

The Weather

Prediction Rain
Maximum yesterday 73.8
Minimum today 33.6

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

Weather Year Ago

Maximum 50.3
Minimum 37
Precipitation04

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W. WILSON OPPOSED TO G. O. P. PLAN

Former President Declares He Is Opposed to Harding's World Court Idea With Reservations—Thinks U. S. Should Enter League of Nations.

PHILADELPHIA, April 13.—Former President Wilson is opposed to Harding's proposal for "conditional" American adhesion to the permanent court of international justice established at The Hague under the auspices of the League of Nations, the Philadelphia Public Ledger says today in a copyrighted dispatch from Washington.

Mr. Wilson expressed his views in a letter to Arthur B. Rouse of Kentucky, chairman of the democratic congressional campaign committee, in response to inquiry. The letter follows:

"In reply to your letter of March 29, let me say that I approve not of the 'conditional' but of the unconditional adhesion of the United States to the world court set up under the auspices of the League of Nations, though I think it would be more consistent with the name of the United States for candor and courage to become a member of the League of Nations and share with the other members the full responsibilities which its covenant involves."

DES MONIES, Iowa, April 14.—(By the Associated Press.)—Efforts to insert endorsement of the League of Nations in the war prevention resolution of the National League of Women Voters at the fourth annual convention failed today for lack of a second to the motion made by Mrs. Blanche McKelvey of Omaha, who declared that she was inspired to offer the substitution by Lord Cecil's address of Friday night.

The league went on record as favoring "participation by the United States in the permanent court of international justice, believing this to be the first step toward the outlawry of war" and urging the government to take "further steps to eliminate causes of war by association with other nations for the maintenance of abiding peace."

The league declined to go on record a second time for the calling of an international affairs resolution provides a policy of open diplomacy. It also calls upon all citizens to unite in support of every constructive effort toward permanent world peace without regard to party affiliations.

Another resolution encourages the firm continuance of state administration of minimum wage laws.

The resolution took the form of a message to the states now operating minimum wage laws to continue in the firm enforcement of the laws, leaving to orderly litigation the validity of each state law. The resolution also expressed the hope that the women of the country shall take counsel together "to decide what steps should be taken to retain and extend for women in industry the necessary protection afforded by minimum wage legislation."

BIG TIMBER SALE IN LINCOLN COUNTY, ORE.

PORTLAND, Ore., April 14.—An additional purchase of timber in Lincoln county, Oregon, has just been made by the Pacific Spruce corporation, according to announcement today by C. D. Johnson, president.

The tract acquired from the Hammond Lumber company contains 6034 acres, with a stand of about 400,000,000 feet of Sitka spruce and Douglas fir. This timber is between Yaquina Bay and the Siletz river and with other tracts acquired recently by the Pacific Spruce corporation, gives it a compact forest of approximately 750,000,000 feet of timber.

Options held on adjacent acreage will round out the company's possessions to about 1,800,000 feet.

Reports from Hawaii last night told of small tidal waves on various coasts in the islands none of which, however, did any damage. They began about 1.40 p. m. and the sea returned to normal by three o'clock.

The last serious tidal wave in the Pacific occurred February 3 last and made its worst effects felt in Hilo, island of Hawaii. There was considerable damage done and two lives were lost. No damage was reported at that time from any other points in the Pacific. Seismologists said that the wave was the result of a submarine earthquake, location of which never was ascertained.

Siemens and Hooper Not Guilty; Verdict Klamath Bank Case

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., April 14.—Selection of a jury was begun today for the third time in the first State and Savings bank trials. In this case J. W. Siemens and John Hooper, Jr., are charged with having made a loan to the Klamath Mining company, a Siemens corporation, when the bank's reserve was below legal requirements.

In the first trial in which the Siemens were charged with misapplication of the bank's funds, the jury disagreed. In the second trial, in which the Siemens and Marshall Hooper, former vice president of the bank, were charged with making an excessive loan the jury Friday afternoon returned a verdict of not guilty.

GIFTS POUR IN ON BRIDE-TO-BE DUKE OF YORK

Priceless Jewels, Rare Curios and Enough Gifts to Fill a Dozen Houses Are Already in Possession of Lady Elizabeth.

LONDON, April 14.—(By Associated Press.) When Lady Elizabeth Bowes-Lyon takes up her abode with the Duke of York after the wedding on April 26, she will have one of the most sumptuous wardrobes in the world as well as a wealth of priceless jewels and enough furniture and gifts to fill a dozen homes.

Modistes of New York, Paris, London, Rome and even far-off Australia are contributing their skill in the creation of the bride's trousseau, which some persons say is richer than that which was prepared for Princess Mary. The future duchess already has 35 gowns and an endless variety of tea, evening and sport frocks, as well as numberless furs and hats.

