

The Weather
Forecast—Fair tonight and Tuesday; warmer Tuesday.
Maximum yesterday 78
Minimum today 47

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

Weather Year Ago
Maximum 97
Minimum 55

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By Arthur Brisbane

Herbert Hoover Speaks. Prosperity Here. More of It Coming. Democrats, Please Answer.

Herbert Hoover spent Friday, his fifty-fourth birthday, preparing his acceptance.

It was a birthday to be remembered by a man beginning life as a poor country boy, working up, through self-education, by ceaseless effort, and within sight and reach of the highest position and greatest opportunity.

A wise Greek said nations must remain small. They would be no larger if the citizens could no longer all meet to hear and judge their public men. Those that saw and heard Herbert Hoover Saturday were more than twice as numerous as all the free citizens of Athens.

And, by a miracle of science, tens of millions out of sight and thousands of miles away, heard him at the same instant.

Mr. Hoover goes back seven years, and asks whether "the United States is a better place for the average man and his children to live in, because the Republican party has conducted the government for nearly eight years."

Every man, he says, has the right to ask that question.

Mr. Hoover answers, putting the most important point first: "While our population has grown but 8 per cent, we have increased by 11 per cent the number of children in our grade schools, by 6 per cent the number in our high schools, and by 25 per cent the number in our institutions of higher learning.

The fathers and mothers have used increased prosperity for the better education of their children.

The national debt has been reduced by six and a half billion and the yearly cost of government by two billions. Industry and commerce have revived, although agriculture, coal and textiles "still require our solicitude and assistance."

We have rebuilt and increased our foreign business since the war, "even if we allow for the depreciated dollar 58 per cent." While our national population has increased only 8 per cent, our national income has increased "over thirty billions of dollars per year, or more than 45 per cent."

We have made fourteen million new automobiles in seven years, and the people are enjoying them.

More Americans occupy their own homes. "In seven years the number of families have increased by about 2,300,000, while we have built more than 3,500,000 new and better homes."

"The barriers of time and distance have been swept away, life made larger and freer by the installation of six million more telephones, seven million more radio sets and the service of an additional fourteen million automobiles."

Also, in seven years, nine million more homes have been equipped with electricity. "AND THROUGH IT DRUGGERS HAS BEEN LIFTED FROM THE LIVES OF WOMEN."

The woman with an electric washing machine, wringer, ironer and sweeper will say amen to that.

We have doubled our deposits in savings banks and building loan associations in spite of all our siegels.

The farmer cannot be made a

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HOOVER TO STUDY DRY PROBLEM

Searching Investigation of Liquor Problem to Be Made to See if Facts Justify Volstead Modification—Is Flooded With Congratulations On Speech.

By James L. West
Associated Press Staff Writer

STANFORD UNIVERSITY, Cal., Aug. 12.—(AP) Swinging into his campaign in earnest early in September, Herbert Hoover probably will expand upon several of the subjects treated in his address here Saturday accepting the republican presidential nomination. These will include prohibition, farm relief, foreign affairs and the development of natural resources.

While the candidate himself has not disclosed the line he will take in amplifying his declaration on the wet and dry question, some of his confidential advisers have stated that he will make clear his position and that the searching investigation he proposed in his speech will extend to the subject of the Volstead act itself as well as the courses which have surrounded its enforcement.

These same advisers state specifically that Mr. Hoover has by no means closed the door on the modification of the first enforcement act passed under the eighteenth amendment. All of the facts obtained by the investigating commission point to this as a constructive method of carrying forward what he has characterized as "a great social and economic experiment."

In this connection, however, they emphasize that the standard Hoover himself said in his acceptance speech, that modification to permit that which the constitution forbids is nullification, which American people will not countenance.

Hoover's views as to farm relief are to be amplified in the address he will make at his birthplace at West Branch, Ia., on the evening of Aug. 21, and present expectations are that he will speak upon more than one occasion before the campaign ends in November.

In his next speech, that is to be delivered at a homecoming celebration in Los Angeles next Friday afternoon, he will touch again upon development of water resources and probably will speak briefly regarding the Boulder canyon dam project, which he has endorsed and which is of vital importance to all the people in the western part of the nation.

In order to complete this address and the one he will make at West Branch, Ia., the nominee has abandoned the idea of making a motor trip to the California Sierras before leaving here next Thursday night for Washington. He may be able to get in one day of fishing, but most of his time will be spent at work in his study.

