

The Weather	
Prediction	Unsettled
Probable Rain	
Maximum yesterday	62
Minimum today	40.5

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

Weather Year Ago	
Precipitation	24
Maximum	48

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M. D. FREED ON CHARGE OF MURDER

Old Country Doctor Who Killed Imbecile Daughter 'for Love' Freed of All Charges When Jury Fails to Agree—Victory for Law, State Declares

LITTLETON, Colo., Nov. 12.—(By Associated Press.) Dr. Harold Elmer Blazer today was cleared of all charges in connection with the death of his 34-year-old imbecile and crippled daughter, Hazel, on February 24 last.

The action came less than an hour after the jury hearing the charge announced it had not reached a verdict and was discharged by Judge Samuel Johnson.

Summoned hastily from his home, Prosecutor Joel E. Stone appeared before the presiding judge and made a motion for dismissal of all charges and the release of Dr. Blazer, who was taken into custody immediately after the jury was discharged.

"I do not feel it the province of the district attorney to persecute anyone," Stone declared, "and in fairness to the defendant and the people I now ask the court to dismiss the charges against him."

"As a matter of humanity we ought not to try this case again—motion granted," Judge Johnson said. "The defendant now is discharged and may go free. Upon formal motion of the district attorney at any time the charges pending will be nolle prossed."

One of the jurors, the parent of an invalid daughter, declared that "it was a mistake to discharge the jury."

"I believe that we would have reported a verdict with further deliberation. Only one man held out for conviction and the rest of us believe he could have been dissuaded from his opinion with longer discussion and deliberation."

Homicide for Love

"Homicide for love" was the way Blazer's act was characterized by the defense during the trial. "We grant that he slew the girl but we deny that he did it with malice aforethought or that he was sane when he did it," was the burden of the defense.

The slaying was promoted by the fear that he would be taken and that Hazel would "become a burden" on someone else. Dr. Blazer declared in letters which he wrote to explain his act. After the slaying the old doctor made two unsuccessful attempts to end his own life—once with poison and another time by slashing his throat with a razor. The case gained nationwide attention when the defense announced it would contend the homicide was no crime because Hazel Blazer, a horribly malformed imbecile helpless since birth, was "not a human being," and therefore had no soul.

This contention, however, was removed during the closing hours of the trial when Judge Samuel Johnson overruled a defense motion for a directed verdict declaring that a "being born of woman is legal in the eyes of the law."

Reports from court officials asserted that the juror held out for the conviction of Dr. Blazer. The vote as reported was eleven to one. However, Prosecutor Stone said that his information was that the vote was 9 to 3 for acquittal.

Prosecutor Stone, in a statement to newspapermen said: "I want to say that this was a victory for law and order in this state. The fact that the jury failed to acquit the defendant should be a warning that crime of this sort is not sanctioned in Colorado."

Extra Dividend for G. M. C.

NEW YORK, Nov. 12.—(A. P.) Directors of the General Motors corporation today declared an extra dividend of \$5 a share on the common stock in addition to the regular quarterly payment of \$1.50.

CONTRACTS LET FOR CONSTRUCTION OF NORMAL SCHOOL AT ASHLAND

SALEM, Ore., Nov. 12.—Contracts amounting to \$139,474 for construction of a new state normal school building at Ashland were awarded by the board of regents of the school, meeting here today.

Construction of the building will begin within a few days, it was announced and the building completed by June 1.

It will be made of reinforced concrete, with a stucco exterior and tile roof. It will measure 241 feet in length by sixty feet in width. There will be two full floors and a partial basement. The building will contain an auditorium capable of having 600 persons and have 17 class rooms, a library and four recitation rooms.

Contracts were awarded to the following firms:

General construction—Transhall and Parelus, Portland, \$169,972.

Heating and ventilating—Rushlight-Hastor-Lord company, of Portland, \$22,107.

Plumbing—Modern Plumbing and Heating company, Medford, \$2895.

