

The Weather

Forecast—Fair; slightly warmer.
Maximum yesterday 86
Minimum today 48

Weather Year Ago

Maximum 78
Minimum 35

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Today

By Arthur Brisbane

Nailing One Whisper.
Hail the Year 5689.
Capper On Hoover.
Generous Boo Boo Hoff.

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One lady is alleged to have written to another lady of West Virginia, who started whisperers whispering, that she, first lady, sat next to Governor Smith's box at the Syracuse fair, when Governor Smith "was grossly intoxicated, and arising to speak from his box was assisted by a friend on either side."

That's a fair ample, as Governor Smith points out, of lies circulated in whispers.

The lady was NOT next to Governor Smith's box. The governor did NOT speak from that box. Photographs taken of him sitting there with his wife and Mrs. McCooey, of Brooklyn, show Governor Smith perfectly sober, smiling at the assembled crowds. Fifty newspaper men, following the governor all day and hearing him speak twice, help to nail that particular lie.

However, Governor Smith's enemies have no monopoly of the whispering.

In certain highly respectable New York corporation circles, you may hear whispered and loudly spoken lies, fanciful and outrageous, concerning Herbert Hoover. Lying and politics go together.

Last night Rosh-Hasonah began the year 5689 in the Jewish calendar.

Jews and Gentiles believe that the earth's life is to be about 6000 years altogether, if they take sacred writings literally. According to the Jewish count, that would leave only 311 years for anything we have unfinished.

Fortunately, science proves the Jewish calculation isn't accurate. This little earth has existed for hundreds of millions of years and will sail around the sun, warm and comfortable, for hundreds of millions of years more.

So we really have time ahead in which to give up fighting and heating each other and become civilized.

At a luncheon given by Mr. Desmond, head of the Young Men's Republican Club, Senator Capper told the writer and others "the west will go for Hoover more strongly than it ever went Republican in all the history of the Republican party."

Kansas that gave 172,000 for Coolidge, Senator Capper said, will give 250,000 for Hoover. Farmers are for Hoover, according to Senator Capper, who ought to know something about it.

"Capper's Weekly," which prints this column, goes to 1,000,000 farmers. His farm papers have a combined circulation of 4,500,000.

One difficulty with prohibition and other sumptuary laws is this: Large sums are paid, handsome presents given to those that permit violating the law. No presents, no salaries or large sums offered to those supposed to enforce the law.

Public Prosecutor Monaghan, of Philadelphia, says the genial Max Hoff, known to prize fighting circles as "Boo Boo" Hoff, gave Christmas presents to the police force of Philadelphia costing \$250,000 in 1926. In addition to the \$250,000, Philadelphia bootleggers spend gigantic sums for an all-year round police salary payroll.

This means that politicians get

FAMINE STALKS HURRICANE RUINS

THOUSANDS HOMELESS; LOSS HIGH

American Red Cross to Rush Aid and Food to Stricken Porto Rico—Plan Appeal to Public—Havoc Reign in Wake of Tropical Storm.

SAN JUAN, Porto Rico, Sept. 15.—(AP) With tens of thousands of persons estimated to be homeless, efforts were under way today to avert famine and disease which it was feared would follow in the wake of the tropical hurricane that struck on Thursday.

Ten deaths have been reported at Ponce and authorities fear that as soon as communication has been established with other points on the island other fatalities would become known.

Full relief and reconstruction, Governor Horace Towner said, would probably reach into millions. He placed the homeless at "tens of thousands" and described the destruction of homes and property as "incalculable."

Immediate aid from all agencies was said to be vital by Thomas E. Benner, chancellor of the University of Porto Rico who made a survey of the area within a seven mile radius. He added:

"Fruits and vegetables will supply abundance for a few days, beyond that in famine. Medical supplies, food and shelter are needed at once."

The people bought provisions heavily last night, fearing that normal conditions would be restored only tardily. Most of the stores remained closed during the day and opened only to commence repairing damages. When the grocery stores opened at night business was conducted by lantern light.

Frederick Krug, manager of the Porto Rico Railway Light and Power company which supplies light and power to 35 different towns, said that he hoped operations would be resumed within a week.

The telephone system was decentralized with miles of wires down. The San Juan exchange was flooded and the damage great. Reports from other parts of the island continued meagre and uncertain. Because of the lack of power and light no newspaper in San Juan has been able to publish since Thursday morning.

This gave rise to the spreading of many fantastic and unverified reports.

The first automobile from Caguas, about 30 miles south of San Juan, made its way here yesterday afternoon. The driver said Caguas was "flat." This municipality has a population of about 35,000 and is in one of the greatest tobacco growing sections of the island.

