

The Weather
Forecast—Rain tonight and Saturday, with fog.
Highest yesterday 44
Lowest this morning, 5 a. m., 25
Precipitation 24 hrs. to 5 a. m., 1.7

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

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Today

By Arthur Brisbane

Poor Trotzky.
Word Of Fear.
Big Business.
The Oil Fight.

Being head of a revolution is pleasant until the tide turns. Lenin died in time, Trotzky didn't. First they sent him to cold Siberia and now they exile him to Turkey. When he goes to heaven, the ghosts of Danton and Robespierre will sympathize with Trotzky.

Meanwhile the Soviet has an exhibition in New York of things that Russia can make, without the help of the czar, and it's an impressive exhibition.

The Russian government teaches full-grown men and women to read and write, abandoning the czar's theory. "The less they know the more easily they are governed."

That and giving the land to the peasants helps to sustain Russia's new government.

One word that high finance can't stand is the dread word "revolution."

An English tramp said he ate well, slept well and felt well. But when anybody talked about work he "came all over a tremble."

In Spain there is talk of a revolution. It may not amount to much, but the magic word revolution makes finance tremble.

Wednesday the value of Spanish exchange dropped 32 points.

This is nonsense. Spain is a strong, prosperous country. But fear does not reason.

If you are talking about prosperity, it will interest you to know that General Motors set a new high record, earning \$279,100,000 in 1928, \$38,565,000 in the last two months.

That means more than 6 percent on 43,500,000 shares of common stock now outstanding.

That really is "big business."

Henry Fisk, president, and Vice-President Frederick Ecker, who manage finances for the Metropolitan Life company, have the thanks of their policy holders. This year the Metropolitan will divide in dividends, for policy holders, \$77,138,725. Bigger by \$9,000,000 than any previous distribution.

Big business works well, if you know how to run it.

There is a real fight in the oil world. Chas. Evans Hughes, formerly chief justice of the Supreme Court, is hired by the Rockefeller side to fight Colonel Stewart of Standard Oil of Indiana.

Colonel Stewart, one of the first to use airplanes in business, keeps busy all over the country.

Meanwhile, little buyers of oil stocks see prices shrinking and tremble. They needn't. The fight will be over soon. The oil will remain.

General Atterbury's Pennsylvania railroad gives shop employees \$2,500,000 more per year. That's good for employees, still better for the railroad.

Industrial leaders realize that their prosperity depends on general prosperity. Big corporations, paying well, build up for themselves a sort of industrial "samurai" as valuable and reliable as the "two swordsmen" that protected Japan's nobles in the old days.

While England is telling Uncle Sam what he may and may not build in the way of cruisers, "beat on Germany" gives us a useful lesson.

AMEE FLYS NORTH FOR VANCOUVER

Evangelist Hurries To Fulfill Engagement--Salons Will Continue Probe Of Check Presented To Judge Hardy--Reporter Tells Of Interview With Jurist.

Local airport officials reported this morning that, owing to stormy conditions in California, no planes had arrived from the south and none was expected.

Neither the northbound mail planes nor the West Coast passenger planes had departed from San Francisco, as far as local airport officials could learn.

The West Coast plane, upon which Aimee Semple McPherson was scheduled to take passage, under ordinary conditions would arrive here between 1 and 1:30 o'clock.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Feb. 1.—(AP) After listening to a prayer at Angelus Temple last night wishing her "blessing and goodspeed on her trip north," Mrs. Aimee Semple McPherson, evangelist, left by automobile for San Francisco with the intention of flying from that point to Eugene, Ore., to catch a train for Vancouver, B. C., to fulfill an engagement.

Indications were today that the legislative hearing investigating the \$2500 check presented to Superior Judge Carlos S. Hardy, as a "love offering" during the investigation of the "kidnaping case" in 1926, would continue here for about two weeks. The committee has been swamped with messages from persons requesting permission to testify concerning the disappearance of the evangelist and subsequent dismissal of charges against her and her mother, Mrs. Annie Kennedy.

An interview with Judge Hardy, in which the jurist "sounded" him against the "dangers of porjury" was related from the witness stand by Wallace Moore, former Santa Barbara newspaperman, Moore, armed with a large script book told of his assignment in June 1926 to locate and stop a certain automobile in which Mrs. McPherson and Kenneth G. Keenan, former Angelus Temple radio operator, were reported to be traveling south.

It was the following August, he said, when Judge Hardy saw him at the newspaper office. Moore described at considerable length how the publication of his story had been followed by visits from hundreds of people who asked him about it and said he "scared and need them to death" to keep them from knowing what he really thought about the automobile incident.

