

The Weather
Forecast - Partly cloudy tonight
and Thursday.
Highest yesterday 70
Lowest this morning 32

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

Weather Year Ago
Highest year ago today 50
Lowest year ago today 31

Daily - Twenty-four Year.
Weekly - Fifty-cent rate.

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Today

By Arthur Brisbane

The Street Performs.
When You're Dead.
Mr. Mitchell Moves Up.
Our Stick-Up Nights.

Wall Street performed Monday as usual.
Money opened at 10 per cent and stocks fell from one to ten points.
Later money went to 15 per cent. Then stocks went up. Explain that.

Bewildered victims of our national usury system, so ably encouraged by the Federal Reserve Bank, ask "How long will high money last?"
The answer is, "As long as lenders can make it last."

Monkeys in forests drink water contentedly. In civilization you give them milk and they won't drink water. Give them beer, they won't drink milk. Give them whiskey, they won't touch beer.
That's the way with some bankers. They were happy with 4 per cent call money. Now they insist on whiskey, which is 20 per cent, and they will get it if they can.

With the Federal Reserve helping them, and a few congressmen contributing their share of the silliness, the usury probably will last.
Myron T. Herriek, United States ambassador, is dead. The French plan a magnificent state funeral, "the finest ever given to a foreigner on French soil." The ambassador's body will return to America on a French man of war.

All complimentary and pleasing. But how little good it does when you are dead. A coffin of pine boards, a few friends to speak well of you, would do as well.

Our "stick-up" men are as numerous and interesting as knights in old days of chivalry.
Mary Johnson, Chicago stenographer lady, was "stuck up." The bandit took her purse, hat, coat, then said, "That's a pretty dress, take it off." She stood shivering.

Along came a young gentleman in a limousine. He took her in, saying, "Girlie, you had ought to have learned something from that other fellow. I'm a stick-up man, too. Look at these guns." He showed her two "antoniotes," but remarked that she had had enough for one night, took her home.
The great American nation long or later will have to do something about the crime tidal wave, born of prohibition, bootlegging, easy money and graft.

New York's Guaranty Trust and National Bank of Commerce united, with about two billions of resources, becoming "the biggest financial institution in the country." It was suggested here that Charles E. Mitchell, head of the National City Bank, wouldn't stand that long.
He stood it no longer than Monday, when he announced the absorption of the Farmers Loan & Trust Company, putting his bank's resources at the top of the heap.

Back in the shadow sits George F. Baker's gigantic bank, the First National. He has individual depositors with more money than all the ordinary "big bank" has, all together.
Perhaps he will decide to swallow something and become bigger than anybody.
If you have good bank stocks, don't sell.

PORT VOTE VIRTUALLY IN ACCORD

Polls Besieged By Air-Minded—2243 Cast Ballot for Class A Port—182 Opposed—Work to Start Soon As Possible—City to Retain Place As Key On Air Routes.

At a special meeting of the city council this afternoon, steps for the issuance of the airport bonds, approved by the people of the city yesterday, and a canvass of the votes was made. The official count is:

First ward	435	59
Second ward	721	56
Third ward	689	45
Fourth ward	499	31
Total	2243	182

The airport committee of the city council, composed of E. H. Janney, chairman, and E. M. Wilson and J. O. Grey, will take immediate steps for the issuance of the air bonds and the securing of the air bonds and the securing of the survey of the field. He will probably be assigned to the Oakland, Calif., airport.

Work will start as quickly as possible on the construction of a 5000 foot runway, and it is hoped to have it ready for use by June 1st, when night flying of the air mail starts between Seattle, Wash., via Medford and Los Angeles, Calif.

The site, which will comprise 250 acres, is located between the Middle road and the Owen-Oregon company tracks, about a mile from the Pacific highway and lies three miles north of this city.
Most of the land has been purchased by the city from its revolving fund to meet the requirements of the government that a deed be on hand before work would start for the installation of a super-radio station. It is the largest, and the first of the type to be erected on the Pacific coast. The concrete bases for the huge steel tower, now in transit, are already in place.

The land already purchased is as follows: 196 acres from W. H. Gore, 14 acres of the Chartrow place, upon which is located a house and barn; 18 acres of the Mann place, also improved, and 22 acres purchased through J. W. Wakefield, upon which a barn sets. Removal of these structures will start at an early date. There are 69 acres more in the proposed port, part or all of which may be purchased yet.
The airport site was formally approved by government officials.

