

The Weather
Prediction: Showers tonight and Sunday.
Maximum yesterday.....74.7
Minimum today.....48.4
Precipitation......03

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

Weather Year 'Ago
Maximum.....79
Minimum.....50

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J. WILLARD COMES BACK WITH A K.O.

Former Champion Stages Sensational Revival at N. Y. Boxing Tournament, Knocking Out Johnson in Twelve Rounds—Fippo Slaughters Jack McAuliffe.

RINGSIDE, May 12.—Jess Willard, a great hulk of a man from Kansas, came back to pugilistic fame in the Yankee stadium today, defeating Floyd Johnson of Des Moines, Iowa, a man only half his age. Willard sent Johnson crashing to the canvas in the eleventh round with a right uppercut, Johnson being unable to return for the twelfth round. Willard had been the aggressor throughout the eleven rounds of fighting. He punished Johnson unmercifully and it was remarkable the way the youngster assimilated the punches and came driving back for more. Johnson was a willing fighter, but against the great giant from Kansas he had no chance. Willard came back to pugilism with a vengeance. Willard weighed 248 pounds and Johnson 195.

Eight by Rounds.
Their appetites whetted by two knockouts, the crowd was keenly expectant as Jess Willard former champion and Floyd Johnson, youthful Iowa, entered the ring for the final bout of the charity fund today. The Kansas giant towered over his antagonist, having an advantage of 53 pounds in weight. Willard weighed 248 and Johnson 195.

Round One.
Willard's long left found Johnson's nose for the first blow. Johnson played for the body. Willard appeared in excellent shape. He took two hard rights to the jaw. Willard shook Johnson with a left to the face.

Round Two.
Willard attacked viciously, rocking Johnson's head with rights and lefts. Rights and lefts to head and body staggered Johnson. Willard opened an old cut over Johnson's left eye with a straight right.

Round Three.
Johnson punched Willard's head with raking rights at close quarters. Willard launched several heavy rights which fell short. Johnson's blows did not seem to bother Willard, but the Kansas wind did not appear any too good.

Round Four.
Johnson punched awkwardly and took many straight lefts to the face. He backed Willard into a corner, but could not find his head. Johnson attempted to rough up the big Kansan. Johnson landed many blows in the round but few of them had power.

Round Five.
Johnson kept close to Willard, punching head and body with short hooking rights. Willard shook Johnson with straight left to face and a right uppercut. Willard had Johnson rocking with right uppercuts. Johnson was staggering slightly as the round ended.

Round Six.
Willard jumped to the assault and landed rights and lefts to the body. Willard sent hard rights to the jaw. Johnson's ability to take punishment being remarkable. Johnson's mouth bled. Johnson rallied, punching Willard's head with left and right.

Guilty Banker Gets Out of Prison By Paying Up Losses

TILLAMOOK, Ore., May 12.—Frank A. Rowe, former president of the Nehalem Valley Bank of Wheeler, Ore., which failed last year was sentenced yesterday to serve an indeterminate sentence of one to seven years in the penitentiary upon his plea of guilty to three indictments charging embezzlement of the bank's funds but was paroled by Judge George R. Barley upon stipulation that he must repay all moneys owing the bank and the port of Nehalem, which also lost by acts and that he pay a fine of \$250. Rowe accepted the stipulations and was released.

SECRETARY HUGHES NAMES DATE FOR CHINA CONFERENCE

WASHINGTON, May 12.—November 1, next, has been agreed upon as the date of the conference to be held in Peking by representatives of the powers under a resolution adopted at the Washington arms conference to assist in reforming the Chinese judicial system.

Notifications to the various governments participating have been sent by Secretary Hughes, after receipt of word from the Peking government that the date of November 1, 1924, be agreeable.

Mr. Hughes explained that invitations had been sent to Brazil, Denmark, Norway, Peru, Spain and Sweden because they possessed extra-territorial rights in China, although they were not signatories of the resolution on that subject agreed to in the armaments conference.

