

The Weather
Forecast—Fair tonight and Tuesday; slightly warmer Tuesday.
Highest yesterday 55
Lowest this morning 40
24 hrs. precipitation to 5 a. m. .29

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

Weather Year Ago
Highest year ago today 57
Lowest year ago today 38

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California's Schools.
Capital Gain Taxes.
Their Excellent Majesties.
Princely Power.

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In California "Public School week" sets a good example to the rest of the country.

Californians, talking about better schools, mean what they say, and BUILD better schools. The public school system of New York, richest city in the world, is disgracefully backward compared with California's public schools.

The reason is that the government of New York City does not sympathize with public schools, and does reluctantly and grudgingly for the public school children only as much as public opinion compels. And public opinion is feeble in New York.

In California, when you see a magnificent building with a beautiful big park around it, on a wide street, THAT'S USUALLY A PUBLIC SCHOOL. Public schools have gardens and orchards attached, for the education of the children.

Charles E. Mitchell, of the National City, biggest bank in America, urges repeal of income tax on capital gain.

Taking a large part of profit on sales of property, stocks or real estate, the tax hampers business. Owners with a profit hold on to avoid the tax, tying up gigantic sums, complicating the credit situation.

Canada has no such tax, and meets expenses largely by a sales tax.

Any tax discouraging active business, causing stagnation in loans, is a harmful tax.

The government gains nothing by a tax that is offset by deductions for losses. Speculators take losses, charging them against profits, often buying back immediately what they have sold, to obtain income tax deductions. Taxes on capital gains are evaded easily.

To abolish tax on capital gains, abolishing at the same time allowances for corresponding losses, would increase government income and help business.

Statements by President Hoover indicate disapproval of a plan to pay farmers a bounty on exports. It is an old bounty. Alexander R. Smith, of Rosebank, Staten Island, calls attention to a law under William and Mary, called "An act for the encouraging the exportation of corn."

By that act "The king's and queen's most excellent majesties" advised "by the lord spiritual and temporal and the commons," announced "It hath been found by experience that exportation of corn and grain into foreign parts, when the price thereof is at a low rate in this kingdom, hath been a great advantage to owners of land and the trade of this kingdom in general."

Until lately the "reddest" radical in Britain was Arthur J. Cook, leader of miners. He was a republican, determined to get rid of kings and queens.

RESPECT OF LAW FADING IN COUNTRY

President Makes Earnest Appeal for Observance of Law in First Address—Foundation of Country Crumbling Is Assertion—Prohibition Only Part of Problem.

NEW YORK, April 22.—(AP)—President Hoover departed for Washington at 2:54 o'clock this afternoon after addressing the annual luncheon of the Associated Press at the Waldorf-Astoria hotel.

NEW YORK, April 22.—(AP)—President Hoover, in an earnest appeal to his fellow citizens to observe the law, declared here today that life and property in the United States "are relatively more unsafe than in any other civilized country in the world."

In his first address since his inauguration, delivered at the annual luncheon of the Associated Press, the chief executive said he was confronted with a national necessity of the first degree, that we are not suffering from an ephemeral crime wave but from a subsidence of our foundations.

"In order to dispel certain illusions in the public mind on this subject," Mr. Hoover said, "let me say at once that while violations of law have been increased by inclusion of crimes under the 18th amendment and by the vast sums that are poured into the hands of criminal classes by the patronage of illicit liquor by otherwise responsible citizens, yet this is but one segment of our problem."

He explained that he cited the extent of murder, burglary, robbery, forgery, and embezzlement because only a small percentage of these could be attributed to the 18th amendment, and he asserted that of the total number of convictions for felony last year less than eight per cent came from the source of the dry law.

"What we are facing today is something far larger and more fundamental—the possibility that respect for law as law is fading from the sensibilities of our people," he continued.

"No individual has a right to determine what law shall be obeyed and what law shall not be enforced. If a law is wrong, the right of enforcement is the prerogative of its repeal. If it is right, its enforcement is the quickest method of compelling respect for it."

Mr. Hoover said there were two immediate problems before the government to investigate the existing agencies of enforcement and to reorganize the system of enforcement in such manner as to eliminate its weaknesses.

"It is the purpose of the administration," he added, "to strengthen its law enforcement agencies week by week, month by month, year by year, not by dramatic displays and violent attacks in order to make headlines, not by violating the law itself through misuses of the law in its enforcement, but by steady pressure, steady weeding out of

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POLICE SEEKING BUYER OF GUNS IN MASSACRE

CHICAGO, April 22.—(AP)—Search for Frank Thompson of Kirkland, Ill., who is alleged to have purchased six machine guns from a sporting goods dealer here, just before the massacre of seven Moran gangsters, was intensified tonight following the arrest of Thompson's wife, Vera, who, police said, threw additional light on the case.

