

The Weather

Precipitation	Rain
Maximum yesterday	54
Minimum today	39

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

Weather Year Ago

Maximum	54
Minimum	28

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

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SCORES DEAD AND INJURED IN TORNADO

20 Dead, 75 Injured at Pinson, Tennessee—3 Dead Near Richmond, Ky.—School Boy in Ohio Killed When Wind Blows Off Roof of School House.

JACKSON, Tenn., Mar. 12.—Twenty persons are reported killed and 75 injured near Pinson, Tenn., twelve miles south of Jackson by the storm which swept over that section last night. A number of dead and injured are negroes. About fifty dwellings about Pinson were wrecked, according to meager reports received here. A freight train was blown from the track in that vicinity. Only minor property damage occurred here. Relief parties were sent from Jackson and plans made to bring the injured to hospitals here. Wire communication with Pinson is cut off.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Mar. 12.—One dead, several injured and damage estimated at a million dollars and all kinds of transportation and wire service crippled, was the summing up today of the extent of the blizzard in Milwaukee. The storm continues in central and southern Wisconsin. About eleven inches of snow has fallen here. Albert Nauman, 38, a janitor, fell exhausted and died on his way to work. The wind velocity today was 40 miles. Wires and poles are down in all directions out of Milwaukee.

CINCINNATI, Mar. 12.—Two men were injured early today in a rear-end collision on the Southern railroad at Pulaski, Tenn., which was caused indirectly by the wind storm, according to a report here, received by railway men.

PEORIA, Ill., Mar. 12.—More than 300 telephones were put out of service and many parts of the city were in darkness as a result of the high wind last night. Two inches of rain fell. Falling trees and wires delayed inter-urban and telephone service.

QUINCY, Ill., Mar. 12.—One serious injury when a woman was knocked down by a falling limb and suffered a fractured skull, resulted from the storm here last night during which the heaviest rain of the year fell.

RICHMOND, Ky., Mar. 12.—Three people were killed, two fatally injured and a number seriously hurt by a cyclone which swept over a small section on the Madison-Fayette county border, shortly before last midnight.

PORTSMOUTH, Ohio, Mar. 12.—Dennis Boggs, aged 9, was instantly killed and five other children were injured, two seriously today when a high wind unroofed the high school building in South Portsmouth, Ky., opposite here, and carried it over into the school yard where the children were playing.

JACKSON, Tenn., March 12.—The dead at Pinson include Mrs. J. L. James wife of a Methodist minister; Mrs. Bloomer VanTresse and two children; two children of Joseph Irvin and two negroes. The storm also swept through the villages of Deansburg and Montezuma, Tenn., and touched the outskirts of Lexington, where several persons were reported injured. At Deansburg a youth was reported killed.

HARDING BUSILY AT WORK ON HOUSE BOAT; MAY ANNOUNCE NEW SHIP PLAN

PALM BEACH, Fla., Mar. 12.—As the houseboat Pioneer, carrying President and Mrs. Harding and their vacation companions, steamed slowly southward today, indications increased that the stay of the chief executive in southern Florida would not be all play and no work.

Although the president has been devoting himself mostly to rest and relaxation since he left Washington a week ago today, definite periods each day have been set aside for official business. Telegraphic correspondence has been maintained with the White House and at each important stop such as that made here Saturday and

High Temperature Of Michigan Girl An Admitted Fake

ESCANABA, Mich., March 12.—The story of how Miss Evelyn Lyons, 30, fooled the medical profession of Escanaba, newspapermen and sympathetic neighbors for 21 days through her ingenious fever raising tactics by a hot water bottle was unfolded here today by Dr. Harry J. Defnet, health commissioner and attending physician on the case which has attracted nation wide attention. The hoax was made possible through the aid of a hot water bottle of the same color as the girl's night dress and put under her arm, Dr. Defnet said.

SECOND NIGHT RIDING TRIAL OPENS TUESDAY

The second of the Jackson county night riding cases will be called in the circuit court at Jacksonville tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock. The defendants are J. Alexander Norris, former county jailer, and his son-in-law, Thomas E. Goodie, garageman, both of Jacksonville, indicted for riot for the alleged "taking out" of Henry Johnson, on the evening of April 9th last.