The meeting was to have taken place within three months after the Washington conference adjourned, but at the request of the Chinese government a postponement was agreed upon. China desired additional time to be used to prepare herself for the discussions and to revise some of the laws dealing with the judiciary.

GUN INVENTOR'S SON BOUND OVER

SALT LAKE CITY, May 12.—City Judge Noel Pratt today, at the conclusion of a preliminary hearing, ordered Marriner and John Browning, Jr., bound over to the district court for trial for murder in the second degree as a result of the shooting here last April 9 of Benjamin F. Ballantyne. The original complaint against the Brownings charged murder in the first degree. John Browning is the son of the famous gun inventor, who resides at Ogden, Utah, and Marriner is a nephew. Judge Pratt asked bail of \$25,000 for each of the defendants, and it was furnished by John Browning, Sr., and Matt Browning.

Marriner Browning has admitted he fired the shot which killed Ballantyne and John Browning, Jr., is held as an accessory.

ROGER WETHERED WINS THE TITLE

DEAL, England, May 12.—(By the Associated Press.)—Roger Wethered is the new British amateur golf champion. He won the title by defeating Robert Harris in the final of the championship tournament here today, 7 and 6.

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Note From Major Pinger Held By Bandits Shows Need of Immediate Action — Two Boys Released Reach Their Mothers in Tien Tsin.

TIENTSIN, May 12.—(By the Associated Press.)—Payment of ransom or compliance with whatever other terms of the Chinese train bandits of the Shantung hills might demand for the return of their foreign captives, seemed today more than ever the only feasible move, in view of the urgent letter advising such a course, received here from Major Roland Pinger, one of the two American army officers who were taken to the outlaws' stronghold with the other passengers of the Shanghai-Peking express train after it was derailed near Suchow last Sunday.

Not only was the letter from Major Pinger received here from the bandits' retreat today but the young son of Major Pinger, Roland, Jr., also arrived, released from captivity. He came in company with another boy, Robert Allen, Jr., the son of Major Allen, the other American officer held for ransom.

The two lads, clad in Chinese clothing, apparently were in good physical condition, when returned to their anxious mothers. Their mothers, who were on the train but were not taken into the hills by the bandits, had remained here awaiting word of their imperiled families. The boys were enthusiastic over the "adventure" and said the bandits had taken quite a fancy to them, seeing that they suffered no ill.

The Pinger and Allen boys reported two women still in the hands of the outlaws. They were unable to identify the women but from their descriptions, it is believed that one is Senora Manuel Andra Vera, wife of a prominent Mexican, who also is held.

Senora Vera was reported to have refused to leave her husband when the bandits offered to release her with a number of the other foreign women.

There is no surmise here as to the identity of the other woman mentioned by the boys. The boys added that both of the foreign women were at the bandits' headquarters and were in Chinese dress.

It was reported here that the bandits had refused to treat with the commander of the Chinese troops surrounding the mountains because of a blood enmity between him and the bandit chief. Negotiations, however, were said to be proceeding haltingly between the outlaws and a Kiangsu general and it is believed here that if the troops are withdrawn the captives will be freed soon.

Escaped Chinese prisoners said they recognized among the leaders of the bandits former officers of General Chang Ching Yaw who was governor of the province of Hunan in 1920, when Rev. W. A. Reimert, an American missionary, was murdered by Hunan troops. At the time the American legation demanded that Chang be held responsible.

One of the conditions said to have been laid down by the bandits is the restoration of their former status as regular soldiers. They are described to have wrecked the express train as a last resort when they were pressed hotly by the troops.

It is estimated there are 8,000 bandits within a radius of fifty miles. Those guarding the captives are entrenched over a tunnelled fortress on top of a mountain. They are admirably situated to resist a siege.

It is reported from Lincheng that these brigands are five miles from Taoschung, with rescuers in close communication.

Jewels Not Found
A Standard Oil company searching party has not yet found the family jewels which were hidden in a shoe by Miss Lucy Aldrich, sister-in-law of J. D. Rockefeller, Jr., when she was taken from the train.

