

The Weather
Prediction Fair
Maximum yesterday 45
Minimum today 34
Precipitation .01

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

Weather Year Ago
Maximum 44
Minimum 37.5

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

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BANDIT GANG IN FLORIDA WIPED OUT

Five Members of Notorious Ashley-Mobley Gang of Bank Robbers and Desperadoes Killed in Everglades of Florida by Sheriffs and Poses—Fight Continues.

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla., Jan. 9.—(By the Associated Press.)—Two men were slain and a woman wounded in a fight between officers and members of the Ashley-Mobley gang which raged near here for almost 12 hours today.

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla., Jan. 9.—The notorious Ashley-Mobley gang of bank robbers and desperadoes, which has made the Florida everglades its rendezvous for years, was almost wiped out this morning by Palm Beach county sheriffs and posse.

ELECT DEMOCRAT DEADLOCK OVER

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9.—(5 p. m.)—Senator Smith, democrat, South Carolina, was elected today as chairman of the senate interstate commerce committee.

DENIZENS OF YUKON DANCING TO MUSIC PLAYED IN PORTLAND AND N. Y. CITY

DAWSON, Y. T., Jan. 9.—Denizens of the Yukon will dance this winter to music played by the best orchestras from New York to San Francisco thru the medium of the radio telephone.

Mabel Normand Films Barred in Ohio by State Film Censor

COLUMBUS, Ohio, Jan. 9.—Motion picture films in which Mabel Normand appears have been barred in Ohio, according to announcement today of Vernon M. Riegel, state director of education, under whose department the Ohio board of film censorship operates.

HOOVER GIVES OUT HIS PLANS FOR RAILROADS

Secy. of Commerce Stresses 10 Planks in Comprehensive Railroad Reorganization—Inland Waterway Development Necessary Transportation Feature.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9.—Formation of Longview national policies in transportation is a fundamental necessity for securing the economic future of the United States, Herbert Hoover declared today in an address before the opening session of the transportation conference.

10 Main Points. 1.—Railway service under private ownership in order to secure the driving force of individual initiative in efficiency and development.

The Daily Bank Robbery

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 9.—Two unmasked robbers held up the First National bank at Huston, Orange county, shortly after noon today and escaped with an amount estimated at \$5000.

DRY RIGHT OF SEARCH IS DEFINED

Atty. Gen. Van Winkle Gives Governor Pierce His View of When Search Warrant on Private Home Justified—Advises Owners Not to Consent to Search.

SALEM, Ore., Jan. 9.—Governor Walter M. Pierce today had before him an opinion prepared by Attorney General L. H. Van Winkle stating that a complaining witness in applying for a search warrant should have knowledge of the facts and circumstances based upon his own personal observation or upon reliable information furnished by others who have personal knowledge of the facts, and the information at least should be of such character and entitled to such weight that a reasonable man would be justified in acting thereon, in matters affecting his own welfare and interests.

Labbe Case Started PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 9.—The search warrant upon which the home of A. G. Labbe was raided by state prohibition agents while a dance, attended by about 80 prominent citizens was in progress on New Year's eve, was obtained on an affidavit based on an anonymous letter received by George L. Cleaver, state prohibition commissioner, according to information brought out today at the hearing on the motion of attorneys for Labbe to quash the search warrant on the grounds that it was issued without probable cause.

Governor Pierce Tells County Officials Methods Pursued Are No Reflection On Them—Wants State Dry Agents to Co-operate.

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 9.—The prohibition law is here and it is the duty of every law enforcing officer to do his share in enforcing it, Governor Pierce declared today at the meeting of the sheriffs of the state, held in the office of Sheriff Hurlburt of Multnomah county.

The Noted Dead

SAN DIEGO, Cal., Jan. 9.—Mrs. John Spreckles died at the family home in Coronado this morning after an illness of one month.

New Year Brings Sweeping Clean-Up To Crime-Ridden Philadelphia; Butler On Job



PHILADELPHIA—Santa Claus left a pack of swatches in this city's stocking in the form of Brig. Gen. Smedley Butler, of the Marines, and the New Year is witnessing the start of a "clean-up" such as this city has never known.

SHERIFFS ARE URGED TO AID DRY OFFICERS

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MANILA, Ill., Jan. 9.—Three companies of the Illinois guard are on duty in Williamson county under orders to be in readiness for any emergency occasioned by the alleged growing bitterness between the Ku Klux Klan and an anti-klan faction known as Knights of the Plumed Circle, following a series of prohibition raids.

EARTHQUAKE SHOCK STARTLES EUREKA

EUREKA, Cal., Jan. 9.—A series of earthquakes was felt here today, the shocks coming within a few minutes of each other. No damage was reported.

