

The Weather	
Forecast—Main, and in rate temperature.	
Highest yesterday	50
Lowest this morning	41
Precipitation	.17

MEDFORD MAL TRIBUNE

Weather Year Ago	
Maximum	42
Minimum	27

MEDFORD, OREGON, SATURDAY, DECEMBER 29, 1928.

Today

By Arthur Brisbane

Having and Keeping. 1,000,000 Flu Cases. New Boofire Starts. Dry 'Influence.'

If children are worth having, they are worth keeping. Athens, Ga., believes that they are worth having and keeping. Health Commissioner Bagby sends this interesting telegram: "Results of child health demonstration of commonwealth fund during period of five years shows number of deaths of white children under 15 per year for five year demonstration period lower by 50 per cent than in the four years before the demonstration."

This is a wasteful world, and ours is the most wasteful, extravagant nation on the earth. The worst of all waste, is the waste of child life.

Public health officials in Washington say that 1 per cent of the population has influenza, a million cases throughout the United States. And "the peak of the epidemic has not been reached."

Get plenty of fresh air, eat moderately, drink plenty of fresh water, noticed, keep away from crowds and keep cheerful. That's about all the advice you can get.

When Henry Ford started his "Ford Motors Limited Company, to build Ford cars in Britain for all Europe, he little thought he was starting a new speculative bonfire in Wall Street.

The sale of his stock Wednesday, above 400,000 shares, constituted one-quarter of all the business done on the curb stock exchange.

The British, according to Ford's plan, were to own 40 per cent of his British company. They own little of it now, the Americans having bought it away from them, at a profit of more than 300 per cent, buying the stock for more than four times what Ford charged them for it.

To make things more interesting, Mr. Ford's Canadian company went up \$72 a share.

Next time Ford will arrange it so that those to whom he benevolently sells stock for \$5 a share won't be able to get rid of it for a year or two at least.

It was a cheerful day in Wall Street, for those that lend money. Interest on "call money" rose to 12 per cent, the highest in a year.

The "squeeze" in money, predicted for the year's end, seems to have arrived.

Henry Ford, who probably has never seen Wall Street in his life, says "there is nothing new under the sun." Motors, airplanes, radios, are no more new than "a dinosaur's egg."

Mr. Ford thinks civilization, very ancient, had flying machines, automobiles, etc. At least he is quoted to that effect.

He's mistaken. The flying machine existed 19 men's imagination, not elsewhere.

The first flying machine that ever flew on this earth was the Wright brothers'.

On other planets, other "men" fly, undoubtedly. They have flown on Mars, perhaps, for ten million years. But here it is new.

Mr. Durant has given his \$25,000 prize to Major Chester P. Mills, formerly federal prohibition ad-

HUGE SUM FOR PHONE WORK HERE

Medford to Receive Share of Five Million Dollar Oregon Construction Activity—Work Starts in April—Outside and Inside Plant Improvement Scheduled.

According to R. B. Hammond, manager of the local telephone exchange, a considerable portion of the amount allotted by the company for betterment facilities in Oregon will be spent in Medford this year.

The work includes both outside and inside plant improvement and enlargement with work to start about April 1 and continuing approximately five months, according to present estimates.

Although the exact figures have not been arrived at, according to Mr. Hammond, the local projects will require expenditure of between \$50,000 and \$75,000.

SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 29.—(AP)—Approximately \$12,000,000 will be spent in the Pacific northwest by the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph Co. for additions and betterments in 1929.

General Manager C. E. Hickman said here today that the provision for construction in Washington, Idaho and Oregon calls for an increase of \$1,000,000 over the amount expended in 1928. About \$2,000,000 will be expended on long distance leads in the district.

Another project is the construction of a section of overhead cable south from Portland to be extended later to Salem.

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 29.—(AP)—More than \$5,000,000 will be spent by the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph Co. in construction activities in Oregon during 1929. H. R. Risley, state manager, announced today.

The largest single item on the 1929 budget is for central office equipment, \$1,800,000. Local or exchange lines, as distinguished from long distance lines, will require about \$1,000,000 and \$925,000 will be devoted to "station equipment," meaning telephone instruments, private branch exchanges, switchboards and all other types of facilities placed on customers' premises.

The remainder of the \$5,000,000 will be made up of miscellaneous items such as land and buildings.

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 29.—(AP)—An income tax bill approved by a majority of the "fourth subcommittee" of the state property tax relief commission is to be studied by the entire commission before being submitted to the legislature.

The new bill provides for a property tax offset up to 75 per cent of the taxes paid.