Additional messages regarding his acceptance address continued to pour into his home today, supplementing the 200 or more he received Saturday night and yesterday. He has been gratified by the support of the telegrams, which came from democrats as well as republicans, which have indicated to him that the speech of acceptance was well received over the country generally.

Thomas H. Love, a democratic leader of Texas, who already has announced that he would vote for Hoover, said "I shall vote for you in November, and only blunders can prevent you from carrying Texas, whose voice you have uttered tonight."

Senator Charles Curtis, of Kansas, Hoover's running mate, sent this telegram: "I congratulate you on your speech of acceptance. Best wishes."

W. N. Donk, vice president and legislative representative of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen hailed the speech as "the political masterpiece of the ages," while Alexander Moore, American ambassador to Peru, called congratulations on "a masterful address."

Senator James E. Watson, of Indiana, who bitterly fought Hoover in the pre-convention campaign, sent a telegram saying in part: "I heartily congratulate you upon this lucid declaration of your personal views and of party purpose."

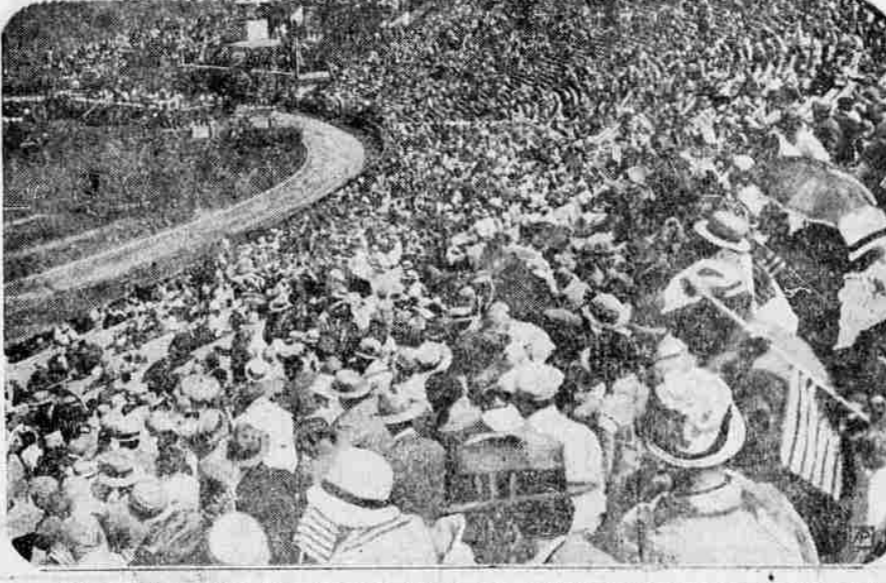
H. S. Kinsey, national committeeman for Vermont, sent congratulations, with particular emphasis on that part declaring the republican party denied the right of anyone to defeat the purpose of the constitution by indirection.

Others sending congratulatory messages included: William Wrigley, Jr., and Julius Rosenwald, of Chicago; Thomas O. Marvin, chairman of the tariff commission; E. H. Clements, national committeeman for Missouri; and D. D. Robertson, president of the Brotherhood of Railroad Firemen.

VAST THRONG HEARS HOOVER DEFINE PARTY ISSUES



Seventy-five thousand persons were in the Stanford stadium to hear Herbert Hoover's speech of acceptance of the Republican nomination for the presidency. Inset, Hoover before the "micro" making his address which loud speakers carried to the vast throng present and the radio took to additional hosts throughout the world.



The crowd that swept down upon Palo Alto to hear Herbert Hoover officially informed of his nomination as the Republican candidate for president more than half filled the great Stanford stadium two hours before the ceremony began.

U.S.A. CAPITOL CITY FLOODED BY DOWNPOUR

Over Six Inches of Rain Falls in Washington, D. C. in 24 Hours, Establishing a New Record—Residents Take to Boats.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 12.—(AP) The national capital welcomed clear weather gratefully today when a 24-hour downpour of rain hit it with a vengeance in its history.

Roads and streets were flooded throughout the city and in the neighboring countryside which they were forced to abandon over the week end when a terrific, steady precipitation caused motorists to fall to the ground.

In some sections of the city, particularly the southeast, streets were flooded so that their use was high impossible, cellars were filled with water and residents were forced to use boats to enter and leave their homes.

The Potomac river had risen considerably and new high levels were predicted, but Major Elbert Somervell of the U. S. engineers corps, said he expected no serious flood situation.

