

| The Weather       |      |
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| Prediction        | Fair |
| Maximum yesterday | 52   |
| Minimum today     | 36   |
| Precipitation     | .07  |

# MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

| Weather Year Ago |    |
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| Maximum          | 42 |
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Daily—Eighteenth Year.  
Weekly—Fifty-Third Year.

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## HENRY FORD COMES OUT FOR CALVIN

Auto Magnate to Work for Coolidge and Will Not Be a Candidate Against Him Under Any Circumstances—Declares President's Election Should Be Made Certain

DETROIT, Mich., Dec. 19.—(By the Associated Press.)—Henry Ford today declared he "like a great majority of the American people," feels that the country is "safe with Coolidge," and that he himself would never consider running against Mr. Coolidge on any ticket.

"I believe it is the wise and natural thing for the people to agree on the nomination and election of Mr. Coolidge," Mr. Ford said. "I am satisfied that ninety per cent of the people feel perfectly safe with Coolidge and I feel, too, the country is perfectly safe with him. And if this is the feeling of the country, why change?"

"Mr. Coolidge has shown in these months of service a great many qualities that should please his countrymen. I think they all feel that Mr. Coolidge means to do right. And when a man means to do right, so far as I have observed, it is usually quite easy for him to find the way to do right."

**Make His Election Certain**  
"Some people seem disturbed over the conditions which business will face during the presidential election year. Of course there must be an election. But there is no reason why business should be disturbed by it if the people by common consent agree they will hold a good man while they have him. Public sentiment can be so formed long before the election that there need be no doubt about the election."

"In addition to considering the interests of the people, we should consider the interests of the president, as head of the American government. President Coolidge has a position of the highest responsibility. He should not feel compelled to take any of his time or strength for any sort of political campaigning, and for the sake of the country as well as for his own sake he should not have to do so."

**Won't Oppose Coolidge**  
Asked concerning the use of his own name in connection with the presidency, Mr. Ford said:

"No man has a right to say he will never consider public office, nor accept public office. No man can predict his own acts and feelings so strongly as that. But this I will say, that I would never for a moment think of running against Calvin Coolidge for president, on any ticket whatever. In this present situation I am for Coolidge."

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**Ford and Coolidge Entered**  
LANSING, Mich., Dec. 19.—(By the Associated Press.)—Nominating petitions entering Calvin Coolidge and Henry Ford as candidates in the presidential primary next April were accepted by the department of state today.

The petitions naming President Coolidge on the republican ticket were filed by Horatio S. Earle. James W. Helme of Adrian offered the Ford petition naming him on the democratic

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## Klamath Co. Joins In Move to Test County Tax Law

SALEM, Ore., Dec. 19.—Klamath is the third Oregon county to come forward with a mandamus action against the county tax supervising and conservation commission because of items eliminated from the county budget. Complaints will be heard at the same time as the complaint from Yamhill and Umatilla counties December 21.

The government is interested and will make an appearance as among the items eliminated was that for a tax levy to pay interest on an irrigation district bond issue.

## CLAIMS COWS SOLD TO FALL AT FAIR PRICE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—Investigation into the leasing of naval oil reserves, was resumed today before the senate public lands committee.

Registered cattle shipped from Mr. Sinclair's farm in New Jersey for former Secretary Fall at Three Rivers, N. M., were billed at the same prices as sales to other purchasers, Frank Raycraft, Mr. Sinclair's farm manager, the first witness today, testified. The same class of cattle sold at public auction, he said, had brought from \$45 to \$300 each and those shipped to Three Rivers were billed at \$100 each, the total charge being \$1,100.

Previous witnesses had testified that the freight was between \$300, and \$900. Senator Walsh, democrat, Montana, introduced an express receipt for \$1,115 issued to cover the shipment and asked the witness if he could explain how the sales price happened to offset almost exactly the transportation charges.

Having had nothing to do with payment of the freight, the witness replied, he had not taken it into account when fixing the price upon the cattle. A man was sent with a horse, given by Mr. Sinclair to the foreman at Three Rivers, he added, and it was possible that his fare was added to the transportation costs.

His only instructions from the owner, Raycraft said, was to select some good milk stock and bill them at a fair price.

Secretary Fall was expected to take the stand today, but the committee was advised by telegram that he was "physically incapable" of appearing at this time. Mr. Fall said he would advise the committee as soon as the trip to Washington was approved by his physicians.

Jesse Livermore, Wall street operator, also failed to answer to his name and inquiry showed there had been no return upon the subpoena sent to the United States marshal in New York for service.

