

The Weather

Forecast: Rain tonight and Thursday. Not much change in temperature.

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

MEDFORD, OREGON, WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 18, 1929

Temperature

Highest yesterday 41
Lowest this morning 41
Precipitation 5 p.m. yesterday .32
Precipitation to 5 a.m. today .32

Today

By Arthur Brisbane
Protection for 100.
Texas Wants Freedom.
Air Right of Way.

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The air mail brings to President Hoover a petition signed by the presidents of seven Haitian political organizations asking him to keep our marines in Haiti and supervise the presidential election coming in April.

This year little Haiti has 100 candidates for the presidency. They are all fighting men, and their followers are fighting followers. They want the marines to stay and keep them from doing to each other things that they might do.

E. G. Senter, running for governor of Texas, says: "I am as much opposed to the reduction of Texas to a dependency of New York City gamblers and stock brokers as I would be to its annexation by Turkey."

And Mr. Senter is afraid that the busy marts of commerce which now exist in our Texas cities will soon become bat roosts, and our banks will be converted into subsidiaries of Wall Street plungers, and our state become a mere appendage of distant landlords, unless, etc.

All this sounds strange to a distant conservative Eastern candidate. He wonders what it is all about, and asks himself, "Does that man in Texas really believe that the people are supposed to have anything to say about their government?"

Britain tries to be conservative, but occasionally in a moment of excitement things go wrong even there.

A gentleman named Matry, trying to teach his fellow citizens how to "get rich quick," is in court and his fellow citizens have lost \$100,000,000.

Even in our get-rich-quick methods that would be doing fairly well.

W. B. Mayo, aviation engineer, says a genuine air line ought to be built with a right of way one mile wide, landing fields every 15 miles.

With such an arrangement, says he, flight would be possible and safe by night and by day, and in almost any kind of weather.

However, long before such an air main road could be assembled and financed pilots

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Abc-Martin



We never hear nothing about Taana-Africa any more, an' I wonder if it contained too much alcohol? Another fine thing about fox farmin'—it don't break your wife's back.

BURCH SEES NECESSITY CO-OPERATE

President of Fruit Growers League Cites Examples of Successful Co-operation — Van Hovenberg and Wood Also Speakers at Meeting of Valley Fruit Men Today.

At the annual meeting of the Fruitgrowers' league, held this afternoon at the Hotel Medford, achievements of the past season were reviewed, and plans and policies of the future discussed.

Addresses were made by Albert Burch, president of the organization, H. Van Hovenberg, Jr., and David H. Wood, chairman of the Winter Pear committee.

President Burch in his remarks said: "The keynote in all that has been said relative to past accomplishments or future aims is co-operation, and what is there about co-operation that causes some people to rise up in the south, and froth at the mouth, whenever the word is mentioned?"

He cited as an example of co-operation the banding together of the 13 colonies, and in modern time, the co-operation of the copper industry, The Talent and Medford Irrigation districts, were given as local examples of co-operation.

Without which our fruit industry cannot prosper. "I take it that practically all of us are ready for some degree of co-operation, and the question is merely in what degree, and how far we shall go. This brings us to a question that all of us must face sooner or later, and that is, whether we wish to use the Federal Farm Marketing Act, and I take it the most of us are disposed to wait and see how it works out with other commodities. I believe in our present situation, we can well afford to wait."

All of us are too intelligent to be misled by statements that any grower will be compelled to join. It is invitational and not compulsory.

President Burch listed among the accomplishments of the year, a reduction of packing charges to the growers; establishment of weights for pear varieties when packed; securing of federal and county co-operation in having a drainage survey of the valley started; launching of a movement for securing a tariff on bananas.

He also mentioned the Oregon congressional delegation in securing promises of a federal appropriation for enlargement of the frost protection work; efforts to secure federal and state protection against any invasion by the Mediterranean fruit fly, and support of the Winter Pear committee campaign in Detroit.

President Burch also named the formation of the Pacific Growers' council as a forward step, and that advertising of pears was both the growers' and distributors' problem, "and we must see to it if we are to prosper."

