

The Weather

Prediction: Light to heavy frost. Probable showers. Maximum yesterday 61. Minimum today 47. Precipitation .03

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

Weather Year Ago

Maximum 49. Minimum 32.9. Precipitation 16

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

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TUT'S QUEEN VERY FICKLE NOTE SHOWS

Ankhsamen, While Body Still On Bier, Wrote King of Hittites for One of His Sons—Royal Romance Halted By Abdication of Ay.

LUXOR, Egypt, April 11.—(By Associated Press). An ancient Hittite document recently unearthed in Anatolia discloses an amazing royal romance in which Queen Ankhsamen, consort of Pharaoh Tutenkhamun, was one of the principals. It also appears that the queen was banished by Tutenkhamun's successor, the Pharaoh Ay. This valuable document has been translated by Professor Archibald H. Saxe, one of the leading Babylonian and Egyptian scholars of Great Britain. It reveals the extraordinary fact that while King Tutenkhamun's body was still upon its bier awaiting burial his 27 year old wife dispatched an ambassador to the king of the Hittites, who was then besieging the ancient city of Carchemish, between Mosul and Damascus, to induce the king to give her one of his sons in marriage.

The king of the Hittites apparently doubted the motives and good faith of the Egyptian queen. He replied to her overtures: "The son of your lord (the king) where is he? Have you deceived me? The general of the army (Horemheb) has not nominated my son to the kingship?"

The queen thereupon rejoined: "What is this you say? I have deceived you. If I had a son and my people had a ruler I would not have sought the hand of a man from another country. No one has had children by me. I have no son. Give me one of your sons as my husband and he shall be king of the land of Egypt."

The document shows that the royal romance was almost completed by the king of the Hittites giving the fair sultor one of his sons, but just as the marriage was about to be celebrated King Ay seized the throne of Egypt, and the helpless queen was banished.

Present history and archaeology show no trace of Queen Ankhsamen. She seems to have disappeared from view after King Ay usurped the throne. It is known only that she was the real inheritor of the throne and that Tutenkhamun owed his kingship entirely to her rights of royal succession. It is presumed that Ay's motive in banishing her was to prevent a foreigner from ruling over Egypt, especially a hated Nittia.

American archaeologists who gave the text of this document to the Associated Press correspondent say the Hittite narrative makes it extremely unlikely that the body of Queen Ankhsamen will be found in the royal necropolis.

FIGHT K. K. K. RAID ON C. S. V. MEET

NEW ORLEANS, April 11.—Reports that an attempt might be made at the convention of the Sons of Confederate Veterans, which opens here tonight to swing the organization in favor of the Ku Klux Klan through the election of officers friendly to it, were substantiated today by Carl Hinton of Denver, Colo., adjutant in chief of the Son's association. "With our information buttressed by the undisputed evidence of what was to be attempted, the friends of the Sons of Veterans rallied to support a counter move that would kill off all attempts of the Klan to inject itself into the convention and to keep the reunion free from any political or religious issue," said Mr. Hinton.

"RUM FLEET" NOT MYTH DRY CHIEF ADMITS, SOURCE OF BOOZE SUPPLY

NEW YORK, April 11.—"Rum row" is not a myth dreamed by reporters, but a tangible thing supplying much of the liquor being smuggled into the United States, Palmer Canfield, the new federal prohibition director for New York and northern New Jersey, has admitted. The New York Herald published today an invitation of Mr. Canfield to newspapermen to accompany the party of prohibition enforcement officials who are arranging to visit the uttermost fleet anchored off the New Jersey and Long Island coasts. "I am satisfied that an official survey of the armada is necessary before we can stop its operations," Mr. Canfield declared. "Before we can dry up New York we must get to the source of supply and use a legal stranglehold in putting a stop to the flow of whiskey emanating therefrom."

Important Changes in Oregon Game Laws Effective This Year

PORTLAND, Ore., April 11.—Important changes in open seasons for game in Oregon have been approved by the state commission. The changes will be effective this year and deputy game wardens throughout the state will be instructed to announce and enforce them at once. The open season on deer effective in all sections of the state, will be from September 10 to October 31, instead of August 20 to October 31, as formerly.

BAR POLITICS IN VETERAN BUREAU AIM OF LEGION

Corrupt Exploitation Must End Says Owsley—Renew Effort to Root Out Inefficiency—Ugly Rumors Afloat to Be Probed.

