

The Weather	
Forecast—Rain and possibly snow.	
Colder tonight.	
Maximum yesterday	47
Lowest this morning	38

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

Weather Year Ago	
Maximum	39
Minimum	21

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

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Today

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The King in Danger.
Old, Dead, Rich.
America's Big Five.

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Bad news about King George, the doctors' latest bulletin brings deepest anxiety. They do not dare attempt an operation that was contemplated, because of the king's weakness. Insurance companies charging 90 per cent to insure the king's life for a few weeks, evidently had information more exact than that given to the public by the doctors.

Atlantic City police found a dead man, very old, and near his body \$100,000 of hoarded money, small bags filled with gold, crumpled, faded bank notes.

The world, wondering much, thinking little, wonders "what comfort that old man could find in the money?"

Ask some poor old man not yet dead, depending on cold charity or relatives that are indifferent. He will tell you what comfort the old man of Atlantic City found in the possession of \$100,000. The money made him independent, a FREE MAN. Poverty is slavery. Save something.

Will Rogers selects an "all-American team" of ability, as follows:

Thomas A. Edison, Henry Ford, Herbert Hoover, John D. Rockefeller, Jr., and Lindbergh.

He probably leaves out the ablest man in the country, as yet unknown. That's fortunate, for it means we have reserves.

Rogers would have those five men run the country, "move Thanksgiving day up to election and do away with elections entirely."

The plan would work, of course. The original John D. Rockefeller could have done the job alone when he was younger. He would have known how to select the men.

But the people must plan to govern themselves as babies must learn to walk, no matter how badly they do it at first. If you always hired a man to push your baby around in a wagon, the baby wouldn't develop.

Thomas Moran, known to the police as "Red," killed two policemen. He felt that he had to live, crime was the path he chose. He killed two trying to remain alive.

Sentenced to the electric chair, "Red" will be killed in his turn. Keepers are watching him closely to thwart his attempts to kill himself.

First he killed that he might live. Now he tries to kill himself that the electric chair may get him. Strange animals are human beings, from the gangman and his retail murders to the giant killer Napoleon, who always carried poison with him.

Philip Challenger, from Santa Barbara and Chicago recently working as a Chicago reporter for \$18 a week, now is planning to spend \$1000 a day. His grandfather left him \$6,000,000. Wiser than many, the young man decides to study archaeology, and invites a scientist to accompany him on travels around the world. Of course he decides to kill big

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OPERATION PERFORMED ON RULER

Purulent Fluid Drained By Puncture—Slight Improvement Noted—Five Specialists in Attendance Early Afternoon—Public Startled By News—Queen Unveils Memorial.

LONDON, Eng., Dec. 12.—(AP)—King George underwent an operation today for removal by puncture of purulent fluid around the base of his right lung.

Some of the fluid was removed and further drainage will be necessary.

Announcement of the operation was made in a bulletin timed at 3:20 p. m. and signed by five physicians.

The bulletin read: "The slight improvement noted in the king's condition this morning is maintained. Some purulent fluid around the base of the right lung has been removed by puncture this morning and further drainage will be necessary."

Buckingham palace officials were reluctant to comment on the afternoon bulletin, which was the first issued at that time of day, but the fact that the doctors had stated that the slight improvement noted in the morning announcement had been maintained was taken as a good sign.

The operation, technically known as a minor one, was performed this morning and the secret was so well kept that it was not until mid-afternoon when the second bulletin by the clause that slight improvement reported in the king's condition had been maintained.

The medical correspondent of the Evening News, discussing the bulletin, said: "This afternoon's bulletin discloses rather a serious aspect of the case, but if the purulent fluid is localized it may not be so serious as appears at first sight. Any extensive drainage will be effected by a little tube at the chest or the removal of a small portion of the rib. The news is something of a setback but we shall be able to judge better of the importance of the development from the night bulletin. It is a good factor that the slight improvement in the general condition is still maintained."

Doctors Consult

The seriousness of his majesty's condition was indicated by the fact that his five physicians remained in consultation for more than two hours at the palace this afternoon.

Dr. L. E. H. Whitty left just before 5 o'clock. Soon afterward Sir Hugh Rigby, honorary surgeon to the king, visited the palace and was immediately shown to the room where the doctors were conferring.

Sir Hugh, besides being honorary surgeon to the king, is surgeon to his majesty's household and surgeon-in-ordinary to the prince of Wales. He is one of the most experienced surgeons in the kingdom.

LONDON, Eng., Dec. 12.—(AP)—Despite anxiety over the illness of her royal husband, Queen Mary gave renewed evidence today of her devotion to duty. She motored from Buckingham palace into the city of London and for the first time unveiled a war memorial—one to members of mercantile and fishing fleets who were lost at sea in the world war.

