

The Weather

Prediction... Snow and colder
Maximum yesterday... 32.5
Minimum today... 27.5

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

Weather Year Ago

Maximum... 42
Minimum... 36

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Washington Pauses in Round of Political Activity to Pay Homage to Late War President—Eulogy Delivered by Dr. Alderman—McAdoo Is Absent From Ceremony.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—Woodrow Wilson sought to save the twentieth century a faith to inspire it and to justify the sacrifice of millions of lives in the great war and if there was a failure, it was humanity's failure.

Not a Failure
Speaking in the place where Wilson delivered the address that carried his country into the world conflict.

Dr. Alderman said it was not for him to undertake the task of apporportioning with "nice justice the responsibility for the cauldron of heat and scorching venom" of deadlock and indecision of partisanship and passion in which for weary months this largest question of modern times boiled and bubbled.

Other ages will make that solemn appraisement," he added. "I may be permitted the reflection that something less than malice in the hearts of his enemies, and something more of compromise in his own heart, and something more of political genius and firm purpose in the hearts of those who kept the faith, and there might have been another world."

"It is commonly said that the historic rank of Woodrow Wilson is wrapped up in the destiny of the covenant; that if it fails, his rank will be merely that of one more radiant spirit whose reach exceeded his grasp and if it succeeds his place in history is secure. I find the formula too glib and automatic for the forces and ideas it presumes to envelop."

An Unconquerable Idea
"Apocryphal and immortality are weighty words that fit our poor flesh, so fardoomed to the iniquity of early oblivion; but surely the fame of Woodrow Wilson does not rest upon an instrument the orderly growth of which into final usefulness may change its structure and modify its form as to cause it to become another and even better instrument. It depends upon an unconquerable idea, so greatly conceived and set forth that it must continue to grow into nearer and finer form and its fame must grow with it into whatever that renown may attain."

"The world used to be full of people busy discerning, imagining and cataloging the faults of Woodrow Wilson. Dogmatist and hermit, rhetorician and pacifist, eccentric and ingrate, dreamer and drifter were some of the multiple names that were given to the man whose faults were protective devices to conceal physical weakness and others lay buried deep in the impulses in his blood; but in his ambition born of pride and courage and high ambition are such as nations learn to forget and to forgive, and even to love and cherish. Posterity is incurious about the minor faults of its heroes."

Fame Is Secure
"His countrymen do not tattle about
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Hit By Train, Boy Grabs Cow Catcher And Life Is Saved

OLATHA, Kans., Dec. 15.—Clinging to the cowcatcher of the California Limited, fast Santa Fe passenger train, which had struck squarely in the middle of the sedan in which he was riding, Jesse Wollard, Olathite youth, rode several hundred yards and stepped down uninjured when the train was halted south of here yesterday.

LABOR LEADER'S BODY REVIEWED BY THOUSANDS

Over 100,000 People Have Been Escorted Through Funeral Train En Route to New York Where Body Will Lie in State.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 15.—(By the Associated Press)—The train bearing the body of the late Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor to Washington and New York, arrived in St. Louis from San Antonio, Texas, at 7:30 o'clock this morning, about fifteen minutes ahead of schedule.

At Parsons, Kas, the train was 35 minutes late, having been delayed by the great crowds which wished to see the dead labor leader, but this lost time was made up in the night.

The time and exact place for holding the final funeral rites for Mr. Gompers had not been definitely determined by executive council members aboard when the train reached here. This was to be determined at a meeting of officials in the traveling party to be held here this morning.

All members of the party were in good health on arrival, but all were very much fatigued. Frank Morrison, secretary of the federation, upon whose shoulders has for the time developed the work of chief executive of the organization, together with James Duncan, Matthew Wolf and Martin E. Ryan, vice-president and John E. Giles, Chester M. Wright, Thomas McQuade, William D. Mahon, M. C. Roberts, Edward J. Tracy, Joseph Lynch, all officials, besides their duties of planning for the funeral, have received and escorted through the funeral car almost 100,000 persons since the coffin left the undertaking parlors in San Antonio.

Flowers Fill Car
The women of the party, the secretaries to the officials, also have been constantly on duty. Miss Martha May, Mr. Gompers' nurse, and Miss Florence C. Thorne, his secretary, have taken to themselves the care and arrangement of the flowers, which, growing in volume at every station, filled the compartment where the body lay, covered the casket and finally were hung from the ceiling and on the walls.

At high noon and dead of night, the floral tributes came forth in a never-ending stream. There were three outstanding incidents on the trip northward, which besides the crowds, touched the hearts of Mr. Gompers' comrades most. One was the little band which played a soft dirge at Austin, Texas, in the quiet of the night.