NEW ORLEANS, April 11.—There must be an end to corrupt exploitation of the veterans' bureau, Alvin Owsley, national commander of the American Legion declared today before the annual reunion here of the United Confederate veterans, adding that the legion favors an immediate investigation of that department. "The legion seeks to renew the thought of America's debt to her ex-soldiers and stands for an honest, straight-forward, sympathetic treatment of her veterans," he said. "There must be an end to the corrupt exploitation of our veterans' bureau. I shall not dwell upon the frauds and cheats perpetrated there, but it is fair and timely to say that the American people will no longer tolerate political inefficiency in that bureau."

"Unbelievable as it is that responsible leaders in high positions would barter and trade for political gain while men with broken bodies and shattered minds continue to wait hopefully for deserved and promised succor, we have Colonel Forbes himself as authority for the statement that partisan politics has been practiced in the veterans' bureau. If his statement is correct—and he should know better than our men—then we should unite to put an end to this practice."

"The new director should start with a clean slate. For that reason the American Legion favors an immediate, thorough and courageous investigation of the veterans' bureau. Ugly rumors have been afloat. The truth or falsity of them should be established without delay. It is not fair for the new administration of the veterans' bureau to start under a cloud."

WEARERS OF GREY BEGIN REUNION

NEW ORLEANS, April 11.—Thousands of grey clad veterans who answered the call to arms of '61 assembled today for the first session of the 37th annual reunion of the United Confederate Veterans. The convention was called to order by General H. C. Rogers, commander of the Louisiana division of the veterans' organization. After the invocation and addresses of welcome and responses, General Rogers turned the convention over to General Julian S. Carr, commander in chief, who will preside until after the election of officers tomorrow.

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"The capture of Liam Lynch by soldiers of the free state," says the Irish Times, inflicts a heavy blow on the forces in arms against it. During recent months he had been the real leader of the republican extremists. DeValera was the figurehead, but Lynch was the brain that kept south Ireland in its present sorry condition of disorder and alarm. "A strong fighter, with a good grasp of guerrilla tactics, he made more than any other man, has kindled the temper of revolt and prolonged the resistance. "There is plenty of evidence that the rank and file of southern republicans and some of their military leaders are weary of the barren conflict and realize that however prolonged, it can have only one end."

BELFAST, April 11.—When the Irish free state forces yesterday captured Liam Lynch, the republican chief of staff, who afterwards died from his wounds, he had been conferring with a party of the highest republican leaders, among whom was DeValera.

Mr. DeValera's flight from the conference was so hurried that he did not have time to don his coat or cap, which remained in the hands of the free staters, as trophies. Others at the conference were Countess Markievicz, Dan Breen, Miss Mary MacSwiney and Miss Barry, sister of Kevin Barry. It is asserted that the republicans, who were without outfits, opened fire on the free state troops, who had nearly surrounded the house where the conference was in progress.

LONDON, April 11.—(By Associated Press). Eamon DeValera, the republican leader, has been captured, according to a Central News dispatch this morning.

DUBLIN, April 11.—(By Associated Press). Free state army headquarters this afternoon officially contradicted the report that Eamon DeValera had been captured.

HARDING TO TALK SHIPPING BOARD

WASHINGTON, April 11.—President Harding will confer before the end of the week with the full membership of the shipping board to discuss the new merchant marine policy to be inaugurated as a result of the administration shipping bill. The board, under the direction of Chairman Lusker, who accompanied the president on his southern trip has been at work preparing details of alternative plans for dissolution of government owned tonnage. One plan would provide for continued government operation and the other contemplates the sale of the government fleet at the best possible prices on condition that boats now in operation be continued on their present routes.

FOREIGN SILVER DROPS A CENT

NEW YORK, April 11.—The price of foreign silver in the local market today dropped one cent an ounce to 65 1/2 or nearly 3 1/2 below the year's high, established less than a month ago. Bullion dealers declared this drop was in further reflection of the recent announcement of the director of the mint that purchases of domestic silver at \$1 an ounce under the Pittman act would cease July 1 thus throwing the domestic metal into competition with that mined abroad.

Confers with Harding. WASHINGTON, April 11.—Acting Attorney General Seymour conferred today with President Harding and left soon afterward for New York, where the department of justice is investigating sugar prices.

