

The Weather
Forecast — Rain, and not much change in temperature.
Highest yesterday 39
Lowest this morning 34
Precipitation, 24 hrs., 5 a. m. .08

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

Weather Year Ago
Highest year ago today 45
Lowest year ago today 36

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Today

By Arthur Brisbane

The John D. Lease. Good Business Mileage. Another Canal Needed. The Dead Really Talk.

Fancy "realtors" and plain real estate men will read with interest of a lease signed by John D. Rockefeller, Jr., as tenant, Columbia University as landlord. To provide three blocks of New York real estate for an opera house site and a fine commercial development in the heart of the city, the Rockefeller lease will pay to Columbia College a total of \$251,000.00 in 8 years. That land sold about 100 years ago, for less than \$10,000.

Select your real estate CAREFULLY, but get some. The value of a machine depends on the length of its working life. Uncle Sam is fortunate in the lasting qualities and working determination of business men that build the country.

New York merchants gave a dinner to Colonel Michael Friedsam, who has finished 50 years of work as head of one of the biggest commercial institutions in America. Asked when he expected to retire, Col. Friedsam replied: "When they carry me out."

George F. Baker, past 80, works as hard as ever, frequently giving away some of the millions he has earned. John D. Rockefeller, within a few months of 90, will stop with his machine in the air, to tell you "Mr. Kingsbury, head of Standard Oil of California, is a very able man." He has given away hundreds of millions and is still working, although his son carries most of the load.

American business men possess extraordinary "mileage." Forty thousand men of the United States army and navy are engaged in a battle to last a week. Some of them are theoretically defending the Pacific entrance to the Panama Canal, others are theoretically attacking it.

In a real war, as Senator Reed of Missouri said the other day, enemy airplanes could destroy the locks of the Panama Canal and put it out of business in five hours. And battleships would hurry in the other direction to avoid being sunk by the same airplanes. Uncle Sam needs a sea level in Nicaragua.

Job said, in a pessimistic mood, "He that goeth down to the grave shall come up no more. . . . Neither shall his place know him any more." It would surprise Job and his friend Bilhad to learn that Dr. Steinmetz, who died several years ago, is to be heard on the radio throughout the United States on the 30th day of this month. A photophone film made before his death will be heard by millions.

STROKE IS FATAL FOR SENATOR

Oscar Underwood Succumbs in Virginia Home—Suffered Hemorrhage in December—Bad Health Forced Retirement—Assumed Democratic Leadership in 1911.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25.—(AP)—Former Senator Oscar Underwood of Alabama died at his home in nearby Virginia at 11:15 this morning.

Mr. Underwood suffered a cerebral hemorrhage early in December and later in the month was stricken with paralysis. He recovered for a time, but a few days ago had a relapse. He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Bertha Woodward Underwood, two



Senator Oscar W. Underwood.

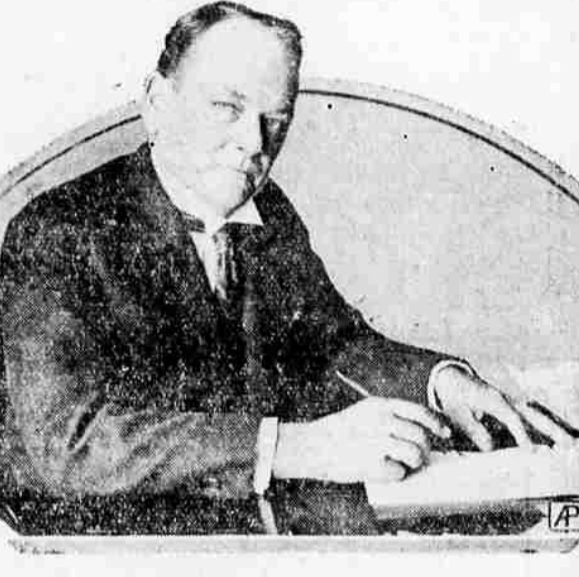
sons, Oscar Underwood, Jr., of Washington, and John Lewis Underwood of Birmingham. Senator Underwood, noted for his leadership of the Democratic party in the house and senate, took up his residence at Woodlawn, near the Mount Vernon home of George Washington, after he had decided to retire from the senate. His health had been bad for many months, although he had himself made light of it.

Mr. Underwood assumed leadership of his party in the house of representatives in 1911. The tariff bill passed during the Wilson administration bore his name, and he was placed in nomination for the presidential nomination at several of the party's national conventions.

Alabama finally placed him in the senate, and during his service there he became party leader and was one of the American delegates to the Washington arms conference, and here a large part of the burden in the senate fight to have the treaties drawn up at that conference ratified. He retired voluntarily from the senate, declining to let his name go before the voters in 1924.

