

# MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

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

## Today

By Arthur Brisbane

**Borah, Good American.  
Only Chicken Feed.  
1928 Good. Watch 1929  
Trotzky and Stalin.**

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Senator Borah, good American, fears that if we build cruisers without making arrangements satisfactory to Britain we shall have a "shipbuilding race with England." If necessary, why not have it?

But Britain couldn't afford it and knows well that we shall never attack Britain unless we are first attacked.

The British, while they could, dominated the seas, and were proud of it. Whoever didn't like it could lump it. That condition existed from the day when Nelson at Trafalgar wiped out Napoleon's chances of British conquest up to 1924.

It's Uncle Sam's turn now. Airplanes, submarines, fast cruisers, will answer any question from any other nation, and this country should have the answer ready.

To him that hath shall be given. Stock Exchange seats, recently rising to \$500,000 in value, enabled some, tired of watching the ticker, to retire and look at the green fields.

Now 275 seats will be added to the 1100 membership. From the proceeds every member will get \$125,000. Once that would have been a good deal of money even in Wall Street. It is just "chicken feed" now.

Mr. Whiting, Secretary of Commerce, says 1928 was the greatest year in production and trade ever recorded. That's pleasing.

But wait until you see the figures for 1929. "Prosperity is the normal condition of this nation," as James Speyer said. There is nothing to frighten us but our own prosperity.

As gently as possible tell the bears this, right from the Wall Street "feed box": "Enthusiasm carried dox": "Enthusiasm is the strongest, most active session of the stock market this year."

Federal Reserve Bank made a fine statement. Brokers' loans were only slightly increased. People have money to pay for what they buy, and wise brokers demand big margins.

On the whole, DON'T SELL SHORT. You might lose.

Trotzky is reported to be in Afghanistan, raising an army to march against Russian Communists who threw him out.

One hundred and fifty of Trotzky's followers are locked in "rigorous isolation" for stirring discontent among unions and soldiers.

Trotzky was a good military leader, defending bolshevism against allied "capitalistic" attacks. He then had the heavy armies of young Russia back of him, full of revolutionary enthusiasm.

How much can he do against Stalin, with such an army as he could raise? Probably not much.

Grow your own fur coats at home. Mr. Vernon Bailey of the agricultural departments tells you that muskrats, supposed to need big pens, can be raised like rabbits or guinea pigs, in small pens. They need only enough water to keep comfortably wet and cold in summer. This is the latest California rabbit raising, among others.

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## TAX LEVY FOR CITY DECLINES

Millage in Medford Is 2.5 Mills Less Than Previous Year — Butte Falls With Lowest Valuation Has Highest Rate Figures.

The state and county tax levy for Jackson county, based upon a valuation of \$34,127,718.86, will be 2.5 mills, or \$109.80 a million, exclusive of the levy for school, which leaves the county and general road millage, which will be 0.18 mills.

The millage levied for city, school, county and state, in Medford will be 0.684, a decrease of 2.5 mills. The millage levied for the county, within its money, is 0.584. The millage levied for the state is 0.236.

The appointment of the levy for this city is as follows:

County and state	0.684
City	0.229
School	0.225
Total	0.584

The highest millage in the county is for Butte Falls with a total of 0.785 mills on a valuation of only \$72,050.02. The school levy of 0.229 mills is the highest in the county. The total millage, according to Assessor, J. B. Coleman is also a record high mark for the county within its money.

State and county	0.165
City	0.311
Schools	0.209
Total	0.685

State and county	0.115
City	0.271
Schools	0.267
Total	0.653

State and county	0.126
City	0.292
Schools	0.176
Total	0.594

State and county	0.166
City	0.197
School	0.182
Total	0.545

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City	0.211
School	0.224
Total	0.599

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## AIMEE'S USE OF DEFENSE FUNDS RATHER VARIED

Evangelist in a Rush to Tour Canada Given Court Rebuff — Los Angeles Judge Was Handy Man Around Temple, Treasurer Testifies.

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 23.—(AP)—The "Jesus and defense fund," which Aimee Semple McPherson presiding, fought state charges growing out of her kidnapping episode, was used to pay anything from electric light bills to a judge's salary or for lecturing, a pastor-bookkeeper told an investigating committee of the state legislature today.

