

The Weather

Forecast—Cloudy tonight and Friday. Probably showers. Highest yesterday 76. Lowest this morning 48.

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

Weather Year Ago

Highest year ago today 63. Lowest year ago today 32.

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TOLERANCE IS REDUCED FOR VALLEY

Spray Residue Must Not Exceed .017 Under New Order—Traffic Body Opposes Northwest Fruits in Farm Relief Provisions—Will Seek Freight Extension

The spray tolerance for fruit of the Rogue River valley for the coming season has been fixed at .017 by the Department of Commerce. The previous tolerance for domestic fruits was .02.

The new tolerance recommendation by the government has been expected for some time. The Traffic association and the Fruitgrowers' league took a neutral position, being willing to accept any ruling made.

H. Van Hovenburg of the Sams Valley district, active in fruit betterment work, on a trip to Washington, D. C., last winter, conferred with department of commerce bureau chiefs and received an inkling that a lower tolerance would be declared before the present fruit season.

The association at a meeting today voted to confer with the traffic associations of Hood River, Wenatchee and Yakima, before filing a protest against the inclusion of pears and apples in the provisions of the farm relief bill, now before congress.

It is claimed that the inclusion of northwest fruits in the bill will place them on the same footing in the markets as eastern and middle west fruit, with a resultant lower price.

The local association also voted to ask the Wenatchee and Yakima, Wash., and the Hood River, Ore., districts to join with them in asking for a further extension of the emergency freight rate on pears, which expires June 1 next. The rate is \$1.83 per hundred. The northwest districts decline to ask for a continuance on the grounds that the Interstate Commerce commission decision on the pear rates will be made before the shipping season starts.

Paul Scherer was neutral on the request to ask the Oregon congressional delegation to work for the exclusion of fresh fruits from the farm aid bill. He said the bill would be accepted or rejected, regardless of any telegrams sent and, besides, nobody knew or cared what debarment meant.

Raymond Reter requested all shippers to commit themselves at once on how many pear receipts wrappers they would use. He also asked for an appropriation of \$25 to pay Joseph Nealon, a University of Oregon school of journalism graduate, for doing the heavy work in getting out the booklet. The sum was voted, with but one dissenting vote.

C. C. Darby reported that R. W. Burrows of Petaluma, Calif., would set up his machinery for the making of fruit boxes about May 23, and would submit samples of his material to all shippers.

The association extended a vote of thanks to a scribe of this paper for information furnished, and which will probably turn out to be incorrect.

London Girls Not Keen to Wed Rich Yankee and Move

LONDON, May 2.—(AP) The Rev. John Shepherd, minister of Islington chapel, announced today that he has been unable to find anyone in his district who would accept the offer of a "rich American" of a luxurious home and an allowance of \$15,000 annually to the woman who would leave London, marry him and live in the United States.

JACKSONVILLE SCENE OF FATAL AUTO ACCIDENT

Horace Venable, Pioneer Resident, Struck When Driver Blinded By Lights—Victim Fails to Regain Consciousness.

Horace Venable, 75 years old, well known Jacksonville pioneer, sustained fatal injuries last evening when struck by an automobile driven by Pearl Bateman of Medford in the city limits of Jacksonville.

The accident took place at 8:00 o'clock and Venable died at the Sacred Heart hospital shortly after 10 o'clock, without regaining consciousness.

W. T. Wright had parked a truck alongside the road, preparatory to moving household goods into the Venable home, and together with a friend, Venable was standing alongside the truck talking to Wright. Just before the arrival of the Bateman car, Wright decided to drive into the yard and was preparing to cross the highway with his truck.

Mr. Venable's death was the second auto fatality this year, the first having taken place on the Crater Lake highway.

In view of reports from different witnesses, Coroner H. W. Conger said this afternoon an inquest into the accident would probably be held tomorrow evening.

HEFLIN HUSHED BY SENATE RULE

WASHINGTON, May 2.—(AP) During an attack today upon Senator Jones, Republican, of Washington, Senator Heflin, Democrat, of Alabama, was warned by Vice President Curtis that a senate rule prohibited one member from referring to a colleague in "an uncompromising manner" and the Alabama was cut short in a statement about Jones.

TORNADOES RETURN TO ARKANSAS

Second Storm Series in Month Takes Toll of Six—Fifty Injured—East and West Portions of State Hit—Wire Facilities Out of Commission—Details Delayed.

RICHMOND, Va., May 2.—(AP) W. S. White and J. S. Childers, telegraph operators at Bristol, and former employes of the Associated Press, advised the Associated Press in Richmond late today that the railroad agent at Clinchport, Va., said that 50 bodies had been taken from the ruins of the school house struck by a tornado at Rye Cove, near Gate City, Va. All reports, White and Childers said, were coming from the scene by messenger to the railroad agent, five miles away.

COLUMBUS, Ohio, May 2.—(AP) Four prisoners were killed, six others were seriously injured and a dozen more were reported missing when a high wind swept over the city and blew down sections of the wall of the city prison here late today.

