

The Weather

Prediction Rain
Maximum yesterday.....85.5
Minimum today.....35.5

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

MEDFORD, OREGON, FRIDAY, MARCH 30, 1923

Weather Year Ago

Maximum59
Minimum38
Precipitation11

NO. 7

GOVERNOR IS OUSTED FROM GAME ASS'N

Forgot Promise in Appointments Charge, and Accused of Lots of Things—Resolutions Adopted Have Sting—Political Love Turns to Hate.

SALEM, Ore., March 30.—Governor Walter M. Pierce, on being informed today of the action of the Jackson County Game Protective association in striking his name from the membership rolls of that organization as a protest against what the association claimed was a violation of a promise to appoint A. L. Hill of Medford to the state game commission said he had no recollection of having made that promise, and that he had appointed F. Roy Davis, chairman of the Jackson county democratic central committee, as a member of the game commission because he had received petitions in behalf of Davis from Klamath and Josephine counties as well as independent petitions in favor of Davis from Jackson county. The governor had been elected to honorary membership in the Jackson county organization when he addressed that body in February.

The Jackson Game Protective association, through their officers and past president, in stinging resolutions unanimously adopted, have ousted Governor Walter M. Pierce from the life membership in the association, which was voted unanimously at the big banquet of the association last month at the Hotel Medford when the governor was the chief guest of honor and main speaker.

This action has been taken by the association because it is claimed Governor Pierce both before and after the banquet, gave his word to leading citizens and members of the association, both republicans and democrats, that he would appoint the association's candidate, A. L. Hill, as the southern Oregon member on the state game commission to succeed Louis Bean of Eugene, whose term had expired; and then turned around later and appointed F. Roy Davis, also of this city.

This unexpected action by the governor created a storm of indignation throughout the association membership, which is non-partisan on politics; not because Mr. Davis, who is chairman of the Jackson county democratic committee, is not well qualified for the position, but owing to the fact that at the time the alleged promise was made by the Governor Mr. Davis was not known to have entered the race. The association has no quarrel with Mr. Davis. Mr. Hill did not want the place.

The chief executive of the state of Oregon is charged with failure to keep a "promise, voluntarily made," in the making of an appointment, which the resolution states, caused "profound regret and amazement."

He is thereby found "guilty of most reprehensible, unpardonable, unpatriotic and untrustworthy conduct," not to mention an alleged "deficiency in both knowledge and practice of manly and honorable dealing."

The resolutions, a copy of which was sent to the governor are as follows:

The following resolution was unanimously adopted at a meeting of the officers and executive board of the Jackson County Game Protective association, held in Medford, Oregon, March 28, 1923 as follows:

Whereas, the Jackson County Game Protective association, an organization interested in and devoted to the protection, preservation and propagation of the wild life of the state, coming

Governor Promises, Auto Dealers Call Off Gas Tax Vote

PORTLAND, Ore., Mar. 30.—Representatives of automobile interests who had instituted proceedings towards a referendum against a law enacted by the last legislature increasing the tax on gasoline by one cent a gallon yesterday promised Governor Walter M. Pierce that they would abandon the effort.

The pledge was made at a conference attended by the governor, members of the state highway commission and representatives of the automobile interests. It was conditioned on a promise by the governor that he would appoint a committee of five to formulate a plan looking to a reduction of license costs for automobiles more than three years old.

'BACHELOR' LONG MARRIED, SLAIN BY HIS VICTIM

New York Social and Financial Leader Led Double Life—Girl in Case Kills Then Ends Own Life—Tried to Break Off Alliance.

NEW YORK, March 30.—Frederick W. Burnham, 44, a contractor, socially, financially and professionally prominent, died early today, the victim of a gun in the hands of Miss Helene Zeigler, 26, daughter of well-to-do Riverside drive family, who killed herself after having mortally wounded Burnham in his offices late yesterday.

The tragedy was believed to have followed the girl's discovery, after a ten-year friendship with Burnham, that the contractor was married. Miss Zeigler called at Burnham's office in the Grand Central terminal yesterday, but he was too busy to see her. She returned two hours later and gained access to the office, while a friend who accompanied her, Miss Ida Murphy, waited outside.

Miss Zeigler was inside fifteen minutes when H. S. Cox, the employee who had admitted her, and Miss Murphy heard two shots. Miss Murphy ran away and disappeared. Cox summoned M. E. Ames of Yonkers, one of Burnham's superintendents who had left the office a short time before.

