

The Weather

Prediction	Rain
Maximum yesterday	44
Minimum today	36
Precipitation	.01

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

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

MEDFORD, OREGON, WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 23, 1924

Weather Year Ago

Maximum	51
Minimum	35

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PRESIDENT DEMANDS FARMERS RELIEF

NEW PLAN TO RELIEVE U.S. FARMER

In Special Message to Congress President Pledges the Whole Power of Govt. to Clear Up Agricultural Situation in Northwest—Five Main Steps Advocated.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.—Five steps for the relief of the agricultural situation in the northwest, some to be taken by congress, some by the executive branch of the government and some by private interests were outlined by President Coolidge today in a special message to congress.

The steps include:

The refunding of the pressing past-due indebtedness of the farmer in the territories most seriously affected;

Financial assistance through a federal agency to enable wheat farmers to make the change from a single crop system to diversified farming;

The restoration, wherever it would be helpful of the impaired capital of banking institutions in the distressed sections;

The creation by private capital of a substantial financing corporation to assist in the plan for reorganization;

The extension of the time during which the war finance corporation can make loans.

Mr. Coolidge told congress that these were measures "by which, without undue alarm or agitation, but, nevertheless promptly and effectively, we can bring to bear on a serious though happily, a localized emergency, every resource of the federal government and all the assistance which the business and farming community can render."

"The economic condition in certain wheat growing sections of the northwest," the president said at the outset of his message, "is reaching an acute state that requires organized cooperation on the part of the federal government and the local institutions of that territory for its solution."

Calling attention to the mention he made to this situation in his message to congress in December, he continued:

"Great numbers of individual farmers are so involved in debt, both on mortgages and to merchants and banks, that they are unable to preserve the equity of their property. They are unable to undertake the diversification of farming that is fundamentally necessary for sound agricultural reconstruction of the area. They are unable to meet their obligations and there has been involved the entire mercantile and banking fabric of these regions."

"Not only have there been large numbers of foreclosures on actual farms, but there are great numbers of farmers who are continuing in possession on sufferance from their creditors."

Bank Failures Alarming

"There have been large and increasing bank failures. Bills have been introduced providing for the lending by the federal government of monies directly to the farmers for purposes of assisting them in conversion of their farms on the basis of diversified farming."

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Billy Sunday May Be Barred From Speaking In Salem, By Mayor

SALEM, Ore., Jan. 23.—Commenting on a proposal now under consideration by the Evangelical churches of Salem that Rev. Billy Sunday, evangelist, be brought to this city for a series of meetings during the coming summer, Mayor John B. Geisy today said that he is opposed to the plan.

"Sunday's appeal is based on condemnation and a play upon the emotions and I do not approve of that sort of thing," said Mayor Geisy.

COOLIDGE MAY RECALL FLEET FROM TAMPICO

If De La Huerta Has Really Abandoned Blockade, Warships Will Probably Be Ordered to Withdraw—Situation Not Clear.

Brownsville, Texas, received reports that the garrison at Tampico, capital of Nuevo Leon, in northeast Mexico joined the rebellion.

Rebel forces claimed the capture of Celaya, cutting off the federal army at Guadalupe (western front) from Mexico City.

Reported occupation of Guadalupe by federalists still is unconfirmed, but capture of the city is believed by Tampico to be imminent.

Revolutionists advised American Consul Wood at Vera Cruz of their decision "to raise the blockade of Tampico."

The rebel occupation of Ciudad Victoria was brief, according to Tampico, the revolutionaries evacuating the city, capital of Tamaulipas (eastern front) on the approach of a federal contingent.

Federalists claimed the capture of Zacaquiza and petroleum camps nearby.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.—The De La Huerta revolutionists in Mexico are preparing to abandon plans for the technical blockade of Tampico and to substitute a policy under which foreign commercial craft will be warned that if they enter the zone of possible bombardment there, they will do so at their own risk.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.—Mexican revolutionary leaders have advised Consul Wood at Vera Cruz of their decision "to raise the blockade of Tampico."

Consul Wood reported the announcement to the state department today, but did not say definitely whether the revolutionists' decision was to permanently raise the blockade, or whether it was of a temporary nature, as had been previously reported. He was asked for further information.

If Consul Woods' reply shows conclusively that the De La Huerta leaders have abandoned the Tampico blockade permanently, orders will be issued withdrawing the American cruiser Richmond, now standing off Tampico to protect American commerce.

Insular Auditor Resigns

MANILA, Jan. 23.—(By Associated Press.) Edward M. Fullington, insular auditor, has cabled his resignation to President Coolidge. It was announced today. Illness was given as the reason for his resignation.