Her Gay Parties Drew Colonel's Criticism; So Her Husband Sues



MRS. E. H. RANDLE. CAPT. E. H. RANDLE. SAN ANTONIO, Texas.—For the first time in the history of the United States Army, an officer has brought action against another in civil court. Capt. Edwin H. Randle, who is suing Col. A. L. Conger, commanding officer of his regiment at Fort Sam Houston, asks \$100,000 damages for alleged statements defaming the character of Capt. Randle's young and beautiful wife, and criticizing parties she gave.

Capt. Randle requested a court of inquiry, which has evidently not been granted. Pressure is said to have been brought upon Col. Conger to retract, and he is said to have made a statement before officers of the regiment in which he declared he had no intention of defaming the Randles. This did not satisfy Capt. Randle, however, and he is bringing a civil suit.

MALHEUR TIMBER BIDS MEAN NEW ROAD TO BURNS

WASHINGTON, April 11.—The highest bids for 890,000,000 feet of timber on the watershed of the Sillies river, Malheur national forest, eastern Oregon was \$2.80 a thousand feet for the yellow pine the principal timber; \$1.95 for Douglas fir and 55 cents for other species, the forest service announced today. The financial standing of the bidder is being investigated before award.

It is estimated that the sale will bring into the treasury more than \$2,250,000 in the next twenty years. The contract requires building of a railroad 80 miles long across the Harney valley to Burns, now the largest city in Oregon without a railroad. "The government," according to E. E. Carter in charge of national forest timber sales, "proposes to open up the region on the basis of a perpetual supply of forest products and the forest service estimates that 50,000,000 feet of government yellow pine and timber may be cut yearly for all time from this logging chance, besides some timber from land privately owned. This means to the local industries, a continuous stream of raw material, permanent supplies and stable employment for woods and mill workers."

JURY STILL OUT IN SIEMENS TRIAL

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., April 11.—The jury which tried J. W. Siemens and J. W. Siemens, Jr., on charges of misapplication of funds of the First State and Savings bank, after deliberating until midnight, retired and resumed consideration of the case this morning. Meanwhile a jury was obtained today to try the two Siemens and Marshall Hooper, a former officer of the bank, on a charge of granting an excessive loan. The court will be unable to proceed in the second trial, however, until records in possession of the first jury are released.

COMMONS BREAKS UP IN DISORDER

LONDON, April 11.—(By the Associated Press)—The house of commons was adjourned by the speaker this evening because of disorders in the chamber. The adjournment interrupted the government's effort to obtain the adoption of a motion similar to the one on which it was defeated last night.

Walla Walla Convict Hides Under Floor, Fed By Cellmate

WALLA WALLA, Wash., April 11.—Officials at the state penitentiary today had not ascertained whether more than one other convict was connected with J. L. Wilson, in one of the most ingenious attempts at escape in the history of the local institution. Wilson with the aid of one known man, had hidden himself under the floor of the old jute mill last Friday. Officials have ascertained that the man was fed by this convict during the time he was under the floor of the penitentiary. Wilson, it is said, had planned to spend several days in his hiding place and then when extra guards were removed he would go over the wall.

REVISION SURTAX NEXT DECEMBER NOT ADVISABLE

Efforts Directed to Decrease Surtax—Sen. Smoot Opposes Plan—Disturbing Element to Business—No Early Change Unless Needed.

WASHINGTON, April 11.—Belief that it would be inexpedient for congress at its December session to undertake revision of the federal tax laws was expressed by Senator Smoot, republican, Utah, who is in line for the chairmanship of the senate finance committee after a discussion today of tax problems with President Harding.

"The opinion expressed by Senator Smoot follows closely upon a statement made by Secretary Mellon forecasting that the treasury might revise its endeavors to decrease the surtax rate from the present 50 per cent to 25 per cent and also the statement made at the White House yesterday that President Harding in event of a revision of taxes would prefer a reduction all along the line. Senator Smoot said he subscribed fully to the president's view that if any reduction were made it should be applied to all federal taxes, but added that revision at the next session of congress must necessarily be based on congressional work. He pointed out that not until after the payment of the June installment of income and other federal taxes would it be possible to estimate in any way the excess of government receipts over expenditures and added that even then it would be a mere estimate.

