

The Weather
Forecast: Fair tonight and Tuesday; warmer tonight; cooler Tuesday.
Temperature
Highest yesterday 78
Lowest this morning 44

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

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FOR 1934

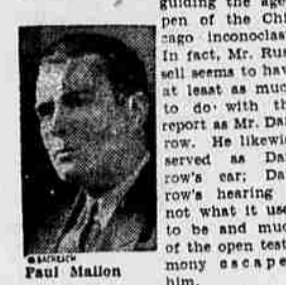
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WASHINGTON, D. C., May 21.—The man behind the Darrow report is Mr. Charles Edward Russell.



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These facts are important because of Mr. Russell's background. Mr. Russell was one of the original muckrakers of Everybody's Magazine years ago. He was a member of the troupe of Upton Sinclair and Lawrence Richy detective-journalists who exposed the meat packers and nearly everyone else. He once ran for governor of New York state on the socialist ticket. Recently he has been living here quietly as a writer.

Mr. Russell was really the inspiration for Mr. Darrow's recommendation for socialized ownership and control of industry.

The truth is, Mr. Darrow knows little about industry, but Mr. Russell is a specialist in that subject.

Where the administration put it all over Darrow in the back-stage scuffle was on publicity.

No one can beat him in a criminal case before a jury, but he was a babe in the woods when he came up against the skilled White House publicity men. He knows it now.

Darrow made his report to the White House May 4. If he could have handed it to the newspapers the same day, his charges would have been a national sensation. Any good publicity man would have advised him to have given copies of the report to press associations, at least confidentially.

He thought of that himself, but decided that the president made to the president and the president should handle publication of it.

The result was that the NRA spent the following two weeks preparing a complete answer to his charges. Its report was sent to Mr. Roosevelt May 14.

By publishing the 9000-word answer simultaneously, the 9000 words of charges were at least partially smothered.

The effect was to create the impression that two good haters like Darrow and General Johnson were just throwing 18,000 words at each other.

The White House inner clique is quite angry at Darrow, but not administration left-wingers. They like the recommendations of the Darrow report, although they cannot say so publicly.

COMPLETE FIGURES BOLSTER LEADS OF PRIMARY WINNERS

Circuit Judge Norton Has Clear Majority Over Opponents — Rogue River Only Precinct Against Him

Circuit Judge H. D. Norton won a clear majority over both his opponents in the judicial district comprising Jackson and Josephine counties, according to complete unofficial returns from both counties.

Judge Norton's total count in the district was 5898 votes, and his two rivals together mustered but 3439 votes.

The Jackson county vote was: Norton 4598, Hough 1185, Anderson 784.

The Josephine county vote was: Norton 1300, Hough 623, Anderson 857.

Judge Norton carried every precinct in Jackson county but Rogue River, which gave Hough 68, Norton 40, and Anderson 30.

The majority means that Judge Norton, under Oregon law, will be unopposed in the November election.

The missing precincts reported this morning, and all the leaders gained. The closest race of the primary was between Frank Anderson and Howard McKinney for constable on the Democratic ticket for the Medford district.

The unofficial count gives Anderson a majority of 38, the vote standing:

Table with 2 columns: Candidate, Votes. Includes McKinney 514, Syd I. Brown 576, Democratic sheriff vote: Brown 1157, Bell 818, Narreagan 170, Sims 220.

The Democratic vote is: Brown 1039, McCrede 1419, Beeson 901, Walker 322, Obenchain 394, Zundell 227.

State Senator George W. Dunn won by a majority of 1403 over Victor Bursell, the vote standing:

County Candidates Republican State

For Governor—Joe E. Dunne, For Congress—James W. Mott, For Secretary of State—Earl Snell, For Labor Commissioner—C. H. Gram.

County. For County Judge—Earl B. Day, incumbent, by majority 2118, For Commissioner—R. E. Nealon, incumbent, by majority 1403.