They found Miss Zeigler dead, a pistol wound in her right temple. Burnham was shot in the right temple, but was still breathing. He died at a hospital about one o'clock this morning without having regained consciousness.

Mrs. Burnham, a civic leader at Dobbs Ferry, where she and her husband lived on their estate, Riverview Manor, and an active member of the Christian Science church there, and the girl's parents, were notified.

The story of the tragedy was related by acquaintances of both families. Burnham, they said, met Miss Zeigler about the time of his marriage, ten years ago. Neither she nor her family knew of the marriage. Burnham frequently remained at one of his Manhattan clubs for several days at a time and they accepted his late that he was a bachelor.

Mrs. Zeigler said she had advised Helene not to marry him, as she asserted he had asked her, because he drank.

Recently Burnham attempted to discontinue his affair with Miss Zeigler. He told men friends that his wife had learned of their relationship and had declared he must renounce either the girl or his family. He was said to have made yesterday's appointment for the purpose of discussing with the girl the step he was about to take.

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"Babe" Ruth Harrassed By Boils And Illness Faces \$50,000 Suit



NEW YORK—Boils, weak ankles, and illness have harassed Babe Ruth for quite some time and last week a suit for \$50,000 filed by Miss Delores Dixon added to his troubles. With the Babe in training quarters in the South, however, is Mrs. Ruth and daughter, Dorothy, who lend encouragement and support to his decision to fight the case in open court.

Miss Dixon charges Ruth is the father of the child expected to be born to her in May, and asks \$50,000 for her support. She is an orphan, aged 19, and Mrs. Barbara V. Escoe was appointed her guardian for the purposes of the suit.

SELF-DEFENSE IS PLEA IN HERRIN MASSACRE TRIAL

MARION, Ill., March 30.—(By the Associated Press)—The defense in the Herrin riots trial today continued the introduction of testimony regarding the introduction of aggression on the part of the armed guards at the mine of the Southern Illinois Coal company immediately preceding the outbreak last June which resulted in the slaying of 25 men.

Several of the witnesses described the shooting at the mine on June 21, when three union miners were killed. They said they witnessed the shooting from the tipple of another mine about a mile away from the pit owned by W. J. Lester.

Frank Tenfour testified that he had gone to the top of the tipple shortly before noon and had seen a crowd of 25 or 30 men moving toward the Lester mine. He said he heard two or three volleys of shots fired from the mine and 20 or 30 minutes later scattered shots fired from the outside.

John Baker, a miner living at Creshaw Crossing, about half a mile from the Lester mine, said that he had watched the men in the mine place a gun in a mine dump concealed behind a bush. He testified he later heard firing and identified the sound as coming from a machine gun.

HARDING TALKS TO SCOTTISH RITES

ST. AUGUSTINE, Fla., March 30.—Some thirty initiates in the Scottish Rite, forming a class here in the 21st and 27th degrees, today claimed the distinction of having been addressed directly by President Harding.

The president last night, accompanied by Brigadier General Sawyer, slipped quietly away from the hotel and walked over to the Scottish Rite temple, where he remained for two hours, witnessing the ceremonial and at its close addressing the class. The addresses to the class also were given by General Sawyer and by W. A. McWilliams, president of the Florida state senate.

More golf and more rest was the president's program for today. It was considered probable that he would have a few conferences, including one with Attorney General Daugherty.

NEW YORK—The annual income from the stock owned by J. D. Rockefeller, Jr., in nine Standard Oil companies, valued at \$410,897,899, is estimated at \$11,950,022.

SOVIET RULES CATHOLIC HEAD SENTENCE HOLDS

Death for Zepliak Reduced to Ten Years On Account of Prejudice, But No Mercy for Monsignor Condemned to Die—Council Decides.

MOSCOW, March 30.—(By the Associated Press)—The death sentence recently imposed on Archbishop Zepliak head of the Roman Catholic church in Russia, was commuted to four to ten years imprisonment under strict isolation.

The appeal of Vicar General Butchkevich for clemency was refused. The executive committee which met to consider requests for mitigation of the sentences, said in its decision that both prelates were deserving of the penalty imposed by the Moscow court but that commutation was ordered in the case of the archbishop because of a certain element of the Catholic citizens in Russia might exploit the sentence as being directed against the priests and their religion.

The committee said it regarded that the evidence in the case of Monsignor Butchkevich showed his direct treasonable connection with an enemy of the state. The decision was signed by President Kalinin and Secretary Sazonoff. It read as follows:

"The court had fixed the guilt of Citizen Zepliak who had been acting contrary to the interests of the working class and to the fundamental gains of the proletarian revolution. By consistently directed action he had made use of the laws which guarantee equality for everyone and freedom of religion.