Much of the shipping in the harbor was either sunk or ashore. The New York and Porto Rico line steamer San Lorenzo sailed during the afternoon twenty-four hours behind schedule, having remained tied up to her pier during the hurricane.

All banks were closed due to the inadequacy of transportation.

The 600 foot towers of the navy radio station at Caguas, 30 miles south of San Juan, were reported to be down and wireless communication was halted either from damage to apparatus or lack of power for sending.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 15.—(AP) The American Red Cross today received a message from Catherine Cameron, head of its chapter at St. Croix, Virgin Islands, saying that a "terrible hurricane" had hit there and appealing for assistance.

The message said: "Terrible hurricane Virgin Islands. No communication with St. Thomas. Hundreds homeless. Need clothes, money for food."

St. Thomas is the largest city in the islands and capital of the group.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 15.—(AP)—An appropriation of \$50,000 from available funds for the immediate relief of the Porto Rico storm sufferers was approved today by John Barton Payne, chairman of the board of the Red Cross, who informed President Coolidge of his action.

Coincident with the decision, the Red Cross issued an appeal to the public for a "large relief fund" in which to care for the victims of the hurricane in Porto Rico and other islands.

CHAMPIONS TO BATTLE FOR GOLF TITLE AT BRAE BURN



Most of the available former champions will have another try at the title now held by Bobby Jones when the national amateur golf championship gets under way at Brae Burn country club, West Newton, Mass. Picture shows No. 6 hole of the Brae Burn course. John Sweetser (left), returning to golf after a year's layoff, and Chick Evans (below), runnerup last year, are among the list. Above is Bobby Jones.

JONES VICTORY OVER BRITISH STAR COMPLETE

Bobby Wins Amateur Golf Title By Largest Margin in History—Contest Is Woefully One-Sided Before Large Gallery.

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MASSACHUSETTS PROSECUTOR REVEALS SECRETS OF BASEBALL POOL—SAYS PROFITS FOR WEEK \$100,000—VISIT PROMISED TO ALBANY.

BOSTON, Sept. 15.—(AP) Clarence A. Barnes, candidate for the Republican nomination for attorney general of Massachusetts in a public address here today, said that in one week recently "profits of the Albany baseball pool, amounting to approximately \$100,000, were divided among the men higher up in the Hotel Ten Eyck at Albany."

Barnes promised several days ago that in a speech today he would disclose to Governor Alfred E. Smith, with whom he has been involved in a controversy over operations of the pool, the location of the headquarters. These, he said, were "within two minutes' walk" of the New York state capitol.

The controversy developed when Barnes recently wrote the New York executive asking him what new method of law enforcement he intended to inaugurate as president with regard to the 18th amendment that would be "more effective than your handling of the notorious baseball pool."

The governor, in reply, accused Barnes of playing politics and invited him to come to Albany to assist the district attorney there in prosecuting the pool.

"In order that Governor Smith may not leave on his western trip without knowing where the headquarters of the Albany pool were located on the day I wrote him," Barnes said in his speech today, "I now tell him without any prejudice whatever to one of the most respectable hotels in America, that during the week when he received my letter the profits of the Albany baseball pool, amounting to approximately \$100,000, were divided among the men higher up in the Hotel Ten Eyck at Albany. This should be near enough to the capitol to satisfy the governor's sense of drama."

Referring to Governor Smith's invitation to him to come to Albany, he said he would be in the New York state capital next Wednesday prepared to accept the governor's invitation and show him how a Massachusetts attorney of experience can get results when he means business and has the enthusiastic support of the decent people of the United States.

PORTLAND, Ore., Sept. 15.—(AP)—Mrs. L. H. Strain, 75, of St. Helena, died here today as the result of injuries suffered last yesterday when the automobile in which she was riding crashed into an oil truck on the Linton road. Her husband, who was driving, said she was attempting to pass another car, when he struck the truck.

PORTLAND, Ore., Sept. 15.—(AP)—John E. Henrich, 34, suffered severe back injuries today when the truck he was driving crashed into a Southern Pacific train at an east side crossing. He was taken to a hospital.

O. S. C. REGENTS HERE ON VISIT MEET GROWERS

Editor of Portland Journal Unable to Secure Pears On Menu—Valley Products Need Advertising—Attend Fair and See Packing Plants.

A meeting of the fruit growers' league and representatives of the Oregon State Agricultural college board, which resolved itself into an expression of thanks to the college and experimental station for work done in this valley in connection with pears, was in session at the Hotel Medford today from 12:30 until 2:30.