## BANDIT RAISULI IS AGAIN REPORTED DEAD

LONDON, Dec. 19.—Another report of the death of Mulai Ahmed Raisuli, the notorious brigand chief of Morocco, reached London today from the Tangiers correspondent of the Daily Mail. There is a suspicion, says the telegram that Raisuli was poisoned.

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**Allowed to Remain in Hospital On His Honor**  
ST. LOUIS, Mo., Dec. 19.—Russell K. Cockburn, a patient at the United States veterans hospital here, who has been ordered by the state supreme court turned over to Sheriff Findley of Des Moines, Iowa, where he is wanted on an embezzlement charge in connection with the alleged theft of \$80,000 of municipal funds, will be permitted to remain at the hospital "on his honor" until his condition improves, Sheriff Findley announced here today.

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## OBREGON IN RETREAT IS REBEL CLAIM

De La Huerta Junta Claims Mexican President Defeated On San Marcos Front With Loss of 100 Men—Rebel Generals in Hot Pursuit.

EL PASO, Texas, Dec. 19.—Troops commanded by President Alvaro Obregon, Secretary of War Francisco Serrano and General Eugenio Martinez have been thrust back with heavy losses on the San Marcos front and are now attempting to re-organize, according to advices received here today by the De La Huerta Junta.

Generals Villa, Nunez, Galza and Gonzalez, commanding the revolutionary troops are pursuing the retreating federal forces and have taken over the important railway junction of San Marcos, the dispatches state. The federal troops lost over 100 men, while the rebel losses were small, the advices declare.

**Armistice Reported**  
VERA CRUZ, Dec. 19.—A Vera Cruz newspaper correspondent telegraphing from Rinconada, fifteen miles east of San Marcos, reports that an armistice is being arranged between the rebel and federal forces and that Huerta has communicated with General Martinez, the Obregonista, relative to a cessation of hostilities. The Obregon forces lost 100 men in the unsuccessful rally against the revolutionists at San Marcos, says a communique issued at revolutionary headquarters. The rebel casualties were placed at thirty.

Newspaper correspondents say that the Obregon troops, having withdrawn from San Marcos, are still along the railroad and have established their headquarters at Huamantla, ten miles northeast of the city.

**Americans Detained**  
JUAREZ, Dec. 19.—(By Associated Press.) Commanders of "home guard" units in the state of Chihuahua are to meet in Chihuahua City, the capital, today, to discuss plans for insuring peace in the state, which thus far has been quiet, while travelers brought belated reports of rebellious activities south of here, mostly involving railway operations.

General Lopez, garrison commander at Lugo, Jalisco, has been arrested on a charge of rebellion in connection with an alleged warning to railroad officials that he intended to stop traffic, the travelers reported.

Troop movements continued yesterday from the northern military zone, including Chihuahua, which sent two trainloads of cavalry south to the scene of operations.

Insurance rates in Mexico have increased materially, according to agents at El Paso, Texas.

Americans in Mexico City are being detained, probably to prevent them from becoming caught between the hostile armies, according to advices received in San Antonio, Texas, from the American consul at Nueva Laredo.

**Rebel Losses Large**  
MEXICO CITY, Dec. 19.—(By Associated Press.)—Delayed. Press dispatches from Villa Hermosa, capital of the state of Tabasco, state that rebel forces commanded by General Carlos Green, ex-governor of Tabasco, Fernando Segovia and Marcelino Lucero, which have been attacking Villa Hermosa for the past two days, have suffered heavy losses in the bloodiest fighting of the present revolution.

The forces of Generals Segovia and Lucero are reported to have suffered 100 casualties inflicted by General Vincente Gonzales, commanding federal forces within the city.

**Rebels Take Merida**  
NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 19.—The city of Merida, capital of Yucatan, with a population of 100,000 was taken over by the rebels yesterday when General Larija and the garrison declared for De La Huerta. It was announced today by the Mexican consular general here. Indications were that the port of Progreso would fall into rebel hands, it was said.

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## Young Baldwin May Figure In English Politics When Father Goes Out, Labor In



ABOVE: OLIVER BALDWIN. INSET, LEFT, PREMIER BALDWIN; RIGHT, RAMSAY MACDONALD.

LONDON.—If Ramsay MacDonald, head of the Labor Party, becomes England's next premier upon the passing out of the present government January 8, as now seems probable, he will have as one of his lieutenants the son of the present Premier, Oliver Baldwin, 22, an active member of the Labor Party.

