

The Weather
Forecast—Unsettled, probably local showers tonight and Saturday. Not much change in temperature. Humidity above normal. Highest yesterday 70

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

Temperatures
Lowest this morning 42
24 hrs. precipitation to 5 a. m. .03

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Today

By Arthur Brisbane
Lady Astor's Reply.
300 Feet of Sod.
Imitating Lindbergh.
More Fighting Ships.

President Hoover tells his national law enforcement commission to make a "courageous report." He wants the truth told, even if it hurts the feelings of the wets OR dries.

If truth hurts the wets, that can be attended to by hiring more enforcement officers. The treasury has plenty of money.

But if truth hurts the feelings of dries, by reporting that prohibition cannot be enforced, then nothing can be done about it.

Congress will not pass any law not acceptable to prohibition.

Great Britain elected a new parliament in a much-mixed election.

It was expected that the Tories with Baldwin would win by a small majority, which could be overturned at any time by a combination of labor and Lloyd George, who is the whole liberal party.

Lloyd's insurance charges 45 per cent to insure against an absolute labor victory. Lloyd's usually knows in Britain, as Wall Street knows here, but at the present writing labor is far in the lead.

The feature of the whole election was a Virginia girl, Lady Astor, of whom George Bernard Shaw truly says: "Her defeat would be a national calamity."

That young woman has taught the British some things they did not know about hard political fighting and quick replies.

At one meeting a woman of the labor party shouted at Lady Astor, "My children are as good as yours." Lady Astor's instant reply contained sound philosophy. She said:

"As good as which one of mine? One of my sons is a star gazer, who dreams too much to make money."

"The other would make a fortune if you banished him to Timbuctoo. If fathers and mothers can't make their children equal, what makes you think the labor government can do it?"

Many mothers would ask Lady Astor, "Which do YOU consider the best of your children, the star gazer or the one that could make money in Timbuctoo?"

The star gazer is PROBABLY the better, whether Lady Astor knows it or not. Any fool can make money, especially if he has a little imagination.

To be a successful star gazer takes brains and real imagination.

Thieves stole 300 square feet of beautiful, heavy, smooth sod from the green of a golf course and sold it to a cemetery, which didn't know it was stolen. You could nurse a while on that, without going to the place where the mountain looks upon Marathon.

What a feeble thing is man. In his youth he works. Later with golf clubs he spends a few days "putting," with smooth sod under his feet. Then for a long time he spends his days with sod over his head.

The sod is more permanently
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LABORITES LEADING IN ENGLAND

Conservatives Suffer Bad Setback in General Election—Labor Party Will Not Be Able to Gain Absolute Majority—Lady Astor, Lloyd-George and Baldwin Successful.

LONDON, Eng., May 31.—(AP)—With only 31 districts unreported tonight the labor party maintained its lead but without an absolute majority.

The vote was: Labor, 287; Conservatives, 246; Liberals, 51.

The remaining results will not be known for a few days, but will hardly affect the standing.

LONDON, Eng., May 31.—(AP)—Despite the smashing successes scored by the labor party in the general election at the expense of the conservatives, enough returns were in hand this evening to show that the laborites could not secure an absolute majority in the commons over all other parties.

Ramsay MacDonald, third of the leaders of the three great parties



Megan Lloyd George
Lloyd George

to be heard from, scored a tremendous triumph in the Seaham division of Durham.

He increased the labor vote by more than 13,000 over the figures totaled by Sidney Webb, labor member for Seaham in 1924.

Premier Baldwin's victory at Bewdley, Worcestershire, was his first three-cornered fight. He polled 16,953 votes for 2575 for the laborite, Hancock, and 7186 for the liberal, Carter, giving him a plurality of 6832 over both his opponents.

Lloyd George also came through from his own constituency of Carnarvon, Wales, by a wide margin.

Premier Baldwin's son, Oliver Baldwin, and Lloyd George's daughter, Megan, also will be in the next house of commons with their parents.

