged or denied during labor controversies in the coal industry and whether breaches of civil or criminal law have been involved, with a purpose of fixing responsibility was begun today by the federal coal commission. Former Vice-president Marshall, one of the commission members, was detailed to make the preliminary examination.

MAINEVILLE, Feb. 14.—Smyrna harbor is thoroughly laid with mines which extend out to sea for a considerable distance, according to the captain of a steamer which arrived here this morning.

RUSH VOTE ON DEBT LENIENCY TO GT. BRITAIN

**Senate Leaders Urge Night
Session in Drive for Action
—Lodge Pleads for Gener-
ous Terms and to Let Pos-
terity Pay.**

WASHINGTON, Feb. 14.—A drive for a vote before adjournment tonight on the British debt funding bill was undertaken by senate leaders who reiterated their intention to hold a night session if necessary.

Discussion was opened today by Senator Lodge of Massachusetts, republican floor leader and chairman of the foreign relations committee, in a brief speech in support of the funding agreement.

The British-American agreement, he said, was of utmost importance, "a great substantial fact."

"It is of value to both countries," he said, "and of value to the world. We start with the proposition, of course, that there will be no cancellation of the foreign debt. But the United States has no desire to exact usurious interest or to make hard terms, but we are disposed to hold those debts and settle them on most reasonable and generous terms."

Referring to the large interest payments due from Great Britain, Senator Lodge added:

"We gain by this settlement a very large amount of the money. The maturity I know is long, but it is proper to place on posterity a large share of the debts of the war."

Except for the plan for congressional approval of future funding proposals, the bill would be limited to acceptance of the British funding agreement.

Acceptance of the Robinson amendment was said to have been agreed upon in conference today between Senator Smoot, republican, Utah, in charge of the bill and other leaders. The plan was said to be acceptable to several senators who had been planning to fight the measure.

Other negotiations in progress by senate leaders looked to avoiding the session planned for tonight by a unanimous consent agreement for a vote on the bill late today or tomorrow.

NO STATE ACTION ROSENBLUTH CASE

TACOMA, Feb. 14.—There will be no state action on the case of Captain Robert Rosenbluth, under indictment in federal court here for the murder of Major Alexander P. Cronkite at Camp Lewis in October, 1918, Prosecuting Attorney J. W. Selden announced, following the announcement from New York yesterday that removal proceedings had been dismissed.

Selden said he was through with the Rosenbluth case unless something develops about which he knows nothing.

CARKIN BILL BY HOUSE MIXES UP CONSOLIDATION

**Measure for Cabinet Form Is
Backed By Hall Forces—
Governor and Senate Favor
Another Compromise—To
Create Five Departments.**

SALEM, Ore., Feb. 14.—The compromise state government consolidation bill, prepared by Representative J. H. Carkin of Medford, which was intended to replace the Hall and the Johnson-Carkin bills, passed the house today with but one dissenting vote.

Passage of this bill, which provides a cabinet form of government, transfers the scene of the controversy over consolidation plans from the house to the senate and complicates the situation created by the agreement yesterday by Governor W. M. Pierce and 17 senators over another compromise bill. House and senate leaders said the outcome was problematical.

The forces in sympathy with Senator Charles Hall in the senate were said to be in favor of the bill which passed the house today.

The Carkin bill creates five departments, agriculture, business control, labor, public welfare and public works, each presided over by a secretary to be appointed by the governor.

The executive would set the secretaries' salaries but could not exceed a maximum set in the bill. The secretaries in turn would fix the compensation of the various bureau heads over which they have jurisdiction.

The senate today passed the bill introduced by Senator S. H. Brown of Gervais and Peter Zimmerman of Yamhill, designed to prevent adulteration of milk products by the use of manufactured ingredients.

The senate today killed Representative L. M. Graham's bill providing for re-insurance of highway bonds for construction of primary market roads.

JEWELS SMOULDER IN FIRE RUINS

NEW YORK, Feb. 14.—A fortune in gems, gold and silver, estimated at \$2,000,000 and upwards, lay buried today in the ashes in the smouldering wreckage of a six-story office building destroyed by fire in Maiden Lane, the jewel center of the world.

More than sixty jewelers and silversmiths occupied the building. When the walls and floors collapsed the safes were sent tumbling into the deep cellar. Experts said that the valuables, undoubtedly would be found intact.

Chinese Fight.
HANGCOW, China, Feb. 14.—(By the Associated Press.)—Hostilities are reported on the border of Szechwan province above Uatung between Szechwanese and troops of General Wu Pei Fu, the north China leader. Martial law has been declared at Ichang on the Yangtze river in this (Hupeh) province.

Portland Jail Used By Counterfeiters As Operation Base

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 14.—Activities of counterfeiters who have been "raising" notes in the corridors of the Multnomah county jail and passing the spurious currency from the jail, are under investigation by government authorities, according to revelations made by secret service operatives. Two \$1 bills, raised to the \$5 denomination, both of which were found in the possession of prisoners are in the hands of the authorities.