BERKELEY, Cal., Jan. 9.—A slight earthquake movement starting at 24 minutes and 51 seconds after 2 a. m. and ending five minutes later was recorded on the seismograph of the University of California today. The shock appeared to be centered in the Santa Cruz mountains of California.

McAdoo Slams Tax Cut LOS ANGELES, Jan. 9.—Vigorous opposition to the administration tax reduction plan which he termed a "typical concession to privilege, sugar coated with nites for the small taxpayer," was voiced in a Jackson day radio address here last night by William Gibbs McAdoo, war-time administrator of railroads and candidate for the 1924 democratic presidential nomination.

8 Year Old Boy Sacrifices His Life To Save His Dog

FORT PAYNE, Ala., Jan. 9.—John Long, eight years old, sacrificed his life today to save his dog. With two companions, the lad was walking on the railroad tracks. A fast train bore down upon them and the boys leaped to safety. John noticed that his dog seemed unmindful of the approach of the train and he jumped back to save his pet. He tossed the dog from the track but John was caught under the train.

NATIVES SLAY 19 MEMBERS OF CONSTABULARY

MANILA, Jan. 9.—(By the Associated Press.)—Nineteen Philippine constabulary soldiers, including two officers, have been killed by religious fanatics believed to be members of the Colorum, a non-political society, on Bucos island, it is officially stated in constabulary advices from Surigao, on the island of Mindanao received today.

MANILA, Jan. 9.—(By Associated Press.)—Thirteen members of the Philippine constabulary, including two officers, have been killed by religious fanatics on Bucos island off the island of Mindanao, according to official advices from Surigao, province of Mindanao.

MANILA, Jan. 9.—(By Associated Press.)—The constabulary and the fanatics clashed near Pamosingan, a settlement on the island, and but four of the constables escaped. These got away in the launch the party had used to reach the island. They estimated the fanatics to the number of more than 1000 but this number is thought to have been exaggerated.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9.—Abolishment of 21 land offices and consolidation of the offices of register and receiver in fourteen others are proposed in the interior department appropriation bill reported today by the house appropriations committee.

'UMBRELLA JIMMY,' PORTLAND CHARACTER WHO CLAIMED TO BE 108, PASSES AWAY

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 9.—James J. (Umbrella Jimmy) Sheridan, a local character, died this morning at the county hospital. No one knew his age. He himself, during the last two years, spent at Multnomah farm, insisted he was born in 1820, but is quoted as saying he was 108. Old residents say he could not have been more than 70.

they can recall, not more than 20 years ago, boxing bouts in which "Umbrella Jimmy" participated before east side audiences. "Jimmy" and the inevitable bundle of umbrellas he always carried, was known to the boys of the early 1900's. When they teased him, he would rush about brandishing umbrellas right and left. His wild swings never hurt anyone, however.

2 OIL TOWNS RECAPTURED BY OBREGON

Palco Blanco and Puerto Lobos Important Oil Centers in Tampico District, Taken by General Gutierrez—Rebels Retreat—Federals Claim a Victory Near Border.

JUAREZ, Jan. 9.—Federal troops under General Evaristo Perez routed a band of 300 rebels headed by Vicente Davila near Allende, forty miles from the border, yesterday, according to advices received from Eagle Pass, Texas. The rebels suffered a great losses in dead and wounded, a message from the Mexican consul at Eagle Pass said.

TAMPICO, Mexico, Via Galveston, Jan. 9.—(By Associated Press.)—Advance troops commanded by General Luis Gutierrez of the federal forces, which marched from Tampico today, occupied Palo Blanco and Puerto Lobos, Vera Cruz, important oil centers. The terminals of the Atlantic, Gulf and West Indies, Meridional, Texas Oil and Atlantic, as well as other companies are at those places. The rebel troops, composed of 4500 men retired southward.

EL PASO, Texas, Jan. 9.—Virtual admission that a shipment of Enfield rifles of the United States army pattern in 1917 had been transferred to the Mexican side of the border was made by American and Mexican authorities today.

Word was received in Medford today that John Tomlin, president of the Tomlin-Box factory and one of Medford's best known citizens, was operated upon yesterday at the Mayo hospital, Rochester, Minnesota, for appendicitis. The operation, according to the report was successful in every way and Mr. Tomlin's prompt recovery is predicted.

NATIONAL PARKS GET \$1,747,035 IN HOUSE BILL

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Items carried in the bill include: National park service \$1,747,035. Bureau of education \$702,350. For the Baker project in Oregon the unexpended balance of the appropriation for the current fiscal year is re-appropriated.