Indians Pay Tribute.
This was the first stop out of San Antonio.
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PRESIDENT AROUSED BY AGITATION

Chief Executive Deplores the Loose Talk Regarding Navy and Assures the American People That First Defense Is in Excellent Condition—Naval Competition

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—President Coolidge is giving his personal attention to the question of national defense, which recently has become a subject of widespread agitation and he hopes the country will have confidence that its defenses on land, sea and in the air, will be adequately cared for.

Reports of negligence and inefficiency in the maintenance of the navy and other branches of the nation's defense forces have caused some concern at the White House, but the president does not believe such reports will be accepted as correct by the American people. He is satisfied that the government is proceeding with army, navy and air programs to the full extent of congressional appropriations and that the budget figures on which appropriations for next year are to be based reflect fairly the needs of the situation.

So far as the Washington arms treaty is concerned, Mr. Coolidge follows the United States is following out the five power agreement to the letter and he likewise is convinced that the government is proceeding with army, navy and air programs to the full extent of congressional appropriations and that the budget figures on which appropriations for next year are to be based reflect fairly the needs of the situation.

The president is not apprehensive of the real state of mind throughout the country on the question of national defense. He has expressed regret, however, that there is a tendency in some quarters to measure American efforts at preparedness by what other powers are doing, rather than by the yardstick of American naval requirements.

Navy Competition Ended
Competitive armaments, in the opinion of the chief executive, are a thing of the past. He desires, therefore to throw the weight of his influence against any possibility that the national defenses of this country shall stand on a competitive basis with those of any other nation, even in the minds of the people. He believes that competitive armaments were among the contributing causes of the world war, and he regards the whole theory of competitive naval building in particular as having gone in the discard at the Washington conference.

The present effort in congress and elsewhere to impress upon the public a need for further naval armaments, and for a general overhauling of the entire naval establishment has been the subject of numerous conferences between Mr. Coolidge and his advisers. He takes no stock in statements that the navy is grossly inefficient, but he desires that whatever shortcomings there are be corrected, and that the nation be prepared at all times up to the limit of its necessities.

He will continue to study the situation in the light of all the facts available, both at home and from abroad, and it is his hope that in the meantime, neither the press nor the public will form hasty conclusions or readily discredit the administration's assurance that it is dealing with the situation in an adequate manner.

PORTLAND BURGLAR ENTERS 17 HOMES

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 15.—Eluding the vigilance of a cordon of thirty policemen spread through Irvington and adjacent residence districts, a burglar who had been operating in those districts entered seventeen homes over the week-end, according to reports to police today.

Beautiful Queen Marie Poses With Captain and Officers Aboard the Rumanian Cruiser Mircea



Queen Marie takes a vital interest in all the activities of her kingdom. She recently completed a tour during which she made a personal survey of crop conditions. This photograph was taken when she visited the cruiser Mircea.

SCHOOL BILL TO BE ARGUED ON FEBRUARY 24

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—Oregon's appeal in the case involving its compulsory public school law was advanced today by the supreme court and will be argued February 24.

PENDLETON WORKER KILLED IN FEEDER OF A HAY CHOPPER

PENDLETON, Ore., Dec. 15.—A transient laborer named West, 52 or 53 years old, died this morning at Echo as a result of injuries sustained when he was carried into the feeder of a hay chopper which was being operated by John Goin on Meadowview ranch, owned by Will Reeves.

Wall Street Report

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—The closing was strong. U. S. Steel, however, yielded nearly a point and Phillips Jones broke six points but the general list held firm.

The Noted Dead

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Hiram Paulding, for many years one of the foremost manufacturers of cider in the United States and a grandson of John Paulding the American revolutionary soldier who with two others captured Major Andre near Tarrytown in 1780, died on Saturday at his home at Huntington, Long Island.

SNOW FALLS IN PORTLAND, COLDER WEATHER LOOMS

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 15.—Ushered in by a sharp north wind and a driving rain, a snow storm began here about 8 a. m. today and a white blanket quickly covered the ground. The snow continued to fall throughout the morning hours.

WRECK NEAR GRANTS PASS DELAYS S. P.

ROSEBURG, Ore., Dec. 15.—Northbound Southern Pacific trains were delayed here today because of a freight derailment at Dinnick, a short distance from Grants Pass. Eight cars left the track and went into the ditch, according to reports at the local railroad headquarters, causing considerable damage. None of the train crew were injured. The local wrecking crew was sent to the scene.