In the surrounding countryside, especially in Virginia to the northwest of Washington, rain accompanied by almost gale force winds Saturday night laid low hundreds of acres of corn.

The amount of rain which fell in Washington between Saturday night and last night was the greatest ever recorded here. During that period the weather bureau said 6.31 inches came down.

MIAMI, Fla., Aug. 12.—(AP) The Miami liner Munamar, with two score passengers out of Miami and Nassau for New York, still was held up off Hope-In-the-Wall, east of Abaco, Bahamas, at 2 o'clock this morning, according to wireless messages received in Miami. The Bahama government tug Logy Cordau was attempting to free the steamer. Slight seas were running with no immediate danger threatening, the radio message said.

Eugene Davis Albany. ALBANY, Ore., Aug. 12.—(AP) The Eugene team of the Willamette valley league defeated Albany here yesterday, 12 to 1.

CHICAGO, N. C., Aug. 12.—(AP) Police here have uncovered what they believe to be a murder plot, whereby several husbands and wives planned to rid themselves of their marriage ties by poisoning their spouses. One death and the serious illness of three persons are attributed directly to the alleged conspiracy.

Six persons, arrested over the weekend, were called to court today, to face charges of murder and conspiracy to murder.

Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Pressley were accused of murdering L. M. Lockamy, Mrs. Pressley's former husband. Lockamy died on June 3 and three weeks later his widow and Pressley were married.

The police allege that he was killed with poison purchased by the then Mrs. Lockamy and Pressley from R. W. Daniels, alias Professor Brandorini, a crystal gazer and fortune teller. Daniels also is charged with murder and police say they have obtained a confession from him.

The others under accusation were Mrs. M. Pridden and Mrs. Lilly Townley, charged with conspiring to murder their husbands, and J. H. Moore, a negro preacher, charged with conspiring to murder his wife. These alleged to have been poisoned were said to be in a serious condition.

Mrs. Townley and Mrs. Pridden, in a signed statement, said they had administered poisons to their husbands after Daniels had told them they could thus "improve the situation at home."

Jail Squealer Extradited. SALEM, Ore., Aug. 12.—(AP) After a very brief hearing today Governor Patterson authorized the extradition of Horace J. Peterson, who is wanted in Canyon county, Idaho, on a non-support charge.

Peterson is the man who complained to the governor of being "unhanded" by other prisoners while he was an inmate of the Multnomah county jail.

TORCH IS PUT TO 2 DICE DENS

Governor of Louisiana Pulls Sensational Coup in War On New Orleans Gambling—At Head of Armed Guardsmen, Sets Fire to Gaming Paraphernalia—Prominent Citizens Arrested.

NEW ORLEANS, La., Aug. 12.—(AP) Within a hundred yards of the Delta plains, where "Old Hickory's" men stopped the British a century ago, a mighty bonfire destroyed the trappings of two famous New Orleans gambling casinos early yesterday morning. A torch was applied to the huge pile of dice tables, roulette wheels, slot machines and other gambling equipment shortly after it had been seized by state militia on orders from Governor Long. The soldiers cheered as the flames took hold.

The blow against the two clubs, the Jab-Alai and the Arabi, just outside the city limits, was struck swiftly. Governor Long reached New Orleans after dark Saturday and drove six miles down the river to Jackson barracks, where he presented written orders to Adjutant General Fleming to raid the places nearby.

Arranging his small detachment with rifles and pistols and dividing them in half under commands of captains, General Fleming then stormed the places simultaneously. The whirr of the wheel and the click of the dice were quickly turned into screams of women and oaths of men.

Prepared to Shoot. "Look to the walls," yelled the captain. "We don't want to shoot but we are prepared to."

A shot rang out from a sentry and pandemonium broke loose. But the several hundred men and women were lined against the wall and clean-up operations were begun. Guardsmen scooped up \$2,900 in cash and others went down the line taking names and addresses that would make "John Doe" bluish.

As they were released on their personal recognition and poured outside a camera man sat off a flash. Fifty men immediately pounced upon him. His camera was smashed and he was carried off unconscious and badly injured. People of standing were around those boards Saturday night and they guarded their identity.

Back in a New Orleans hotel, Governor Long received the reports with the ease of a schoolboy. "Gambling will stop under my administration," he said. "I told them what I was going to do if they didn't close down."

This was answered the call of New Orleans business men, who complained that people were unable to pay their bills because of casinos hitting close to the \$50,000 mark nightly.

