

The Weather
 Prediction Generally fair and cooler
 Maximum yesterday 100.5
 Minimum today 58.5

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

Weather Year Ago
 Maximum 88
 Minimum 47

Daily—Twenty-fourth Year. Weekly—Fifty-third Year. MEDFORD, OREGON, SATURDAY, JUNE 27, 1925 NO. 84

SHEPHERD IS NOT GUILTY SAYS JURY

After 5 Hours and 40 Minutes Chicago Jury Returns a Verdict of Acquittal in Germ Case—Judge Olson Criticizes State's Case and Will Not Quit Fight.

CHICAGO, June 27.—(A. P.)—William Darling Shepherd was found not guilty of using typhoid germs to kill William Nelson McClintock, his millionaire foster son, after the jury trying him deliberated five hours and forty minutes last night.

Within a half hour he was freed from the county jail where he has been since March 15, on his personal bond of \$5000 on the charge of slaying Mrs. Emma Nelson McClintock, William's mother.

It was said at the criminal courts building that six ballots had been taken by the jury, the vote for the first standing eleven to one for acquittal.

The verdict was considered by the Shepherd attorneys as ending all possibility of further criminal action against him. It gave him the presumptive ownership of the McClintock estate, left him by McClintock's will, pending final action in a suit to break the will started by nine cousins of the dead youth.

Despite the jury finding, Judge Harry Olson, municipal court, chief justice and instigator of the investigation of McClintock's death, will continue to probe and prosecute, if that is possible, he said.

During the trial, Judge Olson expressed his disapproval of the efforts of the state's attorney and reiterated his criticism when informed of the acquittal.

A burst of cheers, despite warnings of bailiffs against any demonstration, came from the crowded spectators when the verdict was announced by William Burnett, foreman.

Flashlights beamed as news photographers snapped their cameras and a broad smile wreathed the face of the accused.

Shepherd and his attorneys, William Scott Stewart and W. W. O'Brien, shook the hand and thanked each jurymen as he filed from the box.

Mrs. Julie Shepherd, his wife, was not in the court room. She waited with friends at a downtown hotel where she was joined by Shepherd, his brother, J. Henry Shepherd of Little Rock, Ark., and Robert Stoll, his former law partner.

Today they planned a triumphant return to the home in Kenilworth, a suburb, where they lived with young McClintock since the death of his mother sixteen years ago.

"The state made a good fight and lost," said Robert E. Crowe, state's attorney. "The verdict speaks for itself."

Attorney Stewart, who argued throughout the trial that his client was the victim of a plot, said "The verdict is in reality a finding of guilt for the plotters. It is another proof of the sanctity of the jury system."

Miss Isabelle Pope, fiancée of young McClintock, who waited at his deathbed with a license to wed him if he recovered, said the verdict was what she expected.

"There was so much left out—so much detail that was important to the whole story—that I didn't see how the jury could convict Mr. Shepherd," she said.

CHICAGO, June 27.—(A. P.)—William D. Shepherd, who was acquitted last night by a jury of the charge that he murdered his foster son, William N. McClintock, the orphan millionaire, today was assured the second murder charge, that he killed McClintock's mother, would not be pressed by State's Attorney Crowe.

"There is no evidence that Mrs. McClintock was murdered," State's Attorney Crowe said.

Judge Olson, who last night declared that he would not quit his fight.

Bank Reserves Decreased. NEW YORK, June 27.—The actual condition of clearing house banks and trust companies for the week shows an excess reserve of \$22,482,980. This is a decrease in reserve of \$21,209,800 compared with last week.

PICNIC PARTY ALLOWED ON STATE FAIR GROUNDS, DESPOIL FLOWER BEDS

SALEM, Ore., June 27.—While a picnic party was enjoying the privileges of the state fair grounds yesterday the drivers of two automobiles took advantage of the opportunity to despoil state property by driving their cars back and forth through two of the most luxuriant of the floral beds on the grounds and practically ruining them. Mrs. Ella Wilson, secretary of the state fair board, said today that she doubted if the beds could be brought back to their usual beauty by the date of the state fair in September.

Governor Pierce said today that the occurrence may make it necessary to close the grounds to picnic parties. The floral beds were planted mainly to geraniums and were among the most beautiful in the state.

President's Friends Raise \$125,000 Fund To Buy White Court

NEW YORK, June 27.—(A. P.)—A Swampscott dispatch to the New York Times today says that friends of President Coolidge have pledged \$125,000 to buy White Court for him.

Informed of their plans, the president, the dispatch says, remarked: "I might not like it."

In case the president does not accept the gift, the dispatch continues, it is probable that he will not oppose congress making an appropriation for a summer White House.

