

**The Weather**  
 Forecast — Probable rain tonight and Thursday.  
 Highest yesterday 61  
 Lowest this morning 33

# MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

**Weather Year Ago**  
 Highest year ago today 52  
 Lowest year ago today 37

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## Today

By Arthur Brisbane

Money 20 Per Cent. Lambs to Slaughter. The H. H. Medicine Ball. Bombing the Ice.

Little lambs that won't listen when big people tell them to stop speculating, must be made to listen.

Monday, when the price of call money, with which speculating is done, went to 20 per cent, they listened.

New York pawnbrokers are allowed to charge 12 per cent. When eminently respectable financiers charge 20 per cent, you may be sure somebody is making money. How lovely that a moral lesson should pay a profit.

Pleasant for those that lend. Not so pleasant for little lambs. But they ought to know that when high finance starts to get them, discipline them and cure them, it will do all three.

Wall Street Monday was the "maddest" but by no means the "merriest" day in all the protracted boom and the boomers felt like a high-powered car that runs into a stone wall. More than 8,000,000 shares of stock were sold, many selling because they had to.

The remarkable thing with money, costing 20 per cent was that stocks did not drop lower, and that a "rally" should have come at the end. Lots of money in America. But little people may as well make up their minds that they are to be shaken out, if they don't get out.

What the effect will be on general business remains to be seen. That question will interest the President, just coming into office. He doesn't want a Hoover panic or Hoover hard times.

At 7 in the morning President Hoover "tosses the medicine ball" with friends. That exercise may be gentle or violent, depending on the weight and speed of the ball, the number playing and length of rest between throws.

Even under good conditions, no man past 50 should throw the medicine ball without a doctor's approval. The motion of leaning backward, then suddenly forward with a violent effort is hard on the heart.

Tossing the ball outward and upward from below the knees, not from above the head, is the safer plan.

While the President tosses his medicine ball, which does not cost the country anything, the presidential yacht, Mayflower, which cost the people \$300,000 a year, is in the Philadelphia navy yard, removed from commission. Anybody wanting a comfortable yacht may soon be able to buy the Mayflower at a bargain.

President Hoover is interested in making airplanes useful. He sends seven army planes, including three giant bombers, to attack a 19-mile ice jam in the Missouri river at Bismarck, N. D.

The machines will drop 600 bombs, weighing 110,000 pounds, containing 10,000 pounds of TNT. Bombing the ice gorge, if successful, may save extensive sections from flooding by the backed-up waters of the Missouri.

What could such a collection of

## CORVALLIS GIRL TELLS OF AFFRAY

Mae Troxel On Stand at Trial of Lanza Bryant—Love for Slayer Had Cooled, She Says—Date With Bryant Denied—Men Grappled After Blow—Bryant Used Knife.

CORVALLIS, Ore., March 27.—(AP)—Miss Mae Troxel, chief witness for the state in its prosecution of Lanza Bryant, 20, for first degree murder, took the stand today and told of incidents surrounding the death of Lewis (Hip) Dickerson, Oregon State college football star. Dickerson was fatally stabbed on December 17 as he was accompanying Miss Troxel, a waitress, to her home.

Miss Troxel testified that at one time she had an affection for Bryant but said this afternoon this affection had cooled last fall after he had accused her of going to parties and dances with other men.

The state charges Bryant with having attacked Dickerson in a jealous fit.

The state, through Miss Troxel, introduced evidence tending to show that Bryant had removed his coat before reaching Dickerson and Miss Troxel and that he struck first with his left fist to Dickerson's face, the blow glancing off and striking the girl. The two men then grappled and Dickerson, crying that he was stabbed, introduced evidence tending to show that Bryant had removed his coat before reaching Dickerson and Miss Troxel and that he struck first with his left fist to Dickerson's face, the blow glancing off and striking the girl.

Miss Troxel denied that Bryant had had a date with her that night and said she believed he had been drinking.

Under cross examination she admitted having sent Bryant a Thanksgiving card addressed to "My Sweetheart."

The stabbing occurred a few minutes after midnight on December 17.