It would tax incomes not in excess of \$5000, 2 per cent; over \$5000 and not in excess of \$10,000, 4 per cent; over \$10,000, 5 per cent.

Exemptions: single person \$1200, married person \$2000, with \$100 exemption for each dependent under 18 years of age.

The property tax offset is explained as follows: If one would ordinarily pay \$100 income tax, but who pays \$100 taxes on property, he would be given credit for \$75, so would only pay \$25 income tax.

WALDORF-ASTORIA TO BE WRECKED



The Waldorf-Astoria, famous as a center of New York's social life for two generations, is doomed to be wrecked. It will be torn down to make way for a new 60-story office building.

FRAT AUDIENCE GIRL TELLS OF WALKS OUT ON ABDUCTION BY BOSTON SHOW NEGRO SLAYER

Delegates to Delta Kappa Epsilon Convention Claim Given 'Bum's Rush'—Theatre Manager Says Guests Too Noisy.

BOSTON, Dec. 29.—(AP)—Two hundred delegates to the national convention of the Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity and their women friends, who included a number of socially prominent members of the Junior League and Vincent club, started out last night to see a theatrical performance at the Copley theater, but ended not long after with a dance at the University club.

But whether they quit the theater in indignation at the attitude of Manager E. E. Clive, or were given the "bum's rush" is a matter over which there was wide variance of opinion today.

The entire delegation, occupying most of the first floor of the house, left after James Anderson Hawes, national secretary of the fraternity, went to the front of the orchestra and told his fraternity brothers and their friends that inasmuch as they had been given the "bum's rush" they could go to the University club and enjoy themselves as "ladies and gentlemen."

Rain Curtain Down. The curtain was run down twice before the first act was over. The first time Clive objected to the comments from the floor of the house. The second time he said he would not allow the play to go on until these in the first three rows had left the building. Whereupon the curtain was run down and the fraternity doctored their wraps and left.

Hawes and other members of the fraternity were indignant at the treatment accorded them.

"I have attended 19 of our conventions and have never seen a more quiet audience," Hawes said. "I was there all the time and I did not hear a thing that was out of the way or out of the ordinary in any sense of the word."

Clive later issued a statement in which he claimed that he had made a special price concession to the fraternity and that the guests apparently were more busy on having a good time than paying attention to the play.

PORTLAND METHODIST MINISTER SUCCUMBS

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 29.—(AP) Rev. Paul E. Edwards, pastor of Sunnyside Methodist church for five years, died here today after long illness. He was appointed to the international relations committee of the Methodist church at the last general convention held in Kansas City. Before coming to Portland he was pastor of the James Methodist church, Brooklyn for 12 years.

Dollar Undisturbed. (AP)—A dollar bill found in 1910 has hung in a frame on the wall of the Foresters of America's lodge room here for 18 years. Various organizations and individuals rented the hall but the bill remained.

Federal Agents Would Apprehend Santa Boatman

CLEVELAND, O., Dec. 29.—(AP)—If Santa Claus left a case of imported French champagne at the home of United States Commissioner Martin J. Monaghan Christmas eve, the bewhiskered boatman is liable to arrest.

Monaghan revealed today that while he was absent from home an unidentified man left the heavy package with the mail. A Christmas greeting card was attached.

The commissioner turned the champagne over to federal agents, who admit the best they can do in life is a warrant against Santa Claus.

REIGN OF TERROR STAGED BY YOUTH TO SHOW BADNESS

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 29.—(AP)—After a reign of terror during which he kept two women and their husbands prisoners under a threat of death for two hours in the home of one of the couples, a youth who said he was Joseph H. Tuttle, 22, son of Deputy City Assessor Joseph Tuttle, was held in jail here today.

The two couples, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dominey and Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Thaler, had spent the evening at the home of the latter, and were walking to the Dominey home. On their way, they noticed they were being followed by a stranger, and quickened their steps.

The stranger, however, drew a revolver, and followed them into the Dominey home.

The youth forced them to sit down in a row on aavenport, threatening to kill them, and over did fire a shot, narrowly missing Dominey. He severed the telephone connection, they said, and wrecked the furniture, boasting that he was a real "bad man," and would show them what he could do with a gun.

Tuttle left the house after two hours of this, the victims said, attempting to kill anyone who made an attempt to go outside. Thaler, however, managed to leave unharmed, and telephoned police from a neighbor's house. A detail arrived shortly and captured Tuttle while the youth was prowling about the front of the house. He refused to give an explanation of his act, and was locked up on charges of robbery, assault with a deadly weapon, malicious mischief, and violating the firearms ordinance.