Among the chief buildings and improvements to be conducted at the airport, and the approximate costs are:
The Administration building to cost \$12,000, the upper floor to be used as an "Upper Air" weather bureau with a 24 hour service. Through this and the super-radio service it will be possible for a plane flying any of the established air routes of the land, to receive weather condition data at any hour of the night and day.
An immense hangar, dimensions 110 by 85 feet, to cost \$15,000.
Rest room and depot, to cost \$1500.
The grading and clearing of the site will cost \$12,400; the seeding \$1875; graveling and rolling the runways \$15,650, and oiling and macadamizing the field, \$10,000.
The boundary flood, and beacon lights, and the installation thereof, will cost \$7900, it is estimated.

Laughs at Sad Film and Lands on Hard Cement

CHICAGO, April 3.—(AP)—When Thomas J. Pillion goes to the movies, it is to laugh. Pillion guffawed in the wrong place at the State-Lake theatre—so, at least, the management contended. The film was sad; a circumstance which did not coincide with Pillion's mood, so he waxed merry as others went.
Some one threw him out for his cinematic loss majesty. He sued. Today his attorney contended that man's right to laugh, even at a sad movie, had been vindicated by a \$300 settlement in Pillion's favor.

STREET BONDS WILL BE SOLD SOON BY CITY

Council Orders Action for April 16 Meeting—Auto and Dog Ordinances Not Completed—Street Improvements Asked.

An ordinance to issue \$112,953.41 in improvement bonds, covering all the street paving, grading and graveling improvements done in the city during the past year and the cost of which was assessed on the property benefited, or liable therefor, under the 10-year payment plan, was the most important legislation passed by the city council last night. By the terms of the ordinance the bonds, which will bear 5 1/2 per cent interest, will be advertised to be sold at the council meeting of April 16.

Two other important proposed ordinances, one for the regulation of auto traffic in the business section, and the other to do away with the dogs-at-large nuisance, were not ready yet, and will come up for passage at the next city council meeting. Several ordinances of minor importance and much routine business was discussed.

No returns of the air port election were formally received during the meeting, but the councilmen and mayor were made quite happy as incomplete returns strayed in that the new airport issue was overwhelmingly carried. They only smiled and no discussion of the matter was held by them.
Neither did the council pass, as expected, the new ordinance to regulate public speaking and religious meetings in the streets of the business section, but put off the matter until the next council meeting.

All of the above mentioned ordinances are generally recognized as containing considerable municipal dynamite and therefore the city officials desire to move very carefully before enacting them into laws, and deem that two weeks more will be necessary for further study and consideration.
However, here were no councilmanic cold feet on the ordinance to prohibit the holding of any wrestling or boxing match in a local theater under the same priced license which is paid by the theater for its regular amusements, and this ordinance was passed. Inasmuch as the theater's management some time ago had decided not to hold any more wrestling matches, no one was hurt by its passage.

The new program for paving, grading and sewerage of other streets was discussed at much length, with delegations of citizens from various streets affected present, and making known their wishes or opposition, after which it was decided to have the council committee on streets dress this program up for final consideration at the next meeting. The total estimated cost of these improvements is \$41,910, the cost of which will be paid by the property owners affected, in 10 annual payments, under the Betterment act. The paving, alone, will cost \$29,940, the grading and graveling will cost \$8650, and the sewers will cost \$3325.
A small delegation of members of the Parent-Teacher council was present at the meeting to call the attention of the city officials to the fact that signs warning motorists to drive slow in the vicinity of some of the public schools, especially the junior high school, were inadequate. The ladies told of the grave daily danger to pupils and cited instances. The matter was referred to the committee on streets and roads.

SOLONS HEAR GOVERNOR ACCUSED



The house of representatives of the Louisiana legislature hears impeachment charges against Governor Long.

PIGEONS USED TO CARRY THREAT OF BLACKMAIL

New York Doctor Gets Package Containing Two Pigeons—Told to Free Them With \$10,000—Police Watch Flight.

