

**The Weather**  
 Forecast—Fair; no change in temperature.  
 Maximum yesterday 86  
 Minimum today 47

# MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

MEDFORD, OREGON, THURSDAY, JULY 19, 1928.

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## Today

By Arthur Brisbane

Obregon, of Mexico.  
 Peace, Peace.  
 Heir to Coolidge.  
 Money Down, Stocks Up.

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Obregon, newly elected president of Mexico, will not succeed Calles. Five bullets, fired into him, as he sat at a banquet, have sent him out of the world's activities.

Just before receipt of the Associated Press "flash," telling of the assassination, the following paragraph had been written, for publication here:

Obregon, recently elected president of Mexico, says his nation will not change its attitude on religion, and it seeks "the establishment of capital's responsibilities and labor's rights in their fundamental aspects."

If he can establish that he will do something never done before.

The world has always taken it for granted that labor's right is the right to a living, and "capital's responsibilities" consist of taking and keeping anything over and above what labor requires to live.

So far as Obregon is concerned, questions affecting capital, labor and religion are now settled for eternity. Others must struggle with them.

Once more the question will be asked, "Does assassination ever change the course of history?"

European nations are coming into line signing the Kellogg peace treaty, which many hope and some believe, will put an end to war.

We didn't invite Russia to sign but she is willing to sign anyhow.

French statesmen sign the treaty, saying they are satisfied because it "binds the United States to Europe more than it binds Europe to the United States."

Time will tell to what extent this country is bound to Europe by this treaty.

There are many ways of killing a cat, many ways of disguising a League of Nations.

Herbert Hoover has finished his visit to Calvin Coolidge. They fished together for three hours and the fish learned something about the power of silence.

The President will speak during the campaign at least twice, for Hoover as "heir to the Coolidge policies."

The last five words are important.

The President will tell the country, which elected him with 7,000,000 votes to spare, that continued prosperity demands Hoover's election.

Money went down Tuesday, stock prices went up.

The price of money will go up again, then stocks will go down. But, for the long run, substantial properties in this country are selling for less than they are worth even at present prices.

If you could only recognize them, which you can't from the outside looking in, many stocks are selling far below prices they will bring some day. Others, of course, that even a fool ought to recognize at sight, are in for a long time.

Henry L. Stimson, governor-general of the Philippines, wants business men in those islands to borrow money from America, to build up their country.

## BOURBONS FORM ANTI-WET PARTY

75,000 Southern Women Are Pledged to Fight Gov. Smith and Vote for Hoover — M. E. Bishop Says He Remains Democrat, But Will Vote Republican Ticket — Platform Adopted.

ASHLEVILLE, N. C., July 19.—(AP)—Formally declaring their intention to work and vote for the election of Herbert Hoover, republican candidate for president of the United States, the "dry southern anti-Smith democrats" meeting in conference here today, adopted a statement of principles and aims.

Formal organization also was completed and the meeting decided that a committee of two from each southern state including Oklahoma, Missouri and West Virginia, should be selected to carry on the campaign against Governor Alfred E. Smith of New York, the democratic candidate.

The statement of principles carrying four sections setting forth the aims of the meeting and the grounds on which they oppose Smith is some two thousand words in length. It accuses Governor Smith of failing to keep faith, and declares his opposition to him because of his stand on the prohibition question and his connection with Tammany hall.

The statement says: "As the most direct and effective means of securing the repeal of the prohibition laws, we hereby pledge the support of this anti-Tammany committee to the republican party in the coming election for Herbert Hoover."

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## DRY LEADERS ATTEND CONVENTION



Four veteran dry leaders pose for the cameraman, at the prohibition party convention, in Chicago. They are, D. Leigh Colvin, seated, left; Virgil G. Hinshaw, standing, H. A. Johnson, left, and Frank S. Regan.

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## GOLD H. BANDIT CAPTURED NEAR SCENE OF CRIME

Peter Stroff, Local 'Bad Man', Suspected of Eureka Murder, Arrested On Farm Near Burnt Ranch Makes Damaging Admissions to Authorities.

EUREKA, Cal., July 19.—(AP)—Peter Stroff, alias "Dutch Pete," a desperado arrested yesterday as a suspect in the robbery of the Wilcox train, was captured today near the scene of the crime.

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## FIND BODY OF BELGIAN FINANCIER

Mystery of Disappearance of Capt. Alfred Lowenstein Cleared Up By Finding of Body in Sea Near Boulogne, France—Identified By Wrist Watch.

BOULOGNE, France, July 19.—(AP)—The body of Captain Alfred Lowenstein, noted Belgian financier, who disappeared from an airplane while it was crossing the English channel at a height of 4000 feet on July 4, was found near here today.