SUPERINTENDENT TO SEND CHECKS IN BANK FAILURE

SALEM, Ore., Dec. 29.—(AP)—Checks have been signed by A. A. Schramm, state superintendent of banks, to cover a final dividend of 10 per cent on claims filed against the Bank of Stanfield, insolvent. The bank was closed March 12, 1927. A third dividend of 10 per cent was paid claimants against the First National Bank of Seaside, a third dividend of 10 per cent was paid depositors in the First National Bank of Joseph, and a second dividend of 15 per cent in savings and 5 per cent in commercial was paid depositors of the insolvent Ashley State Bank of Portland.

NEW TRIAL ORDERED BY SUPREME COURT FOR STATE DRY AGENT

SALEM, Ore., Dec. 29.—(AP) S. C. Linville, a state prohibition agent, who was found guilty in the circuit court for Deschutes county on a charge of assault with a dangerous weapon and fined \$250, will get a new trial by decree of the state supreme court today. An opinion by Justice Bean reverses Judge T. E. J. Duffy of the lower court and remands the case.

Linville was indicted jointly with L. L. McBride, another state officer. McBride was found not guilty. The complaining witness in the case was John W. Dennis, who claimed the officers beat him with an electric flashlight.

WOMAN OFFERS TO GO PRISON FOR LIFE TERM

Slayer of Husband Attempts to Prove Innocence—Story Breaks Down Before 'Strange Power' of Love for Mrs. Bartovick.

LA CROSSE, Wis., Dec. 29.—(AP) A woman today offered to go to prison for life in exchange for the freedom of the man who slew her husband.

During the eight years John Beier has been in a life's cell following conviction for slaying Nick Biesen, he has insisted he was unjustly imprisoned. Yesterday, by permission of Governor Zimmerman, he faced Nick Biesen's widow, now Mrs. Helen Bartovick, in an effort to show he was innocent.

It was a plausible story John Beier, the life, had woven during the years of imprisonment, a story which he hoped would win him freedom. It sought to show that Mrs. Biesen herself killed her husband while Beier was locked in a closet at the Biesen home.

Ever since he was 14 years old, Beier said, Nick Biesen's wife had had a strange power over him. As a lad, he said, he had loved her. When he became older his infatuation increased. There was an "affair," as a result of which Mrs. Biesen served two years in prison following her husband's slaying.

In his cell Beier fashioned his story, finally appealing to Governor Zimmerman for a chance to show himself innocent. "If I had five days' grace," he said, "in which I could be brought face to face with her, I could prove I am unjustly imprisoned."

Story Tumbles. Governor Zimmerman granted his petition. Yesterday the man and the woman confronted each other. Beier's story, so carefully constructed, tumbled about his head. The "strange power" of which he had complained still was at work, and Beier broke down, admitting his guilt.

"It was all my fault," she said, according to Lawrence Brody, district attorney. "If the governor will release John, I will go to prison and stay there for life."

Beier had told the governor he had been kept a prisoner by Mrs. Biesen for several days, being locked in a closet at the Biesen home. The couple quarreled, he said, and Mrs. Biesen shot her husband. Beier being helpless to interfere.

Part of this was corroborated by the woman yesterday. She said, however, that during her quarrel with her husband, Beier broke from the closet, wrestled a pistol from Biesen's hand and shot him down.

REVISE PLANS FOR PROPOSED OFFICE STRUCTURE SALEM

SALEM, Ore., Dec. 29.—(AP)—Revised plans have been prepared by Architects Knighton & Howell of Portland for the proposed state office building, which is to be built by the United States supreme court holds that the state can legally erect the building with funds borrowed from the industrial accident commission.

According to the new plan the building would have two wings, each being a duplicate of the present state supreme court building, which is three stories high. Between the two wings would be a court leading to a central unit having seven main stories surmounted by three stories of smaller floor space.

The case of the Eastern & Western Lumber company against the state, which is to be decided the issue, is to be heard by the United States supreme court January 4. A decision is expected by the middle of January.

Louis Fergot. (AP)—Louis Fergot, Pa., Dec. 29.—(AP)—Louis Fergot, a trap for burglars. He put a shotgun on a picture and pointed it at a door, with a cord running from a trip knob. Louis Fergot and opened the door himself. He is in a hospital now.

W. gers Says:

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—(AP)—Mr. Coolidge wouldn't hit a quail in the old Republican state of Virginia, but he ruined those Democratic turkeys in Georgia. Another Republican, an old colored fellow, called the turkeys up to where he could shoot 'em. So it was really another 100 per cent Republican victory over Democratic trustful mess.

Coolidge calling Hoover to Washington now, makes me believe he will turn things over to him now, and not wait till March, saying, "Here is this senate. You take 'em and wrestle with 'em. Me for the rod and gun." Yours, WILL ROGERS.

