

The Weather

Prediction ... Cloudy
Maximum yesterday ... 55
Minimum today ... 27

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

MEDFORD, OREGON, THURSDAY, JANUARY 24, 1924

Weather Year Ago

Maximum ... 46.5
Minimum ... 27.5

FALL LOAN WAS MADE BY DOHENY

California Oil King Clears Up Mystery Regarding \$100,000 Loan to Ex-Secy. of Interior—Claims Loan Was Personal and Involved No Favors From Fall.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 24.—E. L. Doheny, California oil operator, testified today before the senate Teapot Dome committee that he had loaned \$100,000 to former Interior Secretary Albert B. Fall on November 30, 1921.

The purpose of the loan, Doheny said was to enable Fall to enlarge his ranch holdings in New Mexico. "I have been following the reports of the proceedings before your committee," said Mr. Doheny's statement, "and have concluded that notwithstanding authorization to Secretary Fall in November to state the full and complete facts in connection with a personal transaction had in 1921 between Mr. Fall and myself, Mr. Fall has been making an effort to keep my name out of the discussion for the reason that a full statement might be misunderstood."

"Whether there is a possibility of such misunderstanding or not, I wish to state to the committee and to the public the full facts and I may say here that I regret that when I was before your committee I did not tell you what I am now telling. I did not do so for the reason that such a statement was not pertinent in answer to any of the questions asked me by members of the committee and I have done so would have been volunteering something in no way connected with the contracts made by the Pan-American Petroleum and Transport company.

"When asked by your chairman whether Mr. Fall has profited by the contract, directly or indirectly, I answered in the negative. That answer, I now reiterate. "Loan Was Personal. "I wish first to inform the committee that on the 30th day of November, 1921, I loaned Albert B. Fall \$100,000 on his promissory note to enable him to purchase land in New Mexico. This sum was loaned to Mr. Fall by me personally. It was my own money and did not belong in whole or in part to any oil company with which I am now or have been connected. In connection with this loan, there was no discussion between Mr. Fall and myself as to any contract whatever.

"This loan had no relation to any of the subsequent transactions. The transactions themselves in the order in which they occurred, disposes of any contention that they were influenced by my making a personal loan to a lifetime friend. "The reason for my making and Mr. Fall's accepting the loan was that we had been friends for more than thirty years. He had invested his savings for those years in New Mexico, which I understand was all that remained to him after the failure of mining investments in Mexico and nine years of public service in Washington, during which he could not properly attend to the management of his ranch.

"His troubles had been increased in 1918 by the death of his daughter and his son, who, up to then, had taken his place in the management of his ranch."

"Doheny declared that during negotiation of the loan there was no discussion of the contract between the government and any of the Doheny oil interests and that the loan had no relation to any subsequent transaction relating to oil leases. "The witness told the committee that no officer of his company knew anything about the loan; that it was "purely a personal matter."

Doheny said he left Los Angeles January 17 to give the information concerning his loan to the committee. (Continued on Page Eight)

WM. JENNINGS DROPS POLITICS FOR MONKEY CONTROVERSY IN KENTUCKY

FRANKFORT, Ky., Jan. 24.—The "monkey" skeleton in Kentucky's legislative closet was rattled today by echoes from a verbal attack by William Jennings Bryan on the theory of organic evolution. Mr. Bryan in a speech here last night digressed from a discussion of the national political campaign to say: "Some day there is going to be a legislature which will pass a law that

Offer to Pay Hubby's Fine in Chickens Is Cause of His Release

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 24.—Because his wife keeps chickens and wields a persuasive pen, A. W. Seefeldt today was out from under a heavy fine for speeding. Justice W. S. Bald couldn't resist the appeal of Mrs. Seefeldt's letter asking leniency for her husband. It told about chickens she kept to "help pay our debts that piled on us," and concluded with the suggestion: "Judge, if you have to fine him, could you take it out in hens? I raised them myself and they're good layers. You would not regret having them."

HUGHES ORDERS U. S. FLEET TO LEAVE TAMPICO

WASHINGTON, Jan. 24.—Orders for the withdrawal of the American cruiser Richmond from Tampico, Mexico, were dispatched today by the navy department and it was announced that as soon as salvage work on the wrecked cruiser Tacoma is completed, the cruiser Omaha and six American destroyers at Vera Cruz also will be recalled from those waters. Decision to withdraw the Richmond was reached at the state department after advices were received from Consul Wood at Vera Cruz saying that the Mexican rebel leaders had "definitely and absolutely" abandoned the proposed blockade of Tampico.