Wiring—National Electric company, Portland, \$4500.

Tin-Can Tourists in Florida Form Own School Dist.

KISSIMEE, Fla., Nov. 12.—Undismayed because the local schools were overflowing with children of regular residents, "tin can tourists" here have instituted their own school from curriculum to campus. Following a mass meeting attended by tourists, the tin canners decided to erect their own building, elect their own school board, employ their own teacher and prescribe their own course of study.

REAL TORNADO HITS OREGON IN SALEM DISTRICT

Upper Willamette Valley Is Visited By Small, But Genuine Twister—Barns Blown Over, Trees Uprooted—Followed By Cloudburst.

SALEM, Ore., Nov. 12.—The nearest thing to a real middle-western tornado that has ever been seen in this part of the northwest, crossed the district two miles south of here between 10 and 11 o'clock yesterday forenoon. Barns, fruit dryers and smaller buildings of frame construction were removed from their foundations or otherwise badly damaged. Trees in several orchards were uprooted and many large oak and fir trees were twisted by two. Telephone lines were put out of commission.

It is estimated that the storm swept an area about 150 feet wide, originating apparently somewhere in the extreme western part of the Willamette valley.

Witnesses of the storm say it had much the same appearance as a regular middle western tornado and its roar could be heard five or ten miles before its arrival at a given place.

That greater damage was not done was apparently due to the fact that the storm struck in comparatively few places. It seems to have struck with greater force in hollows than on hills. The storm was easily visible at a distance as large limbs from trees and other debris were whirled high into the air and carried from a quarter of a mile. Residents of the Liberty district declare that fir limbs were found driven into the ground several feet at places a quarter of a mile from where any fir trees were growing.

At Independence, the storm touched the Standard Oil plant and tore down the gates. At this point it lifted and followed the Willamette river for about three miles, then as it passed over the river into Marion county, quantities of water and gravel were thrown high into the air.

Three miles below Independence the storm struck the Will Walker ranch, tore down the water tower, overturned bunk houses and moved eight hop dryers several feet off their foundations in a twisting motion. One of them collapsed and the others will have to be torn down and rebuilt.

At the Davidson and Hedges hop ranch several large fir trees were uprooted, one falling and crushing the barn. Another tree struck the house, tearing away one corner.

As far as reported today not much damage was done as the storm passed farther east.

The storm was accompanied by a severe downpour of rain. Official reports here show that during the 24 hours after 7 o'clock yesterday morning .36 of an inch of rain fell.

EUGENE, Ore., Nov. 12.—Early this morning Eugeneans were awakened by the sound of a veritable cloudburst, as rain beat down in sheets for a brief space of time. Hail and sleet later mixed with the rain.

The Willamette river, which has been at a low record mark, came up a foot and a half during the past day.

WAR DEBT WITH ITALY IS SETTLED

Funding Agreement Reached at Washington for Payment of Over 2 Billions—5 Million a Year Required for First 5 Years, Then Payments to Increase

WASHINGTON, Nov. 12.—(A. P.)—The Italian and American debt commissions today came to an agreement for funding of Italy's war debt to the United States on the basis of \$1,648,000,000 plus accrued interest to date.

Italy was granted sixty-two years in which to pay the amount which was calculated at \$2,042,000,000. No interest payment will be required during the first five years. Thereafter the interest rate will be one-eighth of one per cent for ten years and then increase during successive ten-year periods to one-fourth of one per cent. One-half of one per cent, three-fourths of one per cent and one per cent and during the last seven years two per cent.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 12.—(A. P.)—Under the funding agreement reached here today for settlement of the Italian war debt, the Italians are understood to have agreed to a total debt of \$2,042,000,000. Payment will be at the rate of \$5,000,000 a year for the first five years, increasing thereafter each year.

The total of \$2,042,000,000 represents the loans made to Italy and the interest to date at 4 1/2 per cent.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 12.—(A. P.)—An agreement was reached today for funding the Italian war debt.

