

Prediction.....Probable rain  
Maximum yesterday.....38  
Minimum today.....29

Maximum.....41  
Minimum.....34

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## P. M'ARTHUR VICTIM OF OPERATION

**Ex-Congressman Passes Away Suddenly in Portland As Result of Sinus Operation—Meningitis Follows Infection Near Brain—Sketch of His Career.**

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 10.—Clifton N. McArthur, former representative in congress from the third Oregon district, died last night from complications following an attack of meningitis and the effects of an operation to relieve an infection near the brain.

Mr. McArthur was 45 years old. He served from the third Oregon district as a member of the 64th, 65th, 66th and 67th congresses. He was defeated last year for reelection by Elmer Watkins, democrat. He had recently begun a vigorous campaign in furtherance of his candidacy for the republican nomination for United States senator at the primaries to be held next May on an anti Ku Klux Klan platform. Prior to his service in congress he was twice elected to the Oregon legislature and served two terms as speaker of the house in that body.

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 10.—Clifton N. (Pat) McArthur, former congressman from this district, died at his residence in the Belle Court apartment at 9:15 o'clock Sunday night of meningitis, following a cold contracted Saturday evening as he was convalescent from a sinus operation performed last Tuesday.

Members of McArthur's family, with the exception of Mrs. McArthur, who is with her mother in New York City, were with him during the day.

Mr. McArthur was born at The Dalles, June 10, 1879, and was educated in the public schools and graduated from the University of Oregon in 1901. He studied law and was admitted to the bar in 1906.

SALEM, Ore., Dec. 10.—High state officials today paid tribute to C. N. McArthur, former Oregon congressman, who passed away last evening in Portland.

"Oregon has lost an honorable, a loyal citizen," Governor Pierce said. "In the passing of Mr. McArthur," said Sam Koser, secretary of state, "Oregon lost one of its most virile young men."

## Decisions of U. S. Supreme Court

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—The supreme court today granted an appeal reviewing the validity of allowance by the federal district court for western Washington of the claim of the Patterson-McDonald Shipbuilding company, bankrupt, against the commonwealth of Australia, arising out of a contract for building ten ships for that country.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—The wage agreement between the National Association of Window Glass Manufacturers and the National Window Glass Workers' union was declared by the supreme court today to be valid and not in restraint of trade.

## Death Toll of the Automobile

SANTA ANA, Cal., Dec. 10.—R. K. Townsend of Electra, Texas, was killed and his brother David, sustained a fractured skull, while a third brother, Jesse, was slightly injured in an automobile accident during the wind storm here early today.

## TORNADO HITS LOS ANGELES, 1 KILLED, MANY INJURED, PROPERTY LOSS LARGE

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 10.—One person was dead and several others were recovering from injuries today as the result of accidents attributed to the high winds which yesterday swept Los Angeles and vicinity, uprooting trees, unroofing houses, wrecking store fronts and demolishing fences and signs. No accurate estimate of property damage was available but the loss was believed to have run into thousands of dollars.

## Center Population In Oregon Moves Toward Portland

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—The approximate location of the population center of Oregon is 21.6 miles southeast of Marquam, Clackamas county, according to statistics made public today by the federal census bureau. The movement of the center from 1910 to 1920 to 4.2 miles in a direct line from point to point, while the direction of the movement was 4.0 miles northward and 1.1 miles eastward, the bureau's figures showed.

The exact center of the state's population was located in latitude 44 degrees, 55 minutes and 41 seconds north, and longitude 122 degrees 13 minutes and 33 seconds west.

## PRES'T EXPLAINS OPPOSITION TO SOLDIER BONUS

**In Special Budget Message, Coolidge Shows in Detail Why He Opposes Bonus—Wants Congress to Cut Expenses \$300,000,000.**

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—President Coolidge specifically recommended to congress today a reduction of more than \$300,000,000 in the national tax bill and at the same time presented views in opposition to a soldier's bonus.

The executive, in a message transmitting the annual budget, said frankly that "any program of new expenditure on a large scale would make tax reduction impossible for years to come." He added that tax reduction "would certainly tend to align the whole people in support of economical administration of government," which he declared is becoming "every day more and more necessary."