TAMPICO, Jan. 24.—Federal forces engaged in driving rebel bands out of the oil district have taken the town of Ozuama in the Huasteca region. Rebels yesterday took Tinarcá between Monterey and Ciudad Victoria, but a federal column sent from Monterey regained the town again. More than fifty revolutionaries were killed.

EL PASO, Texas, Jan. 24.—President Alvaro Obregon was forced to return to Aguas Calientes yesterday when he attempted a trip to Celaya and now is gathering his forces in an attempt to cut through rebel troops holding the important railway junction, advices received in Juarez today state.

ANTI-INCOME TAX AIDE MUST FACE CONTEMPT CHARGE

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 24.—Cyril G. Brownell, president-treasurer of the State Income Tax Referendum league, must appear in court January 25 to show cause why he should not be held in contempt of court for failure to comply with the peremptory writ of mandamus issued last November in connection with the income tax election signed by Presiding Circuit Judge Tazewell. The order was based on an affidavit by W. S. U-Iten, attorney for George A. Painter and Betha J. Beck, officials of the Oregon State Grange. U-Iten contended that a "pretended return" of the writ made some months ago was a willful disobedience of said writ.

SENT TO PEN FOR POSSESSING STILL

OREGON CITY, Ore., Jan. 24.—Henry Haberman was today given a penitentiary sentence of one year following conviction on the charge of having in his possession a still. The sentence imposed by Circuit Judge John M. Knowles of La Grande, sitting here in place of Circuit Judge Campbell, was said by court attaches to be the first penitentiary sentence imposed in Oregon on a state charge of liquor law violation.

no teacher, paid by taxation, ever shall rob a student of his belief in Christ and the Bible and teach the hypothesis of evolution; linking men in blood relationship with animals." It was after Mr. Bryan had attacked the theory of evolution in an address before a joint session of the 1923 Kentucky general assembly that efforts to enact a state law prohibiting teaching of evolution in public schools was made.

DR. LOUGHRIDGE SUCCEUMBS TO AUTO INJURIES

Prominent Grants Pass Physician Dies in Portland Hospital As Result of Auto Accident Last Monday—Unable to Withstand Shock.

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 24.—Dr. Sherman Loughridge, 70, of Grants Pass, died at a hospital here early today as a result of injuries suffered Monday when he was crushed beneath his automobile which plunged thirty feet from a bridge across the Rogue river, near Grants Pass.

Dr. Loughridge was driving with a passenger when the machine veered and went through a railing, falling to the ground near the end of the bridge. The passenger, who fell clear of the machine, released the doctor. Suffering from a broken hip and shock the doctor was brought to a hospital here Tuesday night.

Dr. Loughridge was one of the best known physicians in Josephine county and had a large practice, both in Grants Pass and in the rural districts. He was a fine type of the rugged pioneer country doctor, public spirited, kindly, a credit to his community and his profession.

SAILOR GOES MAD, SHOT DOWN AFTER KILLING TWO MEN

VANCOUVER, B. C., Jan. 24.—Lyman Ben Haba, a Maltese sailor on the British steamship Pillar de Larrinaga ran amok aboard the vessel here today, and frothing at his mouth and swinging two long doubled edged knives killed Chief Officer Alexander James and Seaman Antonio Armo. Police shot Ben Haba down after the madman had wounded three members of the crew besides those he slew. Survivors of the Larrinaga related that Ben Haba suddenly indicated by a shriek that he had been seized by demonic fury. In an instant he leaped among his mates on the forecastle, his eyes blazing and began lunging with the knives at those nearest him. One of the knives was sunk to the hilt in the body of James as the chief officer ran forward to quell the disturbance and the sailors all fled from the forecastle.

JURY DISAGREES LOCAL OIL CASE

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 24.—A jury in United States district court before which Leroy C. Bigelow and John O'Connor were tried on charges of misuse of the mails in connection with location of oil leases in Jackson county, near Medford, reported today to Judge H. S. Bean that it was hopelessly divided and was discharged. The trial has been in progress during the past ten days. The jury retired last night. Deputy United States District Attorney Thomas Maguire, who prosecuted the case charged that the men had defrauded persons by misrepresentations in connection with oil and placr claims.

