

The Weather

Prediction Rain
Maximum yesterday 42
Minimum today 38.5
Precipitation Trace

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

Weather Year Ago
Maximum 37
Minimum 36
Precipitation .02

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

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HALE TELLS OWN STORY OF HANGING

Dramatic Scene Enacted in Jacksonville Court When Victim of Night Riders Reclining On Couch Recounts Experiences On Night of March 17, 1922.

Identification of Dr. J. J. P. Bray, minister and chiropractor, and partial identification of J. F. Hittson, auto dealer and former Medford chief of police, and M. B. Bunnell, retired, as alleged members of the night riders party of March 17, 1922, was made Monday afternoon by J. F. Hale, star witness for the state, and victim of the hanging and kidnapping, now on trial in the circuit court at Jacksonville. The first two are defendants; Bunnell was not indicted.

Hale, stricken with stomach trouble last Thursday, came into court on the arms of two attendants, and gave his testimony, lying on a couch, facing the jury. He spoke in a low voice, and frequently wet his lips with his tongue. His face was haggard. Hale presented a marked contrast to the trim, debonair figure known to scores of Jacksonville county residents. His hair was disheveled, his face unshaven, and he nervously twisted his hands throughout the long afternoon of questioning by state and defense counsel. He stood the ordeal well, however.

Bray Identified
"I saw him with my own naked eyes," said Hale, when questioned in regard to recognizing Dr. Bray.

He was telling the story of the hanging in the Table Rock district, and Dr. Bray, according to the testimony, was bending over Hale, administering first aid. "Bray's mask was off, and his face was close to mine. I saw it in the glare of a flashlight." Later the witness said: "I have nothing but the kindest feeling for Dr. Bray, as I believe he is the man who saved my life." He also testified he recognized Dr. Bray from his southern accent.

Hale was not positive in regard to his identification of Hittson. He based his opinion that he was a member of the party upon his voice, his general build, and that other members called him "J. F." and "Chief," and from a Studebaker car. Hale under cross examination by the defense, said he "wished he could believe Hittson was not a member of the party, but that it was his opinion." He said at the time of the hanging, a deal was on for the purchase of a Studebaker car from Hittson, and that he had always regarded him "as a friend," and had known him for a long time. Throughout Hale maintained his views and did not alter his story under cross-examination.

Hale testified he believed Bunnell to be a member of the night riders because of questions asked him during the hanging, that no one else knew but he and Bunnell, and from his voice and general attitude.

Feared Hale Would Die
Hale testified that during the questioning, near the oak tree in Table Rock district, with a rope around his neck, that he had been asked "if his little boy did not cry to go with strangers rather than with him." After he had swooned, on the way back to an auto, after the episode, a voice had said: "Be careful, this man has stomach trouble, and if he dies on our hands we'll all be in a mess." Hale also testified some one in the crowd had said when he expressed fears of dying, on account of his children, "Hell! the babies would be better off if he was dead." Threats, alleged to

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Woman Defendant and Victim Pictured As Bible Characters

NEW YORK, March 6.—Oscar Martelliere, slain broker and Mrs. Paullette Saludes, who is on trial charged with the shooting of the defendant's attorney, in summing up his case today, as a modern David and Bathsheba. The infidelity of the defendant to her husband was admitted, the attorney said, but he thought it excusable as a weakness handed down through the ages. He pictured Martelliere as David, betraying Mrs. Saludes' husband and making an attempt to destroy him that he might own his wife and her fortune.

PRESIDENT AND PARTY SAFELY ON HOUSE BOAT

ORMOND, Fla., March 6.—President and Mrs. Harding arrived at Ormond by train at noon today. They were met by Mr. and Mrs. Edward McLean of Washington and immediately boarded the houseboat Pioneered which Mr. McLean has chartered for his guests in the presidential party.

ST. AUGUSTINE, Fla., March 6.—The presidential party conveying President and Mrs. Harding and party to Ormond, stopped here at 10 o'clock today to leave Secretary and Mrs. Weeks in the city and to allow Charles G. Dawes to board the train.

