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The Weather
Prediction ..... Fair
Maximum yesterday 81.5
Minimum today 42

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

Weather Year Ago
Maximum 56
Minimum 38
Precipitation ..... .04

Daily—Eighteenth Year.
Weekly—Fifty-Third Year.

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DAUGHERTY'S STATEMENT DISPLEASES

President Regards Prediction of 1924 Candidacy Not Good Form—Conference Is Scheduled for Today at St. Augustine — Sugar Rises and Tariff Under Quiz.

ST. AUGUSTINE, Fla., Mar. 28.—(By Associated Press). President Harding, it became known today did not consider necessary the recent statement by Attorney General Daugherty predicting that the chief executive would be a candidate for renomination or that the statement was opportune or in good form.

It is presumed the president will discuss the subject with the attorney general who arrived here early today from Miami, where he has been recuperating from a recent illness. The president and Mr. Daugherty have not met since the latter issued his statement and there naturally was the keenest curiosity whether there would be further developments before the president returns to Washington.

The attorney general arrived on an early morning train and went later to the rooms reserved for him in the Hotel Ponce de Leon, where the presidential party is stopping. He spent the morning resting from the all-night train ride which it was said he stood very well. The president went out to the St. Augustine links about nine o'clock for a round of golf, and the possibility of a conference between them was removed until afternoon.

ST. AUGUSTINE, Fla., Mar. 28.—The arrival here today of Atotrney General Daugherty brought Mr. Daugherty and the president together for the first time since the former issued his statement in Miami ten days ago, predicting Mr. Harding would be a candidate for re-nomination.

Interest in the meeting between the president and the man who acted as his chief spokesman in the 1920 preconvention campaign and who has since been his chief political adviser, was heightened by evidences of disagreement, privately expressed within the last few weeks as to the wisdom of such a remark at this time.

Mr. Harding has not had a word to say with respect to the announcement and some republican leaders, now in Florida, have expressed a little doubt as to whether the attorney general spoke with the full consent and approval of the president. Other leaders, however, have presented the view that Mr. Daugherty merely made public what most of the party leaders had in their minds.

The expectation was that the conferences between Mr. Harding and his attorney general would not include politics alone and that perhaps politics would be a minor subject of conversation.

The president by his telegraphic order to the tariff commission yesterday to investigate the relation of the tariff rates on sugar to the recently increased sugar prices, indicated that the administration is going to do as much as it can to fix the responsibility for the sky-rocketing of the cost of sugar to consumers.

The department of justice has an investigation under way and persons close to the president said it was safe to say the sugar question would be discussed.

WASHINGTON, Mar. 28.—In a telegram last night from St. Augustine, Fla., President Harding directed that the commission establish whether the new tariff law is helping to keep up the price of sugar to consumers. Under the flexible provisions of the act, the president is empowered to lower the import duty if conditions warrant it and he promised to do so if

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MEDICINAL BOOZE ORDER PROBED

WASHINGTON, March 28.—Assistant Secretary Moss today called on Collector Stuart of the customs house at New York for a full explanation of the order issued March 19 by Thomas W. Whittle, surveyor of that port, permitting passengers on incoming steamships to land with one quart of liquor for medicinal purposes. Mr. Moss indicated that the order probably later would be materially altered.

Another Episode in High Society Tangle And Scandal Noted

WASHINGTON, Mar. 28.—Another episode in the noted Wylie-Hichborn domestic tangle was disclosed today when it became known that Mrs. Elinor Hoyt Hitchborn Wylie had been granted a divorce from her second husband, Horace Wylie.

The divorce was granted at Providence, R. I., on the grounds of non-support, and ended a chapter begun 12 years ago when Mrs. Wylie, prominent in Washington society circles left for Europe with Wylie soon after her marriage to Phillip S. Hichborn, son of Admiral Hichborn. Wylie left behind a wife and four children.

Two years later Hichborn committed suicide after instituting divorce proceedings. Mrs. Wylie was granted a separation in 1916 and Wylie and Mrs. Hichborn were married.

Wylie until recently has been connected with the shipping board here but now is in New Jersey.

SOVIET RELENTS DEATH ORDER OF CATHOLIC HEADS

State Department Characterizes Executions As Outrage —Poland Says Affair to Be Handled Diplomatically — Pope Asks Liberation.