Regents present at the luncheon included E. F. Irvine, editor of the Oregon Journal; Judge J. K. Weatherford of Albany; E. E. Wilson, Corvallis, and H. J. Elliott of Perrydale, a state senator and brother of Dr. B. R. Elliott of this city. Mrs. Irvine, Mrs. Weatherford accompanied their husbands to Medford, but did not attend the meeting.

"I have never seen pears and cream listed on any menu in any hotel in this country. Last night I asked for pears. The waitress at our hotel informed me there were none in the kitchen. I asked for peaches—and got them—the finest I have ever tasted," the veteran newspaper man, Mr. Irvine, told the Rogue river residents in no gentle tones.

"Here in the heart of one of the richest valleys in the state where the finest pears are grown, the hotels and restaurants serve pineapple salad, made from fruit shipped from Hawaii," Mr. Irvine remarked to a Mail Tribune reporter, who had waited two hours for a short interview.

The great lack of knowledge among the general public in regard to the quality and quantity of Rogue River valley pears was discussed briefly by the Journal editor, who said, "If California had our rain instead of their sunshine, along with their mania for glittering advertising, which, by the way, is a fine thing, they would have the public talking about the wonderful California rain—rain of a superior quality to any found elsewhere."

Previous to attending the luncheon, Mr. Irvine, with the other guests, had inspected some of the several hundreds of varieties of pears developed by the local experimental station on three and a half acres of land.

Judge Weatherford talked to the men about the seven experimental stations in the state of Oregon, explaining that an effort will be made in the near future to get federal aid in financing more extensive projects. Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana, Nevada and Utah agricultural institutions will co-operate in accomplishing this.

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Baseball Scores

American.
ST. LOUIS, Sept. 15.—(AP) Babe Ruth hit his fifteenth home run of the season here today in the first inning of the Yankee-St. Louis game. Combs was on base and Alvin Crowder was pitching. Ruth remained behind his record pace of last season.

Philadelphia 5, H. E. 2.
Cleveland 6, H. E. 3.
Batteries: Quinn and Cochrane; Hudlin, Underhill and L. Sewell.

R. H. E.
Boston 4, 13, 3.
Chicago 4, 8, 6.
Batteries: Raffing and Hofmann; Raber, Cox and Berg.

National.
First game: R. H. E.
St. Louis 3, 3, 6.
Philadelphia 2, 5, 2.
Batteries: Haines and Wilson; Mulligan, Walsh, Sweetland, Beuge and Lorton.

Second game: R. H. E.
Chicago 2, 11, 0.
Boston 3, 1, 1.
Batteries: Root, Timpone and Hartnett; Cantwell and Taylor.

Third game: R. H. E.
Cincinnati 7, 9, 1.
Pittsburgh 6, 12, 1.
Batteries: Ash, S. Johnson and Margrave; Hill and Hemaley.

FIRST AWARDS OF PRIZES AT COUNTY FAIR

Ashland Normal Wins Blue Ribbon for Art Exhibit—Premium List for Community Products and Art Exhibits.

C. E. Gates, president of the Jackson County Fair association, was busy this afternoon distributing special awards for exhibits which came under no technical classification, but which through excellence or unique character were deemed worthy of special recognition.

The Ashland Normal school was awarded a blue ribbon for their wonderful art display; as was also H. Hoffer, of Ashland, whose floral display is one of the finest ever seen at the Jackson County fair. The display consisted chiefly of dahlias and gladioli, and the blue ribbon was given for the extensive number of flowers shown and the quality of the display.

An interesting display, which is being shown in the Lake Creek booth in the horticultural building, was arranged by Victor Gardner, a 16 year old boy of the Lake Creek district. Specimens of forty-seven varieties of trees found in Jackson county in the form of wood and leaves mounted on a large board was considered so unique that the fair association awarded it special recognition.

Another unique feature found in the Lake Creek booth which received a special award of a blue ribbon was the chart on which were mounted wood specimens of several breeds of sheep and goats showing different stages of manure from the raw material to the finished product. In addition to the wool and mohair, each specimen is described in verse. The exhibit was prepared by Aunt Mary Meyers, of Lake Creek.

Miss Little, a blind girl of Medford, was given a special blue ribbon award for a basket and blanket made by her and being displayed in the Women's building. The first premium award list in the art, field and garden products and community exhibits is as follows:

Division I. Community Exhibits.
Mrs. Geo. P. Martin, Rogue River, class 68; products of individual farm display grown by exhibitor, 1st.
Talent Grange, Talent, Ore., 67; one booth No. 34, Talent Grange and Community, 1st.