Even Americans and Canadians are remembering the couple as evidence of their friendship and good wishes. On her wedding day the bride will wear a wreath of orange blossoms, the gift of the Canadian club of Florida.

The most costly of the gifts is a series of pearl and diamond necklaces of unrivaled beauty and a wedding ring of pure Australian gold which have been bestowed on Lady Elizabeth by the duke.

Most unusual of all presents is a clock which indicates the day of the week and of the month and the phases of the moon. After striking each hour it plays a march. On the dial is a representation of Whitehall, while figures of the king and the queen and all members of the royal family pass around in a gay procession.

As becomes a Scottish clock no marches are played on Sunday nor is there a procession. The clock is the gift of the city of Glasgow. It was made in 1804 for King George III.

Another novel gift is an illuminated address of congratulations from 40,000 boys of the Young Men's Christian association.

Fourteen huge wedding cakes with the combined weight of 2800 pounds have already been presented to the bride and another is enroute from Montreal. It is believed that the king will confer a royal title upon the bride on the day of the wedding.

King George is now selecting the hymns to be sung at the ceremony in Westminster abbey. One of these especially favored is "The King of Love My Shepherd Is."

FILE BILLS MER ROUGE MOB CASES

31 Bills of Information Charging Various Crimes Against Capt. Skipworth, Dr. McKoin and Others Filed By Atty. Genl. Coco at Bastrop, Louisiana.

NEW ORLEANS, April 14.—Thirty-one bills of information charging more than a dozen citizens of Morehouse parish with various crimes as a result of the activities of masked bands in the parish last year were drawn by Attorney General A. V. Coco and sent to District Attorney David I. Garrett to be filed at Bastrop, according to the New Orleans Times-Picayune today.

Among those whose names appear on the bills of information, according to the published article, are Captain J. K. Skipworth, exalted cyclops of the Morehouse chapter of the Ku



Dr. B. M. McKoin.

Klux Klan; his son, Oliver; Dr. B. M. McKoin of Monroe; Laurie Calhoun of Bastrop, former deputy sheriff of Morehouse parish; W. P. Fitzpatrick; Kelly Harp, New Gray and T. Jeff Burnett, former Morehouse deputy sheriff.

At the hearing in Bastrop last January witnesses testified they recognized Burnett, Oliver Skipworth



Capt. J. K. Skipworth.

and Gray as members of the masked band which kidnaped Watt Daniel and T. F. Richard of Mer Rouge.

The bills, the newspaper declares, will charge conspiracy to commit assault, lying in wait with a dangerous weapon on a public highway, conspiracy to commit murder, damaging or destroying telephone lines and other offenses.

MARATHON DANCER LOSES HIS MIND

BALTIMORE, April 14.—Suddenly becoming half crazed from the strain and exhaustion attendant upon a non-stop dancing contest here, Adam Conrad had to be overpowered and taken from the Garden theater ball room this afternoon.

The other dancers paused only momentarily and then continued their grind. They had been dancing 44 hours.

DIVORCED WIFE OF U. S. TREASURY HEAD IS REMARRIED



Mrs. Nora McMullen Mellon, divorced wife of Andrew Mellon, Secretary of the U. S. Treasury, who has married Harry Arthur Lee, a New York antique dealer, Mrs. Mellon, according to the license is 14 years the senior of Mr. Lee who is thirty. When she was divorced by Mr. Mellon in 1912, it was said he had settled \$3,000,000 on her, with additional alimony of \$30,000 a year.

KLAMATH MAN SHOT BY INDIAN HOLDUP DRUNKS

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., April 14.—J. M. Baker of the contracting firm of Dunn and Baker, engaged in state highway work near here, was shot in the leg last night when his automobile was held up near Lamons Mill, 25 miles north of here. The sheriff today was searching for the holdup men, whom he believes are Indians.

Baker reported that three men halted him and said they were federal officers looking for contraband liquor. One climbed on the running board and Baker pushed him off and started the car. When he had gone a short distance a shot was fired through the rear of the car, entering his thigh. The assailants fled. Baker had 5,000 dynamite caps in the car, which were narrowly missed by the bullet.

Two other cars were reported held up in the same manner in the vicinity last night and officers believe intoxicated Indians posed as officers in hope of finding more liquor.

NO GOOD WHISKEY LEFT IN SEATTLE, BOOTLEG IS VILE

SEATTLE, April 14.—There is virtually no "good" whiskey on sale in Seattle today and liquor being sold is "the vilest kind of stuff—virtually poison," Ray C. Lyle, federal prohibition director for Washington, declared in a statement today. Action of Canadian government authorities a few days ago in stopping the issuance of "deep sea" clearances from British Columbia ports, he said, had cut off the source of supply, and bootleggers, to retain their customers were selling alcohol, colored with iodine and other ingredients, some of it containing lye, fusel oil and various deleterious chemicals.