A jury in the trial of Jett P. Bray, Howard A. Hill, and Jesse P. Hittson, charged with riot in connection with the alleged kidnapping and hanging of J. F. Hale, on March 17, 1922, returned a verdict of not guilty Saturday evening, at 5 o'clock, after 40 minutes' deliberation.

The story of the affair, for which Norris and Goodie, and a number of John Doe's were indicted by the special grand jury last August, is as follows:

Johnson, the star witness for the state, and Paul York, both residents of Jacksonville, claim they were asked by the defendants, Norris and Goodie, to accompany them to Ashland, in an auto truck, for the purpose of getting a piece of machinery. The young men consented, and on the return trip, the machinery not being secured, when a short distance beyond the Vorheis crossing engine trouble developed, and a short time later, two cars with seven masked men approached, and ordered Goodie and Norris to drive further up the road.

Young York was taken to one side and given a "lecture" and Johnson was taken to a nearby tree, where he was accused of chicken stealing and liquor violations. He denied the accusations, and the rope was drawn taut around his neck, but he was not lifted off the ground. After a short time, Johnson was allowed to go with the query, "Nigger, can you run?" The band then dispersed. According to the reports at the time, they all wore masks over the face.

At the opening of the present term of court, Norris came into court and charged that Johnson and York had made threats against his life, in front of the courthouse, which was denied. They were directed by the court to turn in their firearms, which they did. The trial is not expected to last over three or four days.

WYOMING BANK CLOSED. GILLETTE, Wyo., March 12.—The Bank of Gillette was closed today at the request of its directors, pending examination by a state banking examiner. The action followed the suicide here Friday of Mark H. Shields, president of the bank and mayor of Gillette.

FRENCH FIRE ON MOBS IN RUHR TOWN

Eight Germans Killed and Scores Wounded When Populace Charge French Guard—Raid On German Home Cause—French Lieutenant Killed—Seige Proclaimed.

RECKLINHAUSEN, March 12.—(By the Associated Press)—Eight Germans are dead as the result of clashes with French troops in various parts of Recklinhausen.

One of the French soldiers and three Germans were wounded in a riot at Dortmund. A state of siege has been declared in the entire Recklinhausen district. Additional troops have been sent to preserve order at Buer, where a French army officer and a French civilian official were killed Saturday night and where excitement has since been running high, resulting in renewed shootings.

Of the Germans who met death, two were shot down while trying to escape from the gendarmes in the Buer disturbances. Five others were killed and several wounded an hour later when a crowd attacked a French guard post. The eighth German was killed at Dortmund when a crowd attacked a French detachment.

Disturbances were renewed at Buer last night when French gendarmes went to the home of a German suspected of being implicated in the assassination of the French officials. Two Germans, who were found there were arrested. They were being taken to a guard post, when, according to French reports, they tried to escape and were shot.

This created an uproar and within an hour the Germans began pouring into the streets despite the commanding general's order prohibiting civilians from being out after 7 p. m. Mob Fired Upon.

A crowd assembled in the town square and soon afterward several hundred Germans, mostly men, attempted to storm a French guard post where seven or eight soldiers were stationed. The Germans demanded the reason for the killing of the two men. The soldiers repeatedly ordered them away, but the crowd refused to heed the warnings, the reports state, becoming more excited, finally attacking the house in which the guard was quartered. On being attacked, the soldiers fired, killing five Germans and wounding several.

Additional troops were ordered out and all civilians were ordered to return to their homes, but it was long after midnight before order was entirely restored.

One of the two men, killed in the earlier shooting had boasted to friends recently, according to French information, that he was preparing to kill a French officer. When the gendarmes heard of this, in view of Saturday's assassinations, they went to this man's house and began searching for him. His wife declared he had not been at home all day or the night before, but the gendarmes pursued their search and found him hiding in a wardrobe.