Wood Reports. David R. Wood, chairman of the Winter Pear committee filed a progress report on the Bosc campaign in Detroit. His report showed that in the campaign, the Detroit sales exceeded the New York average by 6.97 cents per box.

He said this was in spite of unfavorable conditions surrounding the sale of the final car. He characterized the campaign as a success, and said: "The Detroit campaign is a splendid piece of co-operative work."

NOMINATE DAY AS FEDERAL OFFICER

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—(AP)—John L. Day was nominated today to be United States marshal for Oregon.

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 18.—(AP)—John L. Day, whose nomination as United States marshal for Oregon was confirmed today, has been actively identified with the Republican party in Oregon for 25 years.

He has been chairman of the Multnomah county Republican committee for the past 14 years. Although this is the first public office Day has held, he directed the congressional campaigns of C. N. McArthur, M. E. Crumpacker and Franklin K. Rorell.

Christmas Feast Complete Should Cost About \$4.96

CHICAGO, Dec. 18.—(P.P.)—Four dollars and ninety-six cents is sufficient for an entirely satisfactory Christmas dinner, according to the American foundation. The piece de resistance—roast goose—is priced at \$2.50 and the accompanying "trimmings" as follows: Corn-somma, 52c; celery, 15c; beets, 18c; rice stuffing, 40c; prunes, salad, 20c; rolls and margarine, 20c; coffee cream, 20c; pumpkin pie, 40c.

LIQUOR MAD VIRGINIAN KILLS TRIO

Crazed Man Stalks Streets of Town With Smoking Weapon—List of Names Marked for Death Found On Killer—Victim Slain As Seated By Bed of Sick Father.

LOMNEY, W. Va., Dec. 15.—(AP)—Three persons were killed and three others were wounded by a liquor-crazed man who visited them at their respective homes here today and shot them with a shotgun. A justice of the peace, the county jailer, and another man were slain. An eleven-year-old girl and two women were injured.

One of the men, Asa Wolford, 28, was slain as he sat at the bedside of his father who was ill. The county jailer, Ben E. Miller, 55, was shot down at the jail, where he lived. Miller was decapitated by the charge from the shotgun.

Walter Crabtree, 35, was arrested as the slayer an hour after the crazed man had walked through the streets of the town dealing out death with his shotgun. Crabtree completed a six month jail sentence two weeks ago. He had been jailed for possessing liquor.

County authorities said a list of names including those of the slain men, were found on Crabtree. These names were believed to have composed a "death list" of the man's intended victims.

The slain justice of the peace was H. C. Inskeep, 59, a prominent citizen of the town. He was shot in the door of his home and called in the abdomen.

The wounded persons were Mrs. Carrie Wright, Mrs. Grace Wolford and Mildred Holt, 11. Sheriff J. B. Saville said none of them was seriously hurt.

Feeling in the town ran high against Crabtree, but the sheriff said he did not expect any mob violence. Crabtree was taken to Keyser in Mineral county for safe keeping.

BUTTE FALLS TAXPAYERS ASK QUIZ

A petition, signed by three Butte Falls taxpayers, asking for a hearing before the auditing board on the budget passed at a school meeting Monday night, was filed with the county court this afternoon.

An order was issued setting the hearing for January 3. The petition states that items included in the budget, some of which amount to as high as \$9000, will cause unnecessary and excessive taxation in that district, and requests that the board review the listed expenditures with a view to lowering the budget.

The papers were signed by Mrs. Clara Hughes, Mrs. G. G. Courtwright and Mrs. L. H. Smith.

At the time of the hearing, evidence will be submitted showing that the petitioners claim to be unnecessary expense. A number of witnesses will be called on both sides. Attorneys for the petitioners are Kelly & Kelly and Porter J. Neff.

CLAIMS TO BE MISSING YOUTH



A young man who claims to be Connie Franklin and said he was the missing suitor of Tiller Rumlmer has caused the prosecution to consider a new grand jury investigation of the girl's story that five men tortured Franklin to death near Mountain View, Ark., last March.