The bill party went on its most violent rampage of the new year on the stock market today, bidding up dozens of issues 5 to 15 points to new high volume. Trading was in enormous volume during the first two hours. Johns Manville and Underwood Elliott Fisher led the upward swing with gains of 17 and 16 points, respectively. Union Carbide, Radio, and General Electric mounted about 11 points. Nash Motors jumped 10 to a record price in an enormous turnover, reaching 117.

MAY BECOME DEMOCRATIC WHIP



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HEAD-ON CRASH GRANT MONEY FATAL FOR TWO IN ALBANY CAR

ALBANY, Ore., Jan. 25.—(AP)—Two young men were killed, another was perhaps fatally injured, a girl was made permanently blind and three others were seriously injured when two automobiles crashed head-on on the Albany-Corvallis highway last night.

Delbert Ackerman and Robert Burnett die—Girl is blinded by broken glass. When cars meet on highway.

MEHRING WILL BE BLIND IN ONE EYE IF HE LIVES. Miss Irvin was the least seriously injured and was taken to Corvallis. A coroner's jury will investigate the wreck, the cause of which had not been definitely determined today. Both cars were demolished.

FOUR ENGLISH TOTS SLAIN BY DEMENTED FORMER POLICEMAN

ROMFORD, Essex, England, Jan. 25.—(AP)—The bodies of four children, aged between the ages of 2 and 5 years, were discovered with their throats cut in a shed near here today. The eldest boy and girl were children of Sidney Leroy Gray, a former member of the Metropolitan police of London, and the other boy and girl were children of Gray's sister.

TOPEKA FIREMEN USE OXYGEN TO SAVE GIRL. For seven days little Margaret Brown of Perry, west of here, almost at death's door, has been kept alive by oxygen administered by two Topeka firemen.

HOUSE PASSES APPROPRIATION COVER DEFICIT

House Bill 190 Provides \$150,000 for Immediate Expense State Departments — Mrs. Gertrude Denny Given \$1200.

SALEM, Ore., Jan. 25.—(AP)—A deficiency appropriation bill, appropriating nearly \$150,000 to meet immediate expenses of the state departments and other state expenses, passed the house today.

HOUSE BILL 152 WHICH PROVIDED THAT AN ALIEN MAY BECOME A NOTARY PUBLIC IF HE HAS ADJUDICATED INTENTIONS OF BECOMING A CITIZEN AND RECEIVED HIS FIRST NATURALIZATION PAPERS WAS UNDEFINITELY POSTPONED.

HOUSE BILL 229, INTRODUCED BY ANTERSON OF MULTNOMAH, LIMITS WORKING HOURS FOR LICENSED PHARMACEUTISTS TO NINE A DAY, WOULD LIMIT THE NUMBER OF HOURS AT WORK TO TWO WEEKS TIME TO 168 AND WOULD MAKE IT UNLAWFUL FOR A PHARMACEUTIST TO BE EMPLOYED FOR MORE THAN 13 CONSECUTIVE DAYS WITHOUT A FULL DAY OFF.

PARACHUTE FAILS, FILM STUNT GIRL IN DEATH PLUNGE

NEVADILLA, Calif., Jan. 25.—(AP)—The tragic death of a girl parachute jumper, Leta Wiehart today had halted production of an aerial motion picture in which Ruth Elder, aviatrix and Hoot Gibson, screen cowboy were being featured.

POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y., Jan. 25.—(AP)—Two 15-year-old boys sat down to a game of cards as played in the gambling halls of the old west.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Jan. 25.—(AP)—Judge Robert N. Hartzell in federal court here this morning overruled the petition of Dr. Edward M. Shumaker, superintendent of the Indiana Anti-Saloon League, for a writ of habeas corpus.

APE BOY RAGES AT ACCUSER

Northcott Denounces Deputy Sheriff Croushorn—Objection to Testimony Is Shouted—Sanford Clark's Sister to Take Stand—To Present Last Evidence

COURT ROOM, RIVERSIDE, Jan. 25.—(AP)—Gordon Stewart Northcott, worn and shaken by introduction of a confession made by him December 3, 1928, arose from his chair in superior court today and denounced Deputy Sheriff "Lave" Croushorn of Los Angeles.



Jessie Clark

murder of three boys, was scheduled to close the state's case against the young Canadian chicken farmer today. The little Canadian stenographer whose story to the American consul in Vancouver, B. C., started investigation which ended in extradition of Northcott from Canada on a triple murder charge, will be called to the stand.