John Newsome, cook at the restaurant where Bryant is alleged to have obtained the knife, identified the long, pointed blade as one he had left in the kitchen Sunday night and which was gone the next day.

Frank Leonard, a friend of Bryant, identified a second knife, similar in shape and size, obtained two nights before from a bakery, and with which, he testified, Bryant had declared he was going to "kill somebody's back."

A similar statement was made the next night, Leonard said.

Defense attorneys attempted to show in cross examination that the first knife was used at a picnic the day before to cut pies and cakes. Leonard denied that the knife was put to such a use.

William Gates, a friend of Bryant, who was present when Dickerson was stabbed, said Bryant declared: "I guess I cut that with it up pretty bad. Next time I'll use a gun."

Three other witnesses produced by the prosecution offered testimony tending to show that Bryant had been drinking on the night on which Dickerson was mortally wounded.

In cross examination the defense sought to show that Miss Troxel and Bryant were engaged and that Bryant's use of the knife was in self defense after Dickerson had first attacked him.

WASHINGTON, March 27.—(AP)—Federal cavalry under General Eulath Ortiz, which is leading the advance of General Almazan's forces was reported at Chapultepec castle this afternoon to have arrived near Jimenez, important rebel outpost town in Chihuahua, N. D.

WASHINGTON, March 27.—(AP)—American Consul Wm. P. Blocker, at Mazatlan, reported to the state department today in a telegram sent at 6 o'clock last night that the rebel forces which had attacked that city were in full retreat north of Quila.

## MISSISSIPPI POURS THROUGH BREAK IN LEVEE



This aerial picture shows the Mississippi river pouring through a break in the levee near the Indian Crave drainage district north of Quincy, La. Thousands of acres have been inundated. The gap in the levee was more than 200 feet wide when this photograph was taken and has been widening rapidly.

## INVESTMENT BY MEDFORD GAINS UNCLE SAM TO MEET CITY SUMMER AERIAL LEADER TO 1928 BASIS

Hall Says Federal Installation for Airway Cost About Same As Medford Airport—Small Fields, Not 'Ports' Is Shown.

The government will invest approximately the same amount in the local airport and its concessions as the amount to be voted in the coming bond election by the people of Medford, according to Seeley Hall, principal speaker before the Lions club this noon.

"The radio communication station alone will cost the government in the neighborhood of \$75,000," said Mr. Hall, who also named the "uncle sam" weather bureau to be established at the local port. The Medford airport will be one of the 17 largest in the United States.

The question then arises, why cities like Grants Pass, Roseburg, Albany and other points along the line had voted bonds for flying fields, none of which exceeded \$50,000 issues, said Mr. Hall, who explained that there was a confusion in the minds of many people as to the difference between a flying field and an airport.

"An airport is a flying field, but a flying field is not necessarily an airport. Medford is to have an airport and one of the super-ports at that," said the speaker.

Mr. Hall ended his talk by urging the Lions, who have unanimously endorsed the proposed new airport, to go out and work actively for the passage of the bonds on April 2.

Bob Christner and Tom Emmens, two high school upper classmen, were the guests of the Lions club today, in keeping with the policy adopted by all local service clubs of entertaining upper classmen and getting them acquainted with business men and the civic work being accomplished by these organizations.

The Russian Royal choir, which will be heard in the choir Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock under the auspices of the Lions club and the American Legion "Whoopie Review," was advertised at the luncheon this noon.

Among today's guests were: Walter Brown, Seeley Hall, C. Eugene Hanson, Bob Christner and Tom Emmens.

PORTLAND, Ore., Mar. 27.—(AP)—Captain Ira Eaker, pilot of the Question Mark on its record endurance flight, left Portland today for Seattle in the Boeing combat plane he had flown from Oakland. He left Swan Island airport at 10:55 a. m.

WASHINGTON, Mar. 27.—(AP)—While the aeronautics section of the department of commerce had no information today as to possible charges against Captain Ira C. Eaker, noted army pilot, arising from "stunting" an airplane over Oakland, Cal. airport, it was said today that any such matters that arise would automatically be referred to army authorities for consideration.

Pacific Air Transport Official Says City Should Embrace Chance to Become An Influence On Coast Airways.