Announcement of the settlement followed a conference by members of the American debt commission and President Coolidge and a later meeting by the Italian delegation and the American commission. Details were not disclosed.

Members of the two commissions said they were bound to secrecy pending the issuance of an official treasury statement, not expected until late in the afternoon. The reason for this extraordinary procedure was as close a secret as the settlement terms themselves.

There were indications that the settlement took very liberal account of Italy's financial troubles, not only providing for an extended delay in payments, but making substantial concessions also as to interest terms.

Arrangements were made for the actual signing of the compact next Saturday. A few details of the text are yet to be worked out.

Wall Street Report

NEW YORK, Nov. 12.—(By the Associated Press.)—Constructive forces were again at work in today's stock market, sharp recoveries taking place throughout the list. Speculative interest was again focused largely on the motors. Impressive strength also developed in a number of high priced issues, Mark Trucks, Virginia Railway and Power, Sears Roebuck and Railway Steel Springs all selling four to five and a half points higher.

United States Rubber crossed 91 to the highest price in five years, for a gain of about four points.

The closing was strong. Wide fluctuations marked the afternoon trading. Attracted by the early high levels, bear traders launched another selling attack which drove DuPont down twenty points, Chrysler ten and Hudson. General Motors and United States cast iron Pipe five to six points from the day's peaks, while S. S. Kresge crumbled 35 points. Strong support again appeared, however, and toward the close the market once more moved forward under the leadership of United States Rubber and General Electric, which rallied six and a half and ten points respectively. Sales approximated 2,300,000 shares.

NEW YORK, Nov. 12.—(By the Associated Press.)—With the eyes of Wall street focused on today's meeting of the federal reserve directors, the New York bank voted to regain its 3 1/2 per cent rediscount rate which has been in effect since February 27. The action came as a bomb to the nerves of the financial district which had been put on edge by the advance in the rate and the resultant crash in the stock market.

Casualties of the Air Service

PASO ROBLES, Cal., Nov. 12.—Three men died in an airplane crash during the Armistice Day celebration here. Their airplane fell 500 feet and landed in a backyard outside the city. Floyd S. Kalso, former army aviator of Santa Cruz, Harry Wright and Percy Squires, both 19, of Paso Robles, were the victims.

Chaplin, Living With Wife, Brands Rumors of Follies Romance Faise



Stories linking the names of Charles Chaplin, screen comedian, and Louise Brooks, Follies beauty, in a romance, are being indignantly denied in Los Angeles, where Chaplin is living with his wife and their son, Charles Spencer Chaplin, Jr. It is stated, however, that Miss Brooks may be the comedian's leading woman in his next picture.

13 KILLED IN RAILROAD CRASH, MANY INJURED

REAR-END COLLISION ON PENNSYLVANIA RESULTS IN FRIGHTFUL DISASTER—MAJORITY OF VICTIMS IN PULLMAN CARS ON THE FIRST TRAIN—ENGINEER ESCAPES

PLAINSBORO, N. J., Nov. 12.—(A. P.)—Thirteen persons were killed early today when a St. Louis express train on the Pennsylvania railroad bound for New York, telescoped another Pennsylvania train from Washington, also bound for New York.

Eleven bodies have been recovered from the wreckage of the two rear cars of the Washington train. Two more bodies are still in the wreckage. The bodies of the dead were sent by rail to New Brunswick and Trenton.

The Washington train, made up of six steel coaches and three Pullmans, was going at ten miles an hour thru a heavy fog when the St. Louis flyer, making 50 miles an hour, ploughed through it. The Pullman car Morbeck was rammed through the car Snedaker and split in half. Most of the dead and injured were in these two cars. The engine of the speeding train remained on the rails. The engineer, Timothy Carroll of Jersey City, escaped serious injury and ran to the nearest telephone, about two miles away and summoned aid.