"These actions are very heavy crimes in the revolutionary republic which, as before, is surrounded by numerous enemies. There can not or could not be another penalty except that which was fixed for Zepliak by the court.

"However, taking into consideration that Zepliak is the representative of such a religion, which at the time of the late czarist government and at the time of the bourgeois republic was suppressed, application to him of a penalty very well earned might be interpreted by a certain backward element of the Catholic citizens of soviet Russia, whose religious feelings he tried to exploit and direct. . . . as directed against the priests and their religion.

"We, therefore, as an exception from the penalty policy of the republic, have decided to change the sentence fixed by the court to ten years imprisonment in strict isolation.

"As regards Citizen Butchkevich, sequences."

FAST TRAIN HITS AUTO AT CROSSING, DEATH LIST GROWS

COLUMBUS, Ohio, March 30.—Five persons are known to have been killed and many were injured, some seriously when a fast Big Four Pullman train, en route from Boston to Cincinnati, struck an automobile at a grade crossing at the north city limits today.

The engine left the tracks and turned over in the ditch, four Pullman sleepers piling on top of it. All of the cars in the train with the exception of a dining car, left the track.

The train, due in Columbus at 7:50 o'clock, was more than an hour late and was reported running 65 to 70 miles an hour. It is one of the heaviest and finest trains operated by the Big Four. The automobile was struck at the Oakland Park avenue crossing, the wreckage piling up at the North Broadway crossing.

The known dead are: Horace Holbrook, Warren, Ohio, publisher.

Earl W. Wilson, fireman, of Columbus.

J. W. Klee, fireman of Cleveland.

Mrs. Frank S. Hemminger of Columbus, wife of an attorney, who was driving the automobile that was struck.

Robert Hemminger, aged 5, her son.

Infant Hemminger.

Rescue workers said that other dead may be found in the wreckage. Every available ambulance and doctor was rushed to the scene and soon the injured were being received at the hospitals.

COL. GREEN BETTER SINCE 'OPERATION'

NEW YORK, Mar. 30.—Colonel Edward H. R. Green, son of the late Hetty Green, cruising in Florida waters since he underwent the Steinschach "rejuvenation" operation last month, has written friends here that he is feeling better than he had in fifteen years, it was learned today.

First news of the operation which was declared to have been successful, as published in the New York Times, declares that Colonel Green spent a week in recuperating.

who in criminal activity on the ground of religion, combined with clear counter revolutionary action with a direct connection with an enemy bourgeoisie, and who used his position as a priest to carry on a direct and active state treason, the request for reprieve is left without consequences."

"Suckers" Pay High Tribute to "Slickers" By Use of Mail

WASHINGTON, Mar. 30.—As a part of the department of justice campaign against the stock swindlers begun last November, acting Attorney General Seymour has sent Assistant Attorney General Crim to Fort Worth, Texas, to prepare for trial a large number of cases charging mail frauds in the selling of oil stocks. Mr. Crim has reported to the department that "the amount mulcted from the public at this point (Fort Worth) is not less than \$100,000 a day."

About 78 cases are pending in the northern Texas district and Mr. Seymour said they would be pressed.

The northern Illinois district attorney also has been directed to bring to trial another alleged stock swindling case in Florida everglades lands and this has been assigned for trial in May.

The department's plans when announced said that hundreds of swindlers had "filched a total of nearly \$150,000,000 from the public through fraudulent use of the mails," with about 500 cases pending throughout the country and 900 persons arrested or indicted.

RODOLPH MAD ABOUT SECOND WEDDING MUSS

'They'd Better Watch Out' Says Shiek When Told of Indiana Decision—Too Much Notoriety Seeking—Wife Also Full of Ire.

NEW ORLEANS, March 30.—A telegram received by Rodolph Valentino today informing him that an assistant attorney of Indiana had expressed the belief that the marriage license obtained in Lake county by Valentino and Winifred Hudnut was illegal, struck fire, according to the New Orleans States today.

"We got the news by telegram on the train from Houston to New Orleans," the newspaper quoted Valentino as saying. "At first I thought it so idiotic a statement that I was going to ignore it. But I've been getting angrier and angrier as I have thought of it."

"They'd better watch out, they're getting near the danger point in this persecution of my wife and me."

Valentino said he had placed the matter in the hands of his attorney, A. B. Graham of New York.

After going into details concerning the securing of the license in Lake county, Valentino declared two judges one assistant district attorney and a lawyer told him the Indiana marriage was legal.