Oliver Baldwin, who returned from Dudley, Worcestershire, the same county as his father, is a laborite and for some years has been opposed to policies of his father's party.

Megan Lloyd George, on the other hand, is a liberal, the same as her father. She was returned with a strong plurality.

Malcolm MacDonald, son of the labor leader, also was returned to commons.

Jack Jones, the fiery labor leader was successful at Westham. Winston Churchill, the outstanding personality of the conservative party and chancellor of the exchequer in the Baldwin ministry, was re-elected in his Epping constituency in the agricultural county of Essex.

All three main members of the Wednesday family triumphed for labor. There were eight women in the recently dissolved parliament, of whom six were elected on the labor ticket. The women returned the

Phoebe Can Cuss Like Veteran Since Capture by Coppers

CHICAGO, Ill., May 31.—(AP)—Ah, ha! Phoebe the parrot has a story to tell the policemen! Up in the time Phoebe got lost from her cage at the Hugh M. Garden home yesterday her most virulent oath was "Hot coffee." But now she says "and" and "no!" as well as a lot of double-jointed cuss words. Mr. Garden cannot understand how Phoebe could be so come so profusely profane in 10 short hours, especially since the only human beings she met during that time were three Lake Forest policemen who spent most of the day trying to get Phoebe out of the tree in which she had perched. Mr. Garden said Phoebe could hardly have picked up her cuss words from the policemen. "No!" said Phoebe.

GANG SLAYERS ADD THIRD TO MURDER LIST

Grocer Is Third Victim in 36 Hours—'Stool Pigeon' Taken for Ride, Dumped in Street—'Kid' Austin Held for Ransom.

CHICAGO, May 31.—(AP)—Another murder—the third in 36 hours, and the most brutal of the three—was done last night when a man walked up to Ettore Quaterri, 54, sitting in front of his little grocery, and fired four bullets into his body. Quaterri did not die at once. He was conscious when police arrived, and able to talk. But he would not say who shot him; and he denied knowledge of any reason—gang connection, black hand threat or personal vengeance—for the shooting.

Yesterday police found the body of Dominick Costa, known as a thief and stool pigeon. He had been done to death in gang fashion—taken for a "ride," beaten, shot and then dumped into a field on 83rd street. A few hours earlier Thomas McElliott was killed in a pistol duel in the basement barroom of a downtown hotel.

The kidnaping, apparently for ransom, of "Kid" Austin was another of the flares sent up by gangsters over the holiday. An anonymous telephone call to the detective bureau said: "Don't worry about that Austin guy. He is just being detained until his friends fix up a purse of \$20,000."

CHICAGO, May 31.—(AP)—Two detectives and a neighbor were shot and killed on the north side today by Ferdinand Preuss, who was believed to have become suddenly insane while arguing with his wife. Two other detectives and another person were wounded.

The dead are: Sergeant John Connelly, Detective Harry Hagberg, John Chozak, 37.

The wounded: Detective Joseph A. Murphy, Detective McInerney, Gus Jalos.

Preuss barricaded himself after killing the officers and fired steadily into the street. Several squads armed with machine guns and bombs rushed to the scene.

Preuss, rated an expert shot, used a double-barreled shotgun. Neighbors said he had been drinking for three weeks. He is the father of three children.

NAVAL PROGRAM IS HEAVY BURDEN

WASHINGTON, May 31.—(AP)—Declaring that the authorized and contemplated naval program of the United States for new ships amounts to \$1,170,000,000, Secretary Stimson said today in a statement that few realized the immense burden imposed on the world by the cost of modern ships of war.

The secretary's statement was made in commenting upon the speech of President Hoover at Arlington national cemetery, Mr. Stimson declaring that he wished to "call attention to another aspect" of naval disarmament.

Ladies in Battle
BECKLEY, W. Va., May 31.—(AP)—Mrs. Virginia Day, 35, was stabbed to death today in a fight, police say, with Mrs. Lucille Underwood, 23, in the mining settlement at Freeco, near here. The victim was said to have wielded an axe handle during the melee. Mrs. Underwood was arrested. Authorities did not learn what precipitated the affair.