Town Fined 100,000,000 Marks. DUESSELDORF, March 12.—(By the Associated Press)—The Recklinhausen district today faced severe penalties for what was perhaps the most serious incident of the Franco-Belgian occupation—the killing at Buer of Lieutenant Collin of the Chasseurs, and N. Jilly, director of the Buer railroad station.

French officials indicated that Buer would be placed under what will amount to martial law, besides a fine of 100,000,000 marks. The persons who did the shooting have not been apprehended.

PARIS, March 12.—(By the Associated Press)—Premier Poincare, accompanied by Ministers of Public Works LaTrocquer and a staff of experts, left today for Brussels to attend the Franco-Belgian conference on the Ruhr. The French believe that the surrender of Germany is merely a question of time and that the hour is approaching when France and Belgium must decide how they are to use their victory and what part Great Britain will play in the settlement. Meanwhile the question of further penalties in the Ruhr has been brought to the fore by the killing at Buer of a French officer and a civilian.

Pirates Rob Rum Ship. HALIFAX, N. S., Mar. 12.—Pirates held up and robbed the British schooner Eddie James of 600 cases of whiskey and \$6000 in cash when she was at anchor off New York on March 2, it was learned here.

Death List Grows. LOUISVILLE, Ky., March 12.—At least five persons were killed in south central Kentucky in the storm which swept the state last night.

PRINCESS XENIA LEADS RIDES IN ROYAL FASHION AMONG ROYAL PALMS



Photo just received from Florida of the former Princess Xenia of Russia, now Mrs. William B. Leeds, wife of the son of the late "Tin Plate King," at Palm Beach this week.

OREGON BANK IS HELD UP YEGGS ARE CAPTURED

NEWBURG, March 12.—One of the men arrested here, suspected of robbing the bank at St. Paul, said his name was Robert Burns, and that he had been paroled November 20 last, by Acting Governor Roy Ringer after serving four years of a fifteen-year sentence from Multnomah county on a highway robbery conviction. The other man gave his name as Edgar L. Smith of Oregon City.

NEWBURG, Ore., March 12.—Two armed men held up and robbed the bank at St. Paul, Ore., eight miles south of here today and one hour later two men, suspected of having committed the robbery, were captured here by Marshal Ray Amy, who reported finding the bank's money in the possession of the pair.

Miss Beatrice Murphy, 22, teller at the bank, was in charge of the institution today during the absence of S. J. Smith, cashier, who was out of town. William Murphy, her father, not employed in the bank, was with her. Shortly after the bank opened, two armed men entered and commanded them to hold up their hands. One of them threatened the man and with his weapon, while the other scooped up all of the cash in sight. They then withdrew after threatening the bank people against giving an alarm and rode away in their small car.

Authorities were advised immediately on their departure and a broadcast was sent out by telephone to all surrounding towns, including a description of the car and bandits.

At Newburg, Marshal Amy, armed with a revolver, stationed himself at the corner of Third and River street, where the car must pass if it came through the town, and waited.

When the suspected car appeared Marshal Amy jumped out before it demanding surrender. The car stopped, the driver putting up his hands. In the back seat the second man held a large revolver which the marshal commanded him to throw over the side. The amount of money found upon the two suspects was \$704.

The inner safe of the St. Paul bank containing the principal funds was locked, Miss Murphy having been left with about \$700 with which to do business while Cashier Smith was away. After the robbers had forced Miss Murphy and her father to hold up their hands they approached the safe, but the girl warned them not to touch it.

"Keep your hands off that," she said, "it is heavily charged with electricity and will kill you if you lay your hands on it." Impressed by her words, the two robbers did not attempt to open the safe. They saw the loose cash however, scooped it up and departed.

SALEM, Ore., March 12.—Unmasked, two unidentified men, about 25 and 50 years of age respectively, entered the State Bank of St. Paul, Ore., shortly after 10 o'clock this morning, held up the acting cashier and bookkeeper, robbed the till of several hundred dollars and escaped in a waiting automobile. An hour later two men, believed to be the robbers, were arrested and lodged in jail at Newburg.