The American Chamber of Commerce at Tien Tsin adopted a resolution today expressing indignation at the innumerable acts of brigandage throughout China culminating in the present depredation. The resolution evinces satisfaction at the decision of the American government to adopt the strongest measures to assure the safety of life and property in China. The American minister is offered the support of each member individually in any step considered necessary to release the captives and punish those responsible. Heartiest support also is promised any armed forces required, whether provided by the Chinese government or through any other medium.

Youth's Hopes Dashed By Middleaged Fist



Floyd Johnson, heavyweight aspirant is shown above in his training quarters. Johnson was given a technical knockout by Ex-champion Jess Willard in New York today when he refused to come back for the 12th round.

HARDING AGAIN DENIES POLITICS MOTIVE OF TRIP

WASHINGTON, May 12.—The only motive President Harding has in making his western trip this summer is to visit Alaska to obtain first hand information useful in dealing with the problems of that territory, it was said at the White House today.

WASHINGTON, May 12.—President Harding's visit to Alaska during his swing into the west this summer will give him at least two weeks in the territory.

The Alaskan phase of the trip was discussed with the president today by Secretary Hoover, who with Secretaries Weeks and Wallace will accompany him. Afterward it was learned that the president plans to be absent from territorial United States about a month. The voyages to and from Alaska will require five or six days each, and according to present plans will be made on a passenger steamer or transport.

The executive plans to see all except the northwestern portion of Alaska, visiting all the principal towns and centers of government activity in the area covered. It is at present planned to traverse the whole line of the government railroad.

BASEBALL SCORES

American.			
At Chicago.....	R.	H.	E.
Philadelphia.....	5	5	1
Chicago.....	0	4	0
Naylor and Perkins; Leverette, Thurston and Schalk.			
At Detroit.....	R.	H.	E.
New York.....	3	9	0
Detroit.....	2	11	0
Bush and Schang; Pillette and Woodall.			
Washington-Cleveland postponed; rain.			
At St. Louis.....	R.	H.	E.
Boston.....	1	4	2
St. Louis.....	2	8	0
Batteries; Ehmke and Pielnich; Vangilder and Severed.			

National.
PHILADELPHIA, May 12.—Cy Williams of the Philadelphia Nationals, made his thirteenth homer of the season in the fourth inning of today's game with Cincinnati.

NEW YORK, May 12.—Pat Duncan, star outfielder of the Cincinnati Nationals was suspended today for ten days by John A. Heydler, president of the National league "for violation of playing rules and using exceptionally obscene and insulting language" to Empire Quisley in last Thursday's game between the Reds and Braves at Boston.

At Philadelphia.....	R.	H.	E.
Philadelphia.....	3	9	3
Cincinnati.....	12	13	0
Donohue and Wingo; Hubbell, Winters and Henline.			
At Brooklyn.....	R.	H.	E.
Chicago.....	8	11	5

RUSSIA READY FOR BREAK WITH GREAT BRITAIN

Prefers Conference, But Not Cowed By Ultimatum — Crowds March Through Streets of Moscow Singing Red Funeral March.

MOSCOW, May 12.—(By the Associated Press.)—The Russian reply to the British ultimatum was handed to the British representative here late this afternoon and will be sent to London tonight. Its general tone was reflected by Foreign Minister Tchitcherine in his speech before the Moscow soviet this afternoon in which he declared that Russia would propose to England that a conference be held in an effort to avoid a break.

MOSCOW, May 12.—(By the Associated Press.)—All government institutions were closed this morning to permit the employees to take part in a great demonstration against the British note. Surging crowds early began to fill the streets of the city. The demonstrators seemed to be peaceful, but it appeared evident they intended to make the demonstration an impressive one.

The demonstrators sang the revolutionary funeral march in memory of Vorovsky, the soviet envoy slain in Lausanne Thursday, as they tramped the streets with banners reading "Down with the fascists!" "Down with the murderers of Vorovsky!"

From Leonid Krassin's interview with the official press before his departure by airplane for Berlin and London, it appears that Russia is prepared for a break, and if it comes will liquidate all the soviet business in London, transferring it to other European capitals.