"Judge Hardy never told you to say it was not Mrs. McPherson, did he?" asked Joseph Palmer, representing Mrs. McPherson.

"No, he did not," said Moore. "Judge Hardy says the substance of what I said is the rest of them did. I was used to it. I asked my city editor what I should tell him and he said he understood Judge Hardy was a good friend of Aimee's and working hard for her, so I let the judge talk."

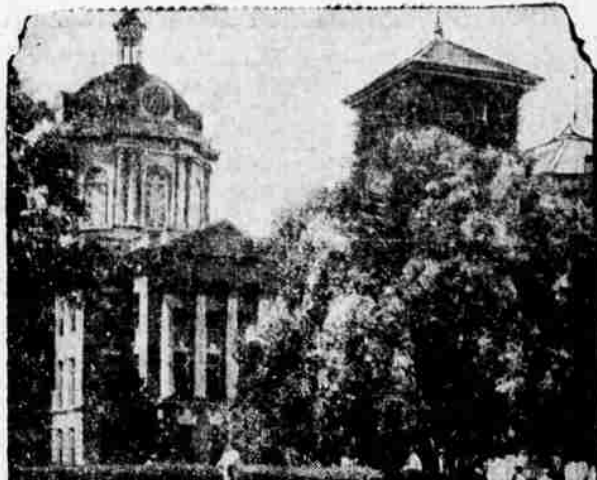
Judge Hardy talked about "Rosal" and "Steve" the supposed kidnapers and said the Los Angeles police were busier checking up on the affairs of Angelus Temple than they were investigating the kidnaping. He said he had all the confidence in the world in Aimee's story.

REALTY BOARD ENDORSES AIRPORT PROJECT

The Medford Realty Board unanimously endorsed the new airport at Hotel Holland today. This endorsement followed an interesting and comprehensive report on activities in national aviation circles and the status of Medford as a logical landing field, given by Selsey Hall, local representative of the Pacific Air Transport.

Mr. Hall was a guest of the organization, and was invited to talk on the new air port and its effect upon the future of this community. That if local citizens fully realized the blow to the future of the valley the loss of Medford as a recognized port would be, they would take immediate action and lend their wholehearted support to the project, was the closing statement of the speaker.

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The woman went moaning to the gallows, her last prayer proceeded and followed by expressions of her fear and an exclamation that the rope was tight. She cried out "Oh, mother! Oh, God! Isn't this a terrible thing," but Dr. Dreher shook hands with the sheriff and waited strongly up the ten winding stairs.

As he reached the fatal trap he said: "Poor Miss Ada. She has gone." Then looking at Melba O. Frost, a New Orleans newspaperman, he said "Frost, you know we didn't do it."

As the rope was adjusted he said, "Oh, God, have mercy on my soul. I don't want to die." Dies instantly.

He went through the trap and died instantly. Both executions were effected quickly and smoothly, the necks of both being broken on the first rebound of the ropes.

Both died regretting all, but protesting their innocence to the last. James Lehouf was killed on the night of July 1, 1927. The husband, superintendent of the Morgan City branch of the Louisiana Public Utilities company, was shot while boating on Lake Pelouze, near his Morgan City home. Five days later, his body floated down so that it would sink and scalded with angle iron, was found by frog hunters. Mrs. Lehouf and Dr. Dreher, together with James Beards, Morgan City lawyer, were arrested soon after and tried for murder. All three were found guilty in August, 1927. Beards was sentenced to life imprisonment and the others to death by hanging. The state contended at the trial that the woman and Dr. Dreher killed Lehouf so that he could not interfere with their love affair.

MILD WEATHER PRINCESS ILLA BRINGS THAW LEAVES PRINCE FOR PORTLAND WAIT AT ALTAR

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 1.—(AP) Fear of an ice storm was dispelled here today as Portlanders awoke to the musical dripping of melting snow from the eaves of their houses. The weather man, it was found, had not played false his "mild" in predicting warmer temperatures.

Occasional rain was predicted for tonight and tomorrow. The Oregon State Motor association today reported the Columbia highway blocked by drifts of snow at Wap'ama and Oronogo, Oregon. Nineteen automobiles were trapped at Multnomah Falls, unable to proceed in either direction, the report stated.

DR. DREHER WILL EXPAND AERIAL EXPRESS THRU MEDFORD

United Parcel Service To Use Air At Reduced Rates—Starts February 15—Intermediate Stops When Fields Available.