"I recommend a revision of tax laws," Mr. Coolidge said, "along lines which will effect a reduction of income taxes by taxing earned income more lightly than income from business or from investments; by reducing the percentages of the normal tax and by reducing the surtax rates, with commensurate of their application at \$10,000 instead of \$6,000. I also recommend repeal of the tax on telegrams, telephones and leased wires, and of the tax on admissions, and revision of the miscellaneous taxes which are a source of inconvenience to tax payers, and difficult to collect. On the other hand, amendments which would cause more increase of revenue should also be made to existing income tax laws relative to deductions from gross income for interest paid and non-business losses sustained, wherein income from tax-exempt securities is involved; and the manner of taxing community incomes. These changes would reduce taxes by more than \$300,000,000 which is safely within the probable surplus."

"I know nothing which will give people of this nation greater assurance that we are unalterably committed to a campaign of economy in public expenditure than a reduction of our present taxation. It will take from the realm of debate plans which contemplate extravagant expenditures or expansions of the business of government beyond those necessary to keep pace with a growing nation and fixes the measure of our requirements an amount which will represent what is actually necessary to carry on efficiently the proper business and functions of government and meet our fixed debt charges payable out of current revenue. It would certainly tend to align the whole people in support of economical administration of government and I frankly state that such an alignment is becoming every day more and more necessary because of the influence it will have upon the

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## ADVANCE ON MEXICO CITY IS ORDERED

**10,000 Rebel Troops On March to Take Capital of Mexico, Is Vera Cruz Report—Rebel Forces Capture Jalapa—Conflicting Reports Cloud Real Situation.**

VERA CRUZ, Dec. 10.—(By the Associated Press.)—Insurgent troops have left Vera Cruz under orders for an advance toward Mexico City. At various points along the inter-oceanic railroad they will be joined by other contingents and the United Forces will then proceed toward the capital advancing from two directions. It is estimated that about ten thousand troops are available for this movement.

General Berlanza and Colonel Mayer, Oregon officers who were reported to have been executed after the capture of Jalapa by the insurgents, were spared. Colonel Mayer was one of 200 prisoners taken and brought here last night.

The steamer Platanero Algeria is carrying the New Orleans Teller Treasures and Enrique Soldano, who are to go to New York as confidential agents of the provisional government.

A detachment of Oregon troops was reported defeated in a skirmish in Nayarit territory. Generals Ortega and Maya, loyalists, were killed.

General Estrada, who is advancing toward Mexico City from Guadalajara, has informed the insurgent chiefs here that an attempt by General Ferrel to land federal reinforcements from Sinaloa and Sonora at Manzanilla was frustrated by the rebels.

**Rebels Capture Jalapa**  
MEXICO CITY, Dec. 8.—(Via Laredo, Texas, Dec. 10.) (By Associated Press.) (Delayed.) Capture of Jalapa, capital of the state of Vera Cruz this (Saturday) morning by rebel forces was officially announced here tonight. With this single success it was declared in official quarters that the revolt headed by General Sanchez who favors the presidential candidacy of Adolfo De La Huerta had reached the maximum development possible, with the nucleus of the outbreak centered at the city of Vera Cruz and in the states of Guadalajara and Jalisco.

**Wait Reinforcements**  
The defenders of Jalapa, a portion of the federal garrison which refused to join the revolution, retired to the nearby village of Oriental, together with 2000 volunteer agrarians, who were poorly equipped. At Oriental this badly organized force will await reinforcements, officers and proper equipment, it was stated.

It was officially reiterated that the widespread conspiracy hatched by reactionary conservative elements supporting De La Huerta, was doomed to fail, first because it is not supported by the popular classes of Mexico, second, because the government has been able to surround the affected districts with a superior force of federal troops standing loyally with the administration; third, because the De La Huerta elements have failed to subordinate the military forces at San Luis Potosi, which would have interrupted Mexico City-Laredo communications as well as communications in Tamaulipas controlling the oil fields.

As far as can be learned in official sources, De La Huerta is remaining at Vera Cruz while Prieto Laurens, president of the co-operatista party, is still

**Rebel General Surrenders**  
General Romulo Figueroa, who a fortnight ago took the field against the state government in Guerrero, has surrendered and is expected to reach Mexico City tonight. Reports that General Francisco Urbalejo, commanding the column sent into Guerrero, had joined the revolutionists, were declared to be false.

The possibility that Hipolito Villa had taken the field in the state of Durango, was admitted officially but it was declared Hipolito was always a "nonentity" even when his brother, Francisco, was alive, and incapable of gathering an important following. It was declared the same is true of General Manuel Chao, who is attempting to arouse former Villistas.