The Jab-Alai and the Arabi clubs and three smaller ones were closed down as tightly as a drum last night and all was quiet along the lower Mississippi.

ALBANY, N. Y., Aug. 12.—(AP) A group of farm leaders from the middle west and south came to Albany today at the invitation of Governor Smith to confer with the democratic presidential nominee on the agricultural situation.

Those in the delegation which was headed by George N. Peek, of Illinois, who is supporting Smith's candidacy, included Earl C. Smith, president of the Illinois Agricultural association; Frank W. Murphy, of Wisconsin; Minn., one of the champions of the second McNary-Hatzen bill; William H. Hays, publisher of the "Missouri Farmer"; Doctor Tait Bortie, publisher of the Minnesota Progressive Farmer; W. H. Settle, president of the Indiana Farm Bureau Federation; and Mrs. Verne Hatch, in charge of the women's department of the Indiana Farm Bureau Federation; S. C. Caveno, president of the Missouri Cotton Growers' association; J. N. Kehoe, of the Hurley Tobacco association; and Chester C. Davis, former commissioner of agriculture in Montana.

E. W. Gilgors, president of the American Cotton Growers' Exchange, and one of the publishers of the Progressive Farmer, also was to have been present, but it was explained he had failed to "make train connections."

The group, some of whose members have been active in republican politics in the past, were taken in low on their arrival here by George H. Graves, Governor of South's secretary. Just before noon they were escorted to the executive mansion for their conference with the democratic nominee.

Woman Crows in Brush. LANGLOIS, Ore., Aug. 12.—(AP) Forced to crawl home on her hands and knees after she stepped into a hole sprouting an enkle, Miss Cora Russell was resting today. She crawled a mile through brush in six hours.

Skip-to-Shore Airplane Service Termed a Success

NEW YORK, Aug. 12.—(AP) Regular skip-to-shore airplane service was successfully inaugurated today by the Ile de France of the French line from which a plane carrying mail was catapulted into the air approximately 500 miles at sea. The plane left the liner at 1 p. m. and alighted on the water at quarantine at 4 p. m.

The amphibian airplane, manned by a three-man French crew, made a perfect takeoff and by a fast flight reached New York almost a full day ahead of the liner. Similar flights will be made from the Ile de France on both east and west journeys from now on and the service eventually will be extended to passengers.

LOCAL MAN IS KILLED IN CAR CRASH

W. W. Rankin, 54, Brother of Hugh Rankin, Forest Supervisor, Killed Instantly When Car Goes Off Grade, Near Butte Falls—Two Men in Car Injured.

As a result of one of the strangest accidents recorded in Jackson county, W. W. Rankin, 54, county road supervisor residing at Butte Falls, a brother of Hugh Rankin of this city, was instantly killed this forenoon and J. L. Casey and son Leslie received injuries when a touring car driven by Mr. Rankin left the grade at Rock Hill this side of Butte Falls while he was en route to Medford, pushing Leslie Casey to a doctor for treatment for an injured foot he had received in the Owen-Oregon lumber camp above the mountain town.

The car, after leaving the road, rolled down a 30-foot embankment, throwing Mr. Rankin clear of the machine, while the two other occupants stayed in the machine, which is given as the reason that they fared so luckily in escaping with injuries which today were not regarded as serious. The father suffered an injured shoulder and hip, while the son was badly shaken up and bruised. Both were rushed to the Sacred Heart hospital here for treatment.

Nothing was learned today why the car swerved off the road and over the grade, but theories have been advanced that a defective steering apparatus may have caused the tragedy, breaking when Mr. Rankin was driving at a fairly good rate of speed.

The incident took place shortly after 10 o'clock, presumably at 10:15, as a watch carried by Mr. Rankin had stopped at that time. The car left the road only a short distance this side of Butte Falls and the party of three men had just left for the city to seek treatment for the younger Casey's injured foot which had been crushed between some logs.

To mourn his loss, Mr. Rankin leaves his wife, whom he had married the 29th of last month and who before her marriage was Hattie L. Berrian of this city. He also leaves a daughter in Oakridge, a brother, Hugh Rankin of this city, a sister in Salem, a sister in Tono, Wash., a brother in Tono, Wash., and a brother in White Sulphur Springs, W. Va.

Funeral arrangements, which will be announced later, are in charge of the Conger funeral parlors.