FEDERAL BLDG. FOR ASHLAND ON PROGRAM

Oregon Projects Eligible for Authorization by Congress Will Be Doubled by Passage of Elliott Construction Bill.

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 18.—(AP)—The Oregonian said today in a special dispatch from its Washington, D. C., correspondent that the list of Oregon federal building projects eligible for authorization by congress will be practically doubled in number by the passage of the pending Elliott bill increasing the amount available for construction outside Washington by \$115,000,000.

In addition the bill gives the treasury department authority to engage private architects for large projects like the Portland federal courthouse. "The Oregon federal building program, under the limits of the existing authorization of \$242,000,000 included in addition to the \$1,250,000 Portland project, new structures at Astoria, \$250,000; Corvallis, \$190,000; Klamath Falls, \$255,000; Bend, \$95,000; Marshfield, \$95,000 and Oregon City, \$100,000.

The Elliott bill increasing the total amount available outside of Washington, D. C., to \$262,000,000 will open the way for recommendations by the treasury and postoffice departments for new construction at Ashland, Grants Pass, Hood River, McMinnville and Tillamook," the newspaper concluded.

PANTAGES ALLOWED TO PAY WIFE VISIT

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Dec. 18.—(AP)—The superior court today granted Alexander Pantages, multimillionaire, permission to leave his cell in the county jail for a brief period to visit his wife, Mrs. Lois Pantages, who is ill at their home here.

Mabel Normand Suffers Relapse Veterans Recall Many Presents

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Dec. 18.—(AP)—A relapse following an apparent improvement in the condition of Mabel Normand, one-time luminary of the films, today created

cautious. Attending physicians described her state of health as "serious." Some time ago they said it was doubtful if she would recover.

By a queer coincidence, the disease which is threatening the former actress' life is the same suffered in a government hospital at Albuquerque, N. M., by hundreds of World war veterans to whom she used to send a constant stream of gifts when she was at the height of her career, although she never allowed her name to be connected with her generosity.

The incident was recalled by news dealers on trains running through Albuquerque from Los Angeles, when they learned of Miss Normand's illness.

They said Miss Normand, on her many trips across the country several years ago, always telegraphed ahead of her train to station attendants at Albuquerque, asking them to have a truck at the depot. When she arrived, they said, she would order it filled with flowers and fruits and other food delicacies and dispatch its driver to the hospital.



Associated Press Photo Mabel Normand

WHITE MANTLE OVER EASTERN OREGON AREA

Five-inch Snowfall at Bend During Night — Traffic Continues on Slippery Roads—Rain Forecast on Coast.

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 18.—(AP)—Rail, highway and air traffic up the Columbia river gorge and in other sections of the state continued as usual today despite a three and one-half inches fall of snow at Hood River and five at Bend during the night.

The Oregon State Automobile association was surveying the situation today and announced that herring slippery conditions of the highway caused by slushy snow, travel over the Columbia highway was safe enough.

Air pilots said they managed to get through to Pasco without trouble and railroads said they were operating trains on schedule.

Edward L. Wells, government meteorologist, said continued rainfall was forecast for western Oregon. Southeast storm warnings were posted along the coast.

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., Dec. 18.—(AP)—The first snowfall for Klamath lowlands was recorded yesterday when about an inch fell in the Fort Klamath country.

LA GRANDE, Ore., Dec. 18.—(AP)—Snow started falling early today and was an inch in depth before noon. Although the snow was melting rapidly in the downtown section, the drop in temperature brought to an end 19 days of warm weather.

BAKER, Ore., Dec. 18.—(AP)—Snow began falling here during the night and was still falling today with four inches on the ground.

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OREGON TO BENEFIT IN PROSPERITY

New Construction Projects for 1930 Reach Total \$68,759,199 — Portland C. of C. Survey Shows Outlay Will Be Double That of 1929—All Types of Work Planned.

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 18.—(AP)—The Portland chamber of commerce announced today that figures assembled by the organization indicate that new construction projects, both public and private, for 1930, means an expenditure of \$68,759,199 in Portland, other parts of the state and small sections in southern Washington and northern California.