"This condition of affairs," Director Lyle said, "will sound the death knell of the bootlegger, who cannot hope to continue to sell poisonous drinks. The tide of public opinion, too, is slowly turning against continued violation of the liquor laws."

"The bootlegger is getting little or no intoxicants from across the Canadian border now and after he gets through doctoring up the product of Washington stills, which is made unscientifically and under unsanitary conditions, he has nothing short of a dangerous concoction to market."

The entries were as follows: "William (Guillaume) Max Oser, aged 45, bachelor; profession, mayor Swiss army, residence 127 Ardgowan road, Hither Green; father's name, John Jakob Rudolf, deceased; his profession, riding master."

Mathilde McCormick, aged 18, a spinster of independent means, residence, Old Court Mansions, Kensington, London.

Neither Mr. McCormick or Mrs. McCormick would comment on the wedding last night.

Woman Is Acquitted.
LOS ANGELES, April 14.—Mrs. Lillian Brown was acquitted today of the murder of her husband, George Brown, the jury being out about an hour and a half.

MATHILDE IS NOW WIFE OF 'MAJOR' MAX

Rockefeller Heiress, Aged 18, Was Secretly Married to Middle-Aged Swiss Riding Master Thursday—Couple Now On Honeymoon in the Scottish Highlands.

CHICAGO, April 14.—(By Associated Press.) Official confirmation of the marriage of Miss Mathilde McCormick and Major Max Oser, the Swiss soldier, was given today by Harold F. McCormick, the bride's father and chairman of the executive committee of the International Harvester company. The announcement said the marriage occurred in London on Thursday, April 12.

LONDON, April 14.—(By Associated Press.) It was confirmed today at the



MRS. MAX OSER

Recent photograph of Mathilde McCormick, who married Swiss riding master Thursday.

registry office of Lewisham, an outer suburb of London, that Miss Mathilde McCormick, daughter of Harold F. McCormick of Chicago, was married there to Max Oser, Swiss cavalry officer, on Thursday.

CHICAGO, April 14.—Mathilde McCormick, 18 year old daughter of Harold F. McCormick and Edith Rockefeller McCormick and heiress to the McCormick and Rockefeller millions, was married secretly to Major Max Oser, 45 year old Swiss riding master in the registry office at Lewisham, a suburb of London, at 11:30 o'clock Thursday morning, a copyrighted London dispatch published here today by the Chicago Tribune stated. It was believed that they departed immediately after the ceremony to spend their honeymoon in Scotland.

Miss McCormick's engagement was officially announced almost a year ago.

Mrs. McCormick opposed the contemplated marriage and took legal steps to have Mr. McCormick, chairman of the board of the International Harvester company deposed as guardian. A settlement was made out of court and it was generally understood that Miss Mathilde would be allowed to marry when she attained her majority. That occurred last Sunday.

Major Oser, the Tribune's dispatch stated, lived for three weeks in the Lewisham district in order to comply with the English law governing marriage.

Although the English law permits women to marry at the age of 16, the superintendent of registry at Lewisham asked Miss Mathilde for written consent of her father which she produced.

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Religious Freedom of Thought Favored By Episcopalians

OMAHA, Neb., April 14.—(By the Associated Press.)—The fourth annual educational conference of the Protestant Episcopal church in connection with the question of freedom of religious thought today went on record as opposed to that "narrower position which ignores the fruit of modern knowledge and the results of scientific research."

Such a position, said a resolution unanimously adopted, is not that of the church. "But it should be remembered," the resolution said, "that this freedom does not permit the denial of the articles of Christian faith as contained in the apostles creed."

HARDING PLANS TO GIVE U. S. A. MERCHANT FLEET

President Announces New Plan Whereby Country May Retain Merchant Marine Either Privately Owned or Operated By Government.

WASHINGTON, April 14.—Decision was reached by President Harding and members of the shipping board at a two-hour conference today to proceed at once to the consolidation of the board's foreign trade lines and then offer these lines and ships for sale under the authorization of the merchant marine act of 1920, conditioned on suitable guaranty of maintained service.

The program decided on further provides that if the government finds itself unable to sell the ships and lines without "justifiable sacrifice," the policy then will be to proceed to direct government operation.

The whole policy as set forth in a White House statement after the conference was declared to be based upon the basic principle that the administration was determined that the United States should have a merchant marine. It was added that in furtherance of that purpose the support of the shipping interests, the shipping public and the American people was counted upon.