ROSEBURG MAY HOLD TURKEYS TILL XMAS

ROSEBURG, Ore., Nov. 12.—Unless the Thanksgiving turkey market is unusually high, the majority of the Thurston valley birds will be held over until Christmas, according to those who are in close touch with the situation. Growers report that trade birds this year are above the average in size but are not yet fully fattened. As the Christmas price is usually as high as the Thanksgiving market, the growers in many instances plan to hold their turkeys until they put on more weight.

Young hens will predominate in the local receipts for Thanksgiving. The hens mature faster than the young toms and hence ready for market doubtless will be killed.

FOOTBALL FILMS AT COPCO, PLEASE CROWD

The "tree movies" which were put on at the Copco building last evening drew a large attendance in spite of the rain. The sidewalk was packed with spectators, both young and old, even before the program started at 7:30 p. m., many remaining until the close at 8:30. The pictures were shown by means of a special transparent screen hung in the Copco show window, the films being projected from inside the building and showing through the screen to the crowd outside.

A number of interesting pictures of local interest were presented in the Copco current events, including the Medford-Grants Pass and Medford-Marshfield football games, recent auto races at the Jackson County Fair Grounds, Copco No. 2 dedication and other films. It was announced that the pictures of the Armistice parade, Medford-Ashland game and other items of interest which were taken yesterday will appear at an early date.

High School Boys Steal Moonshine; Two Near Death

REDDING, Cal., Nov. 12.—Three high school boys raided a cache of "moonshine liquor" and two of them are seriously ill from poisoning. The third boy is slightly affected. Authorities are searching for the men who own the liquor.

RHINELANDER LOVE LETTERS ARE MISSING

Counsel for Negress Loses Letters in Court Room During Two-Minute Recess—Defense Case Weakened—Remaining Letters Read.

WHITE PLAINS, N. Y., Nov. 12.—(A. P.)—Sixty love letters to wealthy young Leonard "Kip" Rhinelander from his negress bride have vanished. Carefully guarded as evidence in his annulment suit, they have gone from possession of his counsel.

When Rhinelander testified yesterday in his own behalf, six out of 426 letters in the possession of his attorney were introduced.

Isaac N. Mills, chief counsel, called for more letters and Leon R. Jacobs, associate counsel, fumbled nervously through a stack of brown envelopes on a table looking for them.

"They're gone," he whispered, with an exclamation. "They were right here before the last recess and now they're gone. They haven't been out of my hands for a year, except when they were in a vault, and now I leave them for a minute and come back to find them gone."

Attorneys said if the letters were not found the plaintiff's case might be weakened.

Among the letters are some that caused the presiding judge to announce that all young people would be barred from the courtroom.

A sentence in one letter introduced read: "Well, sweetheart, how did you get home after such a wild excitement with me?"

Asked to explain, the bridegroom said: "Why, I believe that was the night we went to a cabaret with some friends and had a few drinks and began to feel rather frisky."

Another letter said: "You have treated me like a sister, and Leonard, dear, I shall never forget it."

Rhinelander, stuttering, testified that a month after this was written, Alice Jones, as she then was, told him she was going to spend the night at a hotel in New York and that it took him 20 minutes to persuade her to let him join her.

"I never had an experience like that before," he testified. His relations with the girl were interrupted shortly thereafter by an agent of his father's. Then began a two years' tour which included a long stay at a ranch school in Arizona. Twice he escaped his guardians and returned to the girl, he testified, on receiving word from her that she was ill. At this stage of his testimony court recessed until today.

WHITE PLAINS, N. Y., Nov. 12.—(A. P.)—Alice Beatrice Jones represented herself to him as of Spanish extraction when the question of her race arose, Leonard Kip Rhinelander testified today in his suit to win annulment of his marriage to the daughter of a negro.

He said the question of Alice's color had arisen during the months immediately previous to their marriage last October, chiefly because of the marriage of her oldest sister, Emily, to Robert Brooks, a negro butler. Rhinelander testified that Mrs. Jones and Alice had assured him they were not negroes but were English people of Spanish extraction. They said they had done everything in their power to prevent Emily's marriage to Brooks and had denied the couple the home for two years.