ASKS GOVERNOR TO PROBE PROHIBITION OFFICERS, EUGENE

EUGENE, Ore., Aug. 12.—(AP) Sheriff Frank E. Taylor announced this afternoon that he will ask Governor I. N. Patterson to appoint special investigators to go to the bottom of the entire law enforcement tangle in Lane county and lay before the grand jury any evidence they find of corruption or misconduct by public officials or others.

This follows the resignations of District Attorney Gordon Wells and Deputy Sheriffs Melvin Turnbull and Jess Daniel following charges of personal improprieties and their counter allegations or suggestions of "frameup" inspired by bootleggers and interests inimical to their work.

"I feel that the public wants to know the whole truth of the situation and is entitled to know it," said Sheriff Taylor.

"Further than that I feel they want to know that nobody guilty of wrongdoing is being spared the proper punishment. But I feel that such an inquiry will have more confidence if it is conducted by somebody whom the governor can appoint who would be totally free from any suspicion of partisanship."

HOOVER SPEECH MAKES A HIT IN MEDFORD

Both Republicans and Democrats Like Acceptance Address By Republican Nominee—Forceful, Convincing, Statesmanlike.

Now that Herbert Hoover has delivered his speech of acceptance there is much discussion pro and con concerning specific parts of the oration and the entire speech. The following opinions were given today in answer to an inquiring Mail-Tribune reporter:

"The speech like the man, was safe and sane. It was definite and dependable—just the sort of speech one would want our next president to make," declared Mrs. W. J. Norris, republican, of the Brookbank orchard.

"I have been asked many times what I thought of Mr. Hoover's acceptance speech. While I am a democrat and have always supported the nominee of my party, I have decided to support the republican candidate for president. His is a program which, if put into effect, will help all classes of industry without injury to any. For this reason I shall vote for Mr. Hoover for president," stated J. O. Brown.

"Hoover's speech was forceful and to the point. In every detail much like the man," said Miss Jane Smedley, republican.

"I just got back from a vacation and have only read the first paragraph of the speech. That doesn't make any difference. Hoover will be elected," said Eugene Thorndike, republican and employe at the First National bank.

In his characteristic, outspoken manner, William ("Billy") Holmes, democrat, real estate dealer, made the following comment: "Billy, bully! make 'em all here. I'm strong for Hoover and there's no doubt about him getting the election."

"The speech was sound. There is no political buncom in any part of it. I especially admire Hoover for stressing the fact that this is not primarily a nation of big business and corporation, but rather one of homes and contented people," said Vernon Vawter, republican, of the Jackson County bank.

"I've been fishing the last few days and, just returned to Medford. I know that Hoover made a speech and that it was a good one. I am strong for him," said A. C. Hubbard, of the Hubbard Brothers' store. Mr. Hubbard is a staunch republican.

"It was a wonderful speech. I like his platform and think he will be elected," said Jack Thompson, republican, Conoco employe.

Charles S. Butterfield, local realtor, is ready to put up more money on Hoover since reading the speech of acceptance.

Baseball Scores

American.

Cleveland	2	4	2
Boston	6	3	0
Grant, Millis, Bayne and Autry; Morris and Heving.			
Detroit	1	2	1
Philadelphia	7	3	2
Carroll and Hargrave; Grove and Cochrane.			

National.

Brooklyn	1	4	1
Pittsburgh	6	10	0
Doak, Elliott and Delberry; Krenner and Hargraves.			

The Noted Dead

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Aug. 12.—(AP) The body of Arthur J. Lamb, song writer who wrote "Asleep in the Deep," "Only a Bird in a Gilded Cage," "The Naughty Little Bird on Nellie's Hat" and many other songs, was unclaimed tonight at a local undertaker's, he died suddenly here Saturday of an embolism above the heart.

In his possession when he died were \$2.90, a pawn ticket for 15 cents and an un cashed royalties check for \$100 on a New York bank.

Oh, What a Headsche! PEKING, Aug. 12.—(AP) The Roy Chapman Andrews Asiatic expedition has discovered a gigantic fossil which is described in early reports as "the great-grandfather of the prehistoric monsters." The head alone is estimated to have weighed 400 pounds.

Casualties of the Air Service

AMSTERDAM, Aug. 12.—(AP) Four persons were killed when an airplane crashed among spectators at an aviation display at Heerlen, near Maastricht today. The accident was caused by failure of the motor of the plane.

SAMPLE PRESIDENTIAL BALLOT

I intend to vote for
for President at the November election.

Signed (Name) _____

Address _____

(Fill out and mail to Straw-Ballot-Contest-Editor, Mail-Tribune, Medford, Oregon.)