

**The Weather**  
Forecast—Fair tonight; unsettled Tuesday; possibly rain.  
Highest yesterday—54  
Lowest this morning to 5 a. m.—40

# MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

**Weather Year Ago**  
Highest year ago today—52  
Lowest year ago today—31

MEDFORD, OREGON, MONDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 1929.

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**Today**  
By Arthur Brisbane  
20,000,000 Starve.  
A Killer Life Wears  
Chicago Needs Mussolini.  
Millions Well Given.

## BILL PLANS END BOARD OF REGENTS

**Expect Both Houses to Enact Vital Measure Today—Abolishes Regents U. of O., O. S. C., and State Normal Schools—Governor's Attitude Unknown—Walker Raised.**

SALEM, Ore., Feb. 25.—(AP)—By evening, according to Senators Bell and Whitcomb, Representatives MacPherson and others intimately connected with the movement, both houses of the legislature and sent to the governor for his approval or rejection, one measure of vital importance to the people of Oregon.

It is Senate bill 172, by Bell and Schumacher, abolishing the boards of regents of the University of Oregon, Oregon Agricultural college and state normal schools, which comes up in the house for final consideration as a special order of business at 2 o'clock this afternoon.

In place of the three boards of regents, the bill sets up a state board of higher education, composed of nine directors appointed by the governor with the approval of the senate.

Selection of such a board by the governor upon such short notice would be no small task, particularly in view of the fact that the appointments must be acceptable to two-thirds of the members of the senate; none of them shall be residents of the cities in which the schools are located, and not more than three shall be alumni of the institutions.

The new board would have its headquarters in Salem and would deal with the institutions through an executive secretary having his office in the capital.

Overriding the protests of a minority who cited the state constitution, members of the legislature can be legally paid only \$4 a day for their services, and that only for 40 days in any one session, the house Saturday afternoon adopted a resolution appropriating \$5 a day for expenses to all members.

Bills passed by the senate Saturday included: H. R. 425, by Representative Briggs and Senator Dunne—Increasing Jackson county treasurer's salary from \$1800 to \$2200 a year.

## PROMINENT CANDIDATES FOR PLACES IN THE HOOVER CABINET



DWIGHT F. DAVIS War; ANDREW W. MELLON Treasury; WILLIAM W. DOAN Labor; WILLIAM J. DONOVAN Attorney General; WALTER F. BROWN Postmaster General; HENRY L. STIMSON Secretary of State; CURTIS D. WILDUR Navy; WILLIAM M. JARDINE Agriculture; JULIUS BARNES Commerce.

**MYSTERY SHOT SLAYS HEIR TO BAKERY WEALTH**  
Fred. Deininger Found Dead By Wife—Had Been Tearful During Party—Police View Suicide Theory As Incorrect.

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Feb. 25.—(AP)—A pistol, broken, and a bullet, injected an element of mystery today into the death of Fred C. Deininger, 26-year-old heir to the General Baking company millions.

Deininger was found by his wife, the former Virginia Danforth, naked, lying on the floor of the sleeping porch of their home with a bullet wound in his head and the pistol on the floor beside him. The one cartridge in the weapon had been discharged.

Pistol experts of the police department said it would have been impossible for him to have opened the gun after shooting himself, adding that it was highly improbable that the gun was opened in falling. Although Coroner David H. Atwater pronounced it suicide, the police turned the case over to the district attorney's office.

Mrs. Deininger told police that after guests had departed early yesterday morning, her husband burst into tears over the affairs of the tire business in which he was engaged since leaving the baking business.

She said she remonstrated with him, whereupon he left the bedroom, going out onto the sleeping porch. A few moments later, she said, she heard the sound of a shot and ran to the sleeping porch, where she found her husband. He was removed to General Hospital where he died a few hours later, without regaining consciousness.

Deininger's marriage to Miss Danforth three years ago attracted considerable attention in social and theatrical circles. He was at the time driving a delivery wagon in Philadelphia for the General Baking company, of which his uncle, William Deininger, was the head, to learn the business from the ground up. Miss Danforth was in the east of "Hisson Time." Their marriage followed a whirlwind courtship.

**MODERN INDIAN HOOVER SEEING OF KLAMATH IS PROSPECTS FOR POOR SPECIMEN CABINET POSTS**  
Clinic Reveals Physical Deterioration—Overweight and Poor Teeth—T. B. and Tonsils Often Found—392 Tested.

NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—(AP)—A clinic among the Indians of the Klamath reservation in Oregon has revealed the modern Indian is far from being the physically perfect savage of leather stock and bow.

"The composite picture of the Indian," said a summary on the clinic's work made public today by the National Tuberculosis association, "shows an individual about 24 years old, overweight, well dressed, speaking correct English and living in a four room house."

"His sense of smell is as keen as in his primitive days, but his teeth are badly decayed. He has a three-to-one chance of having some member of his family die of tuberculosis, a one-to-five chance of having impaired vision; a one-to-three chance of having enlarged tonsils, and a one-to-seven chance of suffering from heart disease."

"The reservation has 1972 Indian residents and 352 of them attended the clinic, which was conducted co-operatively by several organizations, including the Oregon state board of health."