APPROVE BILL TO AID FARM MARKETING



The house agriculture committee approved a bill to create a federal board to aid farm marketing. The measure will be introduced at special session of congress. Left to right: Representatives Thomas F. Williams, Illinois; James B. Aswell, Louisiana; David H. Kincheloe, Kentucky; Fred S. Purnell, Indiana; and Gilbert N. Haugen, Iowa, chairman. Picture was taken after sub-committee members presented draft of bill to President Hoover.

U. S. DISPOSED TO ACCEPT FRENCH NAVY CUT PLAN

American Delegate at Geneva Conference Announces Favorable Attitude—British Spokesman Expresses Agreement.

GENEVA, April 22.—(AP)—Hugh S. Gibson, American delegate to the preparatory disarmament conference in session here, announced today the United States was disposed to accept France's proposal of limitation of naval tonnage by categories. The offer, he said, was made in the hope of facilitating a general agreement on naval reduction.

Lord Cushead, British disarmament delegate, hardly awaited for the speech of Hugh S. Gibson, presenting American views of naval disarmament, to be translated into French before he took the floor to answer it. He said while he was unable to comment on its specific proposals and as far as any general principle was concerned there was nothing in it with which he could not express agreement.

The French proposal is that which provides for assignment of a total tonnage to each nation. This total is to be divided among categories of ships by specified tonnage as a basis of discussion.

Lord Cushead was followed by N. Sato, of Japan, who announced Tokyo had also been studying the question of categories of warships and was likely to have some proposals to make. He stressed Japan's welcome of the cordial friendly spirit of the American declaration.

Count Massigli spoke for France. He characterized the American's statement as one of conciliation and realization. He said the controversy as to the best method of limiting navies had waged for two years and he emphasized that France always preferred the flexible method of combining total tonnage with tonnage by categories of warships.

FARM RELIEF HAS LIMELIGHT TODAY

WASHINGTON, April 22.—(AP)—Farm relief claimed overwhelming preliminary attention on both sides of the capitol today as congress entered the second week of its special session.

Not only had President Hoover's declaration against the export debenture plan focused interest on this subject, but the house had reached the last day of its general debate on a farm relief bill which meets his views, and the senate was at the beginning of a discussion of its measure.

As the principal piece of legislation recommended by President Hoover, both chambers are giving farm relief right of way.

Magyars Warned Race Fading Fast Birth Rate Low

BUDAPEST.—(AP)—Professor Wilhelm Tauter, a leading gynecologist of Hungary, has startled society by declaring that the Magyar race will be extinct in 50 years, if the present rate of decline in the national birth rate is continued.

"Hungarian homes today are cradleless," the doctor lamented. "Society seeks by every possible means to remedy main childless. The birth rate of last year was the lowest in the history of the country."

Dr. Tauter especially attacked one-child marriages.

HINES TO PROBE AIR CRASH AT SAN DIEGO, CAL.

WASHINGTON, April 22.—(AP)—F. Trabee Davidson, assistant secretary of war for aviation, announced today that orders had been sent to Major General John L. Hines, corps area commander at San Francisco, to make an investigation, additional to that required by army regulations, of the airplane collision between army and civilian planes yesterday at San Diego.

SAN DIEGO, Cal., April 22.—(AP)—The collision of an army pursuit plane and an air liner cost six lives here yesterday. It was the second air tragedy of its kind in San Diego in three days and the worst in the flying history of the city.

The larger plane, belonging to the Maddux Air Lines, Inc., and carrying five persons, had just taken off for Phoenix, Ariz. The army plane, piloted by Lieut. Howard Keefe, was a much swifter ship than the air liner and had been following the big transport.

PRESENT REPORT HERESY CHARGE

CAMERON, Texas, April 22.—(AP)—A detailed report of heresy charges on which their pastor, the Rev. H. D. Kenney, was expelled last Thursday by the Central Texas Presbytery, will be made to members of Cameron Presbytery church this afternoon.

Mr. Kenney was notified of the governing board's action by letter Saturday and his pulpit was occupied yesterday by Dr. W. S. Reed of Austin.

ELECTRICITY FOR BLUE LEDGE IS COPCO PROJECT

Estimate Prepared Furnishing Power at Big Copper Workings—Syndicate Member and Engineer Due This Week.

The California-Oregon Power company has prepared an estimate for the furnishing of power to the Blue Ledge mine, and submitted the same to J. B. Roof and associates of Los Angeles, who recently took an option from the Guggenheims for the operation of the mine.

