

The Weather

Forecast—Fair, and continued cold tonight and Saturday.

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

Weather Year Ago

Highest year ago today 54
Lowest year ago today 23

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Today

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Col. Stewart's Oil. A Brave Man Dead. Convicts for Experiment. Ships and Cigarettes.

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According to reports from Salle Street, Chicago's Wall Street, John D. Rockefeller, Jr., has won his fight against Colonel Stewart for control of Indiana. Wall Street doubts it.

The fight interests \$5,000 stockholders in the Indiana company. They and millions of other oil stock owners, would like answers to these questions:

Is a big fight coming in the oil industry to make uncertainty more uncertain?

If Colonel Stewart wins his fight, and breaks off one section of Standard Oil, what will that mean to the other sections?

And what will it mean to Standard Oil of Indiana?

Colonel Stewart's friends declare that he and his company could go it alone depending not at all on Rockefeller good will.

Standard Oil of Indiana, they say, was worth \$170,000,000 when Stewart took charge and is now worth more than a thousand million dollars, and the Indiana company alone is bigger than the whole Rockefeller enterprise was when John D. Rockefeller was in active charge.

Figures given concerning the Indiana oil unit are amazing. The company has a production of 135,000 barrels of oil a day in the Venezuela Lago oil field alone.

No dry well has been driven there and the production might be increased to 400,000 barrels daily. In the Salt Creek region Standard of Indiana has 50,000 barrels a day production.

Its half ownership of the Sinclair pipe lines running from the gulf to Chicago, enable it to tap all the Mid-continent wells. Other oil holdings in the Salt Creek region, the Dixie Oil Company and in Mexico, amounting to millions of acres, make Colonel Stewart's company independent of all alliances.

Those that pity themselves because their health is "not quite what it ought to be" may consider Baron Von Huenefeld, who died on the operating table, undergoing his thirteenth operation for an incurable disease of the stomach that had affected him for years.

Suffering hopelessly, knowing that he could not live long and must endure many operations, Von Huenefeld planned and carried out the German-Irish flight across the Atlantic Ocean.

Such courage and will power should make others ashamed to complain.

Cuba discusses legalizing a plan to inoculate, with cancer, criminals condemned to death. Those condemned to die by the garrote and life prisoners will be asked to volunteer. They will be set free if cancer does not kill them.

Scientists will be allowed to make experiments in inoculation and cure.

Cancer, if planted near the surface, away from vital organs, might be observed for a few months, then removed safely and permanently. Voluntary should be numerous. Moral objections will rarely be numerous.

The new ship building program (Continued on Page Four).

DENY PLEA. KLAMATH VS. COPCO

House Committee Refuses Favor Memorial Against Power Company—Irrigation District Claimed Rights Wrongfully Transferred—Reames Heard.

SALEM, Ore., Feb. 5.—(AP)—Claims of representatives of the Klamath irrigation district that, regardless of the merits of their case which they do not ask the Oregon legislature to judge, they, as a portion and parcel of the state, are entitled to the moral support of the state in their efforts to secure legislation from congress enabling them to sue the United States and the California-Oregon Power company for the recovery of water and power rights they assert were wrongfully transferred to the power company, met with a challenge from attorneys for the company before the house committee on resolutions Thursday evening.

The challenge came near the close of a three-hour hearing on house joint memorial 5, urging congress to pass the enabling act, which would give the irrigation district its day in court, when Herman Phleger of San Francisco, attorney for the company, before the statement of A. M. Thomas, secretary of the irrigation district, W. T. Van Winkle, attorney general, and others who had pleaded for adoption of the memorial that all they were asking of the state was its moral support; that the district would stand all of the expense of the litigation.

Phleger and his associate, Evon Reames of Medford, declared that the suit sought by the district would be an action in equity and that the district and the state as a sovereign and a party to the suit, would have to go to court prepared to "do equity." That means, the attorneys stated, that should the suit be successful and the company be deprived of the rights and properties at issue, someone would have to reimburse the company for the expenditures it has made under its contract with the government. These expenditures amount, to date, to around \$2,000,000, of which the dam constructed by the company on Lick River represents \$1,000,000 and the balance was expended in the settlement of damage claims growing out of the raising of the level of the waters in upper Klamath lake.

The committee voted to make an adverse report on the memorial.