Incidentally, the occasion was the first on which the queen's voice has been heard on the radio. The entire ceremony was broadcast by station BBC, giving opportunity for tens of thousands of British subjects to hear the voice of their ruler's consort in this time of anxiety and stress.

WAITING AT PALACE FOR NEWS OF KING'S CONDITION



Large crowds gather daily at the gates of Buckingham palace to hear latest reports of King George's condition. Picture shows group waiting for news of king's illness.

COMMISSION TO CONSIDER UMPQUA ROAD IN JAIL CELL

Roseburg Hearing Told State Highway Body Will Decide On Election—Opposition Is Voiced By Road Districts.

ROSEBURG, Ore., Dec. 12.—(AP)—The state highway commission announced after a hearing here late yesterday on creation of a road district for financing Umpqua highway construction that it would consider whether an election should be held within boundaries which would be considered advisable.

Senator B. L. Eddy, Dexter Rice and A. C. Marsters spoke in favor of a petition for an election to create a super road district including land with approximate valuation of \$17,000,000 upon which a tax of about 3 mills would be levied. They spoke of the advantages of the proposed road including better facilities for moving products and for attracting tourists. The road, it was declared, would link the three north and south highways and would tap one of the favorite recreational areas of the state.

The proposed highway would be completed by state government and county co-operation. The road district was planned to provide the county's share of the expense. The road now exists between Roseburg and Diamond Lake except for 22 miles.

C. L. Chenoweth, representing a group of opponents at Oakland and Sutherlin, presented remonstrances of 29 out of 41 road districts included in the tentative boundaries, and claimed that owners of more than \$11,236,000 of the lands opposed the petition.

A. A. Shaw, representing timber interests, objected to taxing timber lands which he said the road would not benefit. Len C. Dey, Southern Pacific attorney, objected to including right of way of the company along 15 miles of the boundary of the district. Lawrence T. Harris, of Eugene, representing various road districts, also spoke in opposition.

ROMANTIC MAID TRIES SUICIDE

Denied Forgiveness By Employer, 'Phantom Honey-moon'—Girl Drinks Poison—'Did It for Ken' She Says.

CHICAGO, Ill., Dec. 12.—(AP)—Dorothy Baker, the housemaid whose "phantom honeymoon" was New York and Niagara Falls was sent by her arrest for stealing \$2100 from her employer, tried to take her life last night by swallowing poison.

The 19-year-old girl's suicide attempt occurred in the Kensington police station after she had been confronted by Mrs. Nellie Bauer, from whom she confessed taking the money and a fur coat. When Mrs. Bauer denied forgiveness the girl drank the poison before police could stop her.

"Tell Ken I did it all for him," she cried.

Police said she referred to Kenneth Hagan, her former sweetheart, whose lack of attentions prompted her "to live like an heiress."

In New York, where she was arrested 10 days ago, she lived in the height of fashion, buying expensive clothes and taking a \$200 taxicab ride to Niagara Falls.

"It was great while it lasted," she said, "but I'm sorry I did it."

Last night she came to Chicago in custody of a police woman while photographers prepared to write her picture Miss Baker, unnoted for a moment, drank the poison. Doctors said she would recover.

HOOVER TOPS ANDES ENROUTE BUENOS AIRES

Great Barrier Crossed On Journey From Chile to Argentina—Only Important Region Hitherto Unvisited By Hoover.

LOS ANDES, Chile, Dec. 12.—(AP)—President-elect Hoover today was crossing the Andes mountains on a special train, en route from Santiago to Buenos Aires. He traveled over the highest transcontinental railroad route in either of the Americas, carrying his mission of friendship and understanding across one of the mightiest barriers known to man.

From Los Andes to its terminal at Mendoza, the total length of trans-Andean railway is approximately 154 miles. Its highest point is 19,512 feet above sea level, and it provided Mr. Hoover with the opportunity of studying one of the greatest engineering feats in the world.

Mr. Hoover, in crossing the Andes, completed his travels to the only important region in the world that he had never visited before.

The train was carried over the mountain by a rack system. On the Chilean side the line has been electrified, the energy being obtained from large water power plants near Santiago.

Coming to the summit of the mountain the road ran through a tunnel nearly two miles long and the train in passing through this tunnel crossed the border between Argentina and Chile.

Mr. Hoover bade farewell to Chile after exchanging hearty expressions of friendship between the United States and Chile with his host, President Baner. At a luncheon which was the climax of the Chilean welcome, President Baner said that the national spirit of the United States had given to the world incalculable benefits and an even greater hope for future spiritual and material advancement between the peoples of both continents.

