

**The Weather**  
 Forecast—Fair tonight and Wednesday.  
 Maximum yesterday 92  
 Minimum today 48

# MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

**Weather Year Ago**  
 Maximum 89  
 Minimum 47

Daily—Twenty-third Year  
 Weekly—Fifty-seventh Year

MEDFORD, OREGON, TUESDAY, AUGUST 21, 1928.

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## Today

By Arthur Brisbane

A Million More Cars.  
 Talking to 70,000,000.  
 Changeable Chinese.  
 The Continents Slip.

In his acceptance speech, Mr. Hoover emphasized, among national blessings, the building of 14,000,000 new automobiles in the last seven years.

Mr. Sloan, president of General Motors, announces an addition to our motor millions. In a few days the Chevrolet company will turn out its one millionth car built thus far in 1928. Mr. Knudsen, head of Chevrolet, who was once with Ford, is a "production man."

When Governor Smith asks to the American radio audience tomorrow night, 70,000,000 will be able to hear his voice.

Within one hour, a public man can address practically the entire population of the United States. All will hear him distinctly, and listeners 1000 miles away will hear his words before they are heard by men 100 yards away, in the crowd around him, because electricity travels more quickly than sound.

Missionaries devoting their life to converting Chinese will be interested in the story of Field Marshall Hu-Siang, hitherto known as "the Christian general."

A Christian no longer, his story runs as follows:

As a boy, he saw his father, a poor peasant, worshipping Buddhist idols.

He believed in Buddha, but when his mother, died, in spite of prayers to Buddha, he dropped that god and his idols.

It is only fair to add that Buddha would not recognize his own religion, in China, any more than the founder of Christianity would recognize his religion, in some of our fancy churches.

For a while Marshal Feng worshipped snakes, but outgrew that and became a Christian. Then he went to Moscow, saw brotherly love in the communistic doctrines, dropped Christianity and became a communist.

Returning to China, he joined the Kuomintang party, adopted the three principles of the late Dr. Sun Yat Sen, first president of the Chinese republic. Those three principles supply all the religion he needs.

A pious missionary cannot be sure that a converted Chinese will stay saved. But that is no reason for discouragement.

When, and if, Feng wakes up in hell, some day, with Sun Yat Sen on one side of him and Confucius on the other, he will wish he had stayed Christian.

Princeton's scientific expedition to Patagonia, after 25 years of careful study, reports that South America and Africa were once united.

German scientist reached the same conclusion several years ago.

The earth's surface is light, compared with the earth core on which it rests. And the earth surface, the continents that support us, slide around on the hot earth core, like butter on a hot, smooth plate.

The slipping movement is slow, however, and you need not worry about your real estate. Some day it will not be where it is now, but that day is far off.

The learned Professor Esau of Jena University, finds that ultra-short radio waves can be useful in medicine.

## HOOVER IS GUEST AT OLD HOME

Republican Nominee Eats Home-Made Farm Breakfast, Prepared By Mrs. Jennie Scellars — Visits Creek and Old Swimmin' Hole—Memories of Youth Recalled.

By JAMES L. WEST  
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 WEST BRANCH, Iowa, Aug. 21.

—(AP)—Herbert Hoover is back today in this crossroads village of his birth, cares of the presidential campaign forgotten as he renews old friendships and revisits scenes of his childhood.

Arriving early, the republican candidate drove directly to the little frame house where he was born to have breakfast as the guest of Mrs. Jennie Scellars, who now owns the building.

With him were Mrs. Hoover and their two sons, Herbert, Jr., who came west for the occasion, and Allan, who accompanied his parents from California. The only guest was Mrs. Molly Brown Carran, who was the first school teacher of the commerce secretary.

Mrs. Scellars greeted her distinguished guests upon their arrival after a short automobile ride from the station.

Color ran high in the cheeks of the white-haired, motherly woman who owns the homestead which Jesse Hoover built for his family half a century ago, as she shook hands with Mr. and Mrs. Hoover and their sons and invited them into the living room, where a table had been set with simple china. The only decoration was a small bowl of marigolds.

**A Home-Made Meal**

The breakfast menu was typically Iowan, consisting of peaches and cream, honey, ham and eggs, fried potatoes, rolls and coffee. Mrs. Scellars had prepared the meal herself. She dug the potatoes herself from her own garden.

As the visitors ate in the rather small room, the crowd which had followed the automobile procession from the depot milled around outside, overrunning the lawn and practically destroying the beautiful flower beds.

Still others gathered around the front porch of the two-story addition which Mrs. Scellars added years ago to the original building. This porch had been leased to a concessionaire who did a thriving business selling pictures of Hoover and the Republicans.

Before the call to breakfast, the republican standard bearer visited the kitchen where he once helped his widowed mother with the chores and then stepped out onto the back porch which overlooks a small garden in the rear and near which is a cistern and pump furnishing the water supply in dry weather. Some distance away Hoover saw the well from which as a boy he drew water.

