

### TEMPERATURE OF MORNING COLDEST FEBRUARY RECORD

The present cold spell with a temperature of 13 above after 5 o'clock this morning when the mercury stood at 17, was not only the coldest of the winter so far, but was the lowest temperature for the month of February ever recorded in Medford. The lowest previous February temperature recorded in the history of the local weather bureau was 16 above, in 1917.

But cheer up, while last night and this morning were cold and much chilliness prevailed today along with the sunshine, tonight and tomorrow morning will be colder with the minimum about 12 above, according to L. W. Dick, head of the Medford weather bureau. Mr. Dick said this noon that the cold wave might last several days, and was of the opinion that when it did break up, the break would come suddenly.

This wave is general over all of Oregon, and throughout southern, central and eastern Washington and the extreme northern part of California, from where it crossed the mountains in the Mississippi valley.

The lowest morning temperature of today in this section of the state was 11 above at Wolf Creek in Josephine county. Baker City had the lowest official minimum temperature in the state with 12 above, and the morning temperatures at Portland and Roseburg were 18 above. Spokane had a morning temperature of 10 above. The highest temperature of yesterday was 25 above, and its low temperature was 17 above.

### Detroit's Famous "Wood Case" Is Maze of Charges



Charges are flying back and forth in Detroit's "Wood case." Cecil Holt (upper left) alleged that Mrs. Grace M. Wood (below) plotted to kill her husband, Ralph A. Wood (upper right). Wood backs him up. Mrs. Wood accuses Wood and Holt of bank robbery.

DETROIT, Feb. 4.—(AP)—Charges of plot and counter-plot that form the basis of a story, the like of which rarely is found even in fiction, furnishes the background of what has come to be known in Detroit as "the Wood case."

Central figures are Ralph A. Wood, reputed wealthy builder and contractor of suburban Wyandotte, and his estranged wife, Grace M. Wood, dealing independently in real estate. The charges they have made against each other have resulted in five persons, including the husband and wife, being held under bonds aggregating \$199,000 each, all accused of major criminal offenses. A silent figure is Ambrose L. Hagartry, killed by Wood in an attempt upon the latter's life.

Mrs. Wood and two men, William Thompson and Taylor Pierce, are accused by Wood and his friend, Cecil Holt, of plotting Wood's death so that his wife might collect \$50,000 insurance. Wood and Holt in turn are accused by Mrs. Wood of having participated in the holdup of the Starbuck, Mich. National bank, in which five men obtained \$75,000 in cash and securities.

To complicate further the "Wood case," seemingly perfect alibis are claimed by Wood and Holt against "positive identification" as participants in the bank robbery.

The first chapter was written the night of January 2 at Wood's little real estate office in Wyandotte. On the strength of a story told by completion of a \$1000 improvement program on the kitchen of the local restaurant this morning. Aside from remodeling, repairing and the installation of plaster board walls in the kitchen and bakery, an improved cooling and ventilation system has been put in.

The dining room in the cafe will also be painted and redecorated within the next few weeks, according to Mr. McCradie, who is anxiously awaiting the arrival and erection of a new Neon electric sign, which has been ordered for some time. That his aim is to make the Rex up to date, eating places in southern Oregon, was stated by the local man.

The Don Provost orchestra has been secured for that date and is rehearsing a repertoire of poppy and appropriate numbers for the program. Specialty stunts and surprise features will be sprinkled throughout the evening to add zest to the event, according to Bob Straub.

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ery and vegetable stores, is announced by Edward Dale, vice-president of the latter firm. The value of the 183 merged stores was estimated at \$3,500,000.

The consolidation, which has become effective, was described as forming the third largest grocery chain in the country. The chain's business volume for 1928 was estimated at \$130,000,000.

Out of 25 temporary auto licenses issued at the sheriff's office yesterday, 20 were issued to Medford motorists and five for new automobiles.

### NILE DAUGHTERS WILL MEET IN GRANTS PASS SATURDAY AFTERNOON

Zuleima Temple No. 13, Daughters of the Nile, will meet in the Grants Pass Masonic Temple next Saturday afternoon, Feb. 9, at 2 p. m.

There will be a ceremonial installation of officers and reception to the supreme queen, Mrs. Victoria Cross of Los Angeles.

Following the afternoon session a banquet will be served at the Del Rague Hotel for members, their husbands, escorts and guests of the temple. Dancing follows the banquet.

Those having space in their cars are asked to notify Mrs. Woods.