SKIDDING AUTO CAUSES DEATH TRAIL FARMER

The first auto fatality in Jackson county in 1929 occurred last evening in the death of James Leabo, 55, well known trail farmer, as the result of an auto crash near Eagle Point on the Crocker Lake highway. Leabo was on route home three miles north of Eagle Point when his machine was seen to skid, turn over twice and come to a stop in the middle of the highway. He was thrown out and was found dead, a crushed chest apparently causing instant death. His body is being held at the Conger Funeral Parlor, where funeral arrangements will be announced later.

He was well known in Medford, a member of the local American Legion post and a frequent visitor in this city. It is believed a defective steering gear was the cause of the crash, which will be investigated further today by state traffic officers, following a short investigation last evening.

A wife, two children and two brothers are left to survive Leabo, whose funeral will probably be held in Medford.

ANOTHER INCOME TAX BILL IS INTRODUCED

SALEM, Ore., Feb. 5.—(AP)—Another income tax bill, which is said to be one of several that will appear in addition to the measure sponsored by the property tax relief commission, was introduced in the house today. Attached as introducers were the names of Representative Norton and Senator Hall.

Texan Ready for Take-off



Captain Frank M. Hawks (right) of Houston, Texas, who established a new speed mark between Los Angeles and New York, shown with O. E. Grubb, mechanic, before the take-off.

HOT DEBATE ON MEX. ASSASSIN FREE RIDES OR OF OBREGON TO REDUCED FARES DIE SATURDAY

Senate Passes H. R. Dead-head Privilege for G. A. R., Disabled Vets and C. of C. Secretaries—County Clerk's Bills Pass.

SALEM, Ore., Feb. 5.—(AP)—A lengthy debate that grew red-hot at times preceded passage by the senate yesterday of senate bill 100 that places Grand Army members, disabled war veterans and chamber of commerce secretaries on the list of those to whom railroads would have to give passes or reduced fares in Oregon.

The bill, introduced by the committee on railroads and utilities, had been substituted for the bill extending the privilege only to Grand Army veterans. Senator Bennett of Multnomah county took violent opposition to the bill, declaring he had desired to vote that the favor be given to red veterans and that he resented any effort to make him vote the privilege for chamber of commerce secretaries because he favored the Grand Army men and disabled veterans. He termed it "the most underhanded piece of legislation that has appeared."

SALEM, Ore., Feb. 5.—(AP)—A dozen house bills, prepared by the Oregon County Clerks' association making amendments in the election laws, passed the senate Thursday. The most important one provides that candidates in primary elections must file their declarations at least 45 instead of 30 days before the election. A measure providing a residence requirement of 30 days voters instead of 90 days was tabled.

SALEM, Ore., Feb. 5.—(AP)—The more radical the plan for reorganization or consolidation of state government the less chance its proponents will have in securing the electorate's approval, Tom Kay, state treasurer, told the joint committee on administration and consolidation at a hearing Thursday afternoon.

Kay was asked by the committee to speak frankly on his opinion of their plan for the cabinet plan of government for the state of Oregon with administrative and executive power centered in the governor with nine departments under him.

SALEM, Ore., Feb. 5.—(AP)—A report by a subcommittee of the joint ways and means committee of the general committee Thursday night, pronounced the management of the state training school for boys as economical and well administered. The subcommittee recommended that all of the requested appropriation be allowed except \$515,000 for capital outlay, and a total of \$1,170,750 was approved by the committee.

The committee voted to add \$980 to the budget request for state capital and supreme court buildings and grounds, making a total approved of \$11,892, the excess amount to be used in remodeling the interior of the supreme court building to receive the state educational department and the attorney general's office on the first floor.

SALEM, Ore., Feb. 5.—(AP)—Both Houses of the thirty-fifth legislative assembly are expected to adjourn at the close of the afternoon sessions today until 11 o'clock Monday morning.

AUTO DATE CHANGE TO GOVERNOR

Patternson's Signature Will Change License Date to July 1—Pay Half Year Fee Next January—Building Code Requires Further Study.

SALEM, Ore., Feb. 5.—(AP)—Only the governor's signature is necessary to change the date for purchasing automobile licenses in the state of Oregon from January 1 to July 1. The house Thursday afternoon concurred with the senate in passing Senate Bill 101 changing the date of license issue to July 1.