This total was assembled from building permit applications, from data furnished by various concerns planning expansions and from statistics gathered by the press of the state. It has been forwarded to headquarters of the United States chamber of commerce at Washington, D. C., which is assembling data from over the nation.

The outlay planned for 1930 is almost double that for the year just closing, when, according to the chamber's compilation approximately \$47,414,379 was spent in new work.

Residence construction, business buildings, factories, railways, all company distribution plants, roads dams, forest service projects, every type of new work is included in the report.

Items of maintenance are excluded. Portland Benefits. Portland manufacturing plants spend around \$3,000,000 for new work, according to the report; the Portland Electric Power company \$4,300,000; Southern Pacific, \$4,000,000; Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company, \$4,100,000; Multnomah county, in the neighborhood of \$5,000,000; city of Portland, more than \$7,000,000; the federal bureau of public roads, around \$2,000,000; reclamation service (in Oregon alone) \$82,521,000; the state highway commission \$7,000,000.

The Great Northern expects to spend about \$12,000,000 if permission is granted by the interstate commerce commission for its extension in California. The Northwestern Electric company's outlay is reported at \$9,500,000 and if the Union Pacific railroad constructs the cross state line voluntary or involuntary, the total expenditure in the state will mount between \$9,000,000 and \$15,000,000.

GRANTS PASS, Ore., Dec. 18.—(AP)—The weather here is cloudy and warmer. The total rainfall during the last 10 days is slightly above 10 inches. There is some snow on the mountain tops.

HELEN WILLS TO WED ON MONDAY

BERKELEY, Cal., Dec. 18.—(AP)—The wedding of Miss Helen Wills, woman's tennis champion, and Frederick S. Moody, Jr., San Francisco broker, will occur next Monday noon in St. Clements chapel here, the mother of the bride-to-be announced today.

Only members of the immediate families of the young couple will witness the ceremony.

BODIES OF SIXTY MINERS REMOVED

McALESTER, Okla., Dec. 18.—(AP)—Three bodies of miners, brought to 69 the number recovered since the disastrous explosion yesterday, were brought to the surface this afternoon from the Old Town Coal company's mine in North McAlester. The mine bookkeeper expressed the belief that two bodies were still in the mine.

LINERS CRASH IN NEW YORK MISTS

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—(AP)—The Clyde liner Algonquin and the Furness-Bermuda steamer Fort Victoria were in collision in the fog in New York harbor today. The Fort Victoria sent out an S. O. S. call for all harbor craft to stand by, which was relayed by the Mackay Radio company.

The passengers on the Fort Victoria were transferred to the pilot boat.

Teacher



Associated Press Photo Cordelia Gummerheimer, 30-year-old school teacher, was found slain in her apartment in Rockford, Ill. She had been beaten to death with a piece of gas pipe.

FEHL COMPLIES WITH STATUTE OBTAINS PERMIT

Order By Council to Halt Construction On Niedermeyer Building Brings Application for Permit—Work Not Halted.

Following a discussion of the matter at some length last night at the conclusion of which the city council gave City Superintendent Fred Scheffel positive instructions to stop all further construction work on the new \$50,000 combination theater-business building in corner of Sixth and Holly streets, now being erected for Louis Neidermeyer, with Earl H. Fehl as contractor, until a new permit had been taken out for the construction of the foundation, which is practically completed, work was not halted on the building this morning, as Mr. Fehl applied for such a permit at the city building inspector's office.

The plans and specifications of the structure were also submitted, and the permit for the foundation was granted.

This will be said news to a small crowd gathered at the building scene this morning gleefully watching the work going on as its members, having learned of the city council's ultimatum last night, thought that Fehl was going ahead in contempt of that edict.

Work was begun on the structure two weeks ago under a permit issued two years ago when it was thought the building would then be erected, but on complaints reaching the city officials that the specifications of the new building differed from the old one, the officials last night decided to halt any further work until a new permit was issued. The new plans and specifications, which Architect Frank Clark has about ready, were submitted and a new permit issued about 9 a. m. today.