MOSCOW, May 12.—(By the Associated Press.)—Deputy Foreign Minister Genetsky's declaration to the Moscow council of trades unions that although Russia is willing to confer with Great Britain over the differences between the two countries she "cannot accept such an ultimatum," as was set forth by Lord Curzon, is taken here as an indication of the trend of official opinion toward the British note.

Genetsky told the council that the soviet government desired no break with Britain.

"We say to England," he asserted, "let us talk the matter over. But do not dictate."

Genetsky's statement that "Russia is against those who want to enslave her," found a retraction in the resolution published by the council announcing that Russia was ready if necessary to respond with armed force to those who try to infringe upon her independence.

The soviet reply, it is generally expected, will go forward to London after Foreign Minister Tchitcherine's address to the special session of the Moscow soviet, which has been summoned for today.

The assassination of Vorovsky at Lausanne has given rise to many rumors as to the probable course of the government but so far there has been no indication of how the murder is viewed officially.

It is understood that the Russian note in reply to the British ultimatum will declare that most of the charges regarding Russian propaganda in the east are based on information furnished by false spies.

As to the Lausanne tragedy the expressed belief of the entire Moscow press today is that Vorovsky was killed at the direction of agents of the "imperialistic entente," because of his efforts to assist Turkey at the conference.

LONDON, May 12.—The Russian trade delegation in London today received a telegram from Moscow saying that the supreme court quashed the sentence of the lower court, which had directed the confiscation of the English trawler James Johnson and the imprisonment of her captain, ordering the imposition of a fine of 50 pounds instead.

The captain and crew of the trawler, the message added, left for Troms, Norway, last Tuesday.

German Marks Hit Zero
NEW YORK, May 12.—German marks sold today at \$23 a million, a decrease of more than twenty per cent last week.

The recent steady decline is interpreted by international bankers as an indication that the German government no longer is able or willing to support its depreciated currency.

File Damage Suit Against F. Johnson Eve of Knockout

NEW YORK, May 12.—A writ of attachment on any money Floyd Johnson may earn from his bout with Jess Willard today was signed by Supreme Court Justice Milton on application of the Boston Arena Athletic club which claimed it suffered \$5,000 damages through Johnson's failure to appear for a bout with Fred Fulton in Boston recently. The writ was served on Johnson at the Yankee stadium.

Charles Cook, Johnson's manager admitted the fighter had been served in the action, when interviewed at the Yankee stadium, but denied the Boston club had any justifiable claim for damages.

BRIDGE EXPLOSION NEARLY WRECKS A FRENCH R. R. TRAIN

ESSEN, May 12.—(By the Associated Press.)—A French troop train with a brigade of artillery on board was stopped fifty yards short of disaster today near Osterfeld where a big steel bridge across the Rhine-Herne canal and the support on both sides were blown up by a heavy charge of dynamite, as the train was approaching.

The explosion was apparently timed too quickly and the noise warned the engineer.

The burgomaster of Osterfeld was arrested and the town was fined 100,000 marks. The inhabitants have been forbidden to go upon the streets at night.

A German suspected of sabotage was shot and killed today by a sentry along the railroad tracks at Gelsenkirchen.

75 PER CENT OREGON WOOL HAS BEEN SOLD

WASHINGTON, May 12.—Wool growers in western states are reported by the department of agriculture to be holding their clips for higher prices, although some states report 75 to 90 per cent of their clip sold or under contract at prices ranging from 35 to 55 cents a pound.

Sales have been made of approximately 80 per cent of the Arizona clip, 75 per cent of the Oregon, 66 per cent of the Utah, 90 per cent of the Wyoming and 55 per cent of the Washington wools. Sales in other range wool producing states are reported at 30 per cent or less of the estimated clips.

Cent. Pacific Hearing At Portland, August 3

SALEM, Ore., May 12.—The Oregon public service commission was informed by the inter-state commerce commission yesterday that the hearing on the Oregon commission's demand that the Central Pacific company build a line of railroad across central Oregon, will be heard in Portland August 3. The line will connect with the Willamette valley, probably by way of the Natron cut-off.