A Pacific Coast Transport official, who visits Medford very often, pays a high tribute to the "air-mindedness" of our citizens and joins others in telling what a wonderful opportunity Medford has to "become a dominating influence in the establishment of coastal air routes." His letter follows:

"I have noticed with extreme interest that Medford is voting on a bond issue for \$120,000 for the establishment of a class A airport for their city. A progressive spirit and air-mindedness such as this is very seldom found in a city the size of Medford, and I can only attribute this air-mindedness to a very active interest on the part of well informed persons in aeronautical matters residing in your city, having been thought and foresight into the future.

Several years ago one of the largest cities in the United States passed up the opportunity to be put on the air-mail map, thinking that it meant nothing from the standpoint of business future and growth. Within the last six months this city has spent many thousands of dollars endeavoring to get air-mail connections, realizing that another city several hundred miles further was gradually taking considerable business which had formerly been theirs, because this trading community was almost an entire day nearer the city on the air-mail map before the establishment of air-mail the reverse had been true.

The people of Medford are fortunate in having certain air-minded individuals with the public interest at heart residing in their city, because air travel will unquestionably make Medford one of the best known cities on the Pacific coast, and placing her within a few hours of the great cities to the north and south. Hundreds of people traveling over this air route in the great liners of the future will have the opportunity of observing from the air the great agricultural, horticultural and lumbering possibilities in the vicinity of Medford and will stop in their traveling up and down the coast.

It will be essential, I believe, for many years that mail, passenger and cargo planes stop at some point between Portland and San Francisco to refuel and obtain weather reports. Medford, because of the aggressiveness of her citizens, has already established herself as a leader in aeronautical matters on the Pacific coast. When many larger cities hung back in establishing first class airports, Medford took the lead and now your citizens are again considering an advance step in building an airport such as you have under consideration, which should be second to none on the Pacific coast. This should assure Medford of a dominating influence in the establishment of coastal air routes, and I am quite sure that your bond issue will go over with hardly a dissenting vote, because hundreds of your citizens have already learned what it means to be a key point on a major airway, and the small advantages offered at this time are as nothing compared to the future possibilities.

PACIFIC AIR TRANSPORT. A. K. Humphries, Assistant to President.

Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company extending phone line from Newport to Taft.

Cannon Beach.—Road in this vicinity will be improved in very near future.

PETROLEUM INSTITUTE COMMITTEE URGES CURB OVER PRODUCTION—WOULD BEGIN APRIL 1—STUDY TO AVOID WASTE ASKED.

NEW YORK, March 27.—(AP)—A return on April 1 to the 1928 production basis was recommended to the directors of the American Petroleum Institute today by the institute committee on world production and consumption of petroleum and its products.

Petroleum Institute Committee Urges Curb Over Production—Would Begin April 1—Study to Avoid Waste Asked.

Announcement of the committee was made by R. C. Holmes, president of the Texas company and general chairman of a meeting of oil producers held at the institute's offices.

"In attempting to formulate a plan whereby the conservation of crude oil can become an actual accomplishment and at the same time avoid the widely fluctuating condition resulting from overproduction, the committee has been guided by the thought that whatever is practical should be done without delay," said Mr. Holmes.

"At the Houston meeting of the committee on March 15 last, regional committee reports were considered," said Mrs. Holmes, statement, "and the recommendation is being submitted to the board of directors of the American Petroleum Institute that, beginning April 1, average daily crude oil production for the four regions, namely, Pacific coast, Gulf and Atlantic coast, interior, and Mexico and north South America, should not exceed the average daily production during the year 1928."

The general committee also recommended that committees be established to enable the industry to keep in effect any plan adopted as workable and to study all various features through which a more orderly operation can be conducted and waste of all kinds avoided.

ROSEBURG DRIVER OF TRUCK KILLED

ROSEBURG, Ore., March 27.—(AP)—Fred Young, a truck driver, was fatally injured near here late yesterday when a northbound passenger train struck and demolished his gravel truck at the Shady Point gravel plant. Young did not see the train and drove his truck directly into its path. He died in a hospital thirty minutes later.

Young was survived by his widow and a small daughter at Roseburg.