The body of the banker was found in Calais this evening by a fishing boat and identity was established by means of a wrist watch.

The tragic end of Captain Alfred Lowenstein caused a sensation that had echoes on the stock exchanges of London, Paris, Brussels and Berlin.

A police inquiry in France developed that only one pilot and one navigator who were accompanying him on his trip noted his disappearance when he failed to return from a lavatory at the rear of the machine.

Stations as to the tragedy ranged from theories of accidental death to hoax. Members of the Lowenstein family and intimate friends of the financier strenuously denied that he had any reason to commit suicide.

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## Woman Killed in Auto Crash Near Granada, California

YREKA, Cal., July 19.—(AP)—Mrs. J. H. Ladue of Nevada City was killed on the Pacific highway near Granada today when an automobile driven by her husband skidded and tipped over as he tried to pass another machine. Ladue escaped with bruises, but was so excited with grief that it was necessary to use force to remove him from the scene of the tragedy.

## SWEDEN CALLS BACK AIR MEN FROM SEARCH

STOCKHOLM, July 19.—(AP)—The Swedish Spitzbergen relief expedition has been sent orders to return to Stockholm.

ROME, July 19.—(AP)—All the rescued members of the Italia will return to Italy immediately in conformity with instructions from Premier Mussolini.

The premier has given orders to all the members of the expedition to refrain from all messages, declarations and interviews.

The last ship, Italia, at Milano will transport the rescued men to Naevik, Norway, and will then return to Kings Bay to aid in further search for the six men carried off in the bag of the Italia.

MOSCOW, July 19.—(AP)—Russia intends to strengthen her forces searching for Roald Amundsen and his five missing companions and for the six men carried away in the balloon part of the Italia after its crash north of Spitzbergen.

The solution of this problem is a matter of paramount importance to our public. The complications and difficulties of the task must not discourage us since the chances of our expedition have proved that they are ready and able to overcome the gravest obstacles.

The ice-breaker Malin, searching for Amundsen to the east of Northeastland, reached the edge of the ice pack north of Spitzbergen where it turned and was proceeding along the southeast coast of Spitzbergen archipelago.

It was reported that it had frequently been jammed in the ice fields and experienced two violent storms which caused some damage to the ship.

The other Russian ice-breaker, the Krassin, will return to the waters of Northeastland after taking on coal at Kings Bay, and commence an intensive search. Russian planes will use the ship as a base for flights over the ice fields looking for the missing men.

NARVIK, Norway, July 19.—(AP)—The suggestion that Dr. Finn Malmgren had made notes concerning the fatal voyage of the Italia and that they should be found, was advanced today by Pilot Nilsson on a search for the body of the Swedish scientist.

The Italian and the Finnish plane Turku arrived here by steamship from Spitzbergen, where they had been co-operating in the Nordic rescue work.

Nilsson did not support the suggestion that Captains Marinov and Zaitz, Malmgren's companions in the attempt to reach land which proved fatal to him, should accompany the Russian ice-breaker Krassin on a search for the body of the Swedish scientist.

He said, however, that an effort should be made to find the body because he was sure Malmgren had made some notes on the expedition.

## A NEW MOVIE WEST PACIFIC THEATRE TO BE BUILT IN CITY

George A. Ray of San Francisco Announces He Has Leased Portion of New Montgomery Ward Building for 'State' Film Theater.

Announcement was made today by George A. Ray of San Francisco, that he had leased the corner part of the Montgomery Ward building, now under construction at South Central avenue and Eighth streets, and will open therein, about September 1, next, a new movie picture theater.

The theater will be called "The State," and according to Mr. Ray will represent an investment of approximately \$25,000.

Equipment for the theater has been purchased, and contracts signed for films, according to Mr. Ray.

A moviephone—the first in the state according to the claims of the management—will be installed with synchronized music with all picture presentations. The picture will be cast upon the screen by the latest type of magic mirror air reflector. The theater will be cooled and heated by the United system. Upholstered chairs will be installed.

It is the plan of Mr. Ray, when in operation to present a change of pictures daily, except Wednesday and Thursday. There will be a continuous show from 11 to 11 o'clock. The admission price will be set at 10c for children and 15c for adults.

Ray has been connected with the motion picture business for 25 years, and has had an interest in two picture theaters in Nevada.

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Loyd left his mother, Mrs. W. E. Bryant of Hillcrest, Miss. Schlute left his sister, Mrs. Pearl Pflar, 1524 Seventh avenue, Seattle.

## HOOKUP WITH HILL LINES AT GOLDEN GATE FORECAST

Application Made to I. C. C. at Washington—Hint Local Developments.