Democratic. For Governor—General Charles H. Martin, For Congress—R. R. Turner.

County. For Sheriff—Syd I. Brown, by 339 majority, For Constable—Frank Anderson, by majority of 38.

Non-Partisan. For Circuit Judge—Judge H. D. Norton, by majority 2450 over two opponents.

Sales Tax. The school relief sales tax carried in Jackson county by a 2320 majority. It was the only county in the state to record a favorable vote.

The vote was: Yes 4469, No 2149.

NRA Denounced In Report From Darrow's Board

WASHINGTON, May 21.—(AP)—The national recovery review board in a three-page statement today assailed the criticism on its report, made by NRA officials, promised a second report before the end of the week and challenged NRA to answer that one.

WASHINGTON, May 21.—(AP)—President Roosevelt apparently intends to let the Darrow board finish its task of investigating whether there have been monopolistic practices under NRA.

It submitted a partial report last night excoriating the NRA. Clarence Darrow, the chairman, and another member, advocated government ownership and control of industry.

It was made known that the White House that the president will permit the board to go out of existence when it finishes its work, expected in a few days.

Johnston Bolts. Hugh S. Johnston, the NRA administrator, who issued a stinging reply to the report, has demanded the immediate abolition of the board.

Meanwhile Senator Nye (R., N. D.) whose criticism was largely instrumental in leading to the formation of the board, told reporters that the report showed that "many of the codes are working destruction for small business and entrenching monopoly."

Senator Borah (R., Idaho), another critic, withheld comment. The board, which had been asked by President Roosevelt to review the practices of the national recovery administration, stabbed it in the heart of NRA's principles of industrial codes by saying:

"All competition is savage, wolfish and relentless, and can be nothing else. One may as well dream of making war ladylike as of making competition fair."

The socialistic alternative of government ownership was suggested in a supplementary report signed by Darrow, 77-year-old lawyer, and one other board member—William O. Thompson of Chicago, former law partner of Darrow. It said:

"The choice is between monopoly sustained by government, which is clearly the trend in the national recovery administration, and a planned economy, which demands socialized ownership and control."

"The hope of the American people lies in the planned use of America's resources following socialization."

One Dissenter. One member of the board dissented. (Continued on Page Four)

SKIPWORTH, BRAND AND WIMBERLY NAMED (By The Associated Press)



Kidnapers' Wife

Mrs. James Kirk as she visited her husband, James E. Kirk, one of the self-confessed kidnapers of William F. Gettles, in the Los Angeles jail here he was whisked away to San Quentin prison for life. Mrs. Kirk, estranged from Kirk, lives in San Francisco. (Associated Press Photo)

RUINS IN CHICAGO FIRE REVEAL BUT SINGLE LIFE LOST

Charred Body of Man Found As Workers Delve in Hot Ashes of Saturday's Huge Holocaust in Stockyards

CHICAGO, May 21.—(AP)—The charred body of a man was found in the ruins of Chicago's stockyards today as crews of workmen groped through the debris of Saturday's \$8,000,000 fire, preparing the way for rebuilding.

Through acres of hot ashes, into heaps of bricks, skeletons of old landmarks and twisted steel girders, the explorers dug, hunting valued documents and property that might have survived the holocaust, and hoping the loss of human life would not grow.

Excitement Kills One. The one known victim was a man about 70, initials on his belt buckle leading to his tentative identification as Isaac Means, a stockyard worker.

Chief sufferers were the cluster of buildings at the Halsted street entrance to the yards, including the old Livestock Inn, the Exchange building, the great Exposition hall, where annual livestock shows have attracted thousands, and Drivers Daily Journal building, the two banks and a number of shops, homes and tenements lying on the fringe just east of Halsted street.

The cause of the blaze was undetermined. Some investigators, including O. T. Henkle, general manager of the stockyards, said they were convinced the conflagration had its origin in a carelessly tossed cigarette.

