

The Weather	
Prediction	Rain
Maximum yesterday	47.5
Minimum today	44.5
Precipitation	.06

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

Weather Year Ago	
Maximum	66.5
Minimum	26.5

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M'ADOO SON IS INVOLVED IN OIL WIRES

Senate Chairman Declares Son of Democratic Candidate Sent Telegrams to McLean at Palm Beach—A. Mitchell Palmer, Wilson's Attorney General, Also Implicated.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—One of the telegrams sent to Edward B. McLean in Florida and laid before the oil committee says that A. Mitchell Palmer, counsel for McLean, had "understood" use his influence with Senator Walsh, democrat, Montana, to prevent the calling of the Washington publisher before the committee.

This telegram is followed in the file, the senators said today, by another message to McLean in which the publisher is informed that all efforts to influence Senator Walsh had failed and that all indications were that McLean would have to testify.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—Telegrams sent to Edward B. McLean, A. R. Fall and others at Palm Beach, Fla., and relevant to the oil inquiry were read today into the record of the oil committee.

The first, from John Major at Washington to McLean at Palm Beach, suggested a leased wire from the Washington Post to McLean's cottage in Florida so the publisher could have "easy and quick access to the White House."

The message said also that C. Hanson Slomp, secretary to the president, would be in Florida shortly. (Major is an employe of McLean here.)

Another message from Major to McLean said that Major had "had a talk with Smithers at the White House. (E. W. Smithers is chief telegrapher at the White House.)

In another message Major told McLean he had talked again with J. W. Zevely, Palmer's law partner, "who said the matter would be attended to in a manner satisfactory to you."

A message said Fred Stark, a director of the war finance corporation was anxious to get in touch with McLean on an important matter.

"Palmer and Zevely told me tonight that under no circumstances should you send a message to the committee," said another message to McLean from Major.

"They said," the message added "that after the man at Wardam Park (Fall's hotel) testifies and the committee wanted you they could take care of you."

A message from the White House signed E. W. Starling and addressed to McLean said Starling had "wired Wilkins at Hopkinsville, Ky." (Starling is of the White House secret service staff.)

McAdoo and Palmer informed Major reported to McLean that he delivered a message "to McAdoo and Palmer as per your instructions." (In other messages there are references to Francis McAdoo of New York, believed by the committee to be the son of W. G. McAdoo.)

Under date of January 22, 1924, Major wired McLean that A. Mitchell Palmer (former attorney general and counsel for McLean) had gained the impression from Senator Walsh that McLean would not be called before the committee. This message added that "other people are working on Walsh."

William Duckstein, another employe of McLean wired his employer that "Smithers would like the job of operating the special wire."

"Just like the secretary at Wardam Park," Major wired to McLean, "he

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Belgian Government Defeated, Result of French Pact Vote

BRUSSELS, Feb. 27.—(By the Associated Press.)—The Belgian cabinet, headed by Premier Theunis, resigned this evening as a result of its defeat in the chamber of deputies today, 95 to 79, over the Franco-Belgian economy convention.

BRUSSELS, Feb. 27.—(By the Associated Press.)—Premier Theunis has announced that the cabinet will place its resignation in the hands of the king tonight.

STEAMER GOES ON ROCKS NEAR PUGET SOUND

SEATTLE, Feb. 27.—A wireless message from the Norwegian steamer Tatjana, reports that she went ashore on the rocks off Carmanah point, near the entrance to Puget Sound at 5:30 this morning. The crew were going ashore to stand by, the message stated.

The steamer Armente and life boats from the Canadian station at Bamfield, near Carmanah point, and the United States coast guard cutter Snohomish from Port Angeles, Wash., were proceeding to the assistance of the Tatjana.

The Tatjana was bound from Muroan, Japan, to Vancouver, B. C., under charter to load lumber. Carmanah point is on the west coast of Vancouver island and at the north side of the mouth of the Strait of Juan de Fuca. Marine men here said that the Tatjana must have been five miles off her course, and attributed the accident to fog.

The Tatjana is a steel screw steamer of 5329 gross tons.