Five members of the house voted against the change. They were Johnson of Union, Russell of Yamhill, Stewart of Polk, West of Washington and Wilkes of Washington.

On January 1 of next year automobile owners of Oregon will pay the secretary of state only a half year's license fee and will receive in turn a windshield sticker showing that they have paid such fee. Meanwhile the 1929 license plates will remain on the cars. On July 1, 1929, the new schedule will be started with a full year's fee paid at that time and a new license issued.

The house also passed S. B. 13 providing for additional jurors on certain cases.

Senator of Multnomah introduced a resolution designating the highway commission to set aside a parcel of land along the Columbia river highway to be known as Lamson Park, to show the state's appreciation for the work done by Samuel S. Lamson, engineer of the Columbia highway.

Robison's bill relating to counter claims farred better in the house than his other "baby," the forestry bill. Thursday afternoon house members, led by the lawyers among the membership, killed his bill, H. B. 334, by the indefinite postponement vote.

After a lengthy hearing on the bill which is the state building code commission's report to the 1929 legislature after a two-day hearing in which contractors and builders supporting the bill were opposed by representatives of the Oregon League of Cities.

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Portland youths confess to more than 30 forays. Portland, Ore., Feb. 5.—(AP)—Caught while removing approximately \$200 worth of assorted property from a suburban store last night, two youths, who with a third young man, later confessed to more than thirty robberies, were arrested and charged with breaking and entering a store.

HINDUS KILLED DURING RIOTING BOMBAY INDIA

Six Dead and Several Injured—Sixth Successive Day of Disturbance—Armored Cars in Evidence—Hope Held for End.

BOMBAY, India, Feb. 5.—(AP)—Six Hindus were killed and several injured in a fresh outbreak of Pathan-Hindu rioting here this morning. It was the sixth successive day of the disturbances. Rioting in other districts resulted in the injury of five other persons.

Assaults continued intermittently throughout last night and many troops and armed police were brought in today to combat the situation.

The base of the military operations presented the spectacle of a huge armed camp with armored cars everywhere in evidence.

The fresh rioting set in tonight, peace efforts which it was hoped had pacified the mob.

Today's dead brought the total casualties to 47 dead and 247 wounded, of whom many may die.

Tonight there seemed reason to hope that the trouble of the past few days would come to an end. A large procession in which Moham-medans, Pathans and Hindus participated and fraternized tonight passed about the grand road which was one of the most severely affected districts yesterday.

The mobsters carried flags, clapped and shouted "Hail to Hindu-Muslim friendship!" As they passed they declared that a treaty had been arranged by their leaders.

It was officially announced the number killed in the disorders yesterday and up to noon today was 46 and the number injured 116.

DENBY SUCCEUMS TO HEART ATTACK IN DETROIT HOME

DETROIT, Feb. 5.—(AP) Edwin Denby, former secretary of the navy and one of the figures whose political career was abruptly terminated by the Teapot Dome scandal, died at his home in the Whitaker apartments here this morning. Death resulted from a heart attack.

Denby, one of the most popular figures in public life at the time of the oil scandal, was 59 years old. While he had been in poor health during recent weeks, announcement of his death was a distinct shock to his friends here.

Following his resignation from the cabinet, the "sea point" secretary of the navy, as he was termed, returned to Detroit and resumed his banking, industrial and legal activities.

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Once Sm Town Anchor Mud, Portland Rows Up

PORTLAND, Feb. 5.—(AP)—Described in 1821 as "a small village anchored in the mud, with the Willamette river on its front and a glim-ming forest at its rear," the city of Portland today celebrated its 78th birthday.

The population that greeted it when it celebrated the first anniversary by a majority of four votes, numbered in all less than 500. The area was about two square miles.

Today the city covers 66 square miles and has a population of 240,000.

MEDFORD MEN AID CREATION TRAFFIC ASSN.

Paul Scherer, A. S. V. Carpenter, Prominent in New Organization to Study Freight Rates—May Hold Hearing Here.

ROSEBURG, Ore., Feb. 5.—(AP)—Created to make a study of existing freight rates and to represent interested cities in any effort to secure an adjustment of rates, formation of a western Oregon traffic association was accomplished here last night. Fourteen cities are to be represented in the organization through their chambers of commerce.