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 1.—(AP) Special Mail Tribune) From the offices of United Parcel Service, with branches in eight Pacific Coast cities, comes the announcement of the expansion of their service to cover aerial express to be known as United Air Express.

J. E. Casey, president of United Parcel Service, states that charges for shipment by United Air Express will be 25 to 75 per cent lower than previous air mail and air express rates.

The new air express service will begin about February 15, reaching all important Pacific coast points from San Diego, via Medford, to Seattle, including Fresno, Sacramento and other inland cities.

In discussing the new service, Mr. Casey said, "The question naturally arises in the minds of business men: How can a new firm enter the air express field with such radical reductions in rates on an economically sound basis?"

"The answer is that it will not be possible to meet ordinary conditions because landing fields are usually located far from city business districts. Such an enterprise by a new firm would ordinarily require a very large investment in equipment for collecting and carrying express to and from airports."

"But," Casey continued, "United Air Express is a development of United Parcel Service, that has for many years been providing an extensive parcel delivery service on the Pacific coast. The new low rates for air express are possible because of the widespread facilities of United Parcel Service in Seattle, Portland, San Francisco, Oakland, Los Angeles, and other cities we maintain a complete specialized delivery service. This complete equipment is immediately available for the additional work of servicing air express. We will contract with present air carriers to transport our express. Our company is the largest of its kind in the world, better fitted than any other kind of business to enter the field of air express."

Contracts have been signed with leading air transportation firms of the coast. All parcels for transportation will be delivered by United Parcel Service trucks to landing fields, and will be carried by planes at contract rates. Other United Parcel Service trucks will meet planes at their destination and make immediate delivery to consignees.

Many kinds of business are already using the air mail for package shipments, even at the present high rates, including film companies, advertising agencies, newspapers, jewelry houses, banks. Because of the new low rates, these present users are expected to take a much greater extent. In addition, the low rates will make it possible for many other types of business to use air transportation, such as blue prints, patterns, correspondence, dental and optical houses, druggists, parts manufacturers of all kinds of machinery, and others.

When United Air Express service starts about February 15, they state they will begin serving not only every Pacific coast point that are equipped with an airport, but will give daily air express transportation to Arizona, New Mexico, and Texas cities. Contracts have already been signed with many air transportation and air mail lines including the lines between San Francisco, Medford, Oregon, Portland and Seattle. The company expects to handle air express at correspondingly low rates to all cities and towns on the route where landing ports are available.

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Rain In Prospect—Halted When Girl Has Heart Change—Will Wed Brother Of Disappointed Prince—Families Are Resigned.

REGENSBURG, Bavaria, Feb. 1.—(AP) Princess Illa, of the Bohemian branch of the Thurn and Taxis family, who left Prince Raphael Rainer of the Bavarian branch of the same family waiting at the altar yesterday, changed her mind about the wedding because she had fallen in love with her fiancé's youngest brother, Prince Philippe Ernst.

Princess Illa, who is just past twenty, sprang the news surprise today by confessing that her heart belonged to Prince Philippe Ernst who will be twenty-one next May. It is now generally expected that the two will be married later. The families of the princess all declare that they credit her with the sincerest motives springing from a deep religious conviction that it would be wrong for her to marry Prince Raphael when she could love Prince Philippe.

It was learned today that Princess Illa met Philippe about the same time that she met Raphael who is twenty-three. She was not sure of her feelings, however, until she saw him daily while staying at his paternal home for the week preceding the date set for her marriage to Raphael.

Guests Gathered Numerous guests had gathered at Regensburg to witness the ceremony and the bishop of Regensburg was ready to read the service when Princess Illa went to Prince Albert, the eighth reigning prince and her intended father-in-law, and told him she loved another. She said she found it incompatible with the dictates of her conscience to promise to "love, honor, and obey" Prince Raphael, rather, until death might them part.

The Thurn and Taxis clan is one of the oldest princely families in Germany.

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 1.—(AP) The Times says today that Louis B. Mayer, vice-president of the Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer film corporation at Hollywood, Cal., has announced that he has been offered the diplomatic post of ambassador to Turkey by President Hoover.

Mayer's statement comes, the Times said, as a confirmation to reports from New York that he had been "offered" the post. He denied, however, that he had resigned from the film company and said he had not reached a decision as to accepting the presidential appointment.

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FOCH RECOVERING AFTER HIS RELAPSE

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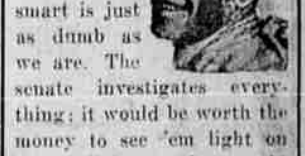
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Yours,
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