Hoover wore a double-breasted suit of his favorite color, navy blue. Mrs. Hoover had on a white dress with a black crepe de chine coat with a cape collar and a small black hat. Mrs. Carran, who rode with the Hoovers from the station, also was in black with a black bonnet. Mrs. Scellars had on a black and white figured summer dress.

**Senator Brookhart Calls**

Senator Smith W. Brookhart called at the Scellars home to greet the candidate to whom he has pledged support. A number of Iowa congressmen as well as party leaders also were on hand.

As the Hoovers left the home after breakfast Mr. Hoover thanked his hostess with a deep bow as he shook hands with her.

"It was a very delightful breakfast," said Mrs. Hoover. From the birthplace the party motored to the cemetery on the hill where Hoover's father and his mother are buried. When the caravan was a black and white car were halted as they in which the family rode. The party remained for a short time beside the graves.

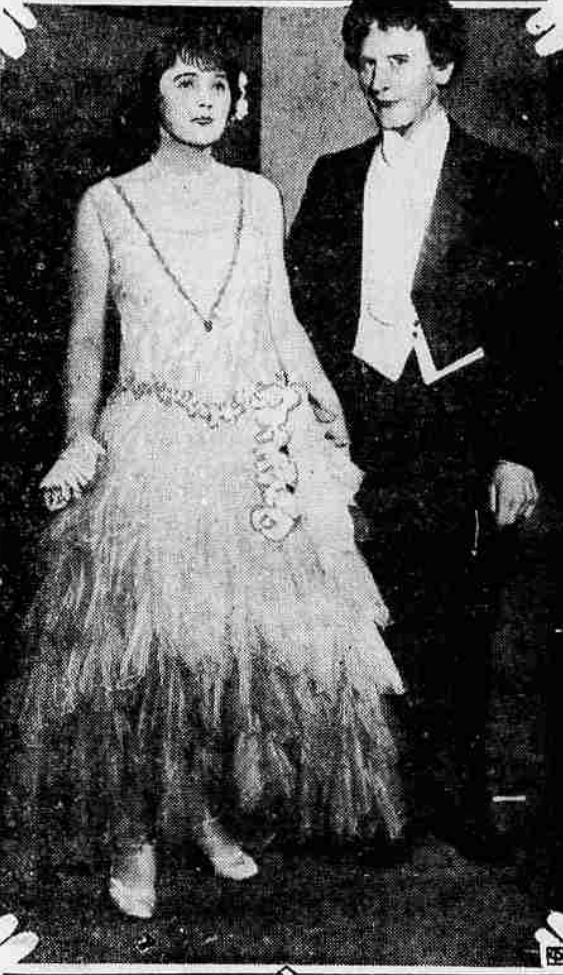
Leaving the cemetery they passed in behind the old red brick high school building and there had a view for the first time of the mammoth tent beneath which tonight he will deliver the second prepared address of the campaign in which he will elaborate upon his farm relief views.

**The Old Swimmin' Hole**

Continuing on past his birthplace Hoover drove along the Wispi-Nooc creek en route to the old swimming hole where he and his playmates delighted to paddle in mud and water, but he never reached this objective.

First a stop was made on the high grass-covered banks of the creek at a point which had been designated as the hole. Hoover got out of the car but after looking the scene over he said that was not the place. Then Newt Butler, who went to school with

## THOUSANDS SEE ARTISTS UNITED



With the good wishes of 22,000 wedding guests speeding them on their way, Percy Grainger, world-famous violinist, and his bride, Viola Strom, Swedish poetess and painter, are honeymooning after an unusual wedding ceremony at midnight in the Hollywood Bowl in California. This photo was taken just after the ceremony.

## 733 CARLOADS SMITH DENIES OF PEARS SENT HE WILL TAKE FROM MEDFORD TRIP TO OREGON

Shipments, However, Are Being Held Back As Much As Possible So Lower Freight Rates Can Be Secured On Friday.

WITH but two days remaining until the reduced freight rates are effective, shipments of pears from Medford have been noticeably lower this week. Friday, August 24, at 12:15 a. m. the change from \$1.75 to \$1.60 will be in force.

It is estimated that the new ruling made by the Southern Pacific recently will save \$50,000 for Medford fruit men during the remainder of the present season. Rates on one carload of fruit, 529 boxes, will be \$23.10 less than they are at the present time.

Practically all Bartlett pears have been harvested and the Howells are ready to be picked. It is expected that immediately after the new shipping rates take effect there will be a sudden rush of fruit from the Medford station, Jack Carle, freight and passenger agent, said today.

Only 25 cars of pears were sent from here Monday, while last week there was a daily average of 60 carloads shipped, with the major part going to eastern markets. Country fruit is shipped from here to Portland, Salem, Hillsboro, Newberg, Woodburn and California points.