The revelation of the uses made of the fund which was raised by popular subscription came today as the committee delved into the circumstances surrounding the issuance of a \$2500 check to Superior Judge Carlos S. Hardy. The judge, who admitted receiving the money, is under investigation for possible impeachment proceedings because of the acceptance of an alleged "fee" during tenure of office.

Rev. J. W. Arthur, who kept the books of the evangelist's Los Angeles Temple testified that he had written the check for Judge Hardy, but that it was not for "legal advice."

"He lectured in the temple and talked over the radio and at one time when we were having trouble with our Santa Ana, Cal., church, he recommended who should handle the case for us," Arthur said, who he was asked what the judge did to "earn" the money. Arthur was asked what the initials "O. K." written upon a lower corner of the check, indicated. Arthur had no idea who placed the initials there, or what it meant.

The committee's special chambers in a downtown office building were packed to overflowing at the opening two hour session this morning, and Mrs. McPherson and Judge Hardy drew the interested attention of the crowd as they appeared in the court room.

Mrs. McPherson, placed on the stand shortly before the noon adjournment, explained that she had contemplated leaving Los Angeles Monday for a tour of Canada. It was her only testimony, and while she was not told that her trip would be delayed, the committee curtly ordered her to "be in those rooms at 9:20 o'clock Monday morning."

Arthur's testimony, which occupied virtually the entire session, disclosed that checks had been written on the fund not only for Mrs. McPherson's legal defense in support of her kidnapping story two years ago, but also for "detectives," "lecturers," "electric light bills," and a multiplicity of other expense incident to operation of the temple.

## STEWART RAPS SENATORS FOR 'SLANDER, LIE'

CHICAGO, Jan. 23.—(AP)—Colonel Robert W. Stewart, chairman of the board of the Standard Oil company of Indiana, Inc. in a letter to the U. S. House of Representatives today rapped senators for "slandering and lying" in their answers to the committee's questions regarding the oil company's activities in the oil fields of North Dakota.

"Senators Nye and Norris, size themselves up as superior to courts and juries," he declared, "and they have been told and acquitted in the courts of the perjury charges that followed his appearance as a witness in the Continental Trading company investigation. They arrogate to themselves the position of advisers to private investors and private corporations. Behind their cloak of senatorial immunity, they slander and abuse individuals without restraint."

Turning to Senator Nye's comment on Colonel Stewart's assertion that the profits in the Continental Trading company bond transaction went into dividends for the Standard Oil stockholders, he said:

"The Standard Oil company of Indiana and its stockholders have much to boast of and nothing to apologize for. Neither Nye nor Norris have ever before had the temerity to charge that the Standard Oil company of Indiana had ever received any illegitimate profits from any source. Heretofore, Senator Nye has said to the newspapers that it appeared that the time had come to attack the Standard Oil company of Indiana."

NEW YORK, Jan. 23.—(AP)—A typist by day and a federal prohibition agent at night was disclosed today as the role of Miss Marjorie Nellus, 22-year-old beauty.

## DIXIE 'PIE' UNDER EYE OF HOOVER

Distribution of Federal Patronage and Keep Harmony in G. O. P. Next Problem — President-Elect's Luck On Florida Fishing Trip Remains Mystery.

KEY LARGO, Fla., Jan. 23.—(AP)—President-elect Hoover concluded his three days of fishing in the Florida Keys late today but there was no word as to whether he had realized an ambition of years standing to land a sail fish, one of the prize catches in these waters.

After a day and a half of failure, the next president set out with this purpose in view and unless he was successful there could be no doubt of his disappointment, although he had a large collection of barracuda, dolphin, amberjacks and kingfish and his skill was an expert with rod and line.

Word received here early today that the fishing had been good and that the president had come ashore near the party of the two sailboats "Amie" and "Sauter" on Thursday afternoon from Angelfish creek near here.

During the time the secret service men kept the yachts more or less in sight, but it was not until today that there was direct communication between the floating headquarters of the president-elect and the shores. Mr. Hoover operated from a small gasoline boat, having as his companions his acting secretary, and Mrs. Hoover, with whom he had fished many times before.

Plans for the chief executive as communicated to shore early in the day called for a landing at Long Key, far south of here, at two o'clock and a return by rail to Belle Isle, the Florida Vacation home near Miami Beach. This home was put Mr. Hoover home just before midnight.

While the president-elect was winding up his fishing excursion, two of those prominent in his councils during the campaign set out from Miami Beach on a brief yachting excursion as the guests of Glenn R. Skilper, republican national committee chairman for Florida. These were Dr. Hubert Work, chairman of the national committee, and Horace A. Mann, Washington director of the republican presidential campaign in the southern states.