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GIRL SAID TO HAVE  
BEEN OFFERED FOR SALE  
FOR \$400 OR A FORD



Doris Lang, 17 year old girl, who it is said, was offered for sale by her aunt with whom she has been living, for "\$400 or a Ford car," according to neighbors who complained to Probate Judge A. D. Norton of Painesville, Ohio. The girl, it is said, had written to a neighboring farmer to adopt her, as her aunt was planning to "sell" her to a Cleveland man.

## PRESIDENT IS DEFINITELY IN RACE FOR 1924

**Frank W. Stearns of Boston Makes Formal Announcement—Pledges of Support Begin to Pour in—Coolidge to Remain in Background.**

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—President Coolidge is definitely a candidate for the republican nomination for president in 1924. Announcement of Mr. Coolidge's candidacy was made last night while party leaders were gathered in the capital for the annual meeting of the republican national committee and three days after he had outlined his policies in his first message to congress. Assurances of support began to pour in immediately upon William M. Butler, republican national committeeman for Massachusetts, who was named his "personal representative" in the campaign.

The announcement was made by Frank W. Stearns of Boston, known as the president's closest personal and political friend, through a statement issued by James B. Reynolds, former secretary of the republican national committee who directed Mr. Coolidge's campaign in 1920.

Whether Mr. Butler will act as national campaign manager was not indicated. It was made known, however, that he will establish temporary headquarters in Washington where he will be in a position to confer frequently with C. Bascom Sless, the president's secretary, Mr. Reynolds, Mr. Stearns and other party leaders and advisers while perfecting an organization.

First consideration, it is thought, will be given to selection of regional managers, and Mr. Sless, who is the national committeeman for Virginia, is expected to have charge of the campaign in the south.

**President in Background.**  
The president, it is understood, hopes to remain as much as possible in the background during the campaign, his friends explaining that he desires to conserve his time and energy for the duties of his office. No personal declaration to supplement the announcement by Mr. Stearns is anticipated for the present at least.

Mr. Coolidge's announcement was not unexpected in view of his message to congress, the imminence of the national committee meeting with the selection of Cleveland as the 1924 convention city virtually assured, and the unanimous endorsement given him recently by the South Dakota republican proposal convention. It is expected to have an immediate effect on the plans of Senator Watson of Indiana, Governor Pinchot of Pennsylvania and other prominent republicans reported to be considering entrance into the race for the nomination.

**Will Enter Primaries.**  
Political observers expect the president to enter the preferential primaries in nearly all of the states in which they are held. In such contests, they point out, he is likely to cross swords with Hiram W. Johnson, the only other avowed candidate who has announced his intention to seek endorsement in these primaries wherever possible.

The republican national committee which will fix the date of the 1924 convention as well as select the meeting place, is not scheduled to name the city until Wednesday. In view of the withdrawal of its invitation by

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## SENATE IS HELD UP BY FARM BLOC

**Brookhart, Frazier, et al., Join With Democrats and Prevent Election of Cummins As Chairman of Interstate Commerce Com. Committee—Lodge Resolution Lost**

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—The senate was thrown into a deadlock today by a fight of the insurgents to prevent the reelection of Senator Cummins of Iowa, the president pro tem, as chairman of the interstate commerce committee.

On the first ballot Senator Cummins fell three short of the necessary majority, his vote being 41 to 39 for Senator Smith, democrat, South Carolina, and 7 for Senator LaFollette of Wisconsin, the recognized leader of the republican insurgent group.

The democrats voted solidly for Smith and five republicans and the two farmer-labor senators from Minnesota supported LaFollette. The five republicans voting for the insurgent leader were: Brookhart, Iowa, Frazier, North Dakota; Howell, Nebraska; Ladd, North Dakota; and Norris, Nebraska.

On the second ballot Cummins received 39 votes, four less than a majority, while Smith polled 43 and LaFollette 7. The same senators supported the Wisconsin senator on the second ballot.

The vote on the third ballot was the same as that of the first—Cummins 41; Smith 39; LaFollette 7.

After the third ballot, the senate on motion of Senator Lodge of Massachusetts, republican leader, went into executive session and adjourned with the deadlock unbroken.

**Lodge Resolution Held Up.**

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—Organization of senate committees was blocked today by Senator Wheeler, democrat, Montana, who objected when Senator Lodge of Massachusetts, the republican leader, proposed the usual resolution embodying committee selections made by the majority and minority organizations. The measure went over until tomorrow under the rules.