ROSEBURG MAN ELECTED HEAD OF STATE LEGION

PRINEVILLE, Ore., June 27.—Dr. Earl B. Stewart of Roseburg, member of the Unipqua post, was unanimously elected state commander of the Oregon American Legion in convention here today. The Eugene post recommended Stewart's selection.

Harold J. Warner, Pendleton, was unanimously elected vice commander. Other unanimous elections were of Thomas Stoughton, Portland, as finance officer, and C. J. Johnston, Silverton, as national committeeman.

Chaplain Rev. John W. Beard, Portland, was re-elected.

State Executive Committeeman-at-large Brown of Salem, defeated Charnick of McMinnville by a large majority.

PRINEVILLE, Ore., June 27.—(A. P.)—Election of officers was the outstanding matter of business for the closing session today of the Oregon American Legion convention. Marshall and North Bend were chosen late yesterday unanimously for the next convention.

The delegates late yesterday heard an address on Americanism by National Chaplain Lonergan of Illinois, brother of Frank Lonergan of Portland.

Not an accident parred the performances yesterday of the rodeo which is being put on in connection with the convention.

L. M. Cowan of Portland was chosen grand chef de gare of La Societe des 40 Hommes et 8 Chevaux at the grand promenade of this playground order of the American Legion.

Other officers named were: William C. Kelly of Baker, grand chef de train, or vice commander; Jack Wright of Bend, grand conductor; Leonard R. Gilbert of Portland, grand correspondent; Neil Moffett of Astoria, grand garde de la porte, and George E. Love of Eugene; Dr. J. H. Roseburg of Prineville; Frank Sever of Portland; Frank McCulloch of Baker, and Dr. H. R. Kauffman of Toledo, grand chemist, or executive committee.

Delegates to the national session promote named were George E. Love of Eugene, Dr. Archie C. Van Cleave and Leonard R. Gilbert of Portland and George P. Griffith of Salem.

SHE INSURED HER NOSE FOR \$50,000

NEW YORK, June 27.—(A. P.)—A \$50,000 nose from Oklahoma City is sniffing the airs of Manhattan preliminary to the enjoyment of the tang of sea breezes.

Mrs. Blanche Cavitt, before leaving home for a three month's tour of Europe, had her sense of smell insured for \$50,000 at a cost of \$400. She is a specialist, able to detect the base of complicated perfumes by the odor.

With her husband, R. C. Cavitt, she leaves on July 4 for a three month's tour of Europe.

WASHINGTON, June 27.—(A. P.)—A transaction by which the Southern Pacific company agrees to pay alternately two different prices for one railroad was laid today before the interstate commerce commission for approval.

The road is the Nevada-California-Oregon, operating 154 miles of narrow gauge in the northwest. The Southern Pacific agrees to buy from Charles Moran, the present owner, the \$750,000 of preferred stock, within four years. If before the end of the four year period the Southern Pacific demands delivery of the stock it agrees to give in exchange \$725,000 in bonds; but if a demand for payment is made within that time by Moran, the Southern Pacific will have to pay only \$400,000 in bonds.

The line is to be transformed to standard gauge and new bonds issued to replace the \$750,000 N. C. O. bond issues outstanding.

COLLEGE YOUTH TRIES TO SURPASS LEOPOLD & LOEB

Bliss Baker, 24, Berkeley Undergraduate, Comes to Grief Trying to Execute a More Perfect Crime Than Chicago Boys—Blackmail Jacking.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 27.—The police are working today on the theory that the abortive attempt yesterday to kidnap Mrs. Daniel C. Jackling wife of the Utah and San Francisco copper magnate was the plan of young intellectuals of the University of California to perpetrate a "superior crime" that would exceed in vividness the murder of young Bobby Franks in Chicago by the thrill-seekers, Loeb and Leopold.

Bliss Y. Baker, University of California senior, under arrest as one of the ringleaders in the kidnaping plot, has admitted that there were others involved. He named George Beeman, who he said was an itinerant book agent.

The police have certain intangible evidence that there are others concerned also.

Baker insisted that no harm was intended to Mrs. Jackling.

"We wanted to frighten Colonel Jackling into giving us \$50,000 without actually meaning to hurt Mrs. Jackling," Baker told the police. The threat was made by Baker that the germs of a virulent social disease would be injected into Mrs. Jackling's body, suggested by the unproven charge in the Shepherd case that young Billy McClintock came to his death by the deliberate employment of typhoid germs.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 27.—(A. P.)—Bliss Baker, 24, a student at the University of California told his mother, when she called on him at the city prison last night, that he was responsible for the attempt made yesterday to obtain \$50,000 from Daniel C. Jackling, mining magnate, under the threat that Mrs. Jackling had been kidnaped from her suite at the Hotel St. Francis, police announced today.