RELIEF PROBLEM IS SUPREME CHALLENGE. HARRISBURG, Pa., Jan. 25.—(AP)—Senator Arthur Capper of Kansas, declared last night that President-elect Hoover had told him he regarded the farm problem as the "supreme challenge" of his administration and in view of this the Kansas state he believed a sound farm measure would be enacted.

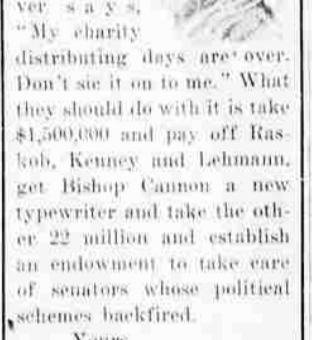
PRIZE FIGHTER PASTOR QUILTS CHURCH TO WED. OAKLAND, Cal., Jan. 25.—(AP)—Dr. Frederick R. Kidd, Wedge, Presbyterian minister, and his bride, the former Mrs. Jennie Minn Holloway, were honeymooning today despite the minister's breaking of the engagement yesterday because Mrs. Holloway had been divorced for a reason unrecognized as legal by the Presbyterian church.

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THREE ELECTROCUTED OSSING, N. Y., Jan. 25.—(AP)—Three men who were convicted of the murder of a Brooklyn policeman were put to death in the electric chair at Sing Sing prison last night. The three were Harry Dreifler, Isadore Holfant and Israel Fisher, all of New York City.

Will Rogers Say

NEW YORK, Jan. 25.—The Democrats are having tough time finding someone to give the twenty-four million to Mellon says, "I don't need it."



WILL ROGERS.

PROPOSED SITE LOCAL AIRPORT DECLARED GOOD. Government Air Officials Inspect New Location—Power for Beacons Being Contracted—Marking of Landings Provided.

S. S. Boggs of Washington, D. C., superintendent of airway extension, and E. L. Curtis of San Francisco, airway engineer, federal officials connected with the department of commerce, are in the city today, consulting with local airport board, collecting data and statistics, and inspecting the new proposed airport site, for which a bond election will be held April 2, next.

Installation of the electric beacon lights will start at an early date and will be in operation by June 1. The beacons will simplify night flying and will be established every 30 miles. There will be in the neighborhood of 50 beacons installed on the Oregon unit of the airway.

TEACHER RETIREMENT BILL PASSES SENATE. SALEM, Ore., Jan. 25.—(AP)—Without opposing argument, and with only Senator Bennett of Multnomah voting against it, the teachers' retirement bill passed the senate yesterday.

AIRPORT BOND BILL WITHDRAWN TODAY. SALEM, Ore., Jan. 25.—(AP)—Representative Clark in Friday morning withdrew house bill 224, which was designed to forbid the issuance of bonds by cities for the establishment of airports.

SALEM, Ore., Jan. 25.—(AP)—An act prohibiting the use of such warning words as "Beware," "Danger," "Be careful," in commercial advertising signs along the highways will be sponsored by the roads and highways committee of the house of representatives. The committee has been requested by the highway commission to sponsor such an act.

COMMITTEE CONSIDERS MILK LAW

Food and Dairy Requirements Would Regulate All Milk Dealers—Light, Ventilation, Cleanliness, Described—Mickle and Committee to Iron Out Provision.

SALEM, Ore., Jan. 25.—(AP)—A bill specifically outlining requirements to be met by every milk dealer in the state with penalties of fines and imprisonment for violation, is being considered by the state committee on food and dairy products and will be dropped into the house hopper as soon as a few disagreements on provisions of the bill are ironed out between the committee members and the state dairy and food commissioner, J. D. Mickle, originator of the bill.

It requires that the milk house be supplied with steam for sterilization. Power is also given the commissioner to require a physical examination by a reputable physician of any person engaged in handling milk, who is suspected of having a contagious disease.

Justice courts and district courts are given concurrent jurisdiction with circuit courts in enforcing the law. Mickle's bill provided for a fine from \$10 to \$1000 and imprisonment but the committee have reduced the fine from \$10 to \$500 and have taken off the imprisonment penalty for first offenses.

AIR TRANSPORT LOST IN SNOW ENROUTE UTAH

Pilot Barber and Two Passengers Unreported After Leaving Elko Thursday—Railroad Train Hit By Snow Slide.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 25.—(AP)—The passengers on the Boeing Air Transport plane reported missing between Elko, Nev., and Salt Lake City, Utah, today are A. P. Ames and T. L. Pfueger, Pfueger is a San Francisco business man.

SALT LAKE CITY, Jan. 25.—(AP)—Heavy snowfall that today had blocked highways in this locality isolated Hinckham, near here, and had buried an Oregon Short Line passenger train under a 15 foot slide.