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MAX LINDER DEATH PACT FILM HOAX

PARIS, Feb. 26.—Mrs. Max Linder, wife of the famous French cinema actor, has telegraphed her mother here that the story that she and her husband were made ill from overdose of a sleeping potion is without foundation and was the work of publicity agents of Viennese film makers.

PARIS, Feb. 26.—Max Linder, motion picture comedian, and his wife are reported to be fully convalescing in Vienna after their severe illness caused by an overdose of sleeping powders, according to a dispatch to Comcedia, a newspaper devoted exclusively to the affairs of the stage.

The paper adds: "Linder's accidental overdose of sleeping potion certainly has kept his friends awake for the last three days."

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SANTA BARBARA IN PERIL FROM FIRE

SANTA BARBARA, Cal., Feb. 27.—Under a terrific but changeable wind, a forest fire burned over an eight mile stretch in the foothills back of Montecito and Santa Barbara last night and until early this morning, destroying Rancho La Pas, a small resort hotel, the home of Mrs. C. E. Lithgow, and other buildings.

Montecito, millionaire colony, immediately to the east of Santa Barbara, was in great danger until dawn this morning.

Every available man on the streets of Santa Barbara was conscripted last night to fight the fire.

Rangers this morning believed the fire to be under control.

TRIBUTE TO HARDING BY SEC. HUGHES

Republicans and Democrats Join in Memorial Services to Late President—A True American Declares Secy. of State—An Aristocrat of the Plain People.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—"Warren Gamaliel Harding belonged to the aristocracy of the plain people of this country," Secretary Hughes said today, in delivering the eulogy of the late president at the joint session of the senate and house which formed the official memorial exercises for President Harding.

"He was equipped for his task by inheritance and training which were completely and typically American," Mr. Hughes said. "He was neither helped nor hampered by exceptional environment. He suffered neither from poverty nor riches. His endowment was a keen mind and a strong body."

"Alert to opportunity, self-reliant, facile and warm-hearted, he made his own way, owing his success to his tireless persistence and his unquenchable ardor in living."

Mr. Hughes said it was fitting that official tribute should be paid to the memory of a president, but that the significance of the gathering today was far deeper than that.

"It is a tribute inspired by love of country, as lying aside the differences and controversies which seem but trivial in the face of man's adventures and 'God's providence, we stand united in the indissoluble bonds of a common patriotism, knowing well that ungrateful republics cannot endure," he added.

"The temples of democracies will be but vain boastings of a vanished faith if their altar fires are not kept burning by the memory of those who have met the supreme test and have laid down their lives in heroic fidelity and supreme sacrifice."

Deep Affection for Man. A close personal touch marked that portion of Mr. Hughes' address which expressed the estimate of the dead president's character which could be formed only through association in his cabinet.

"Above all," the speaker said, "we give the tribute of deep affection which moves us to speak in tender remembrance of a generous and kindly spirit who counted human fellowship more precious than all the pomp and circumstance of power."

"Not only those who had the privilege of intimacy, but the vast multitude who bowed in grief at his passing, responded to the grace of his gentleness and called him brother and friend as well as president."

In speaking of the days in San Francisco after President Harding had been stricken, Mr. Hughes said: "Not long before, in intimate converse, when informed of the gravity of his condition and of the probability that if rescued from the immediate peril, he would still be condemned to a life of invalidism which would preclude the resumption of his labors, he had exclaimed: 'Well, if that is so this story might as well come to an end.'"

"That was true," Mr. Hughes continued. "The only life he desired, that of energy and usefulness, he could no longer hope to enjoy. Painlessly, without warning and in a moment of apparent refreshment, there was a slight movement and he was gone. The cares of his stewardship were lifted and he was at rest in God's peace."

Secretary Hughes told of the entry of Mr. Harding into journalism with the purchase of the Marion Star.

"Had the American Spirit." "Young Harding identified his success with that of his town," Mr. Hughes said. "He embodied the American spirit, carrying into the endeavors of the town the persistence and courage of his pioneer forebears, who had made towns possible."

"He was Great Heart in newspaperdom. He not only had his principles, but he codified and enforced them."

"Coming to the calling of the Washington conference for limitation of armaments, Secretary Hughes quoted from the addresses of President Harding to show that 'his aspiration had long been declared.'"