Mr. Hoover, in replying, said that in both countries there was a common history of building in a new world, a new form of government founded upon a new conception of human rights. He asserted, "Our economic interests are reciprocal and our progress in prosperity and comfort can only be mutual."

In addressing newspapermen who were accompanying Mr. Hoover, the Chilean president said: "You must not forget that this country desires solid friendship with the United States."

BOMB PLOT IS NIPPED IN ARGENTINA

Two Arrested in Buenos Aires Plan to Wreck Hoover Train—Police Searching for Anti-American Agitators—1500 Guards to Insure Safety of Visitor

BUENOS AIRES, Dec. 12.—(AP)—A plot to bomb Herbert Hoover's special train has been frustrated. With two men under arrest, police today were continuing their search for any anti-American agitators who might be involved.

Fifteen hundred guards will be employed on special duty to insure the safety of the United States president-elect when he arrives tomorrow and during his visit.

President Irigoyen, in a statement on the plot, said police in searching a house in Gatica street found four hand grenades, two cylindrical bombs, one square bomb, dynamite, revolvers, automatic pistols, quantities of ammunition and 150 10-peso notes.

The police announced that a room in the raided house contained a detailed map of the railway system. Mr. Hoover believes the plotters intended to place the bomb on the tracks on the outskirts of the city just before the arrival of the Hoover special train.

Police in raiding the house arrested a youth who said he was Carlos Gutierrez, 18. The authorities said, however, that the real name of the youth was Alejandro Romano, and that he was 21 but posed as younger in hope of obtaining leniency under the minor law. They described him as a student of chemistry and they believed that he manufactured the bombs.

Later, a second man was arrested near the house. He gave the name of Jaime Castro, a chauffeur.

Police at work.

President Irigoyen said: "The president of the republic, being desirous of making agreeable the visit of the president-elect of the United States of America and of offering the greatest possible guarantee of safety to the personnel of the illustrious visitor, commanded the police to intensify their observations of dangerous elements."

The president added that this order had been carried out by the division of investigations which discovered the house which was raided.

Although only two men were officially announced to have been arrested, it was generally known today that the police had been active for a week in picking up suspects. These suspects will be committed until after the departure of Mr. Hoover. The authorities not only are determined to prevent any plots against Mr. Hoover, but also are determined to disrupt any public demonstrations against the United States.

Since the bombing of the National City bank on Christmas eve last year, when two persons were killed and 20 injured, police vigilance in guarding the United States embassy and consulate, the American club and buildings housing American firms has not been relaxed. A bomb was discovered last month on the steps of the Buenos Aires cathedral which is across the street from the National City bank. As it was being taken to the police station it exploded and a pedestrian was killed. This was believed to be a part of a general program of agitation against American interests in Argentina.

The perpetrators were never arrested. During the Sacco-Vanzetti agitation there were some violent demonstrations in Argentina.

Tu rizens, One Marry Two One Parizen

WILLINGTON, Conn., Dec. 12.—(AP)—Two Parizens and one of the Hipkys will marry two it takes and one of the Parizens here Saturday. It sounds confusing, but it is just a case of two sisters and a brother in one family marrying two brothers and a sister in the other family.

Here is the way they will pair off:

Ralph Parizen and Amelia Hipky; Charles Parizen and Irene Hipky; Paul Hipky and Barbara Parizen.

PRESIDENT LAUDS AIR PIONEERS

Past and Present Air Heroes Praised By Coolidge at International Civil Aeronautics Conference—Increase in Industry Pictured—Wright Is Guest.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—(AP)—The elite of the air assembled here today at the international civil aeronautics conference and heard President Coolidge single out past and present heroes who have done much to make America an air-minded nation.

The progress of man's efforts to conquer the air, going back to the fourth century before Christ, was outlined by President Coolidge today in an address before the International C.I.V.I. Aeronautics conference.

Mr. Coolidge drew a picture of flying, especially of heavier than air flying in the present day, which showed the great strides of this new industry since the Wright brothers rose from the sand dunes at Kittyhawk, N. C., 25 years ago in the first sustained flight in a machine driven airplane.

He pointed out that in 1926 the value of the aeronautic industry in the United States was \$5,000,000 and that it now is \$150,000,000. Regular flying in this country beginning with a short air mail line he said, was increased to 15,500 miles and plans were under way to extend the international lines to the isthmus and South America.

"All nations are looking forward to the day of extensive, regular and reasonably safe intercontinental and interoceanic transportation by airplane and airship," he said.

What the future holds out, even the imagination may be inadequate to grasp. We may be sure, however, that the perfection and extension of air transport throughout the world will be of the utmost significance to civilization. While the primary aim of this industry is and will be commercial and economic and the prosperity of the world will be immeasurably advanced by it, indirectly, but no less surely, will the nations be drawn more closely together in bonds of amity and understanding."