Young Baldwin's speeches in the recent campaign were in support of Labor Party policies and against his father's regime.

## SHOOTING NEAR WHEN K. K. JURY IS APPROACHED

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 19.—(By the Associated Press.)—The state closed its case in the trial of Philip E. Fox, charged with the murder of William S. Coburn, Klan attorney, this afternoon.

The close came after the prosecution had introduced rebuttal testimony in an effort to refute the defendant's plea of insanity.

The defense announced it would introduce evidence in rebuttal, and called Mayor Blalock of Dallas, Texas, to the stand.

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 19.—(By the Associated Press.)—Balliffs in charge of the jury sitting in the case of Philip E. Fox, on trial here for killing William S. Coburn, a Ku Klux Klan attorney, threatened to draw their pistols on six men who attempted to forcibly interfere with the jurors while they were taking outdoor exercise early today, the officers reported to court officials.

The jurors were walking in double file formation on a street near the court house, the balliffs stated. Six men rushed up to the jurors and began talking to them, the officers said. "We ordered them away," the balliffs said. "When they refused, we made motions to draw our guns and they disappeared."

The jury has been under a double guard, but additional guards will be assigned to protect the jury, it was announced.

**The Noted Dead**  
SANTA BARBARA, Cal., Dec. 19.—M. A. Patterson of Chicago, general freight agent of the Rock Island railroad and for forty years an active railroad man, died in a hospital here yesterday.

LONDON, Dec. 19.—(By Associated Press.) The Rev. John Henry Jowett, noted clergyman, formerly pastor of the Fifth Avenue Presbyterian church in New York, died in Surrey today.

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—The Rev. Dr. John Henry Jowett, who died today in Surrey, England was for seven years pastor of the Fifth Avenue Presbyterian church in New York, one of the largest of the denomination in the world.

A native of Birmingham, England, where he was pastor of Carr's Lane Congregational church, he accepted the call to the New York pulpit in 1911. He resigned the post, which was reported to have paid him a salary of \$18,000 a year to take the pulpit of Westminster chapel in London in 1917.

EVERETT, Wash., Dec. 19.—Starting at Snohomish at an early hour Wednesday morning robbers entered five establishments in four Snohomish county towns taking merchandise valued at hundreds of dollars.

DENVER, Colo., Dec. 19.—Mrs. Carrie O'Mallie, and her sister Miss Flora Hansford were shot and killed this afternoon by William O'Mallie, husband of Mrs. O'Mallie, who then shot and killed himself in the apartment of his wife in the downtown section of the city. The double murder and suicide was carried out before the view of three minor children of the couple.

DAILY REPORT ON THE CRIME WAVE

CHICAGO, Dec. 19.—(By Associated Press.) Canceled cashier's checks on the Old Port Dearborn National bank, totaling more than \$16,000,000, alleged to have been purchased by the late Edward C. Curtis of Grant Park with state money provided by Governor Len Small during his second term as state treasurer, were laid before Howard Rice, former assistant auditor of the bank.

Interest alleged to have been collected on this money totaling \$16,000,000 which Attorney General Brundage says was used almost entirely to buy packers' notes, contributed toward the two million dollars which it is alleged Governor Small and Curtis, in conspiracy, unlawfully withheld from the state treasury. An accounting of this two million dollars is the demand of the "civil suits."

## Alton Covell Sent To Life Term at State Penitentiary

COQUILLE, Ore., Dec. 19.—Alton Covell, facing life sentence in the state penitentiary for the murder of his stepmother, Mrs. Ebba Covell, will be taken to Salem today. Sentence was pronounced yesterday following the sixteen-year-old boy's conviction by a circuit court jury Saturday.

His uncle, Arthur Covell, astrologer, is at the penitentiary awaiting the death penalty for instigating the crime. The latter's case is now on appeal to the Oregon supreme court.

## CITY TO LEASE AUTO CAMP TO MERRICK INN

In addition to transacting a mass of routine business, the most important action taken by the city council last night, in session from 7:30 until long after 11, was the decision to have the city no longer operate the city auto camp, but to lease it to the management of the Merrick Motor Inn, for two years, at \$600 annually, with the privilege of the lessee having first crack at renewal at the end of that time; the city to retain general supervision over the leased camp.

Details of the lease will be threshed out later and be ready by the first council meeting in January when the transaction will be completed. It is understood that the Inn management among the big improvements which it will make on its own plant by early spring will make from \$1200 to \$1500 worth of improvements on the leased camp.