Mrs. Harding appeared on the rear platform for the first time during the trip and was greeted by genuine Florida sunshine and the genial humor of ex-Senator Chauncey M. Depew. Secretary and Mrs. Weeks will remain here until the return of the presidential party to St. Augustine on March 18 or 20.

"Florida is good to you this morning," was Chauncey Depew's greeting to the president and Mrs. Harding. "Wonderful weather," replied the president and "wonderful smiles." The special departed at 10:20 for Ormond, where the presidential party will board a houseboat for a water trip down the east coast. Mrs. Harding after standing awhile sat in a chair as the train backed out, a bouquet in her hands.

ON BOARD PRESIDENT HARDING'S TRAIN NEARING SAVANNAH, Ga., March 6.—The visions of rest and freedom from official duties which President Harding has had for months, today became real. The chief executive with Mrs. Harding and more than a half dozen friends awoke this morning near the border of Florida where for a month he will endeavor to find relaxation after a year of steady attention to the international and domestic problems of the nation.

Evidences that the president was looking forward eagerly to a vacation have been apparent to those of his party ever since the departure yesterday at noon from Washington. As the special drew near Ormond, Fla., the first stopping place on the trip, the eagerness grew.

Preparations for making the most of the vacation began early today. Golf clubs were brought forward and the conversation turned to the relative merits of the golf courses in the dozen or so Florida east coast resorts where the presidential party will stop. Awaiting the executive and his

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DEFENDANTS POINTED OUT AS SLAYERS

Witness in Second Herrin Riot Trial Points Out Fontanetta, Brown and Clarke As Men Carrying Guns—Saw Fontanetta Shoot Away Jaw of Badly Wounded Victim.

MARION, Ill., March 6.—(By the Associated Press)—Sweeping aside all the legal skirmishing that marked the opening of the first Herrin riot trial, the prosecution today continued the introduction of evidence against Hugh Willis, state board member of the Illinois Mine Workers and five other defendants charged with murder in connection with the outbreak.

Following out the intention announced in his opening statement to the jury by C. W. Middlekauff, assistant United States attorney general who is acting in this case as special assistant to Edward J. Brundage, attorney general of Illinois, the prosecution was prepared to lay special emphasis on its contention that the killing of the 22 non-union miners resulted from a widespread conspiracy.

The case of Haymarket riots in Chicago in which an editor and speaker who took no actual part in the killings were found guilty of murder and hanged because they had advocated violence was advanced by Mr. Middlekauff in his statement as applying to the present case. One of the state's first witnesses yesterday was William Cairns, a survivor of the riots, who pointed out three of the defendants, Phillip Fontanetta, Otis Clark and James Brown, as men he had seen with guns in their possession at or near the scene of the killings. He said he had seen Fontanetta, a bearded youth, shoot away the jaw of John Shoemaker, one of the victims, while the latter was lying desperately wounded on the ground.

Just before the shooting began he testified that he saw an automobile drive up and heard someone shout: "Here comes Willis."

Cairns testified, however, he was unable to recognize Willis or anyone else in the car.

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AIRPLANE FLEET RESUMES FLIGHT

MONTGOMERY, La., March 6.—Resuming their 2850 mile flight from San Antonio to San Juan, Porto Rico, twelve officers of the army service flying in six specially equipped DeHavilland airplanes hopped off at Maxwell Field here today at 11:50 o'clock bound for Pablo Beach, near Jacksonville, Fla. The fleet expect to reach Pablo Beach by 3 o'clock.

TIFTON, Ga., March 6.—The six army airplanes bound from Texas to Porto Rico passed over Tifton at 2:45 o'clock this afternoon.

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RAILROAD HEARING IN PORTLAND, MARCH 28

WASHINGTON, March 6.—The inter-state commerce commission will begin a series of hearings in the west March 15 to give western communities and state authorities opportunity to present views on railroad construction, it was announced. The first hearing will be held at St. Paul and others will be held at Helena, Mont., March 23; Seattle, March 26; Portland, March 28; San Francisco March 29; Los Angeles April 5; Salt Lake City, April 11; Denver, April 16.

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New Dance Record Made.
LONDON, March 6.—Hardly had the nine and one-half hour fox trotting record made at Sunderland been reported today when it was announced that two members of a staff of a dancing establishment in Edinburgh had made a record of 14 hours, 55 minutes for continuous dancing.