Wrights Praised

Mr. Coolidge devoted a large portion of his address to a review of the history of aeronautics, in which he praised the achievement of the Wright brothers.

"Others, whose names will long be remembered had done much to solve the problem," he said, "but it remained for the able, persistent and modest brothers from Dayton to demonstrate completely the possibility of a machine raising itself by its own power and carrying a man in sustained flight."

Turning to the widespread use of the airplane today and its rapid development in recent years, Mr. Coolidge said that the "wonderful and spectacular flight to Paris" of Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh and his subsequent country-wide tour, had done "much to make America air-minded." The nineteenth century was the railroad and steamboat age he said, while the twentieth "will be known for the development of aeronautics and air transport."

"Air transport means much to the United States," he said, "divided as it is in the west by lofty mountain ranges and deserts. In the early days it took six months to go from Missouri to the Pacific coast. An airplane has traveled across the continent in less than 24 hours. We are stretching our arms through the air to Canada and to our friends and neighbors on the south."

Orville Wright, the first man to fly, is guest of honor at the conference, to which 49 nations have sent representatives. Col. Lindbergh was seated with the 12 members of the American delegation, appointed by President Coolidge to represent the United States in the three-day discussion of world aeronautical problems.

DAYLIGHT RAID NETS \$100,000 FROM BANK CAR

YONKERS, N. Y., Dec. 12.—(AP) In a daylight holdup in the heart of this city's business section, seven or eight robbers opened fire this morning on the collection car of the first National bank and escaped with a \$100,000 payroll after wounding one of the bank guards.

The collection wagon, a party armored automobile, was transporting the payroll from the post office to the bank for later delivery to the Alexander Smith & Sons Carpet company, one of the largest organizations of its kind in the world. Two bank guards and a city policeman were riding in the car.

At the intersection of Buena Vista avenue and Hudson street, in the center of the city, a group of men in another car opened fire on the bank car, shooting directly through the windshield. Adolph Kauster, one of the guards, was shot through the arm. The other guards and policeman were subdued by the robbers, who escaped with the payroll toward New York City, switching on the way from their original automobile with a Jersey license, which they deserted, to another car.

FARMERS ADVISED LAY ASIDE HOPES OF EQUALIZATION

CHICAGO, Ill., Dec. 12.—(AP)—Congressman L. J. Dickinson of Iowa, midwestern agricultural leader and supporter of Herbert Hoover during the recent campaign, today urged the American farmer to lay aside his hopes for an equalization fee arrangement for farm relief and to give full support to the president-elect's program for agriculture.

The Iowa legislator, speaking before the annual convention of the American Farm Bureau Federation, said the farmers were justified in the conclusion that a special session of congress would be called to carry out pre-election pledges, and that agricultural relief legislation should await the action of the special session.

Mr. Dickinson reviewed the recommendations for farm relief made by Mr. Hoover during the campaign and contrasted the president-elect's proposals with recommendations made by President Coolidge in his recent message to congress.

DOUGLAS COUNTY AGENT SUCCUMBS

ROSEBURG, Ore., Dec. 12.—(AP)—B. W. Cooney, former Douglas county agricultural agent, died today as a result of pneumonia following influenza. Mr. Cooney's wife and 10-year-old daughter both died last week from the same cause. He was born in Lincoln, Neb., December 23, 1886, and in 1913 moved to the state of Washington, following his marriage. He came to Roseburg in 1926 as county agricultural agent and served in that capacity for five years, being forced to leave because of ill health. He leaves five children.

STATE BOARD DOES NOT CONSIDER FLU SERIOUS AS IN 1918

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 12.—(AP)—One death from influenza in Portland, a 3-year old boy was reported to the health office today. There were 198 cases in the city, including 25 reported today.

The weekly report of the state board of health, issued today, reported 1344 cases reported. Lane county reported 226 cases, Douglas county 111.

Dr. Frederick Stricker, secretary of the state board of health, said he did not consider the situation as serious as the epidemic in 1918, but urged precautions against spread of the disease.

TEXAS HOTEL FIRE

HOUSTON, Texas, Dec. 12.—(AP)—Three persons lost their lives in a fire in the old Boyle hotel, a 53-room structure here today. Trapped in his room, J. J. Lind, 35, of Houston, died of suffocation. The bodies of L. Dougan and an aged cripple were removed from the ruins.

LUPE VELEZ ESCAPES AS CLOTHING BLAZES

HOLLYWOOD, Cal., Dec. 12.—(AP)—Lupe Velez, the famous actress, was saved from injury by the quick action of a property man who threw a rug around her and quenched a fire which had caught in her old-fashioned hooded skirt during the filming of a fire scene. Half the skirt was burned.

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