Present tax laws, in the opinion of Senator Smoot, are working satisfactorily and unless grievous faults are found, he said, he personally would prefer to await at least a year before undertaking any revision. Revision of the federal tax system always affects business and lends uncertainty to the state of the business world, the Utah senator said, adding that he thought American business will be entitled to proceed for a period at least, without the disturbing elements which arise from tinkering with the tax laws.

NEW YORK—"Broadway's white lights may remain but the hilarious light of liquid joy must go," Prohibition Commissioner Canfield said, and asserted "we will make New York 'dry' or bust and we won't bust."

LONDON—Lady Astor won a victory over the "wets" in the house of commons when an amendment to her "dry" bill which she opposed, was defeated.

GIRL BLACKMAILER HELD TO TRIAL

VANCOUVER, Wash., April 11.—Illie Page, 17, suspected of writing and sending blackmail letters to Vancouver residents, was held to the federal grand jury at Tacoma by United States Commissioner Kierwin following a hearing yesterday in which the defense declined to offer any evidence. The young woman's bonds were fixed at \$1200 in lieu of which she was taken to Tacoma by a deputy United States marshal.

NEW CANADIAN RULING PUTS CRIMP IN BOOTLEGGING BUSINESS AT SEATTLE

SEATTLE, April 11.—Action of the Canadian government in ordering discontinuance of the practice under which liquor carrying vessels were permitted to clear for deep sea without specifying a destination means the death knell of rum running on Puget Sound, John A. Frater, assistant United States district attorney here said today. Announcement of the new order was made at Victoria, B. C. yesterday. In the past Mr. Frater said, Seattle's rum fleet loaded at Victoria and Vancouver, cleared for "deep sea" pretending a destination at some Mexican port and hurried into Puget

MADMEN KIDNAP GUARDS

Insane and Desperate Criminals at Mattewan Asylum Cow Keepers, and Escape in Highbowered Auto—Break Is Spectacular and Still at Large.

POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y., April 11.—In a running gun fight, three of the four men who escaped from Mattewan state hospital early today were captured near Kent, Conn., this afternoon. The fourth escaped.

MATTEWAN, N. Y., April 11.—Four desperate and insane criminals made a spectacular escape from the Mattewan state hospital early today. In the break for freedom they made threatening use of a smuggled revolver, bound two guards and locked them up after taking their keys from them, and kidnaped two other guards and the institution chauffeur. The three kidnaped men were released several miles north of Poughkeepsie, but all trace of the fugitives was lost.

John Hawkins, New York, charged with murder. James Coffey, 25, New York, said by the police to be a notorious thief. Marquis Curtis, 47, with a long prison record; admitted to the hospital after being arrested on a charge of feloniously possessing explosives. Frank James, 28, of Brooklyn, charged with burglary.

All four men were inmates of a section of the institution in which the most quiet patients are confined. One of them obtained a revolver, which institution officials believe was smuggled in from the outside. About 1:30 a. m. the men held up Harry Wilson, night watchman, bound him and gagged him and locked him in a bath room after taking from him his keys. The keys, however, enabled them to get only as far as the corridor. Here they concealed themselves until James Coyle, a guard, approached on his rounds. They punched Coyle in the face, shoved the revolver in his ribs and forced him into the key room. On their way they met another attendant, Edward Dilger, to whom they administered the same treatment. After getting the keys to the outer doors the quartet forced Coyle and Dilger to accompany them. On their way to the hospital garage they met a third guard, William Wilson and compelled him to join the party.

In attempting to start an automobile they aroused Leroy Krom, hospital chauffeur who was promptly taken captive. The fugitives made Krom start the big touring car of Dr. Raymond F. C. Kieb, hospital superintendent. They locked William Wilson in the garage but took Coyle, Dilger and Krom with them. Hawkins drove the car. Near Poughkeepsie they turned the two guards and the chauffeur loose. The automobile was found abandoned near Poughkeepsie.

The Noted Dead. WALLA WALLA, Wash., April 11.—Jerome Turner, age 73, prominent in the Adventist colony at College Place, near here, where he had lived for the past 27 years, died this morning. Among surviving children are: Clarence Turner of Bellingham; Mrs. Minnie Tinsley of Seattle; Mrs. Opha Ellis of St. Maries, Idaho; Dwight, Alonzo and Lon Turner of Lewistown, Mont.

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