Henkle said he did not believe there was any truth in reports that the holocaust was the outgrowth of labor troubles.

POULTRY SWINDLE CHARGED TO PAIR

LOS ANGELES, May 21.—(AP)—Federal authorities were searching today for Col. Dan W. Smith, vice president of Corvallis, Ore., a poultry concern located at Rivera, and J. L. Russell, president of Corvallis Poultry Co., Ltd., of Corvallis, Ore., in connection with an alleged \$188,000 swindle.

Federal officials had warrants for the arrest of the men, charging use of the mails to defraud. The Rivera concern was said to have acted as a selling organization for the Oregon company.

Salem, May 21.—(AP)—George McMoran, chairman of the state liquor commission, with George Heuser, attorney, will appear before the board of control here this afternoon to explain the salary adjustments of eight employees of the commission, which had previously been rejected by the board.

The board of control was in session during the forenoon, but other than approval of several purchase items, only routine business was transacted.

Salem, May 21.—(AP)—Resumption of the hearing on rates and practices of the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company in Portland early next month was announced today by Charles H. Thomas, public utility commissioner. The hearings had been postponed because of the recent illness of Claude Lester, rate expert of the commission.

BUGS AND DROUGHT DESTROY CROPS IN MID-WEST REGION

Many Farmers Spend Sunday in Prayers for Rain—Yields Cut Much As 85 Per Cent in Some Areas

By The Associated Press. Drought, aided by grasshoppers and chinch bugs, spread further destruction through the grain belt today, increasing crop losses to as high as 85 per cent in some sections.

Many farmers prayed yesterday in churches for rain. Some rains came, but they were too light to bring much benefit. More local showers were forecast. Even ideal weather, said agricultural experts, could not now afford any material relief in much of the midwest.

Nebraska farmers reported all crops in the central part of the state, including oats, hay and other small grains, have been cut 40 per cent. The strawberry crop has been severely damaged and chinch bug damage is the worst in the region's farming history.

Indiana's hay crop is cut 50 per cent and wheat and oats are severely damaged. Corn is germinating slowly. Dust storms have blown away large parts of the onion and mint crops. The fruit crop in the southwestern region is periled. Timber and grass is drying, and small insects and timber fires are adding to the damage.

With hay and pastures most afflicted, crops throughout Wisconsin are menaced. No spring planting has been done in several sections. Corn is suffering.

Minnesota is suffering from an epidemic of grasshoppers. The yield of spring wheat will not reach 85 per cent of normal. Dust storms have blown away plants. Pasture lands are drying up, and oats and hay have been hurt.

Some unofficial estimates were that the wheat crop yield in Kansas will not exceed 50 per cent of normal. The apple crop area in the state. The apple crop area is hard hit.

KIWANIANS ENJOY SCENES AND TALK ON FRUIT AUCTION

Henry D. Greene, special representative of the American Fruit and Production Auction association of New York City, was special speaker this noon of the Kiwanis club at the Medford hotel, and showed films covering the arrival of fruits in New York and Philadelphia.

Mr. Greene's pictures also showed the inspection of fruit by the buyers, and in addressing the service organization, he told them "It is up to you to put up good packs, with uniform bulge, neat and attractive labeling and wrapping paper."

"Buyers judge the fruit on quality, condition and pack, and there is generally a good premium for the grower of the better fruit," he said. "There is evidence of increased business and buying-power in all of the big eastern centers," Mr. Greene said. All of the money which keeps your great fruit industries going comes originally from the consumer in other parts of the country. There is no substitute for consumer demand and buying power."

The films showed the animated action of the sale, and the auction room, where buyers come from all parts of New York to get the regular supplies for their trade. Retailers and push cart markets were shown in crowded districts.

6 AUTO ACCIDENTS OVER WEEK-END ON RECORD OF POLICE

Reports of six accidents in Medford and vicinity were turned in over the week-end to the city police station. Only one injury resulted, when Laura Petter of Jacksonville received head injuries as the result of an accident on the south Pacific highway yesterday.