PRESIDENT DECLARES CHILD HEALTH DATE

WASHINGTON, Mar. 27.—(AP)—President Hoover has issued a proclamation designating May 1 as Child Health Day. The document declared "the good health and protection of childhood is fundamental to national welfare."

Invited "the people of the United States and all agencies and organizations interested in this most important subject to make every reasonable effort to bring about a nationwide understanding of the fundamental significance of healthy childhood, and of the importance of the conservation of the health and physical vigor of our boys and girls throughout every day of the year."

## DUNN WILL DEMAND CHEF TOO IS HELP SOLVE FARMERS IS CAPTURED BY AUTO FEES PRESENTED BY CHANG

President Norblad of State Senate Names Solons On 13 Committees—Marseters of Roseburg Only Southern Oregonian On Fish Code Body—Report to 1931 Assembly.

ASTORIA, Ore., March 27.—(AP)—President Norblad of the state senate, has announced the appointment of members of 13 committees to function during the two-year period, 1929-1930, and to report their findings to the state legislature in January, 1931.

The committee to prepare a new fishing code and to investigate the differences between sport and commercial fishermen is composed of Senators Moser, Multnomah; Reynolds, Marion; Marsters, Roseburg, and F. Kankkonen of Astoria, representing commercial fishermen.

Other committee appointments follow: County officer salary equalization: Senator Bailey, Multnomah. Administrative reorganization of state government: Senators Miller, Josephine, and Bailey, Multnomah.

State text books: Senator Fisher, Yamhill. Floor facilities in legislative chambers: Senators Upton, Deschutes; Eddy, Douglas.

Amendment to permit war veterans living in state 10 years to take advantage state soldiers' compensation act: Senators Jones, Clatskanie; Upton, Deschutes.

Used car license amendment: Senators Kiddle, Union; Dunn, Jackson.

Cabinet form of government: Senator Miller, Josephine.

Amendment to permit county central committee to fill vacancies in senatorial representative ranks: Senators Carnsner, Ontario; Kuck, Wasco, to prepare affirmative argument. Senators Strayer, Baker; Bailey, Lane, to prepare negative arguments.

To prepare affirmative argument measure repeal—constitution article whereby state guarantees payment interest on irrigation bonds: Senator Bailey, Lane.

Increasing pay legislators to \$600 per session: Senators Marks, Lane; Schulmerich, Washington.

Cooperation Washington, California committees regarding suppression narcotic traffic: Senator Dunn, Multnomah.

Liability owners, drivers, motor vehicles: Senators Dunn, Moser, Multnomah.

PLACERVILLE, CAL. MENACED BY FIRE

PLACERVILLE, Cal., March 27.—(AP)—With a shortage of water confronting fire fighters, a blaze said to have started from faulty wiring in the Elgie theatre, threatened an entire business block and part of the residential section of this city today.

Farm Bureau Federation Lays Three-Pronged Request Before House Committee for Farm Relief—Surplus Crop Control—Effective Tariff—No Subsidy for Farmer.

WASHINGTON, March 27.—(AP)—A three-pronged demand that the new farm measure provide surplus crop control, make the tariff effective and not subsidize the farmer was laid before the house agriculture committee today by Chester A. Gray, as the view of the American Farm Bureau Federation.

Gray did not present a detailed plan but suggested that a federal farm board be set up with wide discretionary powers to choose from the various relief plans that have been presented during the past several years. Along with the board, he said, there should be an advisory council composed of farmers and representatives of farm organizations.

He depicted his organization as ready to abandon the equalization fee which twice drew vetoes of farm relief bills if the administration could provide something equally as good for controlling the agricultural surplus without subsidizing the farmers of the nation.

But, he added, his organization had found nothing else that would insure the refund of money provided by the government for stabilizing prices.

George Stanley, of Washington, who described himself as a philanthropist and able to present the views of President Hoover, said the president favored a federal farm board to provide self regulation for the farmers. He read at length from the campaign speeches of the president.

The farm board idea was advanced also at the senate agriculture committee hearings by several witnesses who said the board should have broad powers along production and marketing lines.