DISCOVERER OF PELLAGRA CURE SERIOUSLY ILL

Dr. Joseph Goldberger Suffering Strange Malady—Blood Transfusions Given—Fame Gained in Pellagra Work.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—(AP)—The man who found the cause and cure for a mysterious disease has been attacked by a strange malady that threatens him with death.

Two blood transfusions have already been given Dr. Joseph Goldberger, United States public health service physician and conqueror of pellagra, and others will be made semi-weekly. His physicians are at a loss to explain his illness, tho they agree that it is some form of anemia. A further touch of mystery was added, however, when it was said that this might not be the primary cause of his ailment.

Twenty of Dr. Goldberger's associates volunteered for blood transfusions when it was learned that these were needed and fourteen of the twenty were accepted.

Dr. Goldberger gained fame by his work with pellagra, his studies showing that it was caused by the absence of a specific vitamin, which he named "PP."

Tracing the disease to an unbalanced diet, he worked out a cure during the 15 years that he was in charge of field investigations into the malady for the public health service. This cure was simply itself, the use of dried yeast, which also served as a preventive.

Pellagra centered in the United States in the south and after the flood of 1927 which impoverished wide sections another outbreak of it was feared. The Red Cross distributed several tons of dried yeast among the refugees and there were only occasional and widely scattered cases.

Known among laymen principally for his work with Pellagra, among his fellow scientists Dr. Goldberger's research work on yellow fever, dengue fever, measles, typhus fever, diphtheria and other infectious diseases has commanded attention and respect.

His work pellagra marked an advance in the study of nutrition in general. He was engaged in dietetic studies in the public health service's laboratory here when he became ill about three weeks ago.

FREQUENT RAINS TO FEATURE NEXT WEEK

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 29.—(AP) The weather outlook for the week beginning December 30th was announced today by the United States weather bureau as follows:

Far western states: The outlook is for temperatures near or above normal and considerable cloudiness with rather frequent rains over the Pacific Coast states southward to central California, and snows over the high mountain ranges and the plateau region. There is a probability of rains in southern California before the end of the week.

NO GAIN IN BATTLE FOR KING'S LIFE

Newspaper Claims Forty-Third Day of Illness Finds Anxiety Increased—America Contributes Solution for Treatment.

LONDON, Dec. 29.—(AP)—An early edition of the Evening News said today that in an uphill battle for life, King George was not holding his own. The paper said that anxiety concerning the king's condition had increased on this, the 43rd day of his illness.

LONDON, Dec. 29.—(AP)—Two slightly more hopeful bulletins on King George's illness since the decidedly disturbing onset of Thursday night and yesterday morning have served to hearten the public somewhat. Deep anxiety, however, was still the keynote of popular feeling today over the king's condition.

Suggest Transfusion. There naturally has been interest in any hint of a new method of treatment for the stricken ruler and in addition to that aroused by the American contribution of an antiseptic solution received yesterday, which it is hoped will prove helpful, an unofficial suggestion that a blood transfusion would likely be employed excited the public imagination keenly. It was stated authoritatively this afternoon, however, that this has not been considered by the king's doctors.

It is understood that the measures decided upon yesterday for the purpose of increasing his majesty's general strength relate to a new course of medicine.

England continues to wonder whether the king has been suffering from periods of unconsciousness. This has been definitely stated in this press, but neither the bulleting nor the unofficial palace statements mention this condition.

GOLSTON BASSETT, Nottinghamshire, Eng., Dec. 29.—(AP)—The hunt of the Belvoir hounds, with which the Prince of Wales rode today, was marked by a tragedy in the death of the famous English hunting man, William Wroughton, of Melton Mowbray. His horse fell at a high fence and rolled on him. Another rider, who fell at the same fence escaped injury.

Wroughton was former master of the Pytchley hunt. The accident took place not far from where the Prince of Wales was riding but the prince himself did not witness the fall.

SON OF MRS ROSS DIES NEATH AUTO

SARATOGA, Wyo., Dec. 29.—(AP) Ambrose Ross, the son of former Governor Nellie Taylor Ross of Wyoming, was killed here last night when his car turned over on a steep covered road.

Ross, who was 25, was returning to Saratoga from a short drive with John Paulsen, a former university friend. They had been riding in a snow storm and the roads were covered with ice.

Paulsen was thrown from the car and knocked unconscious. Ross was pinned under.

The horn of the automobile was jammed and the constant blowing attracted the attention of people living near the city limits, who finally discovered the overturned car.

King's Physician



Sir Stanley Hewett is one of the physicians attending King George of England during his present illness.