—This Is Farmers' Week—

Pope Approves of Mussolini
LONDON, Mar. 6.—The archbishop of Messina, after visiting the Vatican recently issued a pastoral letter to his diocese asserting that Pope Pius is "well satisfied with Premier Mussolini's regime."

Reggie Vanderbilt Weds Miss Morgan, Fools N. Y. Reporters



Reginald C. Vanderbilt.

NEW YORK, March 6.—Stealing a march on reporters and curious persons who had gathered before the Park avenue residence of Glenn Stewart, Reginald C. Vanderbilt, member of one of New York's oldest and wealthiest families and Miss Gloria Morgan, 18-year-old daughter of Harry Hays Morgan, American consul general at Brussels, were married shortly after noon today at the home of Miss Anna Donald in east 92nd street.

Mr. Vanderbilt, who is a son of the late Cornelius Vanderbilt, gave his age in the marriage license as 42 and his residence at Portsmouth, N. H. He produced papers showing he had been divorced by Kathleen G. Nielsen in New York in April, 1929. Miss Morgan gave her address as Brussels, her birthplace as Lucerne, Switzerland.

Mr. Vanderbilt met Miss Morgan a year ago at a yachting party.

ANOTHER ARREST IN LOCAL OIL CASE

YAKIMA, Wash., March 6.—N. C. Janssen, was arrested this morning by A. L. Dilley, deputy United States marshal on a charge of using the mails to defraud. At his hearing before E. E. Cleaver, United States commissioner, Janssen was bound over in the sum of \$5000. Janssen, according to the information, is implicated with three others in the Moulton association claim appearing near Medford, Oregon. It is charged that false claims and representations were made to a number who paid from \$20 to \$150 for filing on the oil claim. Janssen will be tried in the Portland federal court and expected to arrange his bond this afternoon.

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Democrats Control Ia. City First Time 19 Yrs.

MUSCATINE, Iowa, March 6.—Upsets marked the city election here yesterday in a political scramble with many surprises. As a result the Democrats today control the city council, smashing a precedent of 19 consecutive years.

The entire complexion of the council was changed, the democrats now holding five seats. One republican, a socialist and an independent constitute the remainder of the council.

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The Daily Bank Robbery

YAKIMA, Wash., March 6.—When Marshal R. H. Ashbrenner of Mabton, attracted early this morning by the sound of a dynamite explosion, stole around the corner of the Mabton bank, he was suddenly confronted by a big chap who poked a gun at him with the command, "stick 'em up—high!"

The marshal instead knocked the man's gun down and replied "stick 'em up yourself." His prisoner attempted to signal to three men working inside the bank but was unable to get them to hear before he was stopped and marched to jail. When Ashbrenner returned to try to capture the others they had fled after having dynamited the vault and dug a hole under the wall of the bank. Nothing was taken. The captured man, who will be brought to the county jail at Yakima today, refuses to give his name or make any statement.

Last year Ashbrenner captured a man trying to rob the Community bank, the only other bank in Mabton, and expects to be let alone by bank robbers in the future.

GO TO WORK SAYS PRES'T TO STRIKERS

Chief Executive Deplores Action of R. R. Shopmen of New Jersey Refusing to Return to Work—Action Responsible for Coal Shortage and Human Suffering.

WASHINGTON, March 6.—President Harding has informed officials of the railway shop crafts that he can see no "adequate question of principle" which warrants a further delay in settlement in all districts of last summer's shopmen's strike.

In a letter written just before he left for Florida and made public today at the White House the president declared that a "minority of the interests involved" by their refusal to settle were "largely responsible" for interrupted coal deliveries and other unsatisfactory railway conditions in certain parts of the country.

The president's letter was in response to one from Stephen E. Conner, secretary of the Federated Shop Crafts, Central railroad of New Jersey and was as follows:

"Your letter of March 3 comes to hand just as I am about leaving for the south, but I am glad of the opportunity it affords me to express my sentiment on this subject. You tell me that the shop crafts of the New Jersey Central railroad are staging a relief fund movement, and ask me to send my autographed photograph. I am gladly complying.