The demand for \$50,000 was received at Jackling's office here yesterday after Mrs. Jackling had been called by telephone and told that her sister, Mrs. Rudolph Spreckle, had been seriously injured in an accident in San Mateo county.

Jackling notified the police when the demand was received, Mrs. Jackling telephone to her husband when she arrived at the Mills hospital in San Mateo and learned her sister was not injured, and Baker was arrested with a taxicab driver near Millbrae, at the point where the ransom money was to be delivered by Jackling. The taxicab driver was held for a time and released.

After his arrest Baker said he had received his orders to participate in the plot from a mysterious Chinese, but later he said the entire scheme had been concocted by himself and a book agent pal whose name he gave as George Beeman.

The police are searching for Beeman today. Beeman, Baker said, cut the telephone wires to the Spreckles home in Pittsburg as part of the plot.

"Beeman and I had been studying criminology together," Baker told the police.

"We followed every step of the Loeb-Leopold case in Chicago. It was our ambition to plan and execute a more perfect crime than theirs and when Beeman suggested on Wednesday that we put our study into execution I readily assented."

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HOT WATER LEADS TO BEND SHOOTING

BEND, Ore., June 27.—A dispute over hot water led to a shooting affair last night at Bend, Ore., in which two men were injured, according to Sheriff Ray J. Freeman of Jefferson county, who brought one of the men to the Bend hospital this morning. At the request of Freeman, Sheriff Roberts of Deschutes county placed Jesus Manzanera, a Mexican section hand under arrest this morning in Bend. Manzanera admitted the officers said, that he was one of the men who did the shooting.

A man named Carlos who was shot in the hip is at a local hospital while Pedro Coyas, who had a flesh wound in his leg is at Madras.

The "Daily" Bank Robbery

PORTLAND, Ore., June 27.—(A. P.)—An unmasked robber, armed with a revolver today held up the Parkrose State bank in a suburban business district, forced Charles Crum assistant cashier, and a customer to lie face down on the floor while he gathered up about \$3600 in cash and escaped, the police were informed. The same bank was held up February 13 of this year.

Richest Bachelor in "400" Denies He's Love Victim



Due to the linking of his name with several heiresses, Harold Vanderbilt, richest and "most eligible" bachelor member of the inner "400," is again denying that he has any plans to marry soon—or ever. His fortune is estimated at \$10,000,000.

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BIDS ASKED FOR ROAD WORK NEAR BROOKINGS, ORE.

PORTLAND, Ore., June 27.—Advertising for bids for 35 miles of construction work on the Roosevelt highway was voted late yesterday by the state highway commission, the proposals to be opened at the July meeting.

Twenty-three miles will be in Curry county, from Pistol river south to the California state line to connect with the Redwood highway. This section of highway will be divided into four units, as it was deemed altogether too large for any one contractor to handle. The route will run through Brookings, will open Harris Beach, one of the most rugged and picturesque sections of the Oregon sea coast.

Bids will also be opened on six miles of the highway in Kintoon county, between Siletz Bay, and Rock creek, which will complete the highway in Lincoln county, north of Newport.

The commission also advertised for bids for grading six miles of the highway in Lane county north of Florence. Lincoln county has appropriated \$30,000 for this work and the cost will be met on a 50-50 basis.

Wall Street Report

NEW YORK, June 27.—(A. P.)—The sensational advance in American Can, which was bid up ten points to a record high at 200, as compared with a low of 158 1/2 in January overshadowed all other developments in today's rising stock market. Subsequent profit-taking forced this stock down to 195, where it met strong support and started upward again.

Dupont, General Electric and United States Cast Iron Pipe developed individual strength. Ralls were sluggish with the exception of Ralls preferred, which sold 3 1/2 points above yesterday's quotation. The closing was strong. Total sales approximated 600,000 shares.

EGAN LEADING FOR GOLF TITLE OF NORTHWEST

Medford Player, Four Up On Forest Watson at Egd of 18 Holes, Plays in Great Form—Victory Is Regarded As Nearly Certain.

TACOMA, June 27.—H. Chandler Egan of Medford, Ore., holder of many golf titles, was four up on Forest Watson of Spokane this afternoon at the end of the first eighteen holes of the final play for the Pacific northwest amateur championship. Egan was in fine form during the first half of today's play and he seemed well on the way to the championship over Watson, who is the Inland Empire champion.

Watson took the first hole this morning with a par four to Egan's five. Egan evened the game on the second hole, five to six, and went into the lead on the third hole making it four to Watson's five. The fourth and fifth holes were halved with fives on the fourth hole and fours on the fifth.