**Oregon Senators Named**  
New chairmen on senate committees were selected by the republicans as follows:

Finance, Smoot, Utah; judiciary, Brandegee, Connecticut; naval, Hale, Maine; mines, Oddie, Nevada; postoffice, Sterling, South Dakota; public lands, Lenroot, Wisconsin; privileges and elections, Spencer, Missouri; territories, Johnson, California; patents, Ernst, Kentucky; Indian affairs, Harrell, Oklahoma; civil service, Standfield, Oregon.

Senator Lodge of Massachusetts, republican leader, retained the chairmanship of the foreign relations committee and Senators Lenroot, Wisconsin; Willis, Ohio and Pepper, Pennsylvania, were appointed to fill the three vacancies. Senator Shipstead, farmer-labor, Minnesota, was given a place on this committee and the democratic vacancies were filled by Robinson, Arkansas; Underwood, Alabama; Walsh, Montana, and Owen, Oklahoma.

Five new republicans were placed on the finance committee. They are: Reed, Pennsylvania; Elkins, West Virginia; McCormick, Illinois; Ernst, Kentucky, and Standfield, Oregon. The two new democrats are Harrison of Mississippi and King of Utah.

Senator Cummins of Iowa, president pro tem of the senate remains chairman of the interstate commerce committee, with Senator LaFollette of Wisconsin, recognized leader of the republican insurgents, as the ranking member. The four republican vacancies on this committee were filled by the appointment of Gooding, Idaho; Couzens, Michigan; Fess, Ohio, and Howell, Nebraska. The five new democrats on this committee are Pittman, Nevada; Bruce, Maryland; Dillman, Washington; Wheeler, Montana, and Mayfield, Texas. Senator Johnson, farmer-labor, Minnesota, was given an extra place created on the agricultural committee of which Senator Norris of Nebraska is chairman. Senator Johnson also was appointed to the claims, inter-oceanic canal and manufactures committee. Besides foreign relations, Senator Shipstead was placed on patents, pensions and public buildings.

**Kills 13 Year Old Daughter**  
DALLAS, Texas, Dec. 10.—Peyton Pierce shot and killed his sister, 13 year old daughter Ruth, and probably fatally shot himself at his home here today, according to police.

## Governor Pierce Claims Reduction In Tax, 15 Per Cent

SALEM, Ore., Dec. 10.—By a levy of 7.15 mills—as against about nine mills for 1923 and nine and one-half for 1922—the state tax commission is to raise \$7,460,000 for state purposes in 1924, it was announced today. Last year \$8,900,000 was raised and in 1922, \$9,500,000.

The savings over last year is approximately \$1,400,000. There is, the governor's office announced, a decrease of about 15 per cent in taxes for state purposes.

## 20TH CENTURY CRASHES; NINE PEOPLE KILLED

**Wild Bill Donovan Baseball Leader, Among Dead in Rear End Collision, Forsyth, New York—Flyer Crashes Past Signals.**

FORSYTH, N. Y., Dec. 10.—Speeding on past caution signals in an attempt to gain fifteen minutes lost time, the last section of New York Central's crack "Twentieth Century Limited," crashed through a sleeping car at the end of the preceding section, snuffing out nine lives and injuring scores of others, near here early Sunday morning.

Among the dead was William E. "Wild Bill" Donovan, veteran baseball player, manager of the New Haven baseball club who with a number of other baseball notables, including President John A. Heydler of the National league, was enroute to Chicago to attend the baseball conference opening there today.

The dead:

Ralph Parnell, New York City, Pullman porter.

William E. (Wild Bill) Donovan, Philadelphia, manager of the New Haven baseball club.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard M. Sullivan, Springfield, Ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Sweet, 505 Windsor Boulevard, Los Angeles.

Mr. and Mrs. R. V. Stureman, Springfield, Ill.

Mrs. Carl D. Kinsey, Chicago.

The known seriously injured:

George E. Van Hagen, Sr., Chicago, severely injured.

George E. Van Hagen, Jr., severely injured.

John Zant, New York, broken arm.

Karl D. Kinsey, Chicago, dying.

A. H. Z. Bailey, Chicago, released from hospital after treatment.

M. S. Lawrence, Chicago, minor hurts.

George Weiss, New Haven, Conn., president of the New Haven baseball club.

**Automobile Is Wrecked**

At Albany the first of the three sections of the train experienced engine trouble and the second section was ordered to go on. The first and the third pulled out fifteen minutes later, trainmen said.