MAY CANCEL H. SINCLAIR OIL LEASE

Senator Walsh Gives Notice He Will Demand Return of Teapot Dome Concession to Government—Senator Caraway Says Archie Roosevelt Told the Truth About Graft.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.—Notice was given today in the senate by Senator Walsh, democrat, Montana, that he will ask the Teapot Dome investigating committee to report a resolution advising the president to institute proceedings for the annulment of the lease of the Wyoming naval reserve to the Sinclair interests. The senator added that he also would ask that the resolution would provide for special counsel to prosecute the case, independent of the department of justice, because of a widespread "suspicion throughout the country against the attorney general."

Senator Walsh said that whether this "suspicion" was a misfortune or a fault of the attorney general, he was not prepared to say. He added that there long had been a friendship between Mr. Daugherty and Albert B. Fall, former secretary of the interior; that they had been cabinet members together and that he believed that the attorney general would be glad to be relieved of the matter.

Tainted With Corruption

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.—Declaring it had become apparent that the Teapot Dome naval oil lease is "tainted with corruption," Senator Caraway, democrat, Arkansas, moved today in the senate for immediate action on his resolution to cancel the lease.

"It was a transfer of public property for a private consideration," said Senator Caraway. "I think everyone familiar with the record of the investigating committee will concede this."

Without mincing words, Senator Caraway reviewed the testimony, laying particular stress upon what he said was the "admission" of former Interior Secretary Fall that he had taken \$100,000 to Texas from Washington and had used it in enlarging his ranch holdings in New Mexico.

"I know," the senator declared, "that somewhere in connection with that lease this \$100,000 came into the possession of Fall."

Commending Archie Roosevelt for coming before the committee to present information which had come into his possession, Senator Caraway turned his attack on G. D. Wahlberg, private secretary to Harry Sinclair.

"When Roosevelt asked Wahlberg if Fall had been bribed in connection with the lease," Senator Caraway said, "his reply was that 'bribery is a harsh term but maybe somebody loaned him money. I know I have in my possession \$68,000 in cancelled checks given by Sinclair to the foreman of Fall's ranch.'"

Says Wahlberg Lied

Reciting Roosevelt's testimony that Wahlberg had told him that he was unhappy and knew that "they will want me to lie for them," Senator Caraway said:

"God bless his soul, he lived up to their expectation."

The Arkansas senator characterized as "idiotic" the explanation of Wahlberg that Roosevelt had misunderstood him about the checks that he had referred to "six or eight cows."

"I wonder how he has accounted for having the cows cancelled," the senator said. "I know and there is not a senator on this floor who does not know, that this contract was entered into for a corrupt consideration," continued Senator Caraway; that it was the buying and selling of public property for a corrupt and private benefit, and I do not know how any self-respecting senator can refuse to take whatever steps may be offered at the first opportunity to go as far as we can to stamp out disapproval of this transaction, and order the return of what may be left of the oil to the custody of the government, and ask an accounting for all the oil taken out of the public domain."

Ex-Secretary Fall Leaves

NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 23.—Albert B. (Continued on Page Eight)

Kidnapping Of Two Girls Starts New York Police After Alleged "Slavers"



MISS NANCY LAURIA.

NEW YORK—Fear of the existence in this city of a band of so-called "white slavers" is expressed by police following the rescue of Miss Nancy Lauria, 18, from a room in which she said she was held for weeks against her will, stupefied by liquor.

Miss Anna Gorey, a salesgirl, gave testimony tending to bear out this theory when she appeared against Lawrence Wright, former keeper at Ward's Island, whom she claimed kidnapped her and held her in his room for two days, until neighbors told a detective, who rescued her.

RUSSIA QUIET, PEOPLE MOURN LENINE'S DEATH

MOSCOW, Jan. 23.—(By the Associated Press.)—The body of Nicolai Lenine lay last night in the villa at Gorky where the great bolshevik premier, stricken with a fatal illness, spent most of the last year of his life.

Only Lenine's widow, his mother and some of his most intimate associates in the communist party, kept the death watch in the Gorky village throughout the night.

Vast Russia herself, from the far-flung villages of Siberia to the towns of the Crimea, is dazed by the passing of her premier. Village communist committees in distant districts awoke this morning to receive the news.

Some of the peasants hate communism, but most of them placed their confidence in Lenine.

All night the telegraph instruments clicked and the wireless buzzed as the report went out and as the government in Moscow gave its directions to its lieutenants in the provinces.

"Lenine is dead. Rally about his name and memory and carry on his policy," this was the purport of the message.

It is not yet known whether Leon Trotsky, who is ill, will be able to attend the funeral. Leaders of the communist party have advised him of the death of his famous comrade, and they expect he will exert every effort to be at the services if his health permits.

Troops of the Moscow garrison with fixed bayonets were scattered about at points for blocks around the railway station and the house of unions this morning, keeping the streets clear of traffic in preparation for the arrival of Lenine's body.