"That this is probably the busiest season in the history of the pear industry in Rogue River valley is evident by the increased force at the freight office and in the warehouse where a total of 46 men are employed. In addition to this two special fruit trains, one from Grants Pass to Medford and the other from Ashland to Medford, have been added this year.

To date a total of 733 carloads of Bartlett for country and other purposes have been shipped from Medford.

**Oregon Angler Suicides.**

REIDSPORT, Ore., Aug. 21.—(AP)—When a neighbor went to the home of Tom Ricker to ask him to go fishing last night, he found Ricker dead, shot through the head. A pistol which Ricker had killed himself with was beside the body. Ricker, who was 45, leaves a widow and daughter.

**Two Fishermen Missing.**

REIDSPORT, Ore., Aug. 21.—(AP)—Coast guardmen today failed to find traces of Peter Olson and Carl Miller, Reid-sport fishermen whose craft, the "Crackbox," was found ashore near the mouth of Ten-Mile creek Monday, with the bottom stove in. The fishermen had left Umpqua river on a trolling expedition.

## STILL HOPE TO RESCUE AVIATORS

Friends and Families of Airmen, Missing Somewhere in North Atlantic, Refuse to Share Pessimism of Searchers—Forced Landing Deemed Possible—Three Nations Aid.

CHICAGO, Aug. 21.—(AP)—The United States, Canada, Greenland and Denmark today were engaged in search for Bert Hassell and Parker Cramer, American aviators missing for more than two days in an attempted good will flight from Rockford, Ill., to Stockholm, Sweden.

Last definite word from their monoplane Greater Rockford was reported Sunday when radio operators heard messages indicating the ship was off Cape Chidley. Sunday night an operator in Connecticut believed he heard an SOS call from the plane which he believed was repeated last night.

Those optimistically inclined including the fliers' families thought the aviators may have made a forced landing in Greenland in which event it was hoped Eskimo hunters in the almost inaccessible regions might find the men.

Less hopeful persons feared the plane may have fallen into the north Atlantic in which event they held little hope for the lives of the fliers. A coast guard cutter of the United States, Danish vessels and Eskimos all were engaged in the search today while Canada was prepared to send ships to aid in the hunt.

Donald MacMillan, the Arctic explorer now at Nain, Labrador, welcomed the Associated Press last night that if the plane is down in open water "there is no possibility of the fliers getting ashore." "If they are in a land plane," MacMillan added, "it is all over."

"If Hassell is down on the coast in the vicinity of Cape Chidley, we may hear nothing of them for several weeks as fishermen's schooners are now leaving. Some bays are deep, and walking to safety is almost impossible for one not knowing the sites of the Eskimo encampments."

COPENHAGEN, Denmark, Aug. 21.—(AP)—The Danish inspection ship Godthaab, now in Greenland waters, has been instructed by the government to begin immediately a search for the missing American aviators Bert Hassell and Parker Cramer.

ST. JOHNS, N. F., Aug. 21.—(AP)—The Newfoundland government today instructed the steamer Stan, now on the coast of northern Labrador, to make every effort to discover the whereabouts of the missing monoplane Greater Rockford.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 21.—(AP)—Commander Smith of the coast guard cutter Marion reported to day headquarters by wireless today that no plane could have remained above the water more than a few hours in the storm that washed Davis Strait Sunday. The Marion is searching for the Greater Rockford.

## 99,000,000 Pears from Medford Keep Salem Women Busy

SALEM, Ore., Aug. 21.—(AP)—Some 3000 women here are undertaking the gigantic job of peeling 99,000,000 pears, the record job for this section, according to local fruit men. It is estimated 2000 tons of pears will be packed in the seven canneries here this fall, all coming from Medford in southern Oregon, with the exception of an exceedingly small local crop. These pears, incidentally, will be cut into 194,999,999 halves and a good share of these halves cut into quarters, many parts being so large the halves cannot be shoved into the smaller sized cans. Each of the 3000 pears will have some 30,000 pears to peel and have, according to local statistic wizards.

**To Pray for Treaty.**

LONDON, Aug. 21.—(AP)—The Archbishop of Canterbury and York have decided to make the signature of the Kellogg anti-war treaty the occasion for prayer and thanksgiving in parish churches throughout the kingdom.

Lord Cuthbert, acting foreign secretary, has written a letter to the Archbishop of Canterbury, praising the call for prayer.

## DEGREE AWARDED MRS HOOVER



The wife of the Republican presidential candidate was honored at Whittier (Cal.) College by the Quaker institution which awarded her the honorary degree of Doctor of Literature. Dr. Walter F. Dexter, president of the college is shown conferring it.