"It is an occasion of intense regret that the settlement of the shop crafts strike which has been effected on the larger part of the railway systems and the mileage of the country has not been found possible on all the road. I do not find myself able to discern any adequate question of principle which could justify a minority of the interests involved in this distressing situation in refusing to make settlements similar to those which have been made by the majority. The information which reaches me brings the conviction that continued failure to make settlement is largely responsible for unfortunate conditions as to railroad movements on some areas and for interrupted deliveries of coal during the winter, with resultant suffering to many communities and much demoralization to industry. It is a situation which seems certain to become more serious unless effective measures are found for the early amelioration."

The Central of New Jersey shopmen constitute one of the groups which have not yet effected a settlement of the strike. The total number of men still out over the country has been a matter of dispute, but officials of the international machinists' union estimated today that about forty per cent of the men who went on strike July 1 have not yet returned to work.

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U. S. STANDARD OIL MAN NEGOTIATES WITH BOLSHIEVIKI

MOSCOW, March 6.—(By the Associated Press).—All the Moscow newspapers today display prominently an interview with Henry Dodge, representative of the Standard Oil company of New Jersey, quoting him as declaring the Standard Oil company desires to participate in the re-establishment of the Russian oil industry and denying that the company is a party to any agreement for boycotting Russian oil.

Mr. Dodge is visiting Russia for the purpose of making a survey of business conditions and the general economic situation in that country as affecting the oil industry. A dispatch from Batum announces that new boring machinery from America has arrived for the government oil trust. The production of oil in the Batum district is growing, according to the latest figures, showing an output of 288,590 tons in February, approximately half the 1915 monthly average and far ahead of recent production. The working of the wells, it is stated, has increased by 23 per cent since October.

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Queen Alexandra Operated On
COPENHAGEN, March 6.—(By the Associated Press).—Queen Alexandra has undergone a rather serious abdominal operation which proved successful says an official bulletin issued today.

Charges Anti-Saloon League Head Paid Cash to Reporters

NEW YORK, March 6.—W. H. Anderson, state superintendent of the Anti-Saloon league, has submitted that he paid cash to employees on "wet" newspapers, says a statement made public today by Acting District Attorney Pecora, who is making a grand jury investigation of the expenditure of \$24,700 by Anderson for publicity in behalf of the league. Mr. Pecora quoted Mr. Anderson as having said in a report to the league directors concerning the \$24,700: "A considerable part of this business was so confidential that it would have defeated its purpose if any of it had become public and would have embarrassed men whose personal sympathies were with us, working for papers and concerns that were against us, if their names were ever known."

GIRL MUSICAL COMPOSER DIES BY OWN HAND

SAN FRANCISCO, March 6.—The body of Miss Kathryn Bernard, 26, a musician and song composer, was found in a gas filled bedroom of her apartments here today under circumstances indicating suicide. Friends said that it was her second attempt at a suicide in three days. Miss Bernard came here from Spokane where an uncle is said to be the editor of a newspaper. His name is not known to the authorities. Miss Bernard worked tirelessly to achieve fame with her music and songs and because ill with influenza recently. She covered but, according to her friends became greatly depressed because her work was not bringing the results she desired.

PORTLAND, Ore., March 6.—Miss Kathryn Bernard, whose body was found in her gas-filled bedroom at San Francisco, was the niece of a Portland newspaper man, Al C. Reese. He said the girl's father is Henry Bernard, proprietor of the Spokane Stamp Works, Spokane. Miss Bernard was the author of a number of popular songs, among them "Moonlight Hours," "Hollyhock Lane," and "Drive the Clouds Away."

SPOKANE, March 6.—Ill health, rather than any lack of success in her work, was ascribed as the cause of the supposed suicide of Miss Kathryn Bernard in San Francisco today, by her mother, Mrs. Henry Bernard of this city.

"I received a letter from Kathryn only a few days ago in which she said she was doing better in her work than she ever expected," Mrs. Bernard said. She said her daughter recently recovered from an attack of influenza and since had suffered from neuritis. Miss Bernard resided here for 15 years, until recently. She was a graduate of the New York conservatory of music.