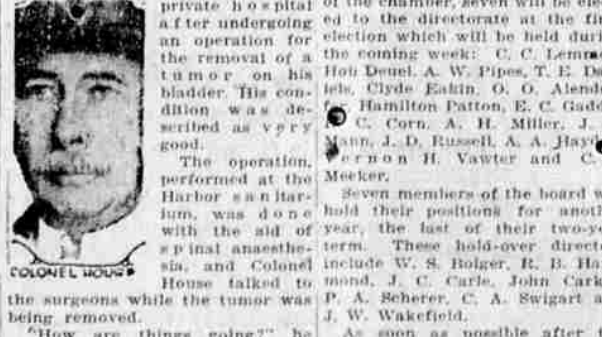
NEW YORK, April 3.—(AP)—A blackmail plot in which pigeons were to be used has been revealed by the police after failure of an elaborate attempt to trace the birds to their owner.
Several weeks ago Dr. Louis A. Alofsin, of West 38th street, received an express package containing two pigeons. Tied to the neck of one was a silk bag in which was a note threatening him with death unless he placed \$10,000 in the bag and released the birds.

At the direction of the police he prepared a note in which he explained to the blackmailers that he had been reluctant to entrust so much money to such uncertain means of transportation. He suggested that an appointment be made so that the money might be turned over personally.
After the pigeons had been fattened to slow their speed they were taken to the roof of a midtown building and released, with one of the birds carrying the doctor's note. At the same time, a score of detectives with binoculars stationed themselves on the roofs of high buildings from 27th to 42d streets. They watched the pigeons circle and saw them fly across the Hudson river into New Jersey where they were lost in the haze.

Three days later Dr. Alofsin received a letter, sent from the general post office, stating that the chance of arrest was too great under the doctor's plan and containing a threat of death for the doctor's entire family if the \$10,000 were not forthcoming. The letter said the pigeons would be expressed to him again.
Since that time police have been guarding the physician's home.

USE NO GAS FOR OPERATION UPON WILSON ADVISER

NEW YORK, April 3.—(AP)—Colonel Edward M. House, adviser to President Wilson, was resting comfortably today in a private hospital after undergoing an operation for the removal of a tumor on his bladder. His condition was described as very good.



The operation, performed at the Harbor Sanatorium, was done with the aid of a spinal anesthetic, and Colonel House talked to the surgeons while the tumor was being removed.
"How are things going?" he asked at intervals during the operation, which lasted an hour and forty-five minutes. He was not blindfolded and was able to watch the operation to some extent. Shortly before the end of the operation the effect of the anesthetic wore off and the doctors urged him to take gas.
"No, I will stand it," he told them. "I don't want to take gas."
Fort Rock.—20,000 sheep will be grazed this summer in this district of Deschutes national forest.

McNARY BILL IS URGED BY SEC'Y HYDE

Senate Agriculture Committee Told Oregon Senator's Plan Should Be First Work of Special Session—Speaks for Self, Not Hoover, Is Assertion of Hyde.

WASHINGTON, April 3.—(AP)—Secretary Hyde told the senate agriculture committee today that the immediate need for assisting agriculture is to pass the McNary bill at the special session.

WASHINGTON, April 3.—(AP)—Revision of the tariff on farm products, reduction of transportation costs by the development of inland waterways and federal assistance in marketing through a farm board were recommended to the senate agriculture committee today by Secretary Hyde as the basis for a sound agricultural relief policy. The secretary read his views from a prepared statement. Altogether he had a long conference with President Hoover last evening, he emphasized that he was "speaking for myself alone."

"I wish to state," he said, "that in discussing the subject, I am not within less than a month, but the opportunity to consider the problem in detail and I shall not attempt to present any detailed piece of legislation. You gentlemen are very much more fitted for that task than I."

GREAT NORTHERN EXTENSION AIRED

PORTLAND, Ore., April 3.—(AP)—Arguments for and against the proposed extension of the Great Northern railroad from Klamath Falls, Ore., to Keddle, Cal., to connect with the new northern extension of the Western Pacific, were made here today in a meeting with the Portland chamber of commerce.

The Great Northern had asked the endorsement of the local chamber. The Southern Pacific and Union Pacific filed objections with the interstate commerce commission, declaring that the application of the Great Northern should not be acted upon favorably.

GETZOFF REFUTES KEYES LIFE YARN

LOS ANGELES, April 3.—(AP)—Ben Getzoff, tailor, who was convicted with E. H. Rosenberg and former District Attorney A. A. Keyes for bribery conspiracy, issued a statement here last night charging that Keyes had engineered a plan to obtain "gifts" from Jacob Berman during the Julian Petroleum Corporation case trial.

Keyes' life story is being published by a local newspaper and Getzoff said he was aroused by what he claims were false statements made by Keyes. Getzoff said he will "tell the whole story from the witness stand if he recovers from his illness." "I will prove my statement that A. A. Keyes received \$22,000 cash from one which was given me by Jacob Berman for him."