"The distinctive feature of the Washington conference was the definite and limited character of its aim," Mr. Hughes continued. "As the president said, it did not seek to 'remake humankind.' It did not waste its time in futileities, it sought results not the vanities of reiterated professions without accomplishment."

There will always be problems in the Far East but it is not too much to say that the Pacific and Far Eastern questions, as they existed at the time of the conference with their menace to the peace of the world, are no more."

In concluding his address he said: "Warren G. Harding gave his life

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Ethel Barrymore's Ex-Hubby And Follies Beauty Soon To Try Matrimony, Rialto Hears



JESSIE REED, INSET, RUSSELL GRISWOLD COLT
NEW YORK—Broadway remained calm yesterday despite word from Chicago that beautiful Jessie Reed, of the Ziegfeld "Follies" road company, now playing there, will shortly marry Russell Griswold Colt, divorced husband of Ethel Barrymore.

Miss Reed and Mr. Colt have been seen in each other's company of late, and rumors of an impending marriage ceremony have been fluttering around the Chicago "loop" district. Miss Reed was divorced a year ago from Dan Caswell, son of a wealthy Cleveland.

GOLD BEACH DRY AGENTS FREE ON MURDER CHARGE

GOLD BEACH, Ore., Feb. 27.—The Curry county grand jury which investigated the killing of Lawrence Hare returned a not true bill here last night after investigating the affair in connection with Paul Mumpower, state prohibition agent and E. A. Neill, his assistant, were held on manslaughter charges.

Hare was shot in the course of a raid by Mumpower and Neill at Brookings, Ore., February 14 and a Crookers jury returned a verdict that the killing was justifiable. Later friends of the slain man caused the arrest of the state agents on charges of first degree murder. This charge was reduced to second degree murder and later to manslaughter.

Attorneys and witnesses gathered at Gold Beach for the grand jury hearing which ended last night were today on their way to their homes.

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SID BARBARIAN WINS OVER YOUNG CARMEN

PORTLAND, Feb. 27.—Sid Barbarian, Detroit southpaw, won a fierce ten round fight here last night from Young Carmen of Portland. Barbarian took the aggressive early in the fight. Carmen was shaky in the sixth after trying to slug with Barbarian and running into a couple of terrific punches, but he came back strong in the next round.

Carmen's best round was the tenth, in which he piled all over the tenth boy with lefts, rights and a right uppercut, and had Barbarian swinging wildly, but the Detroit's lead was too big, and Barbarian won the unanimous decision of the referee and the judges.

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Halt California Poultry

SALT LAKE CITY, Feb. 27.—No poultry of any kind from California will be allowed in Utah pending eradication of the foot and mouth disease, Governor Charles R. Mabey today notified California authorities. Two days ago livestock was banned.

Unknown Man Is Reported Dying at Asylum in Salem

SALEM, Ore., Feb. 27.—Out of the state hospital here a man is dying. One week ago he was received at the asylum apparently insane as a result of injuries he received to have suffered in an automobile accident.

Today Dr. R. E. Lee Steiner appealed to the press to assist in a search for friends or relatives of the man who gives his name as Dan Murphy. No other information can be elicited from him by hospital authorities. The patient was committed here February 20, from Lane county.

SMOOT TELLS OF EARLY BREAK IN OIL DISCLOSURE

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—Senator Smoot, republican, Utah, former chairman of the oil committee, disclosed publicly today that he was advised in advance that E. L. Doheny was coming to Washington to testify about his \$100,000 loan to Albert B. Fall.

The Utah senator said he received the information from J. W. Zevely, personal counsel to Harry F. Sinclair, who was at New Orleans at the time with Fall.

The senator denied rumors current at the capital that he had been in telegraphic communication with Fall since the former secretary announced in December that he had received the \$100,000 from Edward B. McLean, publisher of the Washington Post.

"The only communication I had with Albert Fall was when Zevely called me on the telephone from New Orleans and told me Doheny was coming to Washington and tell it all," said Senator Smoot.

"He then said, 'Albert Fall is here and wants to talk to you.'"

"Fall explained to me that his two daughters were in New Orleans with him; that one was ill and he wanted to take her to his home in Three Rivers, N. M. He explained that he could get into Washington as speedily from there as from Florida and he asked me to explain to the committee the reason why he found it necessary to return to his home."