DISASTROUS FIRE IN COVE, OREGON

LA GRANDE, Ore., Jan. 24.—Fire of unknown origin early today destroyed the main business block of Cove, Ore., seventeen miles from here, causing a loss estimated at about \$20,000. Dwight Martin and Giggs Alexander were painfully burned by a chemical explosion while attempting to remove furniture from a burning drug store. The city hall, containing city records and the city library, a drug store and a pool hall were completely destroyed. A barber shop in the burned block was saved. This is the third serious fire Cove has had in recent years. The same business block with the exception of the city hall was burned about two years ago.

PORTLAND'S BOGUS COUNT CONVICTED

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 24.—Peter Mulberg, said by officials to have posed as a foreign count, was sentenced today in federal court to ten years in the federal prison at McNeil's Island, following conviction on the charge of having raised \$1 bills to \$20. "Count" Mulberg, said officials, had previously operated at Del Monte, Cal., where he was accused of disposing of bogus money in fashionable circles. John Lennon, a youth who was accused of having been implicated in Mulberg's operations was sentenced to nine months in the county jail.

WOMAN BOXER COMES FROM ARGENTINE TO GET MATCHES



San Francisco—Senorita Carmen Lucia de la Rosa, woman boxer from Buenos Aires, who has arrived in the United States seeking matches. The senorita is just within the welterweight limit and is very athletic. She has gained quite a few points in the art from Luis Firpo, the challenger from the Argentine and says she is ready to take on all comers in the feminine world.

Oregon News in Brief

SALEM, Ore., Jan. 24.—E. T. Buselle of Salem intimated that he will become a candidate for the public service commission to represent the western Oregon district. He was in the employ of the commission several years ago as a telephone operator. Buselle is a republican. Edward Ostrander, secretary of the commission, has announced his candidacy for the republican nomination for the commission to represent the west district.

SALEM, Ore., Jan. 24.—H. J. Eberly, deputy state forester, has received an offer to become chief deputy state forester for the state of Texas. The offer comes from E. O. Slocke, Texas state forester, who formerly held the position in Oregon now held by Eberly.

NEWBERG, Ore., Jan. 24.—The Newberg Bertrians last night elected the following officers at the annual election: S. M. Calkins, chief club cap; Lynn B. Ferguson, sub-chief mungler; F. B. Layman, chief scriber; Logan, and R. P. Gill, gold dollar keeper of the patch.

CORVALLIS, Ore., Jan. 24.—Enforcement of United States department of agriculture grades of potatoes in Oregon was discussed today at the state agricultural economic conference here. Adjustments in the law to make the grading more workable and effective were proposed.

OREGON CITY, Ore., Jan. 24.—The grand jury yesterday filed a recommendation with the circuit court judge in which they suggested that the court provide for the services of a jailer, whose duties shall be that of watchman during the night hours. It was further suggested that the jailer is to be appointed by the sheriff and the sheriff is to be responsible for his acts and services as guard and watchman.

Death Toll of the Automobile

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 24.—Mrs. Alma Hall, 67, was killed almost instantly on the Columbia highway near here yesterday afternoon when struck by an automobile said to belong to Frederick L. Miller, local jeweler. Miller is being held by county officers pending further investigation of the accident.

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 24.—The county grand jury today investigated the killing yesterday at Fairview, near here, of Mrs. Alma Hall, 67, who was struck by a large automobile, Frederick L. Miller, a jeweler, whose car the police charge hit the woman, was in jail but he denied any part in the fatal accident.

COAST GOLFERS PLAN SURPRISE PARTY ON EGAN

California Golf Stars to Invade Medford As Soon As Local Golf Course Is Open—Egan Gets High Praise From Experts.

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 24.—(Special to Mail Tribune). Still they come. The California coast gets 'em all at some time or another during the winter. Yesterday it was H. Chandler Egan, of Medford, Ore., ranked No. 1 amateur golfer of the Pacific coast for 1923.

Chan and his cousin, Walter C. Egan, of Chicago, both former national amateur champions, spent the day in Pasadena and had one round of the Annandale course. Then they were off by motor for Del Monte, where they will spend a short time. The apples and pears and prunes having been harvested at his fine, big Rogue River valley ranch, Chan Egan is out for a bit of the air, and is tomorrow in golf as a condiment. And when Egan goes out to play golf and one is in close proximity to his playground one should not miss a seat in the gallery. It's like getting a free look-see at the world's greatest actor.