City Result by Fast Service of Mail Tribune

The Mail Tribune, as usual, gave the people of Medford and all the country surrounding the first news of the airport bond election and the complete returns of the same. This was done over KMED, and over the telephones from this office. The first report given out was from the Fourth ward, fifteen minutes after the polls closed, followed by reports every few minutes. By 8:45 p. m. it was known there would be a big majority for the bonds and at 9:45 p. m. the complete returns were given. Many people from the country surrounding Medford were deeply interested and telephoned this office for results.

LUCKY BREAK IS ONLY HOPE FOR MISSING FLIERS

Plight of Kingsford-Smith and Southern Cross Crew Almost Hopeless—Fake Message Is Blamed for Hop-Off.

SYDNEY, N. S. W., April 3.—(AP)—One clue came out of the wild Australian bush today to guide searchers for the airplane "Southern Cross," which vanished March 31 with Captain Charles Kingsford-Smith and three companions, who were on the first lap of a flight to England. The Drysdale royal mission station this morning signalled Captain Chateau, Australian royal air force aviator, out on a searching expedition, that an airplane had passed over the station on March 21, heading southwest. This was the day on which the Southern Cross should have passed that way.

SYDNEY, N. S. W., April 3.—(AP)—Friends of the missing Southern Cross aviators today hoped for a fortunate circumstance to overcome the otherwise almost certain hopelessness of their plight. Only extreme good fortune, most thought, could culminate in the rescue of Captain Charles Kingsford-Smith, his pilot, Charles T. Ulm, and the two men with them who Sunday flashed a mysterious message to the world and disappeared somewhere east of Wyndham, western Australia.

LONDON, April 3.—(AP)—A dispatch from Sydney, N. S. W., to the Evening News today stresses the mystery which shrouds the telegram received by Captain Charles Kingsford-Smith before the departure of the Southern Cross Saturday.

REBEL RETREAT FROM JIMENEZ IN PROGRESS

MEXICO CITY, April 3, 12:30 p. m.—(AP)—Reports reaching the government from the front near Jimenez today stated that the rebels were in full retreat by train, truck and horseback toward Santa Rosalia, about half way between Jimenez and Bachima pass. Federal cavalry was in pursuit in the hope of overtaking those traveling by train. The progress of the train was slow because of the necessity of repairing bridges which were burned by a small band of federalists who managed to skirt the rebels while the battle was in progress at Jimenez.

WETS GAIN VICTORY IN WISCONSIN

Referendum Election Shows Sentiment in Favor Repeal State Dry Enforcement Act—Home Brew Also Favored—Laws Unchanged By Vote—Legislative Act Required.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., April 3.—(AP)—Anti-prohibitionists scored a victory in the referendum election yesterday when an overwhelming sentiment in favor of repealing the Swedish state prohibition enforcement act was registered. Returns from 1531 of the state's 2759 precincts, representing every section of the state, showed 205,812 in favor of repealing the enforcement act and 103,992 opposed to repeal. On the other question of removing the home brew penalty the vote was: Yes, 192,065; no, 104,042.

As returns continued to add to the majority in favor of eliminating the prohibition enforcement act from the statute books through legislative action, wets claimed that this claim was made by State the margin of victory would exceed Senator Thomas M. Duncan, Socialist, author of the referendum, the result of which he maintained would be regarded as a mandate to the legislature, at its present session, to carry out the expression of the voters.

NATIONALIST TROOPS ADVANCE ON HANKOW

HANKOW, China, April 3.—(AP)—Nationalist troops of the Nanking government, having a 7 km. camp along the right bank of the Yangtze River, were within 25 miles of Hankow today. Leaders in the Wuhan cities were concentrating every available man at Yanglo, 20 miles down the river, and severe fighting was expected there.

Although the Wuhan forces on the north bank of the river apparently will be cut off from the engagement the Wuhan officials were said to be confident.

Will Rogers Says: NEW YORK, April 3.—Headline says, "Congressman's Yacht Held Up and Searched." No wonder Hoover got rid of the Mayflower. Looks like an ad to show that there is a congressman that owns a yacht. He should feel complimented—the first congressman searched that they didn't find something on. However, this was a brand new yacht they were just delivering from the yacht hatchery. Lucky it wasn't the old one.

Bullfighting season opened in Madrid Sunday with a double header. Gene Tunney threw out the first bull, and ex-Queen Marie the second one. Yours, WILL ROGERS. P. S.: There are two things that can disturb business in this country. One is war and the other is a meeting of the federal reserve bank.

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