Senator Smoot also told of a conference which he and Chairman Lenroot had with the former secretary at the latter's hotel here a few days before Fall sent the letter to the committee in which he said McLean had made the \$100,000 loan.

"We told him," said Mr. Smoot, "that everything in the record had been explained, except where he got the money to improve and enlarge his ranch. He told us he had borrowed it from an old friend."

"Senator Lenroot says that Fall said as we were leaving that he got the money from Edward B. McLean, but I didn't hear him say that."

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MRS. ROOSEVELT VISITS GRAVE OF HER SON

PARIS, Feb. 27.—Mrs. Theodore Roosevelt, wife of the former American president, left for Chateau Thierry today to visit the grave of her son, Quentin, who was killed while serving as an aviator in July, 1918. She was accompanied by her son, Kermit.

M'ADOO RECEIVED \$200,000 FOR GETTING \$2,000,000 REFUND FOR STEEL COMPANY

YOUNGSTOWN, Ohio, Feb. 27.—William G. McAdoo, secretary of the treasury in the Wilson administration, received a fee of \$200,000 for intervention in a tax refund case of the Republic Iron and Steel company in 1920, according to a copyrighted special story published by the Youngstown Vindicator today.

According to the story Mr. McAdoo was engaged by Chairman John A. Topping of the Republic just before the case came to a hearing and effected a compromise with William M. Williams, then commissioner of internal revenue and members of the tax revision boards. Due to this compromise, it is said, the Republic received a refund of about \$2,000,000 immediately.

ATTY GEN'L LEAVES ON TRIP WEST

Daugherty Quietly Ships Out of Washington After Two Conferences With President—Resignation Rumored As Soon As Senate Probe Is Concluded.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—Attorney General Daugherty left Washington today without announcing whether he would resign from the cabinet. He boarded an afternoon westbound train after his second conference of the day with President Coolidge.

The greatest secrecy was observed at the department of justice in connection with his departure. His secretary refused to confirm or deny reports of his departure.

It was indicated a statement would be made later, but whether it would bear on the question of his retention in the cabinet was not revealed.

The attorney general left on a train whose ultimate destination is Chicago.

It was later stated officially that the attorney general had not resigned and that his resignation had not been requested.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—(By the Associated Press.)—An offer by Attorney General Daugherty to retire to private life when the senate completes its investigation of his official acts is believed in some administration circles to be imminent.

Under the plan he would step out of the cabinet regardless of the outcome of the inquiry and would announce his intention to the country in advance.

There is a belief in some quarters that it may end the bitter controversy of which he has become the center.

There are still some of President Coolidge's advisers who believe that a promise to resign at a future date will not satisfy the attorney general's critics.

The attorney general had his second conference of the day with the president shortly after lunch.

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BUILD NEW RAILROAD IN EASTERN OREGON TO AID ORCHARDISTS

SEATTLE, Feb. 27.—Bids were opened late yesterday in the office of Judge Reid, vice president of the Walla Walla Valley Railway company, for the joint building of five miles of railroad from Milton, Ore., to Umapine, Ore., by the Union Pacific, Northern Pacific and Walla Walla railroads. The new line will serve a large number of orchardists in this section of Oregon.

"The contracts will be let within a few days and work will start as soon as possible, in order to have the line finished in time for the next fruit crop," Judge Reid stated. Two miles of track will be built jointly by the three railroads and the other three will be constructed jointly by the Union Pacific and Northern Pacific Railway companies.

INSURGENT KLANSMEN FORM NEW ORDER WITHOUT SECRECY OR MASKS

ATLANTA, Ga., Feb. 27.—The temporary governing board of the "Knights of the Mystic Clan," a new organization launched here yesterday at a meeting of klansmen and former members of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan and its present administration, met here today to revise a temporary constitution adopted last night and to present a plan of procedure for the new order. Nearly 200 men, said by those in charge to represent thirteen states, attended the meeting.

Kansas City, Mo., was named as national headquarters. The order, it was set forth, will take as members men "who are white and of the Protestant Christian faith." And who can qualify under the rules of the order. Masks and secrecy are to have no place in the "Knights of the Mystic Clan," the resolution stated.