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German Ambassador Dies
MUNICH, Mar. 6.—(By Associated Press).—Dr. Wilhelm Mayer, German ambassador to France, died here as the result of "general weakness." It was announced today. Dr. Mayer was recalled by his government from Paris at the beginning of the Ruhr occupation.

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HUMAN FLY SACRIFICED LIFE FOR \$50 TO HELP OUT HIS PRETTY BRIDE

NEW YORK, March 6.—Not more than \$100 and according to one story, only \$50, was the fee Harry Y. Young, a "human fly" contracted to receive for the stunt which yesterday ended in his spectacular death when he fell when three-fourths up the front wall of the Hotel Marlborough and crashed to the pavement. The money was not paid in advance.

Newspaper reporters and photographers in the big throng who saw the stuntman fall to his death during late afternoon rush hour in a congested shopping district, said that of the "human flies" they have seen work, Young worked the fastest. Though the walls were slippery because of the moisture laden air, Young was creeping swiftly up the wall at a pace faster than a hod carrier employs going up a ladder. Young had nothing but three inch spacers into which he stuck his toes and fingers. Comments of observers bore out reports that he felt something was going to happen before he started. Young apparently jumped at the chance to risk his life for a small sum for his young widow, a twenty year old bride of a few months, whose home was in Wilkesbarre, Pa., said he had not worked all winter. So needy was he for money, that, he said, he was perfecting an unheard of stunt, "upside down tightrope walking."

TO OPEN UP TIMBER IN E. OREGON

U. S. Forest Service Lowers Price From \$2.75 to \$2.00 Per Thousand and Makes Many Changes in Contract Expect Railroad to Be Extended to Timber.

WASHINGTON, March 6.—Re-advertisement for bids for nearly one billion feet of government timber in the Malheur national forest, Oregon, has been ordered by the forestry service as a result of the failure of a recent advertisement of this property to bring a single offer.

A decrease from \$2.75 to \$2.00 per thousand feet and several material changes in the form of the contract have been approved which, in the opinion of officials will be sufficient to make the offer attractive to lumbermen.

Prospective bidders are limited, however. It was said, because of the large investment which will be necessary in the form of roads and machinery before the timber could be transported to market.

Maximum cutting still is to be limited to 150,000,000 feet in three years or 300,000,000 feet in six years but the buyer, under a new modification will be permitted to operate a "cumulative schedule," which will permit him to take advantage of the market conditions by cutting any portion of the maximum in a single year. Bids received in response to the new proposal will be opened April 4.

The National Lumber Manufacturers' association, in a statement called attention to the advantages offered under the new form of contract and predicted that as a result bids would be received and that "the ambitious project of establishing the lumber industry in the Blue mountains district of Oregon will soon be under way as a result of the building of the railway and the opening up of an extensive region of agriculture and general settlement as well as to the lumbering operations which will provide a market for local production and a field for general business activity."

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KLAN REPUDIATES EX-WIZARD CLARKE

ATLANTA, Ga., March 6.—H. W. Evans, imperial wizard of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan today issued a signed statement declaring "Edward Young Clarke no longer has any official connection with the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan. He ceased to function as head of the former propaganda department when I, under authority vested in the imperial wizard, cancelled the contract under which Mr. Clarke was operating."

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Ephrata Bankers Indicted
EPHRATA, Wash., Mar. 6.—E. C. Davis, president, and Harry C. Erickson, cashier, of the Grant County bank which closed its doors last October 10, were indicted by the county grand jury in a report returned yesterday following investigation of the bank's affairs.

U. S. AVIATORS WILL RISK LIVES IN TESTING OUT NEW "LEECH" AIRPLANE

NEW YORK, March 6.—The "Leech," the newest ideas in flying will be tried out soon by officers at Mitchell Field, L. I. who look upon the experiment as one of the most hazardous undertakings upon which an aviator has embarked. It had been planned to hold the experiment today, but adverse weather conditions caused postponement.

The project is to be made by Lieutenant Clyde V. Finter of Mitchell Field. Finter, Lawrence Sperry, the inventor, and officers of the field, expect that the test will go far to disclose the advisability of launching or loading small airplanes in and on large heavier-than-air machines, or on dirigibles.

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