Daily Report on the Crime Wave

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 15.—Diamonds valued at \$10,000 and \$50 in cash were taken from Mrs. and Miss P. L. Green by two men in an automobile early today who stopped the Greens' car with a police whistle. Green is a hotel proprietor here.

Worker Killed in Powder Explosion, Tacoma, Washington

TACOMA, Dec. 15.—John Ellegood, 56, was instantly killed, \$40,000 worth of property was ruined and three buildings wrecked in a double explosion at the DuPont powder company's plant at DuPont at 8:25 this morning.

GIRL SHOTS 2 MEN WHO TRY TO FLOG SUITOR

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 15.—N. J. Cash is in a local hospital suffering with a pistol wound and his fiancée, Miss Rosabelle Jones of Fernwood, has a scalp injury, as a result of an alleged attempt by two men to flog Cash Saturday night, DeKalb county authorities disclosed early today.

Cash told authorities he was at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. W. Cullom, discussing with Miss Jones their approaching marriage when he was started by axes battering in the front door. Several other persons were in the same room, he said, and they all ran to the front of the house as two men, who previously had flogged Cash, according to his statement, entered and began shooting.

SEATTLE STREET CARS STOPPED BY SNOW

SEATTLE, Dec. 15.—All street car lines in the city were tied up shortly after noon today when heavy snow brought down the transmission lines of the Puget Sound Power and Light company which supply the transit system. Traffic was resumed about 1:45 p. m.

SAN FRANCISCO PASTOR CALLED A LIAR BY WET MEMBER OF CONGREGATION

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 15.—The congregation of the fashionable First Congregational church here was thrown into an uproar last night when an unidentified man, heckled the Rev. James L. Gordon while the latter was discussing prohibition in connection with his sermon.

SHELL-SHOCKED SON OF MILLIONAIRE KILLS FATHER WITH WAR-RELIC SABER

CHICAGO, Dec. 15.—A controversy between father and son, the latter a shell shocked war veteran, resulted in the fatal stabbing of the father by the youth with a war relic saber in the home of Bruce Shaw, wealthy Oak Park inventor and manufacturer, early Sunday.

TIMBER LAND NEAR EUGENE PURCHASED

EUGENE, Ore., Dec. 15.—Purchase of 1240 acres of timber in the Cedar Creek district by the Harbor Investment company of Washington state, representing the Anderson and Middleton company which has a mill at Cottage Grove, was announced here today. The purchase price of the tract was not announced, but the revenue stamps on the deed filed indicated that it was well over \$100,000.

Paper Delayed by Copco Breakdown

Another break down in the California Oregon power lines today forced the Mail Tribune composing room to close down a few moments before press time and accounts for the delay in today's paper. The juke stopped about three o'clock and came on again at three-thirty.

Export Incomes Taxable

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—Incomes derived by domestic corporations from their export trade were held by the supreme court today not to be exempt from the federal income tax.

DR. ROSS IS ENTITLED TO A HEARING

Attorney General Holds That Fish Commissioner Retains Office Until Governor Gives Reasons for Removal—Rushlight Case Also Ruled Against Governor Pierce.

SALEM, Ore., Dec. 15.—Dr. Thomas W. Ross, recently deposed by Governor Pierce as a member of the state fish commission, is entitled to a hearing and to demand a statement indicating the reason for his dismissal from the commission, according to a legal opinion handed down here today by I. H. Van Winkle, attorney general. Not until this hearing is granted to Dr. Ross and a reason for his removal is advanced would the order of dismissal become effective.

It was pointed out by the attorney general that members of the fish commission are appointed for fixed terms but may be removed by the governor for cause. It is required by the statutes that before any order of removal becomes effective the commissioner shall have a notice setting out the cause for his removal.

It also was pointed out in the opinion that any action of the commission at a meeting held subsequent to the one at which Dr. Ross was served with the ouster order was within the rights of the commission and that any agreement entered into at that time by two members of the body would be binding, provided such contract or agreement was within the scope of the commission.

Governor Exceeds Powers
SALEM, Ore., Dec. 15.—Based on the election returns from Multnomah county, which on their face proclaimed A. G. Rushlight one of the winners in the legislative contest, Governor Pierce has no alternative other than to issue a certificate of election to Mr. Rushlight. This was the substance of a legal opinion handed down here today by I. H. Van Winkle, attorney general.

It was pointed out in the opinion that the duties of the governor and secretary of state in canvassing the election returns and issuing election certificates based thereon are ministerial and that they have no authority under the laws to act otherwise.

In event the governor should refuse to issue the certificate to the successful candidate, then such candidate would be entitled to institute mandamus proceedings in the courts to compel such action on the part of the executive.