The discussions today which resulted from the failure of congress to pass the administration shipping bill were said to have developed that both the president and the majority of the shipping board membership were strongly opposed to government operation, and it was explained that such a course would be entered upon only as a last resort.

Chairman Lasker supplemented the White House statement by predicting that after consolidation of the lines and initiation of the selling campaign, it ought not to take more than 60 days to ascertain whether the government can dispose of its fleet or will have to go in operation of the ships itself as a permanent proposition.

Seattle Bowlers Win

BELLINGHAM, Wash., April 14.—The E. N. Brooks five man team of Seattle last night won the championship of its class in the Northwest international bowling congress with a score of 2708, the Butte team No. 1, taking second place with 2680. Doubles and singles will be rolled today and tonight and the sweepstakes event will be held tomorrow afternoon.

IRISH PLOT TO ATTACK LONDON IS NIPPED IN BUD BY SCOTLAND YARD

LONDON, April 14.—(By the Associated Press.)—Documents revealing plots involving the destruction of life and property in London are reported to have come into possession of Scotland Yard as the result of last night's raid on the residences or resorts of Irishmen or women suspected of being republican supporters.

Among the plans said to have been revealed were plots to attack London's light and power source—the underground power stations—efforts to release Irish prisoners from London prisons and projected attempts on the lives of high police officials.

It is said that the plots had huge ramifications in Great Britain and particularly in London and had reached such a stage that a delay of

SEIZE GOODS IN GERMANY LATEST PLAN

French and Belgians Decide to Adopt Sterner Methods in Ruhr to Secure Reparations—Seize Merchandise and Sell Spoils for Cash—Both Countries Firm.

PARIS, April 14.—(By the Associated Press.)—The French and Belgian governments decided today at the conference of their ministers here to reimburse themselves for the Ruhr occupation expenses out of merchandise and money seized from the Germans. The two allies again emphasized their determination to evacuate the Ruhr only as Germany pays.

Any balance left after the military and engineering expenses are paid will be paid in reparations to the benefit of all the allies. The merchandise seized will first be placed on orders already placed with Germany under the reparations schedule for German payment in kind, the French and the Belgians filling their own orders by compulsion if necessary.

When these individual reparations orders are filled, the seized merchandise will be sold under joint Franco-Belgian control. The proceeds will be used with confiscated money, cash obtained from fines and other receipts, to pay the expenses of the occupying forces as prior claims, only the surplus going to the reparations commission.

Premier Poincare of France and Premier Theunis of Belgium, with their advisers, approved new instructions to the Rhineland high commissioners and to General De Goutte, commanding in the Ruhr, outlining the development of the policy of seizures of coal, coke, merchandise and money and the accounting system for the distribution of the resulting fund.

The announcement that the two allies were steadfast in their decision to leave the Ruhr only as Germany pays, came in the form of a reaffirmation of the resolution adopted in Brussels last month.

BLIZZARD RAGES IN EASTERN U. S.

PHILADELPHIA, April 14.—An unrelenting snow storm surprised this section of the middle-Atlantic states today. More than three inches of snow covered the ground in Philadelphia and vicinity. Six inches fell at Altoona.

BALTIMORE, April 14.—Winter returned to this vicinity last night on the crest of a northwest storm of snow and rain, which continued throughout the forenoon today. The snowfall at this time was not unprecedented but was unusual, weather bureau experts said.

MARSHALLTOWN, Ia., April 14.—This city is covered today with two inches of wet snow.

FERGUS FALLS, Minn., April 14.—About two inches of snow fell here today, most of it melting soon after it struck the ground.

DUBLIN, April 14.—Free state army headquarters says it is unable to confirm or deny the report of the arrest of Countess Markievicz.

HUNDREDS OF LIVES LOST IN TIDAL WAVE THAT SWEEPS COAST OF KOREA

TOKIO, April 14.—(By the Associated Press.)—Four hundred persons, including a large number of fishermen, are missing as the result of a tidal wave and storm on the east coast of Korea, according to advices received in Tokyo by the Japanese navy department. The total number of lives lost is uncertain, but it is believed to be large.

Reports from Hawaii last night told of small tidal waves on various coasts in the islands none of which,

a week by the police might have resulted in the scheme being put into operation.

Among the plans was one for attacking police officers in their homes. A prominent former cabinet minister is declared to have been marked for attack.

There was a well organized scheme it is asserted, to raid a certain London prison, either for the purpose of damaging it or of rescuing Irishmen detained there. Irish prisoners also were to be rescued from prison vans while being conveyed through London.

Preparations had been made for some sort of an attack on the Old Bailey court and the underground power stations had all been marked for destruction.