This combining of the two auto camps it is predicted will further add to Medford's fine reputation for the care of auto tourists, which was made by the Merrick Motor Inn during the past season. Hundreds of such tourists from all sections of the United States enthusiastically and voluntarily proclaimed last summer and fall that the Inn gave more and better accommodations at prices charged than standard auto camps in other states. The only fault with the Inn was that it lacked room during the rush part of the season to accommodate the horde of tourists.

By the leasing of the city auto camp this fall will be remedied, for the two camps which practically adjoin each other on opposite sides of Bear creek, will be operated as one and connected by a bridge across the creek just north of the Bear creek bridge with the entrance to the new bridge from the city auto camp under the Bear creek bridge.

One big reason which influenced the council to make the lease is that its members and the mayor think that the two camps combined under private management will be better for tourists and the city, and will obviate the necessity of the city spending thousands of dollars to make the city auto camp a standard one.

It was never the intention of the city administration, past and present, to operate the auto camp for gain, but mostly as an accommodation and necessity to the motor traveling public, and to be operated on as near a paying basis as possible. It was thought that the Merrick Motor Inn with its superior attractions could better cater to the public, especially if it had the additional ground and facilities of the city camp.

Since it was established the city has expended on the municipal camp between \$8000 and \$9000, including cost of land and improvements. During the past season up to the last of September the receipts to the city from the camp, at fifty cents a day per car, were \$800, and since September the camp had proved a losing proposition.

**Liberty Bonds.**  
NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—Liberty bonds closed:

3 1/2's 98.27; second 4's 98.10; first 4 1/2's 98.11; second 4 1/2's 98.10; third 4 1/2's 98.7; fourth 4 1/2's 98.11; U. S. Government 4 1/2's 99.17.

**N. P. Dividend Declared.**  
NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—Directors of the Northern Pacific railroad today declared the regular quarterly dividend of 1 1/4 per cent on common stock.

**Funeral Notice.**  
The funeral of Mrs. Lucinda Reames who died Monday will be held at Conger's chapel tomorrow afternoon at 3 p. m. Interment in Jacksonville.

**Attempt to Bribe Juror in Seattle Cleanup Divulged**  
SEATTLE, Dec. 19.—An attempt to bribe a member of a grand jury of the King county superior court that for a month has been investigating law enforcement in Seattle has been made, James McCabe, foreman of the jury, announced today. He said that \$2000 had been offered the juror thru a friend but was spurned without learning the name of the man making the tender.

Prosecuting Attorney Malcolm Douglas, who announced a week ago with the filing of batement proceedings against fourteen places in Seattle that the county authorities were starting to clear the city of bootlegging, gambling and other disorders, is planning a sweeping investigation of the police department, Ewing D. Colvin, one of his deputies, declared. Mr. Colvin said that evidence had been obtained for the grand jury that a complete system of collecting tribute for policemen had grown up.

Federal prohibition agents were witnesses before the grand jury today. Mr. McCabe said a stranger had approached the juror's friend and induced the latter to act as a go-between. The juror, according to the foreman, heatedly rejected the tender of the \$2000 and when he later attempted to find out the source of the offer was unable to do so.

**Effort to Halt Bloc Abandoned**  
Senate, After Two More Inconclusive Ballots, Gives Up Effort to Elect a Chairman I. C. C. Committee—Democrats Proceed to Enjoy Oratorical Field Day

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—After two more inconclusive ballots today the senate put over until after the holidays its deadlock over the election of chairman of the inter-state commerce committee.

Then, for the first time this session, the flood gates were opened for democratic oratory, directed against failure of the republican leaders to complete the organization of the new congress.

Senator Reed, democrat, Missouri, declared the inter-state commerce committee could function without a chairman if need be and that it was time the senate was getting down to business. He gave notice that when congress re-convenes on January 3 he will move to take up other matters if the deadlock remains unbroken.

Asserting that the people of a number of states had repudiated the transportation act at the polls, Senator Wheeler, democrat, Montana, in his maiden speech, declared it was important to have at the head of the committee a man opposed to that act. He disavowed that the balloting was "child's play" and inquired of the republican leaders why they would not permit the election as chairman of Senator LaFollette of Wisconsin, the republican insurgent leader, who is the ranking member.

There was no reply and then Senator Wheeler asked but with the same result, why the majority could not agree on Senator Couzens, republican, Michigan, or Senator Smith, democrat, South Carolina.

All three of these senators have been publicly endorsed for the place by Senator LaFollette.

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