"They ought to know their business, oughtn't they?" he continued. "What are we going to do about it? Nothing. We are legally married. Some notoriety seeking fool bobbing up and saying we're not doesn't make any difference, does it?"

Miss Hudnut was equally full of ire.

French Approve Letter.

PARIS, March 30.—(By the Associated Press)—The French government today approved the letter drawn up by the allied delegates in London in reply to the Turkish counter proposals in the Lausanne treaty. The allied reply which admits the resumption of the negotiations begun at Lausanne, now will be dispatched to the Ankara government.

RICH ANGEL'S LETTERS TO DOROTHY NOT SWEET, AND NOTHING FOR BLACKMAIL

NEW YORK, March 30.—J. Kearnsley Mitchell of Philadelphia was never worried about being blackmailed because of letters he had written Dorothy Keenan, slain model, his attorney, Nelson Olcott, today told reporters.

Mr. Olcott made this assertion in a statement issued after he had called upon District Attorney Banton and had been closeted with him for some time. His statement followed a police announcement that examination of letters left by Miss Keenan in her safe deposit box, while indicating she had many wealthy admirers, were not of a nature to afford basis for blackmail.

The district attorney's office has been working on the theory that the

JAP LABOR IMPORTATION PROTESTED

401 Ranch Leased By California Japs Report, Take Charge April 1—Local Elks Back Up Legion in Legal Fight—Other Bodies to Take Action.

There was considerable quiet indignation expressed on the streets today and yesterday when it became rumored that the Sacramento Investment company of Sacramento, Calif., owners of the large 401 Orchard, was going to supplant the present large force of employees of that orchard with a large annual payroll with a force of 40 Japanese laborers.

The facts of the matter as near as can be learned are that the secretary of the company arrived here this week and notified Ben Moller, superintendent of the orchard, and all of the other present employees, said to number 21, to cease their services at the close of the month tomorrow, when they will be supplanted by a crew of Japanese, numbering 40 men, who have taken a lease, it is claimed, on the orchard, and will operate it on and after April 1st.

This Jap crew is understood to be on the way here by automobile from California.

On receipt of this news the executive committee of the American Legion post of Medford convened in executive session yesterday afternoon, applied the state American Legion headquarters at Salem of the matter, by wire, and took action to at once notify the business and fraternal organizations of the city and city officials.

This morning a wire was received from the state American Legion headquarters advising the local post to use all honorable and legal methods to prevent the taking over of the 401 orchard by the Japs as reported, and stating that in so doing the post would have the unanimous and hearty moral and financial support of the state legion.

The local Elks lodge last night after a short discussion of the subject unanimously adopted a resolution against the reported coming of the body of Japanese laborers, and to bringing any more Japs here.

It is understood that the mayor and city council will take action on the matter at the council meeting next Tuesday night, and also the Chamber of Commerce and other business, social and fraternal bodies, as fast as they meet in regular session.

CROWD SEES MATE SLAY HIS WIFE

LOS ANGELES, March 29.—Howard Boehme, 40, shot his wife, Ollie, 33, in the breast, then killed himself by firing a bullet through his head in the presence of several hundred persons at Fourth and Main streets this afternoon. The woman was taken to the receiving hospital in a serious condition. J. R. Talley, 63, of Lankershim, Cal., was wounded by a stray bullet.

ADMIRAL SIMS FLAYS KLAN, AND BOSTON MAYOR CALLS HIM 'B. ARNOLD'

SAN FRANCISCO, Mar. 30.—Rear Admiral Sims, U. S. N., retired, speaking before the English-speaking union here last night, launched a broadside against the Ku Klux Klan, political farm blocs, Sinn Feiners and Mayor James B. Curley of Boston. The admiral also admitted charges made by his critics that he was "pro-British."

"The Ku Klux Klan is the most pernicious, most cowardly bloc," Admiral Sims said. "It assumes the right to judge, jury and executioner. Its methods enable bands of criminals to commit murder with comparative impunity behind masks."

"But even such an organization, or

any one attempting minority rule, is less dangerous," the admiral continued, "than one that systematically poisons the minds of young men and ignorant voters with hatred of a friendly country."

The refusal of Mayor Curley to participate in the meeting of the Loyal Coalition of Boston recently, when in a letter to the secretary of that organization Mayor Curley refused to sit upon the same platform with a "Benedict Arnold," was declared by Admiral Sims to be an unwarranted attack upon the society "which has as its mission the promotion of American ideals."