2nd Division Warriors Gather in Boston for National Reunion



Maj. Gen. J. G. Harbord (upper left), commander of the 2nd division in the Belgian wood attack, attending the reunion of his outfit in Boston today. Other high officers present include Maj. Gen. Preston Brown, chief of staff (lower left), and Maj. Gen. J. A. Lestune (right), retired leader of U. S. Marines.

EAST SUFFERS HEAT WAVE ON MEMORIAL DAY

More Than Score Perish From Heat and Drowning—Traffic Accidents Add to Toll—Veteran Dies After Parade Exertion.

NEW YORK, May 31.—(AP)—More than a score of deaths from heat and drownings marked one of the hottest Memorial days in the east.

Thousands flocked from the sweltering cities to seek relief at bathing beaches, while highways were jammed with automobiles, adding to the toll many deaths and injuries from collisions.

In New York City the temperature rose to 83 degrees, adding to the discomfort. Four persons died from the heat, four others were prostrated and there were nine drownings.

It was 96 in Boston. In New England, five persons died from the heat and four were drowned. At Corinth, near Glen Falls, N. Y., the temperature was 110 degrees. Three drownings occurred in upper New York state.

Three persons were drowned in New Jersey, and at Meadville, Pa., a Civil war veteran dropped dead after taking part in a parade.

Pittsburgh, Pa., reported two deaths from drowning.

The heat wave extended into Ontario. In the province there were two deaths from heat and two drownings.

RACING CAR HITS SPECTATOR GROUP

NEW YORK, May 31.—(AP)—Two spectators were killed and a driver and two others were injured at a Memorial day automobile race at the Metropolitan fairgrounds, Middle Village, Queens.

The car was traveling about 80 miles an hour at one of the turns of the dirt track when it left the course and hurtled up a small embankment into a group of spectators before it turned over.

Katz told police he lost control of the machine when he saw a boy run onto the track, and swerved his car to avoid hitting him.

POPE CELEBRATES ACTIVE BIRTHDAY

VATICAN CITY, May 31.—(AP)—Pope Pius XI celebrated his 72nd birthday actively at work granting audiences and answering correspondence, today.

His Holiness postponed until later his replies to whole shoaves of congratulatory telegrams and cables, which literally inundated his secretarial staff.

The pontiff, who was born at Desio, Italy, May 31, 1857, and named Achille Ratti, is still in vigorous health.

RICH PRIZE TO WINNER RAY KEECH

Forty Thousand and Trophies Will Be Given Indianapolis Race Victor—Each Driver to Share Big Purse—Louis Meyer and Jimmy Gleason Finish Second and Third.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., May 31.—(AP)—Approximately \$40,000 in cash and several trophies will be given Ray Keech, Philadelphia, here tonight for having won the seven-teenth annual 500-mile automobile race yesterday at the speedway.

The presentation will be made at a banquet for the drivers, who will divide there a purse of \$101,500. Each of the 33 pilots who started the long grind will receive some money, regardless of his position at the end.

Used as they are to sudden death within their ranks, the racers were shocked at the accident which resulted in the passing



Ray Keech, of Bill Spence of Los Angeles, Spence died from a fractured skull a short time after his car had turned over early in the contest. It was the first fatality on the local track in ten years.

Louis Meyer, High Gate, Calif., the 1928 American driving champion, who finished second yesterday, will be given checks for about \$19,000. Jimmy Gleason of Philadelphia, who was third, will be rewarded with about \$7000 in cash.

Others who will get large shares of the money are Carl Marchese, Milwaukee, who was fourth; Speed Gardner, Philadelphia, fifth; Fred Winnal, Philadelphia, sixth; Louis Chiron, Paris, France, seventh; Billy Arnold, Chicago, eighth; Cliff Bergere, Los Angeles, ninth; and Fred Frame, who was tenth.