WHEATLEY, Ark., May 2.—(AP) Eight persons are dead and more than a score injured with property damage estimated at about \$250,000 to \$300,000 as a result of the tornado which struck this section last night.

Of the injured, several are in a serious condition.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., May 2.—(AP) The second series of tornadoes in Arkansas in less than a month today took a toll of at least six dead and probably 50 injured, with property damage running high.

Striking a few hours apart in both east and west parts of the state late yesterday and last night, the tornadoes so completely demoralized communication systems that full reports of the number of dead and injured were not obtainable early today.

The six known dead were at Brinkley and Wheatley, a few miles apart, in northeast Arkansas. Three of them were white persons, Mrs. Dave Edwards and two daughters, and three unidentified negroes.

More than 20 were injured in that section, some seriously. Reports from Dagmar, southwest of Brinkley, were that 20 persons were injured there. Fort Smith and vicinity had a dozen injured.

The number of dead was expected to be increased by a thorough survey of the section around Wheatley.

D. E. Whitehurst, Rock Island station agent at Brinkley, said he heard the roar and saw the approaching storm from his home in the western part of the city. When he saw it strike in the neighborhood of Wheatley, Whitehurst rushed to the station and organized a relief train which went to Wheatley and brought back some of the injured.

A staff correspondent of the Associated Press who was on the Rock Island special train from Little Rock, reported that the path of the tornado was clearly visible from the railroad tracks southwest of Brinkley.

EMPLOYEE SIGNS MURDER CONFESSION



John L. Howard (center) admitted in Los Angeles he hammered to death Victor A. Cooley, Pasadena, Cal., automobile dealer. L. R. Culver (standing) and Harry Thomas, police detectives, obtained the information. Inset is Mrs. Pearl Cooley, the widow.

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Washington, May 2.—(AP) Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh believes that one airport will not be sufficient for cities of the future and that America has no fields comparable to the best in Europe.

None of our airports in this country today, he told a joint congressional committee studying the needs of the national capital in this respect, "can be rated as a model for the future, but a number of cities are now constructing airports that will be good for the future."

He asserted that there will be a great increase in flying with the formation of flying clubs, and added that even now there is more private flying in this country than abroad.

Advances made in the development of apparatus to permit landing on fields covered by fogs also were described by the flier. This may be done, he said, by use of radio beams between points of departure and destination, coupled with the use of another beam at the landing field which would direct the angle of the plane's glide to the ground. These devices are soon to be tried out in the air-mail service, he said.

Most of the present activity in commercial transport is on the Pacific coast, he declared, attributing this in part to a fund given by Daniel Guggenheim to the transport line which showed the great necessity for a loan to help its operation. The award went to the Western Airways Express.

Discussing the location of an airport in Washington, for which he was specifically asked to appear before the committee, Lindbergh said that one of the most important things to be considered was its distance from the city. He pointed out that if it takes an hour or so to go from the field to the central part of the city, advantage of speed of air travel is greatly reduced.

ST. LOUIS, May 2.—(AP) A heavy snowstorm struck St. Louis and portions of Missouri and Illinois today, demoralizing traffic disrupting telephone communications and sending temperatures tumbling below freezing. More than three inches of snow had fallen here before 8 a. m.

DISCRETION ADVISED IN JONES LAW

Enforcement By Harassment Never Justified, Says Mrs. Willebrandt—Letter On Jones Law Explained by Prosecution Chief—W. C. T. U. Publishes Explanation.

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Washington, May 2.—(AP) Victorious in a 1000 mile aerial race with death, doctors here today held out hope for the recovery of Mrs. Peter Kostrometoff of Sitka, Alaska, who was in a critical condition from Septemia.

Told that the only chance to save his wife's life was to put her under the care of specialized physicians immediately, Kostrometoff early yesterday morning arranged by cable for the 1000 mile race, for immediate refueling of the plane at Ketchikan, Alaska, and Alert Bay, B. C., and for her care here. Necessary hospital facilities and specialists were unavailable in Alaska.

Blot Ansel Bekmann and Navigator Robert E. Ellis flew from Juneau to Sitka, where they picked up the woman and her husband and started on their race south at 8:40 yesterday morning. Flying over a circuitous route because Mrs. Kostrometoff's condition made it impossible to reach high altitudes, they landed at Seattle 11 hours later.

A waiting ambulance rushed the woman to a hospital where physicians decided an immediate operation was imperative.

"While she is still a very sick woman," said Dr. Lester J. Palmer, "she arrived at the hospital in excellent condition, far better than if she had made the trip by another means."

By boat the only other means of transportation, it would have taken five days or longer.

SEATTLE, May 2.—(AP) Asserting that the Rev. H. H. Clark's charges are "false and malicious," counsel for Mrs. Minnie E. Kennedy today filed an answer to Clark's \$50,000 breach of promise suit. The answer charges the suit was brought to intimidate Mrs. Kennedy and her daughter, Alice Temple McPherson, Los Angeles evangelist, to "secure payments of money."