SNOW STORM TAKES TOLL IN MIDDLE WEST

Several Lives Lost and Millions of Dollars Damage Is Done By Terrific Blizzard That Sweeps Illinois, Iowa, Wisconsin and Ohio—Wires Down, Trains Delayed.

CHICAGO, Mar. 12.—With telephone and telegraph communications being restored communities in the Mississippi valley and central west states today started a check on the damage caused by the heavy snow and rain storm, accompanied by a high wind, that swept over the area last night. Almost simultaneously with the arrival of the storm, telephone and telegraph service ceased to function.

With few wires remaining workable reports on the extent of the storm were materially delayed. Iowa was swept by a rain and snow storm but because of demoralized communications its intensity and magnitude was not known early today.

High winds were prevalent throughout the south.

Heavy rains fell last night in Missouri, Arkansas, Oklahoma and the eastern third of Kansas. A heavy wet snow fell near Topeka, the precipitation almost equalling the total since last Thanksgiving day.

Telegraph Wires Down

DES MOINES, Ia., Mar. 12.—Telegraph and telephone service in Iowa was practically suspended today by last night's heavy wet snowstorm. Wire company officials say that so far as communication facilities are concerned, the storm was the most severe in years. Cities in the eastern half of the state were entirely cut off from the outside world.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Mar. 12.—Central and southern Wisconsin points today are tied up as the result of the blizzard which started last night and continued early today. The storm is heavy and in some parts heavy drifts have formed from the high winds. The storm has caused the greatest damage of the winter.

Transportation is badly crippled and wires are down in many sections. Thousands here were compelled to walk to work because of the stalled street car service. Eight inches of snow fell here.

Madison appears to have experienced the greatest snowfall having 18 inches.

Record Breaking Wind

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Mar. 12.—Hundreds of trees were uprooted and many roofs damaged in Nashville and vicinity by Sunday night's storm which reached a wind velocity of 80 miles an hour, the highest ever recorded here. Wire service has suffered severely.

ST. LOUIS, Mar. 12.—Rain, accompanied by a wind which at times attained a velocity of sixty miles, was general over the eastern part of Missouri and southern Illinois last night and early today, the weather bureau announced. The telephone and telegraph lines have been seriously interrupted, trees and shrubbery uprooted, windows blown in and considerable other property damage done.

Mother Slain Girl Declares Suspect Also Attacked Her

VANCOUVER, Wash., March 12.—Mrs. Paul Nooka, mother of Anna, the 11-year-old girl whose mutilated body was found Thursday night in brush near Battle Ground, revealed today that she herself had been attacked a year ago by George E. Whitfield, the youth who is in jail under charge of first degree murder in connection with the death of the girl and according to her story, which came to the attention of the local authorities today for the first time, she believed the youth had killed the girl in revenge.

Whitfield remained in solitary confinement in the jail and officers have ceased their efforts to break down his denial of guilt. Luke S. May, criminologist, has returned to Seattle. He will return for the trial. Before leaving he said evidence found on the victim's body was sufficient to warrant holding Whitfield.

Plan Regular Air Service From London To Australia, 6 Days

LONDON, March 12.—London to Australia by airplane in six days is regarded as possible by the British air ministry, which is about to ask the aircraft industry on bids for building a great metal airplane, says the Daily Mail. The ministry's specifications which have been made after careful investigation, will call for a machine capable of flying with mail continuously day and night without incurring the risk of forced landings, from London to Malta, 1500 miles. The machine must have two motors, so that if one is disabled, another will be able to maintain the flight. It must also be equipped with stabilizing mechanism to insure against side slipping and similar air accidents.

BURGLAR RAID IN ASHLAND IS DARK MYSTERY

Ashland suffered the most mysterious burglar raid in its history over the week end. Some person or persons unknown, broke into nearly every doctor's office in the city and also broke into the offices of Briggs and Briggs, well known Ashland attorneys. In each case entrance was made by cutting the door pans and inserting some instrument, probably an iron bar,—thus pushing back the spring locks and opening the doors.

Although all the offices were ransacked, desks and cabinets opened and papers strewn about, as far as anyone can discover in no instance were articles of value taken. No narcotics were taken. In one office a large number of postage stamps were overlooked and in another a box of candy was unmolested.