Now that Chan Egan's game, one can disclose a surprise party that's being framed on him. Hay Started Something. When Hay Chapman, the Walter Camp of coast golf, recently picked Egan as the ranking amateur golfer of the coast he got many rises out of the multitude. The Pacific northwest, of course, backed the Chapman judgment to a man, swam and chills. California was divided. To the majority who rose in meeting to protest, Egan was a name only. There was some hazy recollection in the composite opinion mind of Egan's having been formerly national, western and several times Pacific northwest titles holder. "But what has he done to merit such mighty praise?" chirped the party of the left.

Gateway for George Cline, present Elks' champion golfer, Waltham club team captain, former Southern California amateur champion, etc., etc. "The person who denies Chandler Egan the ranking position in amateur golf of this coast is the person who knows nothing of his great victory in the Pacific northwest championship at Seattle last June when he defeated the greatest field of amateurs ever gotten together on the coast. The person who questions the ability of Egan as a golfer is the person who has never seen him play the game," said George.

Watches Chan Play. George Cline has seen Egan win two north coast titles, one at Vancouver in 1920 and the other at Seattle in 1923. George dropped everything—including innumerable impressive and insistent invitations to indulge, intrinsically, in inhibited things (which lead to inebriation) in order to enjoy an invigilation of Egan's golf. Then, George, after this outburst, was quietly told of the nine-hole course Egan laid out and constructed and is now waiting for the sun and moisture to bring to full fruition in the spring, and he thoughtfully said: "I know how Jack Neville, Hay Chapman, Roger Lapham, Dr. Pat Hunter and a whole lot of California folks feel about Egan. Hunter, for instance, thinks Egan the greatest golfer of all time, and he goes north to see Egan as much as to play himself in the northwest tournaments. "I know that, from Vancouver, B. C., to Medford, Ore., taking in every golfing community along the route, Chandler Egan is an idol. Now, knowing what we all do about what a wonderful inspiration he has been to me and how now, he needs no longer step off his ranch, without preparation, into a field filled with golfers tuned to the big scrap in hand, I feel that we should do something to show our 'hooray' in some substantial manner."

Movement Started. Before the meeting adjourned—there were three present, including Joe Kirkwood—it was all tentatively worked out. It was decided quietly to start a movement extending from British Columbia to southern California towards the end of getting a party of golfers—as many as possible—to invade Medford, Ore., some time next spring, or when the course there opens, and there stage a two or three days tournament.

George Cline is sowing the seed today. He is meeting with enthusiastic responses. He is going to find out when the huntings begin to flutter at Medford's course, so as to select the dates. George is getting some fellow conspirators in the northwest to handle their end of the big come-alive. That'll be the soft part of his self-imposed job. The Medford Golf Club course is now in fine condition and will be ready for any invasion that is planned early in the spring.

Salem Man Loses Leg. SALEM, Ore., Jan. 24.—The right leg of E. C. Ferrman of Salem, was cut off between the knee and ankle yesterday when he attempted to board a train near Chemawa. Ferrman slipped as he essayed to climb on the train.

German Crew of Ship "Alrich" Have to Pool Savings to Buy Paper

SAN PEDRO, Sal., Jan. 24.—Alrich may be all right as the name of the German freighter in port today on her initial visit here, but three members of the crew, paid in German marks, had to pool their month's savings to buy an American newspaper when they came ashore.

EXPERTS LEAVE FOR GERMANY MONDAY NIGHT

PARIS, Jan. 24.—The experts inquiring into Germany's financial and economic condition continued today preparations for their hearings in Berlin, whither they are going Monday, probably by special train. The commission and their staff of experts, secretaries, stenographers and attendants number more than 100. Owen D. Young had a turn in the presiding officer's chair when General Charles G. Dawes and several other delegates were absent, since the matters under discussion concerned especially the members of the sub-committee on money.

The rapid progress made in accord with Dr. Schacht on the currency investigation is regarded as the best of auguries for the success of the inquiry. BERLIN, Jan. 24.—When the reparations experts now meeting in Paris come to Berlin to ascertain the truth, said Minister of Finance Luther, in an address at Hamburg yesterday, "Then the world will determine that the reparations problem must be settled in a manner permitting Germany's recovery." "We must first use all our endeavors to regulate internal affairs. The rentenmark idea brought the bank note presses to a standstill, but we must do everything to prevent fresh depreciation of the currency." Dr. Luther urged the necessity of exercising the utmost economy in all departments of the reich government. Only by this means could Germany prepare her 1924 budget, which, according to the minister, will cover internal expenditure but not the cost of the occupation, nor the reparation account.