### ELKS WILL ENJOY VISIT BY RULER

A program of special entertainment and music by the Elks band will be features of the big gathering of local Elksdom tonight, the occasion being a double red letter one, embracing the annual Past Exalted Rulers Night and the official visit to the lodge of J. H. McKy, of Eugene, district grand exalted ruler for Oregon south. First nominations for officers to be elected for the ensuing year, will also be on the program.

A very large attendance of members is expected. At 6:30 p. m., prior to the convening of the lodge session, as a part of the Exalted Rulers Night observance Carl Y. Teagwald, exalted ruler, will entertain the past exalted rulers and Mr. Cusick, president of the State Elks association with a dinner at the Hotel Medford.

### GARDEN CLUB HEARS FORESTRY EXPERT

The Garden club held its regular meeting at Hotel Medford last night, under the leadership of Mrs. C. A. Swigart, president.

The feature of the evening was an intensely interesting talk on native plants and trees, given by Lee Brown of the forestry department. Mr. Brown told which plants could be used to the greatest advantage as beautifiers in southern Oregon.

The regular meeting time has been changed to the first Thursday of every month, instead of Wednesday as has heretofore been observed. This, according to Mrs. Swigart, is to give authorities and speakers from the north an opportunity to make other stops along their way to Medford.

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### Obituary

HURD—Carrie May Hurd passed away at the home of her daughter, Mrs. G. V. Vincent, in Sams Valley, February 5, from heart trouble, aged 62 years, 9 months and 2 days. Mrs. Hurd was born in Redwood Falls, Minnesota May 4, 1861, where she lived until she was seven years of age, at that time she, with her parents, moved to Wall Bay, South Dakota, and entered the public schools. She graduated from the high school some years later and in 1880 she was married to L. J. Hanson, later in 1888 they came to Oregon and settled in Central Point, where they lived for 26 years. After the death of her husband she went back to Minnesota, where she had been living until three months ago. She leaves to mourn her two daughters and one son, Mrs. J. S. Vincent and Mrs. G. V. Vincent of Sams Valley, Paul Jones of Jackson, Mich., two grandchildren and one brother, Leo Paul of Dunn Center, North Dakota. The funeral services will be held from the Parl Funeral home, Saturday, February 9 at 1 o'clock, Rev. James E. Conder-officiating, interment in the Antioch cemetery.

LAUNSPACH — George Launspach, a resident of Medford and Jackson county since coming here from Glidden, Iowa, 21 years ago, passed away at his home, 307 South Oakdale, at 1 a. m. today, February 7th. Mr. Launspach was born in Dubuque county, Iowa, December 16, 1868. At the town of Glidden he was married to Octon, 1890, to Lizzie C. Prill, who survives him. During his residence in Jackson county he has been engaged in the fruit business and also as a building contractor. The last building erected by Mr. Launspach was the much advertised model home on the corner of West Fourth street and Rose avenue. Besides his wife, he leaves four children, Herbert Launspach of Stockton, Cal., Margaret of Merrill, Ore., Mrs. R. D. Hines, Portland, and Mrs. Marion Robbins, Medford; also two brothers and one sister, Harry and Charles Launspach and Mrs. Charles McClue. Funeral services will be conducted at the Conger chapel at 1 p. m. Saturday, by the Rev. J. P. Lawrence of the Presbyterian church of which deceased was a member. Interment in Medford cemetery.

HUSON—Edward Byron Huson, a resident of Eagle Point, passed away at his home February 7th, at the age of 54 years. He was born at Sheridan, Iowa, May 26, 1874. When but a small child he with his parents moved to Kansas. After living there a number of years they moved to Nebraska. He was united in marriage to Elizabeth Voolker in South Dakota in 1905, and to this union were born eight children, who survive. The family moved from Dakota for a short time to Nebraska and from there moved to Oregon, making their home near Eagle Point.

Besides his wife, Elizabeth Huson, he is survived by the children, Allie, Floyd, Clyde, Dorothy, Berneice, Edith, Edward and Evelyn Huson, all of Eagle Point.

One brother, A. C. Huson of Medford, and three sisters, Alena Hatfield of Atwood, Kans., Edith Hangerford of Mullen, Neb., and Lulu Ward of Eagle Point.

Funeral services will be held from the Conger funeral parlors, Saturday, February 9th, at 2:30 p. m. Rev. Mudge of Trail will have charge of services and interment will be made in the Medford cemetery.

REX CAFE ANNOUNCES IMPROVEMENT PLANS Harold McCradie, part owner of the Rex Cafe, announced the