WASHINGTON, Mar. 28.—Decision of the soviet government to execute Archbishop Zapliak and Monsigner Butchkavitch of the Catholic church in Moscow tomorrow was characterized today by state department officials as constituting an outrage against humanity which could not fail to create the deepest feeling of resentment and horror in the United States.

Appeals to the department protesting against the executions were received today from the Catholic club of New York City. Department spokesmen declined to say what steps they would take officially, but it was intimated that a manifestation of the opinion of this government would find its way to Russia and would leave the Moscow authorities in no doubt as to American sentiment.

"While other word from Moscow lends confirmation to the report of the soviet minister, officials in Warsaw are not disposed to minimize the seriousness of the situation," says a Polish Telegraph agency, "They having had previous experience with declarations of the soviet government."

"It is generally stated," adds the agency, "that this affair which interests all the western powers and above all the holy see, cannot become a mere object of political bargaining."

ROME, Mar. 28.—(By Associated Press). Pope Pius has asked the soviet government of Rusisa to liberate Archbishop Zepliak and other ecclesiastics convicted in Moscow on the ground that they are members of the Catholic hierachy and the pope's subjects.

WARSAW, Mar. 28.—(By Associated Press). The Polish government has been informed through the soviet minister in Warsaw that the death sentence against Archbishop Zepliak, head of the Roman Catholic church in Russia will not be carried out by the Russian government "at least for the present," and that the affair will be taken up in diplomatic negotiations. Premier Sikorski, made this announcement to the Polish senate today.

BUNCO JURY OUT OVER 100 HOURS

DENVER, Colo., March 28.—The [illegible] nty alleged members [illegible] known confidence [illegible] dered the case 100 [illegible] oday and still appar- [illegible] ose to a verdict. Loud [illegible] rd in the jury room [illegible] d court attaches said [illegible] rently were debating [illegible] sent no word to [illegible] Dunklee, presiding.

BLACKMAIL PLOT TOLD IN MURDER

Cabinet Officer's Son Confirms Report—Daugherty Met Slain Model at Ball Game and Paid Bills Once—Father Silent On Son's Connection With Case.

NEW YORK, March 28.—Draper M. Daugherty, son of the attorney general of the United States, appeared at District Attorney Pecora's office today and was questioned at length concerning any information he might have about blackmail plots in which Dorothy Keenan, slain model, figured as a decoy.

Mr. Daugherty was closeted with Mr. Pecora for about 45 minutes. He was accompanied by a friend whose name was not made public.

At the conclusion of the hearing, Mr. Pecora announced that Mr. Daugherty had corroborated newspaper reports of an attempt to blackmail him made by a man close to Dorothy Keenan.

Mr. Daugherty told Mr. Pecora he met Dorothy Keenan during the world's series baseball games of 1921 and that his acquaintance with her had been purely of a social nature. He admitted that he once gave her a check to pay her bills when she told him she was short of funds.

Mr. Daugherty recited in detail the story of the attempt to blackmail him. The man telephoned him the night of March 22, he said, and demanded that he secure a position for him in Washington. He threatened to make public Daugherty's acquaintance with Dorothy Keenan unless Daugherty complied.

NEW YORK, March 28.—The name of the man alleged by Major Draper M. Daugherty, only son of the attorney general of the United States to have attempted to blackmail him because of his acquaintanceship with Miss Dorothy Keenan, the slain model, was understood to be in the possession of Assistant District Attorney Pecora today.

From Major Daugherty, the assistant district attorney hoped to learn the identity of the man and the details of his attempted intimidation. Mr. Pecora believed the information might link with that he has on the projecter $10,000 blackmail attempt on John Kearsley Mitchell, son-in-law of E. T. Stotesbury.

ST. AUGUSTINE, Fla., March 28.—The announcement was made on behalf of Attorney General Daugherty on his arrival here today to join President Harding's vacation party that he would have no statement of any kind to make in connection with the injection of the name of his son, Major Draper M. Daugherty, into the Keenan murder mystery.

HAVE RIGHT TO QUESTION REDS

ST. JOSEPH, Mich., March 28.—The right of Attorney General Daugherty's office to direct the prosecution of William Z. Foster, charged with criminal syndicalism, was sustained today by Judge Charles White.