WALL STREET BULLS BID UP STOCK PRICES

NEW YORK, March 27.—(AP)—The "bull" party regained complete control on the New York Stock Exchange this afternoon and bid up a wide assortment of issues \$3 to nearly \$20 a share. International Telephone was sent up \$11.50 to a record price at \$260, while Baldwin Locomotive, Burroughs Adding Machine and Houston Oil were bid up, \$12 to \$15, Chrysler and Radio, which sold off more than \$3 during the forenoon, tallied no gains of \$4 and \$7.50, respectively. Greene Cananea mounted \$7 and General Motors \$3.

STEELHEAD NETTER IS CAUGHT IN PORTLAND

PORTLAND, March 27.—(AP)—Because he admitted using a net to catch the 700 pounds of steelhead salmon found in the trap of his automobile, Peter Chit, 35, of Kalama, Wash., was in jail here today under \$500 bail.

Chit, arrested last night, insisted that he had caught the fish in the Rogue river where it is not unlawful to use a net. He said he had brought the fish to Portland by way of Vernonia, to sell.

He is held on an after-hours charge for further investigation by the fish and game commission.

REINDEER MEAT MAY GRACE MENU OF ARMY

WASHINGTON, March 27.—(AP)—Reindeer meat from Alaska for the army is being considered by Quartermaster General Chatham. In view of the mounting cost of fresh beef and the fact that either canned or frozen reindeer meat apparently can be delivered at army posts at less cost than beef, the general said today he was studying a proposal for adding this meat to the stock of commissaries as a sales article.

Treachery in Nationalist Ranks Leads to Easy Victory for Shantung War Lord—Fleeing Soldiers Leave Munitions—British and U. S. Ships to Protect Foreigners.

CHIFOO, Shantung, China, March 27.—(AP)—Marshal Chang Tsung-Chang entered the city at 8 a. m. today and practically without hindrance from his nationalist defenders took control. The British sloop Cornwall and the United States cruiser Trenton moved in shore to a position near the foreign quarter to meet any emergency which might arise.

Defeat of the nationalist troops followed treachery and defection of 7,000 of their number who went over to Chang, former war lord of Shantung province.

The nationalists, who were led by General Liu Chen-Nien, began to retreat at 3 a. m., after reverses in a battle which raged for two days east of the city. They passed through the city eastward in the direction of Ninghschow, leaving behind them large quantities of munitions.

Shops all over the city were closed and shuttered tight and residents remained inside. The Chinese chamber of commerce sent a delegation to Chang to arrange peaceful transfer of the town. Looting by the victorious troops was feared.

The Shantung marshall's forces immediately took charge of the cable station, the manager of which had previously asked a guard from the Trenton in the harbor.

Thousands of Chang's troops passed through the city pursuing the retreating nationalists. They were well armed, and had trench mortars and machine guns.

Treachery of a subordinate was assigned as the immediate cause of Liu Chen-Nien's defeat. The subordinate had charge of a sector of the western defenses. Last night he refused to carry out orders to attack, leaving a gap through which the enemy advanced, forcing the nationalists to retreat.

The new positions of the two war vessels, close in shore, it was believed, would have the effect of partially maintaining order in the city.

HORTON SMITH TAKES LEAD PINEHURST PLAY

PINEHURST, N. C., March 27.—(AP)—Horton Smith, Joplin, Mo. star, shot into the lead in the north and south open at the end of 54 holes with a score for the three 18-hole rounds of 211.

Will Rogers Says: NEW YORK, March 27.—Hoover gets rid of something useless every day. Wait till he sees the senate and congress. He sunk the Mayflower without warning, took the White House stable, made a garage for fishing poles out of it, sent six horses to the museum that had never been able to be ridden since Taft got thru with them, traded the mechanical horse for a medicine ball and makes everybody catch it before they can get any breakfast. That's to discourage senators eating there. Imagine Heflin and Bleasie throwing that thing at Moses and Reed of Penn.

Yours, WILL ROGERS.

P. S.: Federal Reserve sunk the stock market after two weeks of warning and brought the sucker crew in destitute and manacled last night.

REINDEER MEAT MAY GRACE MENU OF ARMY