Deacon Lutz, Dubois, Pa., who was in the lead for 122 miles but wrecked his car in a wild, uncontrolled dash off the track and did not finish, won \$4900 in lap prizes and a few hundred dollars of a \$10,000 consolation fund. Lou Moore, whose car broke down five miles from the finish line while he was two laps ahead of all others for second place and \$19,000, won \$2200 in lap money. He finished second last year.

DOCTOR BESTS OFFICER IN DUEL OVER FAIR LADY

ST. PAUL, Minn., May 31.—(AP)—Lieut. Walter Raymond Miller, polo player and army officer with the Third Infantry, stationed at Fort Snelling, was seriously wounded last night in a pistol duel which police said was over a woman.

Dr. William B. Hirst, a physician, was arrested.

Both men, police were told, had called upon Miss Nan Elizabeth Ferguson, 26, Dr. Hirst, who is 53 and married, was seated with her in an automobile, police said, when Lieut. Miller arrived. There were words, and the two men drew pistols, walked to the middle of the street, and opened fire. Lieut. Miller was shot in both legs.

Police declared no shot had been fired from the officer's pistol, but Dr. Hirst was shot.

Dr. Hirst and Miss Ferguson were held for further questioning.

BASEBALL SCORES

American	R.	H.	E.
Detroit	6	13	2
Philadelphia	9	14	1
Carroll, Yde and Phillips; Ehmeke, Rommel and Cochrane.			
National	R.	H.	E.
Philadelphia	10	11	2
Pittsburgh	7	12	1
Willoughby, McGraw, Sweetland and Davis; Lorian; Frech, Dawson, Meise and Hargreaves; Hensley.			
R. H. E.			
Cincinnati	1	10	1
St. Louis	8	8	1
May, Reimer and Sakerforth; Frankhouse and Wilson.			

Parents Blamed For Lawlessness by Club Speaker

SWAMPSCOTT, Mass., May 31.—(AP)—Campaign for strict observance of the laws of the United States would not be necessary if the American parent fulfilled the obligations of parenthood, Mrs. John D. Sherman of Denver, Colo., declared today before the American home department of the 13th biennial council meeting of the General Federation of Women's Clubs.

"A home that lacks reverence and respect for the sacred things of life is a menace to the community," said Mrs. Sherman.

BOSC GROWERS WILL MEET TO DISCUSS PLANS

Saturday Conference Is Planned at Hotel Medford—Traffic Body Figures 80 Per Cent Last Year's Crop for Season.

There will be a meeting tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Hotel Medford of Bosc growers and the Bosc pear committee for the purpose of discussing plans for the season.

The fruit crop of the Rogue River valley the coming season will be 80 per cent of last year, for all varieties of pears and apples, according to the Rogue River traffic association comparative vote, taken at the regular meeting this noon. Fifty of the leading fruit distributors gave their estimates on the crop, from personal surveys and observations. The vote showed there would be 404 cars of apples and 2900 cars of pears. Last year there were approximately 3600 cars of pears and 500 cars of apples. The cars by varieties were as follows:

Bartlett	1225
Bosc	725
Comice	105
D'Anjou	725
Howells	180
Nella	271

A motion of Raymond Reter for a poll of the traffic association on endorsing the Southern Pacific railway in its opposition to the Hill line extension was "referred to the proper committee" and virtually laid on the table.

Reter declared that the endorsement was due the Southern Pacific for its helpful friendliness and willingness to improve its service from this valley.

The traffic committee endorsed the tentative report of the Bosc pear committee, David Wood, chairman. The committee will meet with the Bosc growers tomorrow afternoon to discuss final details of the plan. The tentative plan includes the establishing of new Bosc pear markets the coming season in Detroit and Pittsburgh, the use of a neutral label and only extra fancy Bosc, an advertising of the Bosc in these two large cities.