Frank P. Walsh, counsel for Foster, objected to O. L. Smith, assistant attorney general, taking over the re-cross examination of Charles E. Ruthenberg. Charles Gore, prosecutor of Berrian county, had conducted the cross examination.

Mr. Smith proceeded today with an examination into Ruthenberg's views on Michigan as a capitalist government, revolution, the soviet government of Russia and the theory of the dictatorship of the proletariat.

CHINESE IRATE OVER JAP ACTS

PEKING, March 28.—(By the Associated Press.)—The wave of opposition to Japan, following her recent refusal to lease the ports of Dalny and Port Arthur and surrounding territory to China, is running into great proportions throughout the country, according to official telegraphic advices from a number of cities.

OREGON'S VIEWS ON RAIL GROUPS GIVEN HEARING

Seek to Get Service for Interior of State—Milwaukee-Union Pacific Held Retarder to Railroad Construction in State.

PORTLAND, Ore., March 28.—Oregon's views on proposed railroad consolidation were given the interstate commerce commission today in a hearing to which two days had been allotted, but which was concluded in about an hour and a half. Chairman Henry G. Hall adjourned the hearing to San Francisco, March 31.

H. H. Corey, chairman of the state public service commission, expressed approval of the groupings proposed by the inter-state commerce commission which would unite the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul with the Great Northern and join the Northern Pacific with the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy. He opposed any union between the Milwaukee and the Union Pacific on the ground that it would retard railroad construction needed to develop such parts of Oregon as are now without railroad transportation.

Corey drew attention to the state commission's complaint now pending before the inter-state commerce commission, seeking to require the railroads now serving Oregon to provide the interior of the state with needed railroad construction.

This will come before the commission in June.

H. J. Ottenheimer, on behalf of the Portland chamber of commerce suggested that railroad groupings be permitted only as a natural development. He urged that extreme deliberation be had in carrying out the plans. He expressed the opinion that the Milwaukee and the Union Pacific should be continued as separate systems.

On behalf of the Portland traffic and transportation association S. M. Mears expressed opposition to any consolidation of railroads except through natural processes and favored a continued open field for railroad development in Oregon.

Resolutions adopted by the commercial clubs of Astoria, Seaside and Warrenton, favoring the grouping of the northern lines and the independence of the Milwaukee and the Northern Pacific were presented.

EMIGRANT CREEK BRIDGE CONTRACT LET ON PROVISO

PORTLAND, Ore., Mar. 28.—Contracts for road work aggregating $700,000 were awarded today by the state highway comission, contingent upon the failure of efforts to invoke the referendum on the increase in gasoline tax from two to three cents, provided by a law passed by the recent session of the legislature. Money from the gasoline tax goes to the state highway funds.

Bidders agreed to the conditions imposed by the highway commission and the contracts will be revoked if the referendum succeeds in holding up the additional tax, it was announced. The resignation of Herbert Nunn as state highway engineer was accepted and Roy Klein, who has been secretary of the commission was appointed to succeed him.

Bridge contracts subject to the referendum conditions awarded today included a bridge over Pudding river near Aurora, on the Pacific highway, Tokin and Pierce, Portland, $74,750.

A bridge over Emigrant creek near Ashland on the Ashland-Klamath Falls highway, to E. R. Metzger, Roseburg, $1470.

The Noted Dead

ORLEANS, France, March 28.—(By the Associated Press.)—General Maunoury, former military governor of Paris, was seized with a fainting fit and died on a train today shortly after leaving Bordeaux.

Bishop Tuttle Better.

ST. LOUIS, March 28.—The Right Rev. Daniel S. Tuttle, presiding bishop of the Episcopal church in the United States, was reported today as maintaining the improvement shown in his condition yesterday. He took more food and conversed occasionally with attendants, it was said. He is ill with grippe.

RICH GIRL BRIDE OF POOR BOY

Heiress to $40,000,000 Weds Childhood Sweetheart — Went to Same Sunday School—Groom Is 21, Son of a Furniture Dealer, and An Artist.

PASADENA, Cal., March 28.—Miss Dellora Angell, heiress to the $40,000,000 estate of John W. (Bet-a-Million) Gates, became the bride today of Lester Norris, young cartoonist and son of a furniture dealer of St. Charles, Ill. The ceremony was held in the Angell residence in the Altadena section here.