The Ashland police, as well as the citizens of Ashland are completely mystified by the strange occurrence and up to press time there was no explanation nor even a plausible theory advanced.

The offices entered follow: Dr. G. W. Gregg, Dr. W. J. Crandall; Dr. Bertha Sawyer, Dr. S. T. Songer, Dr. E. A. Wood, Dr. F. G. Swendenborg and Attorneys Briggs and Briggs.

Visiting Minister Pleased Audiences Christian Church

D. J. Howe of Dayton, Wash., was greeted by two splendid audiences Sunday at the Christian church, and delivered doctrinal and instructive sermons that were very favorably received both by the church membership and the visitors.

The music was an exceptionally strong feature. Mr. Howe is considering the pastorate here and comes highly recommended from St. Paul, Minn., Dayton, Wash., and other places where he has been pastor. He was also in charge of mission work in Minnesota for several years.

Mr. Howe will return to Dayton tomorrow.

Sam Gompers Recovers

NEW YORK, Mar. 12.—Samuel Gompers, confined to Lenox Hill hospital since last Wednesday with pneumonia is out of danger, according to physicians.

BOOTLEGGERS LIST IN WASHINGTON, D. C., PUBLISHED, CONSTERNATION FOLLOWS

WASHINGTON, Mar. 12.—The series of bootlegger raids which in recent weeks has brought the national capital sharply into the limelight of the war of enforcement authorities against liquor law violations, has culminated in an order to army and navy intelligence officers to investigate the appearance of names and addresses of more than fifty army, navy and marine corps officers in a list seized in a raid here March 3.

The list, as published today in the Washington Post, contains more than 400 names and was seized in a raid on the home of James M. Connor, arrested on the charge of illegal possession and selling of liquor, after the confiscation of liquors valued at \$4000.

ABROGATION JAP TREATY DEMANDED

China's Note Interpreted As Drastic By Tokio—Request Will Be Refused, But in Courteous Terms—Fear of Anti-Jap Reaction in the United States.

TOKIO, March 12.—(By the Associated Press).—China's note to Japan on Saturday requesting that a discussion be held with a view of returning Daini and Port Arthur to China was interpreted here today as no less than a communication declaring abrogation of the Sino-Japanese treaty of 1915 which embodies the 21 demands.

The terms of the Chinese note came as a surprise to Japan. It has been thought that China might suggest the opening of negotiations for the revision or termination of the Japanese leases on Kwantung peninsula, but that she would declare the treaty abrogated was undreamed of.

Japanese officials believe that the American government understands and approves of Japan's attitude, which has been interpreted in the diet as one of unyielding adherence to the treaty. However, the public fears that Japan's refusal to consider China's proposal may arouse anti-Japanese feeling abroad.

Japan's reply to the note will reach Peking this week unless the privy council, to which it must be submitted, makes some changes in it. The reply will be short and couched in courteous terms, but will deny emphatically the legality of China's action, on the lines of Delegate Shidehara's statement at the Washington conference.

Some publicists suggest that in the reply the cabinet should explain fully the history of the Manchurian question, publishing the alleged secret treaty between China and Russia in 1896. This supposed pact, in the view of these publicists allowed Russia the use of ports for war, which, as contemplated, broke out between Russia and Japan in 1904. They contend that had the existence of this treaty been known when the Portsmouth peace conference was called to settle the Russo-Japanese war, China would have had to pay Japan a large indemnity.

R. VALENTINO TO BE MARRIED TUESDAY

CHICAGO, March 12.—Rodolph Valentino and his second wife, Winifred Hudnut, are expected to be remarried here tomorrow or Wednesday. The actor and his wife, to whom he was married in Mexico shortly after his divorce from Jean Acker, have awaited notification that the interlocutory decree of divorce granted in Los Angeles a year ago had become absolute and final, and this was announced today in Los Angeles.

Friends said Valentino was awaiting the arrival of a lawyer from New York who was expected to arrive today before fixing the time of the ceremony.

Some of Valentino's business arrangements also are understood to await the lawyer's decisions.