Near Forsyth the second section, now leading, plowed through an automobile which had stalled on the grade crossing, whose occupants had jumped to safety. As the next section pulled past the scene of the smashup, its crew noticed the flaming automobile and brought the train to a stop to see if help could be rendered.

While the train was stopped, the third section came thundering on thru the blinding rain and heavy fog, the red warning flares and a brakeman frantically waving his lantern a train length away were noticed too late by Engineer Charles Patterson of Cleveland, who was piloting the on-rushing engine. The brakes were applied and the track sanded but the terrific momentum carried the limited on thru the rear car of the standing train with such force that it overturned two other Pullman sleepers. Their steel construction alone saved the lives of their occupants, the railroad officials said.

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## LAUNCH NATION-WIDE MOVE TO SECURE RELEASE OF BERGDOLL'S KIDNAPPER

CHICAGO, Dec. 10.—A nation-wide move is under way to bring about the release of Lieutenant Corliss Hooven Griffiths, former American soldier, sentenced to nineteen months in a German prison for attempted kidnapping of Grover C. Bergdoll, wealthy draft evader, Dr. James Whitney Hall, president of the Iroquois club, has announced. He is to head a national committee organized to obtain a pardon for Griffiths.

Dr. Hall said that Lieutenant Griffiths was being notified of the movement in his behalf by Americans. One of the activities of the committee, he said, will be to obtain signatures to a petition addressed to the German government asserting that the American people would consider his release a "most gracious act."

The first signature, Dr. Hall declared, was that of Morris Sulzmann, a former German soldier who lost an arm in the Argonne.

## H. A. CANADY APPOINTED REGISTRAR

**Local Man Is Included in List of Over 2000 Nominations Sent to Senate By President Coolidge—Bert Haney of Oregon Is Again Named to Shipping Board.**

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—More than 2000 nominations, including that of Frank B. Kellogg of Minnesota, to be ambassador to Great Britain were sent to the senate today by President Coolidge.

Among those nominated were Richard M. Tobin of California to be minister to The Netherlands, Frank McNamany of Washington, D. C., and Mark W. Potter of New York to be members of the interstate commerce commission and George R. James of Tennessee and Edward H. Cunningham of Iowa to be members of the federal reserve board.

Edward P. Farley of Illinois, Frederick I. Thompson of Alabama and Bert E. Haney of Oregon were nominated to be members of the shipping board.

Four appointments to memberships on the federal farm loan board made during the recess, were submitted, the appointees being Louis J. Pettijohn, Dodge City, Kans.; Elmer S. Landes, Wooster, Ohio; Morton L. Corey, Omaha and Edward E. Jones, Hartford, Pa.

Several of the nominees already are holding office under recess appointment. Similar appointments in the treasury department were covered by the nominations of Garrard B. Winston of Chicago, to be under secretary of the treasury; Henry M. Dawes of Chicago, to be comptroller of the currency; Robert J. Grant of Denver, to be director of the mint and Frank E. Shepard of Denver, to be superintendent of the Denver mint.

Receivers of public monies included George M. Love, Vale, Ore.

J. Walter Drake of Michigan was nominated assistant secretary of commerce and George K. Burtess of California, to be director of the bureau of standards. Henry H. Curran of New York, now serving under recess appointment was named commissioner of immigration at New York.

**Canaday Is Appointed**  
Registrars of land offices included H. A. Canaday, Roseburg, Ore.; Walter L. Looze, Sr., Portland, Ore.; Frank A. Boyle, Anchorage, Alaska, and Frank E. Vaughn, Vancouver, Wash.

Edwin P. Morrow, who retires tomorrow as governor of Kentucky, was nominated to be a member of the public group of the railroad labor board. Horace Baker of Ohio was reappointed as a member of the management group and E. F. Grable of Michigan, now holding a recess appointment, was named as member of the labor group of the board.

Postmasters named included: Washington—William Powell, Aberdeen; Charles M. Perkins, Seattle.

Oregon—Duncan E. Douglas, Marshfield.

The appointment of H. A. Canaday closes a bitter fight among local republicans, over the issue of the Ku Klux Klan. The original appointment was held up following a visit to Medford of a special federal agent who it is claimed reported against Canaday on the ground that he was a member of the Klan, and therefore not qualified to hold the office. Determined to secure the appointment regardless of opposition friends of Canaday secured the unanimous endorsement of the Jackson county republican central committee and on the strength of Mr.

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