LOS ANGELES, March 28.—A marriage license was issued today to Miss Dellora Angell, heiress to $40,000,000, and Lester Norris, newspaper cartoonist. The ceremony was to be performed at noon today at the Angell home in Pasadena, according to relatives.

Only a few friends and members of the family were invited to the ceremony at which Rev. Robert A. Freeman of the Pasadena Presbyterian church was selected to officiate, it was announced by the family. The ceremony was set for noon at the Altadena home of the Angells.

A wedding breakfast was served, and the young couple planned to leave immediately for a motor trip through California.

The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Norris, and an artist.

CHICAGO, March 28.—The friendship of Miss Dellora Angell, heiress to the millions of John W. "Bet-a-Million" Gates and Lester Norris, young cartoonist and son of a furniture dealer at St. Charles, Ill., whose marriage was set for noon today in California, began at St. Charles 11 years ago when as children they were playmates. In their home town they attended the Methodist Episcopal church together and engaged in the same childhood games and competition.

Miss Angell, who is heiress to the $40,000,000 estate, is 20 years old. She was related to Gates only by marriage. Gates' son, Charles and his favorite nephew, Henry Baker, were looked upon as his heirs, but the younger Gates and Baker died and the vast estate went to Mrs. Gates who was Dellora's aunt. Mrs. Gates died in 1918 and except for a bequest to her brother, Edward J. Baker of St. Charles, she left the estate to Miss Angell, who was named Dellora for her. According to the bequest, Miss Angell gets only the income from the estate until she is 31. Then she will get one-fourth of the estate; after four years she receives one-fourth and when she is forty, she is to come into possession of the remainder.

Mr. Norris, who is 21, is the son of Cal Norris, furniture dealer of St. Charles. His parents are only moderately wealthy. Norris was graduated from the St. Charles high school and the Chicago Academy of Fine Arts. He is a cartoonist and has been engaged in recent months in newspaper and magazine illustratio work.

It is understood the young people plan to live at Alta Vista, the country place on the St. Charles river, purchased by the Angells some time ago.

Miss Angell is the daughter of R. F. Angell, who manages the Gates estate.

MUSSOLINI ADVISES GERMANY TO PAY

LONDON, Mar. 28.—In connection with the visits to Milan of Hugo Stinnes and M. Jaspar, the Belgian foreign minister, the diplomatic correspondent of the Telegraph says today that Premier Mussolini last week made representations to the German government through ambassadorial channels urging the reich to make a concrete offer to the allies.

Th correspondent suggests that Herr Stinnes and M. Jaspar are in Milan in such a connection as Premier Mussolini went to that city yesterday for what was announced as a series of conferences bearing on international affairs.

Outline Shipping Policy

WASHINGTON, Mar. 28.—The United States Ship Operators' association, second of the organizations representing interests identified with the American merchant marine to respond to the shipping board request for co-operation in formulating a policy, recommended today that the board scrap all unserviceable tonnage, sell its good tonnage to American operators and strictly withhold any tonnage from aliens.

Texas G. O. P. Asks All Kluxers in Federal Jobs Quit

DALLAS, Texas, March 28.—Carrying out "its declared opposition to the Ku Klux Klan," the republican party of Texas, through its executive committee has recommended the dismissal from federal service of all government employes known to be klansmen, R. B. Creager, of Brownsville, chairman of the state republican executive committee, said in an announcement here today.

BOTH BRANCHES METHODISM JOIN ON MAJOR ISSUES

Coalition Not Final, But if Ratified General Conference, Functioning in 1927 — North and South Wings Retain Lesser Conferences.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., March 28.—The sub-committee on unification of the Methodist Episcopal church and Methodist Episcopal church south, meeting here, has decided on formation of a general conference to handle all major matters of both churches under the proposed coalition. Under the plan, however, each branch would have its own jurisdictional conference to administer lesser matters of church government.

The action of the sub-committee is not final, it was explained, as it will have to be ratified by the respective general conferences of each branch. The conference of the northern branch will be next year, and of the southern in 1926. Should the plan be ratified, it was said, the proposed new general conferences represeting both branches would be functioning probably in four years. The northern and southern general conferences then would no longer exist.

OKLAHOMA BANDIT ESCAPES POSSE

TULSA Okla., March 28.—(By the Associated Press)—Al Spencer, Oklahoma outlaw, apparently had made his escape today after outfighting and outwitting a posse of more than 150 officers and men.