**DONALD STOVER IS SOUGHT FOR WEED MURDER BY KNIFE**  
SACRAMENTO, Cal., Feb. 25.—(AP)—A special dispatch to the Sacramento Bee from Weed, Cal., says peace officers throughout northern California today have been asked to search for Donald Stover, 25, of Weed, who is sought in the murder of Carbon Barrett, 34, who allegedly was slain during a card game last night in an apartment house in Angel Valley, a suburb of Weed. The victim's throat was slashed five times with a knife and death followed almost instantly.

**PORTLAND ROBBERS ACTIVE ON SUNDAY**  
PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 25.—(AP)—Portland robbers obtained at least \$500 yesterday.

**all Elk Battle Near Coast Road Lady Elk Look On**

GOLD BEACH, Ore., Feb. 25.—(AP)—The big bull elk which was the object of controversy as to his usefulness as head of the Hunters Head club, still reigns as king of the lower Roosevelt highway, having vanquished a six-point stalwart contender.

**MARKED MEN BEING SOUGHT IN MASSACRE**  
Police Have Word Pictures of Chicago Killers—Motive Is Stumbling Block—Suspects Have Alibis, Arranged With Care.

CHICAGO, Feb. 25.—(AP)—Alderman A. J. Prignano, candidate for re-election in the "bloody 20th ward," was forced to flee his home with his family today after repeated threats against his life.

A detective bureau car hunted his wife, children and aged father to another part of the city. Scores of Prignano's henchmen were threatened with "cracked heads" and being "taken for a ride" in the pre-emption terrorism reported to the police.

Each in turn appeared in the marked picture as reconstructed from stories of witnesses. The man with a finger missing drove the automobile that carried the killers to and from the murder scene. The man with the front tooth out was in the car with him, and was presumably one of the four who executed seven gangsters against a wall, and the man who was burned may have suffered that injury in an effort, several days later, to destroy the death ear.

No one of the three was in custody. There was a search under way of Rocco Balcastro, an associate of gangsters who made "The Circus" out of a hansom. Balcastro has a finger missing on one hand.

A multiplicity of motives for the murders was the principal stumbling block in the investigation. "I can name 50 motives for the crime," said David Stansbury, in charge of the inquiry for the state attorney, "but no one stands out as being important enough to be called the probable cause of the murders. If we could eliminate all theories but the true one, and concentrate on that, we could solve this thing in a hurry."

**FRENCH DENY SECRET PACT WITH BELGIUM**  
PARIS, Feb. 25.—(AP)—The Havas News Agency today published a semi-official note denying that any secret military treaty has been signed between Belgium and France as has been claimed by a Dutch newspaper.

**SENATE PASSES BILL FOR CANAL SURVEY**  
WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—(AP)—The Edge resolution, for a survey to determine the feasibility of constructing a canal through Nicaragua was passed today by the senate and sent to the house.

## LINDY MAY WED WHILE IN MEXICO

**Speculation Rife in Mexico City Upon Arrival of Air Ace—Cuernavaca May Be Wedding Place—Colonel Reticent On Plans—Trip Delayed.**

MEXICO CITY, Feb. 25.—(AP)—While those who knew kept silent, those who did not know wondered today if Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh and his fiancée, Miss Anne Morrow, would not be married while he is in Mexico, and fly back together to the United States.

Arrival of the tall young aviator here yesterday at sundown, and his precipitate departure for the Morrow country home at Cuernavaca set in motion a veritable flood of speculation.

Some said that Cuernavaca, set in idyllic fashion in the mountains 10 miles from Mexico City, having served as the scene of the courtship of the two, was to be also their wedding place.

It was even suggested that Colonel Lindbergh flew here in a four-passenger plane because he expected to have a "passenger" on his trip back, and might, perhaps, need some extra room for additional baggage.

If there was no positive information that such was the intentions of the betrothed pair neither were there denials. Colonel Lindbergh himself was more than usually reticent as to his plans.

A long telegram received from Colonel Lindbergh at the embassy yesterday morning announced he was leaving Eagle Pass, Texas, arrival was much later than was anticipated. It took the aviator 11 hours and 12 minutes to fly approximately 5,000 miles, between Eagle Pass and Valdemaria field. His tardiness had given rise to some anxiety for his safety when his plane appeared and settled deftly to the ground.

Allan Dawson, chief secretary of the embassy, spoke with him for an instant, whispering a few words in his ear—presumably the message of Miss Morrow. Colonel Lindbergh rolled down his shirt-sleeves, put on the coat to his grey suit, donned a gray fedora hat with a black band, and stepped from his plane.

An embassy car whisked him to Mexico City, newspaperman following. He was in the embassy altogether only a few minutes, appearing shortly afterwards with his two suitcases and duffle bag to enter a hired automobile which had drawn up outside. He parked questions and was driven away. It was only from the chauffeur the reporters learned his destination was Cuernavaca.

We are not our brothers keepers, especially if the brothers are Mongolian. Thousands are dying of hunger in China, every day and the starving number twenty millions. Cannibalism has appeared in several places, which was inevitable. No crops will be harvested until next August, and 85 in 100 of the miserable creatures will probably die.