## 8 DEAD, 3 DYING MIX DEMANDS AS RESULT OF A JURY TRIAL WIND STORM FOR MIXING IT

Southern Minnesota and Cowboy Film Star Refuses Northern Iowa Laid Waste By Two Tornadoes — Property Loss Is Over \$1,000,000 — Hospitals Crowded.

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 21.—(AP)—Tom Mix, alleged two-tailed party man as well as a two-gun man of the films, entered a plea of not guilty in municipal court today when arraigned on two counts of battery sworn to by Will Morrissey, salaried and stage-wise-cracker and the latter's wife.

Milton Cohen, chief counsel for Mix, demanded a jury trial and the court directed the party to another department to leave a date for trial.

The charges against Mix grew out of a fracas at a party Saturday night in which Morrissey admitted to police that he poked fun at Mix in drawing a parallel between the hopes of the actor's horse "Tony" and the actor himself in "talkie" pictures. Morrissey's wife, Mildred Miller, still had one eye bandaged today, the result she said of Mix turning on her when she interceded in Morrissey's behalf.

The stage-fun-poker had numerous burpees on his own head and told police Mix had "busted" him after knocking him down.

Morrissey and his wife pleaded not guilty yesterday to a charge of drunkenness and court when they appeared at the police station in quest of a complaint against Mix.

**Breeman Left \$300,000.**

CHICAGO, Aug. 21.—(AP)—Disposition of an estate estimated to be worth \$300,000, the will of George E. Breeman, democratic leader, was filed for probate today. The will left the entire estate to Mrs. Breeman and their daughter, Mary, to share alike.

**Remember the Wise Crack.**

NEW YORK, Aug. 21.—(AP)—While you have chairs, but only one can make a tree. Magistrate Albert J. Brennan, quoted a poem in recording Ezekiel Burdocks, who was cited for disturbing a picnic into his house. He was fined on a previous picnic.

## STATE TO BE SUED BY WAR VETS

Ex-Service Men Ask Return of \$371,000 Refunded From Educational Aid Total — Action, if Successful, Would Increase State Deficit—Big Battery of Lawyers Engaged

SALEM, Ore., Aug. 21.—(AP)—Legal action in behalf of Oregon world war veterans who have been required to refund allowances paid them for educational aid before being permitted to accept the benefits of the state bonus and loan act which, if successful, will increase the present state deficit by at least \$371,000, will be instituted in the courts here within the coming month, the Capitol Journal was advised today.

The suit will be instituted by a group of world war veterans who were compelled, under regulations promulgated by the administration of the bonus act, to refund sums received for educational aid before being granted bonuses or loans authorized by the people in a constitutional amendment, according to Joe Nixton, local ex-service man, who has been engaged as one of a battery of attorneys to handle the case.

The contention of the plaintiff veterans will be that the imposition of the refund qualification for eligibility for a cash bonus or loan by the legislature and the bonus commission is in conflict with the constitutional amendment, and that the people in approving the bonus and loan amendment did not contemplate any such restriction of its benefits.

**Authority Exceeded**

Admitting that the legislature was authorized by the language of the constitutional amendment, to enact such legislation as was deemed necessary to execute and carry the act into effect, the plaintiffs will contend that the amendment itself sets up definitely the qualifications of those who are to receive its benefits, that the refund of previous benefits received from the state is not included in these explicit qualifications and that the legislature and the bonus commission have exceeded the authority vested in them by the enabling act in attempting to construe the language of the amendment which, the courts have held, is not subject to any construction other than which is explicitly stated.

The qualifications sets up for eligibility to the benefits of both the education aid and the bonus acts are practically identical and it is pointed out that all of those who have received educational aid are also qualified to receive either a loan or cash bonus under the constitutional amendment.

Since 1922 a total of \$371,625.57 has been refunded by applicants for cash bonuses and loans and has been returned to the state's general fund, from which it was originally expended under the provisions of the educational aid act of the legislature.

Should the courts sustain the contention of the plaintiff veterans that these refunds are illegal and should be refunded by applicants required to make them, repayment of this \$371,000 would come out of the general fund of the state at a time when T. B. Kay, state treasurer, estimates the state deficit for the biennium will be around \$1,000,000, and Sam Kozier, secretary of finance, foresees a shortage of at least \$1,500,000.

**Suits Declared Futile**

Some state officials do not take the threat of the state being compelled to make good on this \$371,000 seriously, however, taking the position that even though the courts should declare the protest refund regulation invalid it is not probable, in the light of established precedents, that the court would go further than to order the refund regulation suspended in the future administration of the bonus law.

The position of the courts, these state officials point out, always has been that money disbursed by reason of invalid statutes cannot be recovered, and they further explain that recovery would be difficult with the state protected from the liability of suit without its consent.

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**SAMPLE PRESIDENTIAL BALLOT**

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

I am registered as a \_\_\_\_\_ (Name party)

Signed (Name) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

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

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