Chairman Work and Mr. Mann have had several conferences during the past few days, presumably discussing patronage in the south. Comm'iteeman Skilper has participated in some of these conversations, but no information concerning any of them has been made public.

Many political observers familiar with the close relationship between Mr. Hoover and Mr. Mann have predicted that the campaign director for the south would have large in the distribution of patronage in Dixie as well as in the work of general party reorganization in that section.

The patronage situation in at least some sections in the south is expected to furnish for the next president problems only a little less difficult than that in New York state, where the question and to harmonize the differences among party leaders.

What methods will be resorted to in the effort to clear away the difficulties in the southern region is to be determined. These probably will depend upon information received from his trusted advisers in the several states.

## MEDFORD LOSES SNAPPY BATTLE TO ROOK SQUAD

CHICAGO, Jan. 23.—(AP)—With close guarding throughout the first half featuring a snappy basketball game here tonight, the Oregon Agricultural college rooks defeated the Medford high school 24 to 14. At halftime the score stood 14 to 7 for the rooks.

Melvin of Medford, was high point man with 12 to his credit while Fagan of the rooks shot 5, giving him a lead for high point man over his brother-players. Morgan of Medford played a good game together with Luman of the rooks.

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## PLAN THE SYSTEM AS SALVATION

Would Make Many State Commissions Self-Supporting—Action Due Monday By Legislature On Needs of University Appropriations.

SALEM, Ore., Jan. 23.—(AP)—Adoption of a fee system whereby a number of state departments, supported by public funds, would be placed on a self-supporting basis is being seriously considered by the joint ways and means committee.

Included in the list of departments which would be made self-supporting is the state labor commission. C. H. Gram, commissioner, has offered his co-operation to the ways and means committee and indicated that the idea of adopting a fee system would bring about desired results.

Proposed amendments already drawn would increase the fees for electrical inspections as well as plumbing inspections. Boiler inspection fees would be collectible under a new bill introduced.

Mr. Gram said he estimated fees under the operation of the proposed new legislation would return to his office approximately \$23,000 during the current biennium. He estimated the expense of conducting the electrical, plumbing and boiler inspection departments at not more than \$13,000 or \$19,000 in excess of the fees received.

A plan to place the office of the state dairy and food commissioner under the jurisdiction of the state dairy and food commissioner. An attempt will be made to increase the fees for inspection made by regulating the operations of the sealer and no provision for fees in connection with the inspection of scales.

A plan also has been advanced whereby the state board of pilot commissioners would be placed on a self-supporting basis. The biennial appropriation for this department averages \$8,000 a year. Members of the ways and means committee said it would be possible to increase the fees of this department so as to make it unnecessary to authorize a biennial appropriation.

When the ways and means committee resumes its operations here Monday night, reports will be presented in connection with the needs of University of Oregon, state agricultural college and a number of other state institutions. Although the budget contains no proposed capital outlays for the university, a request has been made for an appropriation of \$50,000 for the erection of an infirmary.

The committee appointed to inspect the demands for the new infirmary. It was said that the present infirmary has accommodations for only 15 patients.

Another committee will report Monday night on the state agricultural college. No capital outlays are contemplated by the college during the biennium.

The ways and means committee reports also will be filed with the legislature Monday in connection with the Oregon Normal school at Monmouth. The reports of committees appointed to inspect the other state institutions have been received and filed.

The claims committee probably will swing into action early next week. This committee investigates all claims filed against the state and file its recommendations with the ways and means committee. These claims include warrants offered by the governor, property destroyed by state wars and miscellaneous items not included in the biennial budget.

It was indicated today that a number of appropriation bills will be reported by the ways and means committee not later than Thursday. Two years ago the appropriation bills were not released by the ways and means committee until the fifth week of the session.

SALEM, Ore., Jan. 23.—(AP)—A public hearing on Senator J. O. Bailey's bill to repeal the state office building act will be held in the state chamber Monday night. The act that Bailey seeks to repeal is the one authorizing the state to borrow \$500,000 from the funds of the state industrial accident commission for the construction of an office building for the state departments, thereby relieving the necessity of renting space.

Those opposing the use of the funds for the office building, say probably be led Monday night by J. B. Kerr, Portland attorney. The fight on the other side will be led by State Treasurer T. B. Kay.

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