SPONSOR TAX ON MOVIES, FINANCE COST HIGHWAYS

**Sidelines of Science Also Are
Listed—Also Counties to
Combine On Road Bonding
—Majority Vote Bill Passes
—Tax Measures Killed.**

SALEM, Ore., Feb. 14.—For the admitted purpose of permitting the completion of the Roosevelt coast military highway from Astoria to the California line at an earlier date than the state highway commission can hope to finance it, a bill was prepared yesterday by the joint roads and highways committee.

Under the bill advantage would be taken by the coast counties of the act of 1921, which permits several districts to combine for road purposes and issue bonds on the property included in the district.

A bill which its sponsors say will produce \$1,000,000 a year through the levying of a 15 per cent tax on the income from all motion picture films, secret processes, patents, royalties and formulas used, rented leased or sold in the state also was reported.

A bill which would require that the actual consideration involved in the transfer of any real property named in the deed filed with the county recorder or county clerk was deflected by the house.

The senate passed Representative R. J. Ezell's house bill requiring county courts and commissioners to have a majority vote of the people before the selection of sites and construction of court houses.

The house yesterday killed three tax investigating commission bills, those giving superior powers to the state tax commission to empower uniform assessments; providing for showing true consideration in all deeds and requiring inheritance taxes to go into the irrevocable school fund. Two were passed, one to establish in all counties of the state a tax supervising and conservation commission such as now exists in Multnomah county and one to provide for a new method of assessing and taxing cut-over timber lands.

RUM PIRATES ROB RUM SMUGGLERS

NEW YORK, Feb. 14.—Evinceing belief that rum pirates were active at sea, customs and prohibition officials today broadcast a general alarm for a steam trawler which was reported to have robbed the auxiliary schooner, P. J. McLaughlin of nearly \$250,000 worth of liquor off the Jersey coast Sunday night.

JEWELS OF CZAR WORTH MILLIONS NOT FOUND IN SAILOR'S GRAVE

NEW YORK, Feb. 14.—None of the Russian crown jewels was found when the coffin of Seaman John Jones, buried in a Brooklyn cemetery, was disinterred today by the government.

The exhumation had been ordered to settle the question of whether \$4,000,000 worth of gems once belonging to Czar Nicholas had been smuggled into the United States in 1920 on the army transport Edollyn. It had been reported that the smugglers had concealed the jewels in the coffin of Jones who died at Gibraltar while the transport was on its way from Vladivostok.

Newspaper men were barred from the cemetery during the disinterment. The casket was held in the ground until a company of soldiers had arrived from Fort Hamilton and had been stationed around the grounds.

Grave diggers then carried the casket to the mortuary, where the shroud was removed. Nearly three-quarters of an hour was spent in examining the body, the clothing and the lining of the coffin.

In the presence of army officers and officials of the treasury department, the body was removed from the casket to permit complete examination. Then it was lifted back into the coffin and replaced in the ground.

BILL CURBS FREEDOM OF PETITIONS

**False Affidavits, Fraud and
Threats Against Signers—
Trees Along Highway Pro-
tected—No Licenses for
Hunters Who Kill for Deer
Heads—1927 Fair Up.**

SALEM, Ore., Feb. 14.—The senate today, after debate, passed Senator S. M. Garland's bill providing penalties for fraud in circulating initiative, referendum and recall petitions or in making false affidavits or threats to intimidate persons into signing petitions.

The senate defeated Representative Louis Kuehn's bill providing for signing initiative petitions at the office of the county clerk instead of in the hands of circulators.

Other house bills which died in the senate are one making it unlawful to cut or injure trees on a public highway without permission from the state highway department and one providing that game licenses shall not be issued to persons who at any time while hunting have killed or injured a human being.

The house has adopted the Gordon resolution to make the governor, secretary of state and state treasurer parties with Portland city officials in a corporation to be formed for purposes of holding a world's fair in Portland in 1927.

The senate adopted the report of the judiciary committee recommending passage of the anti-alien land bill, which already has passed the house.

The house rejected the senate bill already requiring the governor to name two dirt farmers or the state game commission and Senator A. J. Johnson's resolution calling for a 10 per cent cut in salaries of all state officers and employees whose compensation is not fixed by law.

Two constitutional amendments proposed by Senator J. C. Smith, one for repeal of the six per cent tax limitation amendment and the other proposing repeal of the educational millage taxes have been killed by the senate.

Senator W. H. Strayer's resolution proposing a constitutional amendment to repeal obsolete constitutional provisions covering salaries of state officers was adopted by the senate.

RAW SUGAR STOCK LEAPS 100 POINTS

NEW YORK, Feb. 14.—After advances of 28 to 72 points at the opening of the raw sugar futures market today, prices broke 100 points, the maximum fluctuations allowed in one day's trading by the exchange.

Yesterday's spectacular advance of 100 points had left many buyers around the ring. Today these orders were executed, causing an advance, May and July selling as high as \$6.40.

After the execution, however, there was heavy liquidation and prices tumbled one cent a pound in the first hour's trading.

DUESSELDORF.—Five hundred telephone girls refused to work in the same room with a French operator and the city was without telephone service.