Logger Commits Suicide

TACOMA, May 12.—Victor Carlson, 42, a logger of Aberdeen, Wash., ended his life here this morning by leaping sixty feet from the walkway under the Eleventh street bridge to the railroad tracks below. He was on his way to take a boat to Seattle with a friend, Matt Kullstrom, also of Aberdeen, when he suddenly made the death plunge. He had \$200 on his person.

KERMIT ROOSEVELT AND N. Y. SOCIETY FOLK ATTEND BIG BOXING TOURNAMENT

RINGSIDE, May 12.—A colorful gathering of society folk, fistic and other notables were grouped in the ringside section at the Yankee stadium today. Kermit Roosevelt, son of the late president, was among the onlookers. Prominent among ring figures were Jim Corbett, former heavyweight champion and Mike Tigue, newly crowned world's lightweight title holder.

There was a light sprinkling of women in the \$2 section, but they had come in bad weather attire, like their male bleacher companions.

POISON PEN CLIQUE DUE FOR CLEANUP

Head of Society U. S. Composers Indicted By Grand Jury for Sending Obscene Matter Through Mails—Women Are Victims—Allen Ryan to Prosecute.

NEW YORK, May 12.—The grand jury which has indicted George Maxwell, president of the American Society of Composers, authors and publishers, for sending obscene missives through the mails, has evidence against eight other prominent members of a poison pen clique which is alleged to have victimized 140 wealthy society people here, in Philadelphia, Buffalo, Pittsburgh and other cities, District Attorney Blanton disclosed today.

Eighty of the alleged victims already have testified before the grand jury, which is still in session. Mr. Blanton revealed that their statements had led to the uncovering of 147 poison pen letters and to the discovery that nine well known families had been broken up, a man and woman had died shortly after receiving vicious missives and another woman had gone insane.

Maxwell's attorney here announced that Maxwell had cabled from Europe a denial of the charges. Maxwell himself received several obscene letters from the clique, said the attorneys. He would hasten home to face his accusers.

Allen A. Ryan, the financier, whose wife was named in letters resulting in the grand jury disclosures declared she also would return from Europe and that he would prosecute the writer of the letters if it took his entire fortune.

The poison pen clique's methods, according to the authorities, was to send letters to middle-aged women, endeavoring to entice them into affairs with members of the group. After several months the writers would send letters to the husbands, brothers or other male relatives of the women to whom they had written.

Members of the society which Maxwell headed, say it is inconceivable that he could have been connected with such a plot.

The letters that Ryan turned over to the authorities were received by Mrs. Ryan more than a month ago. All were typewritten and unsigned but in the upper left corner of each were typed the names and addresses of several bankers and club men.

The characters made by one typewriter have figured in the investigation.

REACH AGREEMENT ON U. S. SUGAR INJUNCTION

NEW YORK, May 12.—An agreement eliminating a long drawn out attempt by the government to obtain an injunction in federal district court restraining the New York coffee and sugar exchange and its clearing association from dealing in futures was reached today between counsel for the government and the defendants.

David A. L'Esperance, special assistant to Attorney General Daugherty, announced that it had been agreed to treat the affidavits and pleadings on the temporary injunction petition, rejected by the circuit court, as though they had been taken in the final hearing of the case.

As a result, he said, the circuit court had dismissed the government's petition for a permanent injunction and the way was clear for the government to appeal the case at once to the United States supreme court.

ELDEST BROTHER SENATOR STANFIELD KILLED IN AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT

BOISE, Idaho, May 12.—Sydney Stanfield, eldest brother of United States Senator Robert N. Stanfield of Oregon was instantly killed near Payette, Idaho, last night when the car in which he was riding plunged 70 feet into two feet of water in a large irrigation ditch.

W. B. Miller of Ontario, Ore., who accompanied Mr. Stanfield, escaped with serious injuries to his face and head and a badly injured back.

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