At one of the best council meetings ever held by the present administration in the matter of unanimity of action in the discussion and transaction of business the last meeting of the year for the city council last night was a notable one with every member present except John J. Buchter, who is ill at home. Action was unanimous on every matter brought up. There was not a discordant note. The mayor and councilmen agreeing on everything.

Besides passing the new milk ordinance to issue a better supply of milk for Medford, deciding to enforce the curfew ordinance forthwith which forbids any boy or girl under 15-years of age to be on the streets after 9 p. m., unchaperoned, instructing City Superintendent Scheffel to stop all construction work on the new theater building until Earl H. Fehl, the contractor building it, had taken out another permit from the city building department, which he did this morning, a number of minor ordinances were passed, routine matters acted on and future policies discussed.

Whether it was the anti-Christmas spirit already influencing them the councilmen who seldom agree on anything unanimously among themselves without a little crabbing, stood shoulder to shoulder and declared themselves untidely back of Mayor Pipes in all constructive matters.

Such a spirit is seldom seen in any councilmanic body, as invariably a little difference of opinion on any subject brought up is the rule. Something has happened to bring this spirit of co-operation about, but what it is can only be conjectured.

Rainer.—The Little Store With Big Values" opened for business in Bourne building.

REAMES IN REBUTTAL ARGUMENT

Mannix Case Near Close—Lonergan Inspires in Four-Hour Address in Defense—Charges Filed by Prejudiced Party is Assertion—Check Item 'Smoke Screen.'

SALISBURY, Ore., Dec. 18.—(AP)—With sweat streaming from his face, Frank J. Lonergan closed his address to the referees in defense of Thomas Mannix at 11:15 o'clock today. He spoke for a total of four hours and 25 minutes and when he finished the court adjourned until 1 o'clock, when Attorney Evan Reames will begin his rebuttal address for the prosecution.

At the end Lonergan mentioned all the charges that had been made against his client in the disbarment action started by George Joseph. The charge that Mannix had attempted to corrupt a member of the supreme court, Lonergan said had been abandoned. The bad check charges he referred to as "only a smoke screen, and designed to tear down Mannix' reputation. Relative to Mannix' connection with the Wemme cases the attorney said the records were replete with evidence of his honesty and energy for what he thought was right.

Lonergan said the charges against Mannix had been filed by "one prejudiced to the nth degree and who would do anything in the world to undermine him."

Justice Not Called. Concerning charges that Mannix deceived the courts, Lonergan said the prosecution had not called as a witness Justice Bell of the supreme court, who, when he was a circuit judge, tried the first Wemme case.

"Never in all the history of the Wemme litigation," he said, "was the charge of deceit raised. It was not raised until it appeared in these charges that were filed against Mr. Mannix on December 7 of this year."

Judge Fred Wilson and Judge Skipworth questioned Lonergan as to the present status of the Wemme endowment fund and what was being done to carry out the terms of the will. Lonergan replied that nothing was being done. He emphasized the White Shield home as having been the "apple of Wemme's eye." He said he did not blame the trustees of the fund for the failure to effectuate the trust, but blamed the attorney, who, he said, advised them.

VETERANS' HOSPITAL BILL IS APPROVED

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—(AP)—The senate finance committee today favorably reported the Rogers Hospitalization bill and added \$1,250,000 to the \$14,000,000 authorized for new veterans' construction in the bill passed by the house.

Will Rogers Says: BEVERLY HILLS, Cal., Dec. 18.—It's not often that a woman segued can be big-hearted, but Mary McCornick, the singer, had among her old husbands an immature prince, that is he was a prince but he had nothing to be prince of. He was supposed to be "Prince of Georgia," so I suppose his mother was Empress of Atlanta, and his father King of Co-Cola. Well, it seems that Pola had asked waivers on him but when she heard that Mary would take up his option, why Pola, feeline-like, reconsidered and started feeding him again.

Well, did Mary rave? She did not. She said, "I hope they will be happy, and it's saved me a board bill."

That a gal, Mary; cheer up, we will dig you up the Duke of Hollywood.

Yours, WILL ROGERS.