H. Von Hoenburg of the Winter pear committee made a report, in which he advocated the standardizing of pear box weights and the elimination of the bars in pear boxes, to which he attributed the bruises on winter pears. He urged a campaign of education and much missionary work among the eastern distributors and trade, to the toothsome of the late varieties of pears. Regulation of pear box weights through the co-operation of the fruit distributors was recommended.

Mr. Wood and Mr. Von Hoenburg both recommended the use of the word "MEDFORD" displayed on the end of pear boxes as a vital advertising word in the eastern markets.

It was reported that a committee was in touch with the Tomlin Box company regarding the printing of the name Medford on box ends.

The matter of mail boxes on the depot platform was again discussed without definite action, and it was revealed that Grants Pass has three mail boxes on its depot platform.

Attorney Rawles Moore reported on his late digestion of the farm relief bill, now pending before congress, and also reported on interstate commerce commission rulings on the kind of refrigerator cars.

A cotton glove was exhibited and inspected for mass purchase for use in orchards and packing houses, and the cotton glove was referred to the purchasing committee without action.

File Humphreys Will
PORTLAND, Ore., May 31.—(AP)—The will of Lester W. Humphreys, Portland attorney, and former United States attorney here, has been admitted to probate in circuit court.

The estate is valued at approximately \$50,000.

CALIFORNIA BRANDS FLY TALE FALSE

No Fruit Infected By Mediterranean Fly Found at Siskiyou Inspection Station—Hourly Reports Made to Governor Young—Circulation False Rumor Mystifies.

SACRAMENTO, Calif., May 31.—(AP)—Officials of the agricultural department today retorted that no fruit fly infestations had been found in grape fruit shipments seized at the Oregon-California line.

The head of the state department said all Florida citrus shipments had been contraband in California for the past 15 years on account of citrus canker.

Hence, he declared, all shipments would have been seized and destroyed regardless of the fruit fly situation, but that special efforts are now made to check up on any possible invasion by the Mediterranean fly.

The department said it is in hourly communication with inspectors on Oregon-California border points, and that no report had reached Sacramento today or at any previous time that the Mediterranean fruit fly had been found in any fruit shipments in the state.

SACRAMENTO, Calif., May 31.—(Special)—Reports from Medford, Oregon, that fruit infested by the Mediterranean fruit fly had been seized at the Oregon line by California fruit inspectors were branded as absolutely false by state officials here today.

Interest in this question is so keen in this state that Governor Young ordered all inspection stations to keep him advised hourly, and the station in the Siskiyou has done this ever since the embargo was declared. A special inquiry made of the chief inspector at this station today brought an emphatic denial of the truth of the fly infestation report.

What all the fruit growers of California fear is the discovery of fruit harboring the dreaded pest. The moment any is discovered at any inspection station word will be flashed throughout the state, and vigilance at the inspection stations will be doubled. Agricultural officials here declared great harm to the fruit industry may be done by circulating false reports.

Governor Young is at a loss to understand how this sensational report started as all inspection stations are under strict orders to make no reports of their findings except to the state agricultural department at Sacramento.

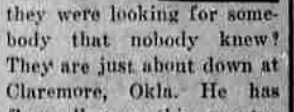
Must Buy Trousers

PORTLAND, Ore., May 31.—(AP)—As part of her sentence for allowing a vicious dog to run at large, Mrs. Pauline Pavoevich must buy the dog's victim a pair of new trousers. Such was the ruling of the municipal court yesterday. She was ordered, too, to keep the dog chained.

Will Rogers Says:

PITTSBURGH, Pa., May 31.—Newspapers can never blame police force for not finding criminals. Here they have had everybody from the managing editor down to the newsboys looking for Charlie and Annie and a n d can't find them.

What would they do if they were looking for somebody that nobody knew? They are just about down at Claremore, Okla. He has flew all over this country and knows the best spot. You know where he could be all this time, at one of those camps where they trained the soldiers for overseas. Millions of soldiers that was training at 'em couldn't find 'em if they left 'em and went into town. The fellow that located them for the government has been an outlaw for years, so Lindy is at Yaphank, Yours.



WILL ROGERS.