MUKDEN, Manchuria, Nov. 12.—(A. P.)—A communique issued by the headquarters of Marshal Chang Tso-Lin admits that the losses of the Manchurian forces in the recent fighting in the region of Hsuechow and Kuchun were very heavy, two thousand being killed. The communique places the losses of the Chekiang enemy at two brigades.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 12.—(A. P.)—Direct official advices from Peking fail to throw additional light on the involved situation in the Chinese capital. Whether the movement of the three chief figures among the military leaders of China in the present triangular struggle for power has reached a point where suspension of the special customs conference in Peking is to be expected is not known here. The governments participating in the conference have manifested a desire to proceed as long as there was a Chinese delegation representing the central government to deal with.

The renewal of civil warfare in China with Wu Pei-Fu, the southern chief, aiming at driving Chang Tso-Lin, Manchurian war lord, back to the north and wresting Peking and the central government from his control, apparently is directly connected with the customs conference.

No doubt is entertained by students here of Chinese conditions that Marshal Wu determined to make his assault because he desired to prevent Chang from obtaining the increased grip that would come with realization of the object of the conference, which is to increase the customs revenues available for the use of the central government.

The doubtful factor in the situation is the attitude of General Feng Yuh-shiang, the Christian general, who holds the balance of power as between Wu and Chang. Advices from China stating that he has virtually imprisoned members of the central government set up by Chang indicate that he may be launching an independent bid for supremacy in China, backed by support he may receive from Russian sources.

PARIS, Nov. 12.—(A. P.)—Non-skidding paraffin is the latest "hope" which Paris beauty doctors are holding out to those with old faces who desire to be made young looking. Many of the faces rejuvenated years ago by injecting paraffin under the skin to fill up hollows and wrinkles have assumed their old time look because the paraffin slipped.

One notable case was the husband of a well known actress. The wife insisted that he should have his face rejuvenated so that she would not be forced to get a divorce from him, she said he looked too old when he appeared in public with her. She herself had been worked back into a seemingly young girl under the skillful methods of the beauty doctors. The husband underwent the necessary treatment, but the paraffin used to take out the scars and wrinkles of his face melted and ran and jaws.

As the man was well known in Paris his case was a great tragedy for the "face lifters." The demand for the paraffin treatment became almost all and investigators went to work to discover a non-skid way. This they now affirm, they have found.

JAPAN MAY TAKE A HAND, CHINA WAR

Cabinet Called in Special Session to Consider Action—Navy Ready to Sail—Chang Cabinet Flees Peking—President Tuan Held a Prisoner.

LONDON, Nov. 12.—(A. P.)—Anticipating a coup by Feng Yu-Hsiang, the Christian general in Peking, says the Evening News' Tokyo correspondent, the Japanese cabinet was called in extraordinary session today to consider the protection of Japanese lives and property in the Chinese capital.

It is reported, the correspondent adds, that the navy is prepared for any emergency with fast cruisers ready to move at a moment's notice.

PEKING, Nov. 12.—(A. P.)—Some of the members of the cabinet have resigned, and several officials, supporters of Marshal Chang Tso-Lin, the Manchurian war lord, have fled the capital.

SHANGHAI, Nov. 12.—(A. P.)—With an apparent censorship in effect the North China Daily News learns from private sources in Peking that the chief executive, Tuan Chi-Jui, is practically a prisoner in the hands of Feng Yu-Hsiang, the Christian general.

The report coincides with an eastern news agency message from Peking that Feng decided to disarm Tuan Chi-Jui's body guard with the object of taking Tuan into custody on the plea of guarding him.

There are contradictory reports regarding Feng's attitude but the general belief is that he has definitely broken with Chang Tso-Lin, while his most powerful lieutenant, Yeul-Hun, governor of Ho-Nan, is reported to have thrown his lot with the allied Yangtze forces.

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