Mrs. Kennedy, in answering the charges, also denies she ever concealed her identity from Clark, and stated she first met him in a cafe last December, at which time "he related a story of poverty and pleaded for help."

ty Deckard of Seventeen Months Every Air Minded

NEW YORK, May 2.—(AP) Doty Deckard would seem to hold a flying championship of some sort, probably having spent a greater portion of her life in the air than anybody else. She has been up a total of 30 hours and is 17 months old. She is so air-minded that she slept most of the time when she, her mother and others went in a seaplane from New York to Albany and return in eight minutes less than it takes the crack twentieth century train to make the trip one way.

TALK RECALL OF THREE SOLONS IN MULTNOMAH

Moser, Corbett and Bailey Target for Ire Because of Vote Against Telephone Bill—Backers of Move Not Named.

SALEM, Ore., May 2.—(AP) An incipient move is under way in Multnomah county for the recall of State Senators Gus C. Moser, Harry Corbett and J. O. Bailey. This was made known today by George Bylander, petition circulator for the referendum against the income tax and the Multnomah county circuit judge bill, and by Clarence E. Yeager, a Portland attorney. Bylander said they were not at liberty to say who is back of the recall movement.

The grievance against the senators, it was said, is the fact that they voted against the Burdick Home-File telephone bill, which passed the house but was defeated in the senate.

Senator Milton R. Klepper of Portland also voted against the bill, but the proposed recall will not be directed against him for the reason that he is not a hold-over member. Moser and Corbett were re-elected in November 1928 and Bailey is a new member.

Bylander said there is no certainty that the recall move will fully materialize, since there may be some difficulty in raising the necessary funds.

N. Y. ATTORNEY DISMISSED BY HOOVER ORDER

U. S. Official Who Refused to Resign Is Summarily Dealt With—Third to Go in Campaign for Increased Efficiency.

WASHINGTON, May 2.—(AP) William A. DeGroot, who has repeatedly refused to resign as United States attorney for the eastern New York district, has been summarily dismissed from office by President Hoover.

He is the third district attorney forced out of office since Attorney General Mitchell undertook to comply with the president's desire for increased efficiency in the government service and initiated the nationwide survey of prosecuting attorneys' offices, which is still in progress.

The other two, however, submitted their resignations in compliance with requests from the attorney general. They were John Cook, United States attorney for the southern district of Mississippi, and William A. Gober of the southern district of Florida. President Hoover's support of his attorney general's procedure was demonstrated when Cook came to Washington to see him but without success.

CARTOONIST 'TAD' DIES AFTER LONG ILLNESS

NO RELIEF WANTED BY FRUIT MEN

McNary to Ask Exclusion of Fruit and Vegetables From Operation of Farm Relief Machinery—Many Amendments May Postpone Final Senate Action to Next Week.

WASHINGTON, May 2.—(AP) The mass of amendments offered to the farm relief bill in the senate has forced administration leaders to conclude that final action on the measure will have to be postponed until next week.

Senator McNary of Oregon, chairman of the agriculture committee, is hopeful that the senate will vote on the export debarment section tomorrow, but even this seems impossible in view of the large number of senators who have indicated a desire to discuss the proposal.

A Saturday session may be called to get the export debarment contest out of the way before the end of the week and if this aim is successful, the measure as a whole, is likely to reach a vote Monday or Tuesday.

Considerable debate is expected upon a number of the dozen or so changes advocated by other senators. Some of these may be accepted or rejected without argument, however.

After the debarment plan has been disposed of, the senate will be asked by Chairman McNary to comply with a request of fruit and vegetable associations that their products be excluded from operation of the farm relief machinery to be set up by the bill. They asked and obtained similar exemption from operation of the qualification fee in the old McNary-Haugen bill.

Senator McNary also has an amendment providing that no money would be loaned by the proposed farm board for the construction of storage and warehousing facilities.

Senator Brookhart, Republican, Iowa, intends to call up an amendment his bill providing a huge subsidy for the direct buying by the government of surplus crops, but there is no indication that this proposal will be accepted.

REPORT INCREASE ALCOHOL DEATHS

NEW YORK, May 2.—(AP) The Metropolitan Life Insurance company announced today that deaths from acute and chronic alcoholism among its policyholders in the United States and Canada were greater during the first three months of this year than any similar period since 1917.

There were 175 deaths recorded during the first quarter of this year, only four of which were of Canadian policy holders. Last year during the same period there were 144. These figures do not include deaths due to poisoning by wood and denatured alcohol.

Will Rogers Says: See in the Washington dispatches that the Democrats are planning to make a direct issue of prohibition in '32.

Why a man should dig his grave three years before he is buried is almost unexplainable. I spent three years in 48 states each season kidding and joking on both sides of prohibition, and if you think the country is wet, you got a big city angle on a nation that is composed of country folks. It's the only law we ever had where the small town and country know they hold the trump card. You can't change it without their permission, and you won't get it. They are just laughing at you. Yours, WILL ROGERS.

Baseball Scores table with columns for American and National leagues, listing games and scores.