C. Thompson, district manager of Copco, yesterday journeyed to the mine, on a trip of inspection.

It is figured that the installation of the power line would cost in the neighborhood of \$140,000. Consideration is also given to a plan to build a power line from Hill, Cal., to the mine, a shorter distance than from this city.

J. D. Murphy, Jr., a member of the Los Angeles syndicate, and a mining engineer by the name of Renford, a copper expert, are due this week for a visit to the mine. Walter Robinson, former superintendent of the mine, who has been acting in a similar capacity for an upstate quicksilver mine, is in the city and will be employed as a technical expert, in connection with the operation of the Blue Ledge. Robinson knows every foot of the diggings.

BEDE TO PREPARE SESSION JOURNAL

SALLEM, Ore., April 22.—(AP)—Elbert Bede, editor of the Cottage Grove Sentinel and reading clerk of the Oregon house of representatives, is here to prepare the copy for the journal of the 1929 legislature. This is the first time Bede has been employed for this work. He estimates the work will require three or four weeks.

NINE THOUSAND SIGN INCOME TAX PETITION

PORTLAND, April 22.—(AP)—Geo. Bylander, in charge of the local campaign to obtain signatures to the personal income tax referendum petition circulated by the greater Oregon association, said today nine thousand signatures had been obtained in Portland. The Portland circulators have been dismissed.

Of the names on the petitions so far checked by the county clerk's office, 85 per cent have been registered voters.

DEBENTURE RETENTION IS UPHELD

Senate Committee Votes to Override Hoover Opposition in Drafting Farm Relief Bill—McNary Sides With Executive—Letter to Oregon Senator Opposes Plan.

WASHINGTON, April 22.—(AP)—In spite of the emphatic opposition of President Hoover, the senate agriculture committee voted today to retain the export debenture plan in its farm relief bill.

The vote to retain the debenture plan was 8 to 6. Those voting for retention were Senators Norris of Nebraska; Frazier of North Dakota and Norbeck of South Dakota, Republicans and Wheeler of Montana, Hoffman of Alabama, Thomas of Oklahoma and Caraway of Arkansas, Democrats and Shipstead (by proxy) farmer-labor, Minnesota.

Those voting to eliminate the plan were Chairman McNary and Senators Capper of Kansas, Gould of Maine and Thomas of Idaho, Republicans and Tamm of Louisiana, Kendrick of Wyoming, Democrats.

Senator Smith, Democrat, South Carolina, was not recorded.

President Hoover stood today, definitely and emphatically ranged in opposition to the export debenture plan of farm relief.

"I am convinced that it would bring disaster to the American farmer," he said in a letter to Chairman McNary of the senate agriculture committee, which wrote a debenture provision into the tentative bill it introduced last week.

The chief executive's letter was in response to a request from the committee for his opinion on the proposal, which did not figure in the discussion of farm relief during the presidential campaign, and was forwarded with statements analyzing the plan by Secretaries Mellon and Hyde and the commerce department.

The committee, to which the senate referred the bill for formal action and a report today, was promptly called by Chairman McNary to meet this morning for consideration of the communications from the White House. Prior to this meeting, its membership was represented as being closely divided on the question whether to leave the debenture provision in the bill or report the measure back to the senate with the plan eliminated.

FORCES OF CHANG FLEE IN DISORDER BEFORE LIU ARMY

CHEFOO, Shantung, China, April 22.—(AP)—General Liu Chen-Nien inflicted a serious defeat during the night fight through Chefoo on forces of Marshal Chang Tsung-Chang, who retreated in great disorder through Chefoo.

It was reported that Chang was fleeing to Dalren, Japanese territory, leaving 25,000 leaderless bandit-soldiers in north Shantung. Residents and merchants here were apprehensive.

Liu gained his victory under cover of darkness, making repeated sorties from the walled city, where he has been besieged for weeks. The attacks produced the greatest confusion among Chang's forces, who fell upon each other in the darkness and killed many of their own men.

As the retreating troops of Chang rushed pell-mell and in the greatest disorder through Chefoo, representatives of the former warlord demanded \$2,000,000 Mexican of the Chefoo merchants.

Sent Upheld



Harry F. Sinclair.

WASHINGTON, April 22.—(AP)—The supreme court ruled today that Harry F. Sinclair, unless pardoned, must serve three months in jail for refusal to answer questions before the senate Teapot Dome committee.

Sinclair had appealed from a recent decision of the court, which upheld the sentence of three months in jail imposed upon him, but the highest court today refused to reconsider that opinion.