No one was allowed to pass except the members of the official funeral party and its invited guests. The streets through which the cortege was to pass from ten o'clock on lay in a dead, snow-white silence awaiting the late premier's last journey to the national capitol.

SEATTLE, Jan. 23.—Receipts of a letter addressed to H. E. Dax, box 42, Zenith, Wash., from a certain address in St. Augustine street, Paris, France, is believed by Carl Jackson, federal division prohibition chief to have revealed an alleged attempt to violate the eighteenth amendment by use of the United States mails.

TRY TO EDUCATE PEOPLE TO EAT CHEAPER MEATS

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, Jan. 23.—Housewives these days are ordering more of the so-called choice cuts of meat such as sirloin, tenderloin, porterhouse and lamb chops and the National Livestock and Meat board is trying to convince them that cheap cuts should also be bought as they are just as appetizing, nutritious and palatable.

This was the information conveyed to delegates attending the annual convention of the National Wool Growers' association here today by R. C. Pollock, managing director of the board.

"Consider the vast volume of business during the year 1923, just closed," he said. "In the previous year, 1922, a record had been set for meat consumption in the United States, but 1923 came to the front and snatched the honors of consumption by a wide margin."

"While complete official figures are not available for the latter year, it is estimated that the American people consumed in excess of 17,500,000,000 pounds of meat. This tops the figure of 1922 by approximately 1,500,000,000 pounds and represents a marked increase in the demands made on livestock production."

"An increase in meat consumption such as occurred in recent years, if continued, should bring about greatly improved conditions in the livestock industry. It is shown that the industry is winning its battle against cranks, faddists and other radical factions that have been a menace for years with their insidious propaganda against the eating of meat."

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Member State Fire Marshal's Office Is Fired for Drinking

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 23.—Lieutenant Arthur Pullen was today suspended from his position in the fire marshal's office following a report that an automobile in which he was riding with Harry Upham, inspector in the sanitary division of the health department, had been in a collision yesterday. Fire Marshal Edward Grenfell said Pullen had admitted that he had four drinks of some liquor which was found when he and Upham were inspecting barns yesterday as required by fire and health departments.

Pullen was one of the men who made charges against Fire Chief John B. Young, that led to a trial in the fire department two years ago.

TACOMA CAPTAIN AND THREE MEN DEAD IN WRECK

Four Lives Lost When U. S. Cruiser Struck Reef Near Vera Cruz—Remainder of Crew Safe Aboard Rescuing Naval Tug.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.—Four lives were lost in the wrecking of the cruiser Tacoma at Vera Cruz. The dead were Captain Herbert G. Sparrow, Edward Thaxter Derriek, radio man, second class; Hober Harry Lusier, radio man, first class, and Solomon Slvin, radio man, third class.

The remainder of the force of 48 men on the Tacoma are now on naval tugs in the harbor.

The dead are aboard the cruiser and an effort was to be made today to recover them.

The deaths of the men, Consul Wood reported today from Vera Cruz, resulted from their being struck by heavy wreckage on the ship's deck during the northern which finally destroyed the vessel.

ANOTHER FAMILY BURNED IN FIRE

POTTSVILLE, Pa., Jan. 23.—A mother and her four daughters, ranging in age from one to sixteen, were burned to death in a fire at Middleport, near here, early today, when their home was nearly destroyed. Andrew Harvilla, the husband and father, was severely burned in attempting to rescue them.

In telling of his examination of Miss Ellis, who he made in a three and a half hour interview a week ago, Dr. Williamson described how she had told him, that the mind she did not understand had made holes in her head by forcing itself upward and outward. She had taken his hand and placing it on her head had indicated bony prominences as places where those holes had healed.

"That state of mind is not a normal one," said the doctor. Further he referred to her fear of being insane and said that was a disease in itself. Taking her temperature and pulse in the court room the doctor found it normal, which he stated was in itself an indication of abnormality, since a normal person's pulse would undoubtedly be heightened by the excitement attendant upon a murder trial.

Hallucinations that she had been subject to following the killing of Mettelle were described by Miss Ellis.

"He came with me to the jail and I went with him to the church and tried to bind up his wounds but always the blood and bits of brain would flow downward through my fingers and undo my work. I went to his funeral with him—and buried him."

With the conclusion of the court session yesterday, defense had concluded their examination of Miss Ellis and had turned her over for cross examination which will be concluded by the state this morning.

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have been injured or where there is a suspicion that the prisoner is suffering from poisoning.

"We are running a hospital and not a police station," declared Dr. Reed after issuing the order. "We are not concerned whether or not automobile drivers are intoxicated. Our internes have testified in police court and their absence from duty has interfered with the work at the hospital. We have enough to do to take care of the sick and injured and we are not concerned with police court and police business."