China's Nationalist government does little or nothing about the famine. This country sends a little money. Charity can hardly feed 20,000,000.

John W. Hulbert killed 140 men and women in New York's electric chair, and now has killed himself. He said "I am tired of killing people." So he retired, killed one more and stopped.

Those that demand more and better electric chairs, in the name of kindness, will notice that Hulbert, electrician of death, did not choose to die by the electric current. He put a bullet in his brain. If death by electricity is so merciful, he should have known it.

Business men of Chicago complain that racketeering costs the city \$136,000,000 a year. The business of cleaning and dying is regularly assessed by racketeers. Each business man must pay \$500 a year and two percent of his gross receipts or have his store bombed.

Racketeering is the mania of Southern Italy, in a new setting, and run by Americans, not Italians. Leaders of the Mafia assessed their victims, took property from their houses and the victims dared not complain.

Then Mussolini took the Mafia in hand, and it vanished like mist. The Fascist method is simple. You decide who the guilty people are, kill a good many of them, compel others to swallow a quart of castor oil and warn all "Next time we shall be really severe."

Chicago and some other places need a Mussolini. He has the power of government, knows how to use it, and uses it. Chicago business men have all the power necessary, and don't know how to use it.

Nothing exceeds the desperate boldness of racketeer gangsters, except their occasional amazing timidity and submission. In a recent case, seven men allowed themselves to be stood up, faces to the wall, by four men, and every one shot dead by machine gun fire. You would hardly find such submission in a home for aged incurables.

## DEMPSEY SAYS PROWLER TOOK SHOT AT HIM

MIAMI BEACH, Fla., Feb. 25.—(AP)—An unidentified prowler entered Jack Dempsey's room here about 5 a. m. today and shot once at the former heavyweight champion, the bullet going wide. Dempsey made a report of the affair to police late this morning.

Dempsey was sleeping with Floyd Fitzsimmons, Chicago promoter at the home of Harry Miller yesterday morning, her husband burst into tears over the affairs of the tire business in which he was engaged since leaving the baking business.

**BRIGGS WITHDRAWS FISHING BAN BILL**  
SALEM, Ore., Feb. 25.—(AP)—Another point was scored by commercial fishermen Monday morning when Briggs of Jackson county withdrew the Jackson and Joseph county delegation bill to close county delegation bill to streams flowing into the Pacific ocean south of the Coquille river.

## FORMAL NOTICE GIVEN MEXICAN PRESIDENT IN AMERICAN KIDNAPINGS

MEXICO CITY, Feb. 25.—(AP)—Ambassador Dwight W. Morrow today called on the foreign office to make formal representations in the cases of J. M. Underwood and C. C. Althorpe, American mining engineers, who were killed by Mexican gangsters. He was informed that President Portes Gil had ordered special detachments of troops to make a thorough search for the slayers and to submit them to summary trial and punishment when found.

**Mayor E. W. Pipes, also full of ideas, is somewhat in the same position of watching and becoming familiar with the way things are done before advocating reform in present methods.**

## ORGANIZATION IN CITY WARDS IS ADVOCATED

Councilman E. M. Wilson Would Have Ward Matters Presented to Council By Organized Groups—Speed Up City Work.

In order that the residents of each ward in the city may present a united front on all improvement matters and on changes for their ward before the city council, which procedure would also expedite the business of the council, E. M. Wilson, chairman of the city council committee and also vice-mayor of the city, advocates that each ward form a standing organization of its own.

They could obtain improvements much quicker, also other things they desire, by such an organization having thrust out all details and laying before the council the product of their deliberations, he says. By the present haphazard method, which has been in vogue for years, one faction of residents from a ward comes before the council for new pavement, for a street or alley, or some other improvement wanted, with a largely signed petition, which purports to contain the wishes of all property owners and citizens of the ward, and it is covered weeks later that there was quite a division of sentiment.

Mr. Wilson and the other new councilmen, R. E. McElhose, who only assumed office last January, and who had never before had anything to do with city government, are much interested in the workings of the city council, and while puzzled at some of the seeming dilatory methods of council procedure, which slowness is the fault of the petitioners due to the lack of system in vogue, like all other new members of a legislative body, are watching things eagerly while they lay back until becoming more familiar with municipal affairs and city legislation.

Several proposals saw the holding of Roy J. Moulton night machine at a garage on Grand avenue last night. The bandit walked into the garage with drawn gun and held up the cashier and several patrons. He took more than \$400.

## Will Rogers Says:

NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—All we seem to celebrate Washington's birthday is so we can revive the argument as to "what he had to say about centanglements with Europe." Every Speaker makes him say just what that speaker wants him to say. Coolidge said it was Jefferson that made it the "wise crack" about not messing with outsiders. So it looks like added to all his other accomplishments Washington was a diplomat. A diplomat is one that says something that is equally misunderstood by both sides, and never clear to either.

By the way, did you notice that everybody that spoke of the father of our country's birthday was a Republican. You would think the Democrats were a step-son. Yours,

WILL ROGERS.