Egan won the sixth hole, three to five, and was two up on Watson. The seventh hole was halved with par fours. The eighth hole was taken by Watson, five to four, leaving Egan one up. The ninth hole was halved in fives and Egan was still one up at the turn.

Egan took the tenth hole with a birdie three when Watson missed a long putt and was two up. The eleventh hole was halved with par threes, the twelfth was halved with fours and the thirteenth with par threes.

Egan won the fourteenth hole four to five, and was three up on his rival.

The contestants halved the fifteenth hole with fours after Egan recovered from his drive into the trees. The sixteenth was halved in fives. The seventeenth was a bad one for Watson and Egan took the hole three to six and was four up on Watson when the pair went to lunch.

A large gallery followed the play.

TACOMA, June 27.—Forest Watson, Spokane Inland Empire golf champion, and H. Chandler Egan of Medford, Oregon, a former national, western and northwestern champion, will play 36 holes today to decide the 1925 Pacific northwest amateur championship.

Watson yesterday eliminated Lee Stell, Seattle, two up and one to play, while Egan disposed of W. J. Noonan, Tacoma city champion, four up and three to play, concluding the match at the fifteenth green in the afternoon by almost holing his mashie second shot. The ball came to rest but two inches from the pin.

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FOREST FIRE SITUATION IS SERIOUS

62,480 Acres of Timber On Pacific Coast Burned Over—One Man Killed, Hundred Homeless—Largest Fire of Years Raging in Toulumne County, California.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 27.—(A. P.)—Forest fires on the Pacific coast yesterday burned one man to death, destroyed 62,480 acres of timber, grazing and stump land and defied the efforts of more than 600 men who attempted to bring them under control.

Major blazes were traced to electrical storms while hot weather and low humidity combined to permit the flames to continue blazing away today at many points in California, Oregon, Washington and British Columbia.

At Point Neville, British Columbia, Oliver G. Clark was burned to death when a fire swept in the direction of his camp.

Two other fires in British Columbia swept two other houses, a bridge and destroyed the mills of the Bluebird Lumber company. The Bluebird fire destroyed 100,000 feet of lumber.

In California, the largest fire of recent years is raging on a ten mile front in Toulumne county, 51,200 acres of brush having been burned over. This fire was also started by an electrical storm. Volunteer fire fighters were fighting the blaze and the fire warden has appealed for more men.

After burning over 25,000 acres of grazing land the fire which started in the Stanislaus river canyon, California was reported under control late last night.

A fire which started on a ranch near Orangevale, Cal., spread into nearby fields and burned over several hundred acres of land before being extinguished. The buildings on the ranch were all destroyed.

Three thousand five hundred acres of brush and timber were burned over by a fire in the Angeles national forest near San Bernardino.

A fire north of Bremerton, Wash., destroyed 1280 acres of timber.

One hundred people are homeless as a result of a fire which destroyed practically all of the homes in a lumber camp near Monahan, Wash.

JARDINE PASSES UP GOV. PIERCE

SALEM, Ore., June 27.—William M. Jardine, secretary of agriculture in the cabinet of President Coolidge, stopped a few minutes at the state house with his party today enroute to Portland but did not call on Governor Pierce or other state officials. One state employe met him by chance in a rest room and was introduced to him by the cabinet member's brother, Professor Jardine of Oregon Agricultural college.

Governor Pierce said he did not consider that he had been slighted by Secretary Jardine since he visited at length with him in Corvallis yesterday and when they parted the secretary was uncertain whether he would stop in Salem.

Bob La Follette, Jr. to Be Candidate For Father's Place

CHICAGO, June 27.—(A. P.)—The Chicago Journal today published a story saying that Robert M. LaFollette, Jr., son of the late Senator LaFollette of Wisconsin, would announce in a few days his candidacy for his father's seat in the senate.

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HUSBAND PLEADS GUILTY, SENTENCED

CONCORDIA, Kan., June 27.—(A. P.)—Charles B. Davies, retired Concordia merchant, today pleaded guilty to a charge of assault with intent to kill in connection with a plot to slay his wife last fall and was sentenced to from one to ten years in the state penitentiary at Lansing.

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QUEBEC, June 27.—Efforts were being made today to recover the bodies of nine men, the whole crew of the tugboat Ocean King, which went down in the St. Lawrence here when rammed by the Canadian Pacific liner Marloch.

The Ocean King set out last night to tow the Marloch, a vessel of 6472 tons in from Glasgow, Scotland, for Montreal, to its pier here.

Seeing too late that he was approaching too close the helmsman turned the wheel of his vessel so violently that the tug listed, exposing the whole side to the liner. The Marloch's steel prow virtually cut the tugboat in two like an egg shell. It rolled over twice and sank, the helmsman exploding as the water rushed into the engine room.