Lake Creek Grange, Lake Creek, Ore., class 67; sections 8 and 9, Lake Creek Grange, 1st.

Evans Valley Community Grange, class 67; one booth, sections 10 and 11, 1st.

Central Point Grange, class 67; one booth, sections 14 and 15, 1st.

Engle Point Grange, Engle Point, Ore., class 67; sections 7 and 8, 1st.

Bellview Community club, Ashland, Ore., class 67; sections 5 and 6, 1st.

G. K. Lowe, Valley View, Ore., class 67; sections 1 and 2, 1st.

Santa Valley, Ore., class 67; section 12, 1st.

Division J.—Field and Garden Produce.

Arnold Bohmert, Central Point, Ore.—Class 65, tomatoes 1.

Otto Bohmert, Central Point—Class 65, all other vegetables not listed, 1. Rural type, any variety but 2; class 70, best peck of wheat 1.

Rose Bickert, Talent, Ore.—Class 65, muskmelon, two specimens 1. Beans, one tray 1.

Ed E. Dimick, Winner, Ore.—Class 65, onions any variety, half box 1.

Mr. Evensen, Rogue River, Ore.—Class 65, onions any variety half box 2.

J. W. Fish, Talent, Ore.—Class 65, rural type, half box 1; netted gem, corn, yellow dent 2; best corn on stalk 2; tomatoes 2; popcorn 3; beans 2.

J. W. Fish, Talent—Class 69, mangel warts 1; all other vegetables 2; cabbage, pumpkin 2.

Martin Hill—Class 65, one large snowflake 1.

C. C. Hoover, Medford, Ore.—Class 65, largest squash 1.

NO SUNDAY VISITORS FOR FAIR

Gates Closed to All Except Exhibitors—4521 Paid Admissions Ashland Day—This Is Grange Day—Exposition Closes Tonight

No admittance will be permitted to the Jackson county fairgrounds Sunday, except to exhibitors who desire to remove their exhibits, according to Assistant Secretary Dan Hering. With this regulation in effect it is expected that the work of the exhibitors will be facilitated.

Friday, which was Ashland and Public School day at the fair, found the grounds crowded throughout the day, 4,521 paid admissions being recorded and an unestimated throng of children passing through the main entrance. Ashland citizens turned out en masse and if their numbers lacked any in comparison to the Medford delegation of Thursday, which fair officials doubt, it was more than compensated for by the school children.

According to estimates by traffic officials 2300 cars were parked on the grounds on Thursday and yesterday's number is declared to exceed this figure by nearly one thousand.

Tonight will see the close of the Jackson County Fair and Oregon Pear Show of 1928, one of the most successful in every respect since the showing of the county's products was undertaken by the present fair association some fifteen years ago.

Today in Grange day and indications at noon pointed to a very large attendance as visitors from the more outlying districts began pouring into the grounds at an early hour, many with picnic lunch and their cars.

Yesterday's program was featured by a parade of ribbon-winning livestock before the grandstand prior to the opening of the day's racing program, and the evening entertainment by the Palmer Music store's Junior Drum Corps and the Junior High School Harmonica band.

Premium winners in the different departments are being checked by G. Q. D'Albini, accountant, and checks will be issued as soon as the work is finished.

Grandstand attendance yesterday was the largest so far during the fair and a happy racing program interspersed with trotting, steeplechasing, Roman and chariot races kept the patrons interested. The Ashland band gave a concert during the afternoon in the grandstand and later entertained at various places on the grounds.

The huge floral horseshoe in the Elks lodge colors which was part of the ceremony awarded Sapeli, winner of the Elks handicap race Thursday afternoon, has been sent to the Lakeview Elks lodge by C. F. Snelling, owner of the race horse.

Tonight will wind up the engagement of the Whit Barton orchestra at the Jackson county fairgrounds dance pavilion where the long day appearance of this famous organization has drawn large crowds.

A series of free moving pictures will be shown this evening in the California Oregon Power company's space in the Merchants' building beginning at 7:30.

BULLETIN

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 15.—(AP)—Lee "Doc" Kelley, accused "hitch-hiker boy" killer of Mrs. Myrtle L. Mellus, recently society matron, was found guilty of murder in the first degree by a jury in superior court today. No recommendation for leniency accompanied the verdict, making the passing of the death sentence mandatory.

The case was given to the jury near the end of the morning session. The returning of a verdict in less than three hours, a considerable portion of which was consumed in lunch for the seven men and five women, came as a surprise in the courtroom. Kelley had been on trial for two weeks.

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.)