FEAR FOUL PLAY, KLAN LEADER IN TACOMA MISSING

TACOMA, Jan. 24.—Mystery surrounds the supposed disappearance of B. W. Butler, 32 years old, reported to be the secretary of the Tacoma organization of the Ku Klux Klan, who local members of the organization say, has been missing for about a week. Detectives in the employ of the Ku Klux Klan northwest organization are said to have been in Tacoma from Portland for the past week investigating the disappearance of Butler. The investigators, it is said, have failed to find anything wrong with the books over which Butler had charge. Local klansmen last night were divided in their opinions as to whether Butler had been the object of foul play. Several freely discussed the disappearance, but were loath to allow their names to be used in connection with the case. Opinion was about evenly divided on whether Butler had been the victim of a mysterious attack or had left the city for reasons known only to himself. Butler is said to have come to Tacoma from Atlanta, Ga.

LIFE TERMER, FROM ROSEBURG, MADE TRUSTY ROBS HOMES IN SALEM

SALEM, Ore., Jan. 24.—William Barrows, life term in the state penitentiary, employed as a trusty at the prison green house until a few days ago, yesterday confessed to local authorities that he had burglarized five or six Salem residences recently in the east end of the city. Barrows was sent up from Douglas county for a statutory offense. He declared that he took only articles of food from the residences entered. Barrows was received at the prison in February, 1921. About eleven months ago he was made a trusty by former Warden Johnson S. Smith. A week ago Sunday he was caught outside the premises allowed trusties and his trusty privileges were taken away by Warden Dalrymple. Suspicion of having entered the Salem residences had not fallen upon him at that time.

NORA ELLIS ACQUITTED OF MURDER

Pendleton Girl Declared Insane By Jury, Shows No Emotion at Verdict—Brother Thanks Jurymen—Verdict Reached After Three Hours of Deliberation.

PENDLETON, Ore., Jan. 24.—Papers that will commit Miss Nora Ellis to the eastern Oregon state hospital here were ordered made out by Judge Gilbert W. Phelps this morning of R. I. Keator, district attorney. Miss Ellis will likely be turned over to the hospital authorities some time today. The verdict apparently had no effect on Miss Ellis as she maintains the same stolid calm and indifference as that evidenced during her incarceration in the county jail awaiting trial and that shown during the trial itself. As has been the case since her arrest, she still refuses to talk.

Nora Ellis was acquitted of the murder of three days and which occupied the attention of Pendleton and surrounding regions. Throughout the three days of the trial, the attitude of the defendant remained the same. It was one of almost apathetic indifference and her calm was practically unbroken during the three days that she faced the jury in the court room, the expression on her face never changing. When the verdict was brought in Miss Ellis did not thank the jury nor shake hands with them, but her brother, Walker Ellis, made a short talk in which he expressed his thanks for their verdict. Arguments to the jury yesterday were brief. The state stressed the definition of "insane" under the Oregon law which they defined as "the inability to know right from wrong at the time of committing a crime," and referred to the testimony of alienists who had said that Miss Ellis knew right from wrong at the time of her shooting of Mettle. District Attorney Keator, stated in conclusion while asking a verdict that if the defense of insanity could be successful in this case that it could be used in any case. Attorney Steiwer for the defense stated that the jury had as much right as alienists to judge of the sanity or insanity of Miss Ellis. Colonel Raley chief defense counsel, made an appeal to the emotions and sympathies of the jurors and told them that he believed his client's mind diseased by reason of the five years of loneliness and isolation since the death of her parents and because of the wrong that had been done her. He asked for acquittal on the grounds of insanity, holding that a conviction would only add to the wrongs already done her.

Non-Partisans, North Dakota for LaFollette

FARGO, N. D., Jan. 24.—Four of the non-partisan league county conventions, held yesterday throughout North Dakota instructed their delegates to the state league convention at Bismarck on February 5 to work under Robert M. LaFollette, Wisconsin, for president, by that organization, according to reports compiled by the Fargo Forum today.