A. C. Hubbard of Roseburg was elected president of the association. E. G. Kinwood of Butteville was named executive secretary and treasurer. J. O. Holt of Eugene and Paul Scherer of Medford were appointed as an executive committee.

Marshfield is to be represented on the executive committee but has not yet chosen its representative.

A committee on organization was appointed, consisting of C. H. Demary, Grants Pass; J. O. Holt, Eugene; J. T. Smith, Cottage Grove; A. R. V. Carpenter, Medford; A. C. Marsters, Roseburg; A. J. Kester, Junction City; Horton Thompson, Estacada; G. E. Bates, Myrtle Creek; H. G. Sanders, Ashland; W. P. Ellis, Salem, and Walter West, Klamath Falls.

In addition to the cities represented by delegates on the committee on organization, Marshfield, Dandon and Albany are connected with the association but have not yet named their representatives.

Expert Employed. The new association has employed W. P. Ellis, rate expert of Salem, to prepare a brief on behalf of the immediate territory, protesting the application of the Southern Pacific company for relief from the restrictions of section four of the interstate commerce regulations, which prevent an increase of more than 100 per cent for the short haul over the long haul.

The association telegraphed the Oregon delegation in congress and the interstate commerce commission, asking that the rate hearing scheduled for March 18 be held either at Roseburg or Medford instead of at Portland, in order that the immediate territory which is chiefly affected will have an opportunity to appear.

The next meeting will be held at Eugene on call of the president.

A. C. HUBBARD NAMED VICE-PRESIDENT OF HARDWARE DEALERS

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 4.—(AP)—Declaring that the proposed restrictive measure prohibiting carrying of fire arms by boys under eighteen years of age, is "too drastic," the Oregon Retail Hardware & Implement Dealers' association late yesterday went on record as opposing the bill.

KING WILL LEAVE FOR CRAIGWELL

English Ruler Recovered to Point Where Removal to Seashore Warranted—Ambulance Will Be Used—Salt Air Expected to Aid Convalescence.

LONDON, Feb. 5.—(AP)—Official announcement was made today that if the weather is favorable King George will be taken to Craigwell House, near Egnor, at 10.30 o'clock tomorrow morning.

His majesty has progressed sufficiently in the opinion of his physicians to warrant his removal to the seashore.

It is understood that Queen Mary will leave Buckingham palace a few minutes after the king's departure and, traveling more quickly, will be ready to receive him on the arrival at Craigwell House.

Every precaution has been taken to keep the road to Egnor clear and to put it in first class condition so as to avoid any undue vibration. The ambulance which will be used has been specially constructed and specially trained men will act as nurses.

Roseburg is about 70 miles from London and it is hoped that the sea breeze will help the royal patient on the road to convalescence.

Craigwell House is one of the most beautiful in the region. Sir Arthur Bueron, who is the owner, is an Irishman with French antecedents. The Bueron family settled in Ireland after King Edward persecuted the sixteenth century.

SENATE BILL FOR CONSOLIDATION OF STATE EDUCATION

SALEM, Ore., Feb. 5.—(AP)—Consolidation of the University of Oregon and Oregon State Agricultural college is the object of a bill introduced in the senate Thursday by Senator John Bell of Eugene.

It provides for one board of regents and one president of the consolidated institutions, the regents to be elected by the state legislature.

When the bill was read the first time Senator Bell stated that no one had asked him to introduce it. "This bill," he said, "will attract more than usual attention. It is not introduced by request, and I am standing on my own feet in a matter that I believe is for the good of the state."

Will Rogers Says: NEW YORK, Feb. 5.—Just been all day over at the airplane show here in New York. It's been put on by the aero branch of the American Legion, and they have done a real job. Don't miss it. It's not like an automobile show, with every car copying the other. If they get a new type cigar lighter, it's the outstanding feature of a whole auto show, but these airplane guys are all thinking for themselves. They have hundreds of different shapes, makes and models. Why, I don't think the 18th amendment spurred on drinking any faster than Lindbergh's trip has aviation. The man that travels on the ground next summer, he just won't deserve to get nowhere.

Yours, WILL ROGERS. P. S.—Keep your eye on Grundy. Being right and a Rockefeller both is a tough proposition to beat.



Edwin Denby.