WASHINGTON, July 19.—(AP)—A proposal to build 164 miles of new railroad in northern California was filed with the interstate commerce commission today by the Western Pacific system, and application was made for authority to undertake the enterprise.

Through the Western Pacific California Railroad company, a new corporation, the Western Pacific intends to establish its own direct rail connection into San Francisco.

The maps and application presented call for the completion of a through line 124 miles long from Niles Garden, a point near Stockton, through Fresno to Kings River in Tulare county. Approximately 124 miles of this line already has been built, from Niles into Fresno, by the Tuolumne southern railroad, and the Western Pacific proposes to obtain track rights over this stretch, building the balance.

In addition the Western Pacific California Railroad company applied for authority to build 25 miles from San Francisco eastward to Redwood City. A short branch line from the Western Pacific extending eastward three and a half miles from Frank was also described.

The Western Pacific proposes to finance the construction program partly by subscribing to capital stock of the California corporation and partly by direct advances of money and borrowing. No estimates of the total cost were presented, but the commission was asked to allow fuller expansion of the expansion at hearings.

According to local railroad men, this line would eventually give the Hill lines a direct connection with San Francisco, as the Western Pacific. It is also maintained that Arthur Curtis James, who controls the Western Pacific, is interested in railroad surveys recently made from Klamath Falls to Medford.

Weather bureau officials said they had no advice as to any serious damage elsewhere. Several houses in suburbs were struck by lightning and streets were flooded.

Another man was killed in Wicker Park, near Hammond, Ind., a Chicago suburb, when he was struck by lightning as he sought shelter under a tree. He was identified as Herman Strimling, 29, of Hammond.



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## RELIGION PROMPTED FOUL DEED

President Calles of Mexico Officially Declares Assasin of Obregon a Religious Fanatic—Will Hunt Down Clerical Higher-Ups—Execution of Priest Given As Possible Motive—Country Quiets Down.

MEXICO CITY, July 19.—(AP)—Search was intensified today for those whom President Calles termed the "intellectual directors" of the assassination of General Alvaro Obregon.

General Obregon's body was en route to his native state of Sonora, some 1000 miles distant, on the presidential train which he would have used after his inauguration in December. The body will arrive at its last resting place tomorrow.

As it left Mexico City, thousands of Obregon followers raised their right hands and took a solemn oath to sustain his principles and to see that punishment was visited upon those responsible for his death. This was done at the instance of a member of congress who, as the oath was given, turned to President Calles, standing nearby, and said:

"We demand of you justice by the punishment of those guilty of murdering Obregon."

Police identified the slayer as Jose de Leon Toran, 25, an artist and a native of Lagos, in the state of Jalisco.

President Calles is a signed statement announced that the assassin had confessed that his crime was motivated by religious fervor. He said also the authorities had gained much information "complicating directly clerical action."

The government was determined, he stated, to punish not only the material author of the crime but also to punish "as examples" those found to be "intellectual directors of the deed."

General Antonio Rios Zertuche, installed as chief of police after the tragedy, announced that the prisoner "had commenced to talk."

Emilio Casado, proprietor of the restaurant at San Angel, where Obregon was killed, and 12 employees of that place were arrested and held for investigation. El Universal Grafico said that the mother and wife of the assassin also were under arrest.

General Limon, chief of the presidential staff, announced that the situation throughout the republic continued tranquil despite the intense feeling which the slaying had engendered. His army was under orders to maintain the peace and censorship was still in force. Excitement in the capital, which caused numerous enemies of Obregon to flee in fear of their lives, quieted considerably.

The permanent commission of congress was summoned to meet today to consider the political situation which has resulted from the assassination. Mr. B. C. C. Calles would continue in office after his term expires in December, or whether another would be elected to replace Obregon was still a matter of conjecture.

El Universal Grafico said the clues leading to the identification of the assassin included a telephone number found upon him. This was found to be that of a dry cleaning establishment where he had had a suit pressed.

The prisoner, subjected to continuous questioning, during which even President Calles had tried to obtain information from him, would unofficially have refused to admit accomplices and to have insisted that he alone was responsible.

He was stated to have lived at Guadalajara but to have come to Mexico City six months ago seeking work. Police asserted that they found upon him a picture of the Catholic priest, Miguel Augustin Prohazquez, who was executed in connection with the attempt to assassinate General Obregon with bombs last November. A rosary and other religious emblems were also found.

MEXICO CITY, July 19.—(AP)—Official announcement was made today that several more persons have been arrested in connection with the assassination of President-elect Obregon.

The identity of those arrested and the total number were not revealed, and Chief of Police Zertuche declined to give out any further information until the investigation is completed.

Censorship of news dispatches imposed after the assassination of President-elect Obregon was removed today.

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