NEW \$100,000 SUB STATION FOR MEDFORD

The budget of the California Oregon Power company for the year 1929, in the territory it serves in northern California and southern Oregon and entailing an expenditure of over \$1,300,000 for improvements in service and new construction, has been approved by the general offices of the Hydro-Electrical and Manufacturing Corporation of Chicago, Ill. Word to this effect was received by Perry O. Crawford, general manager and vice president, and announced today.

Allotting of the sums to various projects will be made at once. Work will start at once, and has been underway in a preliminary manner for some time.

The principal item for this city is the construction of a new, modern-equipped sub-station at an initial cost of more than \$100,000 and additions to present transmission and distribution lines.

The budget provides for extensive improvements in the Rogue River, Klamath, Umpqua and Shasta divisions, affecting over a score of cities. It also provides for new power lines to serve new areas.

It was also announced that in the carrying out of the budget plans, home labor would be employed as far as possible.

GIBSON URGES NEW DEAL FOR ARMS PARLEY

GENEVA, April 22.—(AP)—Hugh S. Gibson, American ambassador to Lugdun, presenting an eagerly awaited American thesis before the preparatory disarmament commission today, appealed for a fresh examination of the entire problem based on the idea that all nations are going to be friends and settle their difficulties by peaceful means.

Through Mr. Gibson's address, President Hoover is generally deemed in Geneva to have launched an important move to place the relations between the United States and Great Britain on a firm foundation of collaboration and friendliness.

Many of Chang's soldiers were discarding their uniforms to escape the vengeance of the nationalists, who were believed to be just behind them.

FATALITIES TOTAL 26 IN STORMS

Midwest and South Suffer Visitation Over Week-End 13 Killed in Arkansas—Flood Waters Threaten in Three States—Colorado and Wyoming Piled With Snow.

(By the Associated Press, April 22) Outbursts of the elements—hails, tornadoes, and wind, hail and rain storms—took 26 lives in the midwest, southwest and south over the weekend; injured two score persons or more, and did hundreds of thousands of dollars worth of damage.

Arkansas tornadoes killed 13 persons, 11 of them negroes working on a plantation at Tillar. Property damage was reported from other sections of that state. Arkansas also was fighting against the rising waters of the Mississippi river, 500 workmen reinforcing the levee at Knowlton's Landing near Snow Lake. After many hours work, engineers believed that the danger of a break at that point had been averted.

A 15-minute storm at Louisville and at New Albany, Ind., across the Ohio river, cost two lives and did property damage of approximately a quarter of a million dollars. Wind and hail shattered windows in many buildings. At Walton, Ky., two boys were killed when lightning struck a barn on which they had perched to watch a ball game.

Three negroes were killed and 25 persons were injured when another of the series of tornadoes that caromed about the south and southwest struck Dahomey, Miss. A twister also descended upon Wham, La., but no loss of life was reported there.

Colorado and Wyoming were piled with snow in some sections while Oklahoma, Kansas and Missouri were having flood and tornado worries.

Three Indians were killed in Oklahoma tornadoes. A man was killed in a storm at Reece, Kas. A baby was crushed to death in a Texas storm; and a boy drowned at Wyandotte, Okla. Hence, and Hollwar, Mo., were particularly hard hit by the midwest storms.

There was renewed alarm along the Mississippi river near Quincy, Ill., and Canton, Mo., with government observers predicting the highest stage in 75 years. There was no known loss of life when the levee crumbled at Canton, but 200 were homeless and many other families were moved from their homes as a precaution against other levee breaks. A break in the levee of the Fabius river, emptying into the Mississippi, preceded the Canton break, flooding 4000 acres of farm land.

KLAMATH FAMILY IN REDWOOD CITY CAR CATASTROPHE

REDFORD CITY, Calif., April 22.—(AP) One man was killed and eight persons, including a year old baby, were injured in a collision between two automobiles on the highway near Belmont today.

The dead: Jack Cardin, 36, of San Jose, driver of one car.

The injured: R. E. Cullen, Klamath Falls, Ore., lacerations and bruises. Richard Cullen, 7, his son, shock and possible spinal injury. Mrs. R. E. Cullen, his wife, bruises and shock.

Frank Vogel, San Francisco, driver of the second car, back injuries, cuts and bruises. Mrs. Frank Vogel, his wife, head injuries, lacerations. Paul Saussele, San Francisco, shock and cuts on face. Mrs. Paul Saussele, his wife, deep cuts on head and face. Helen Saussele, their year old daughter, bruises and cuts.

The Cullens were riding in Cardin's machine, while the others were occupants of Vogel's car.

LENROOT NOMINATION IS AGAIN SUBMITTED

WASHINGTON, April 22.—(AP)—Nomination of Irvine L. Lenroot, former Republican senator from Wisconsin, to be a judge of the court of customs and patent appeals was resubmitted to the senate today by President Hoover.