With one lieutenant, Spencer battled his way out of a death trap set by the posse and then vanished. Both Spencer and the man with him were believed to be wounded.

The search for Spencer and his companion was being directed today around Tulsa. The bandit leader left behind him two of the men who were alleged to have aided him Monday in the robbery of the state bank at Mannford—one dead and the other in the hands of Creek county officers.

The dead bandit is Bud Maxfield, who started his criminal career back in the territorial days of Oklahoma as a cattle rustler. Maxfield is known to have worked under Henry Starr, also dead.

Leo Sturtz, automobile mechanic, is the man held authorities say.

INDICT DEPUTY AND PRISONERS FOR BOOZE

DENVER, Colo., Mar. 28.—Tom Clarke, former chief deputy sheriff of the West Side court, and three other persons were indicted by a county grand jury today in connection with the expose of an alleged liquor party Saturday in the grand jury room. Clarke was arrested and released on bond.

Lou Blonger, A. W. Duff and J. Homer French, on trial as members of a nationally known bunko ring, were alleged to have participated in the party.

Later it was announced that Blonger, Duff and French were the three men indicted with Clarke. Caplases were served upon them in jail. All the men are charged with violation of the prohibition act.

Heads Coal Board

WASHINGTON, Mar. 28.—Howard Gandy, former member of congress from South Dakota has been appointed executive secretary of the national coal commission, succeeding J. A. Morrow.

FRENCH EYE BERLIN MOVE TO GET LOAN

France First and Hold Guarantees—Germany, Feeling Nip of Ruhr Seizure, Offers to Accept Hughes' New Haven Speech As Settlement Basis.

BERLIN, Mar. 28.—(By Associated Press). The German government is willing to do everything possible to insure payment of its reparations obligations as they might be determined by an international businessmen's commission Foreign Minister von Rosenburg has informed the foreign relations committee of the reichstag.

The minister said that the government has communicated to the European powers with the exception of those directly interested in the Ruhr occupation, its belief that the proposals contained in Secretary Hughes' New Haven speech constituted a feasible means of settling the reparations problem. He reiterated that the occupied region must be unconditionally evacuated before there could be any negotiations for a settlement of the controversy.

Submission of the reparation issues to an international group on which Germany had equal representation would find the German government ready to take steps toward obtaining an international loan, Baron von Rosenburg said. The proceeds would be given to the allies immediately as an advance cash payment.

PARIS, May. 28.—(By Associated Press). Premier Poincare is understood to have told the finance committee of the chamber of deputies yesterday that the German industrialists had tried several times to inaugurate direct negotiations with France, but that only official proposals from Berlin would be considered. The premier said he hoped that the German resistance would end by the last of May.

Although M. Poincare is said to have admitted that the economic returns from the occupation have been relatively slight, he informed the committee that France and Belgium were prepared to retain the physical guarantees already held until pay was made. The Ruhr allies, he added, could not consider the evacuation of Essen until the bill was fully met, although they were ready to withdraw in other instances in proportion to settlements by Germany.

PARIS, Mar. 27.—(By Associated Press). While various interpretations may be put upon the note the reparations commission is sending to Germany in connection with her foreign currency loan issue, the correct one, according to some of the best informed circles, is that it holds in substance that there is no question of the German government's right to offer the loan, but that there does exist a question as to the security it may give.

The text of the note, prepared by Sir John Bradbury of England and M. Delacroix of Belgium, calls attention to article 248 of the Versailles treaty, defining priority rights in reparation, and continues:

"The commission makes express reservation, as against subscribers to the loan, of its right of priority against any funds which may be assigned by the German government to the payment of interest or the repayment of capital to the loan in question."

It is affirmed that the original intention of the French was to prevent the launching of the loan with a guarantee by the reichsbank, but now that the loan is said to be but sixty per cent subscribed, the original French position has been temporarily modified.

The British position of "benevolent neutrality" towards the Franco-Belgian occupation of the Ruhr was in no manner altered, it is declared, by the discussion engaged in before the sending of the present note.

EVERYTHING GONE BUT THE STILL

HEPPNER, Ore., March 28.—Juniper canyon, where moonshiners yesterday repulsed an attempted raid on their still by Morow county officers, today yielded up the still to a posse dispatched from here, but the operators of the still escaped.