The report shows that O. H. Bailey of Ashland ran into the rear of a car driven by E. J. Neuman, 318 Vancouver avenue, when Neuman attempted to pass a third car which was parked on the side of the road. Bailey's car also struck the parked auto, in which were Laura Petter and Augusta Petter.

H. L. Roberts, 112 Columbus street, while driving north on the south Pacific highway, Sunday, was forced by a defective steering wheel into an auto driven by A. M. Robinson, and then into the ditch.

Callie Palm, 343 South Holly, was forced off the road several miles north on the Crater Lake highway yesterday, when a truck, whose driver's name was not learned, swung into the center of the road when the Palm car was passing. The two autos hooked, and both turned into the ditch on the right. None of the passengers was injured.

When Twila May Black of Talent attempted to pass a car driven by Alpha E. Arthur, also of Talent, as Arthur was turning into an alley, a collision resulted Saturday on South Central.

T. V. Wilkins of Los Angeles reported an accident at the intersection of Riverside and Jackson, Saturday, when his car was struck by an auto driven by Mrs. Florence M. Norman, 219 Haven.

An accident on the north Pacific highway was reported Saturday by Richard Olson of Gold Hill, who collided with Ray Roberts of Central Point. Roberts was driving without an operator's license, the report showed.

Agatha Anuba Brandenburg passed away at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Carl Glasgow, one-half mile east of Talent, Ore., May 20, of paralysis. She was born in Clinton county, New York, March 7, 1851.

Mr. and Mrs. James Brandenburg came to Medford in 1890, residing in Jackson county for the past 54 years. She was one of the early pioneers of Medford, being the third woman to reside in the Medford city district. She was one of the last of the charter members of the Presbyterian church.

Mrs. Brandenburg is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Carl Glasgow, one grandson, Cecil Brandenburg, and three great-grandchildren, also two nephews and two nieces.

Funeral services will be held at the First Funeral Home, Wednesday at 2:00 p. m., Rev. W. J. Howell officiating. Interment in Medford L. O. O. F. cemetery.

13 FALL TO DEATH IN PLANES DURING WEEK-END FLYING

(By The Associated Press.) Thirteen persons fell to their deaths in airplanes over the week-end. Four were killed at Tulsa, Texas, airport when a plane piloted by Harry Lynch of Wink, Tex., crashed before a crowd witnessing dedication of the field. The victims were Lynch, two 12-year-old boys, Bruce Anderson and Bobbie Sealer, both of Wink, and Willie Frank, 28, of El Paso, Tex.

Lieut. Frank J. Pindley, 30, of Detroit, and Private George J. Scott, 27, of the Seventh Pursuit squadron, died in flames near Fort Huron, Mich. Their Selfridge field plane fell and burst into flames just after a take-off.

A plane borrowed without the owner's consent crashed and burned near Muscatine, Ia., killing Maynard Lukavsky, 20, of Muscatine, a student pilot, and James Henick, 23, of Port Des Moines.

An accident near Lincoln, Neb., killed Orrin O. Jones of Litchfield, Neb., and James V. Meade, 19, of Oakridge, N. J.

Three Washington, D. C., men were killed in a fall into Chesapeake bay. The body of William C. Power was recovered shortly after the accident Saturday, but the bodies of the other victims, Ralph H. Bangs and Malcolm B. Zahn, were not found until yesterday. Bangs was the owner and pilot of the plane.

DOCKERS AGREE ON POINTS FOR PEACE

PORTLAND, May 21.—(AP)—R. J. Baskett, spokesman of employers in the general longshoremen's strike negotiations at San Francisco, was today advised by Portland waterfront employes that they have agreed to four major points in the attempt to settle the waterfront strike.

The employers rejected the union's proposal that "closed shop" operation be established, and opposed assignment of workers by the union. They agreed to collective bargaining with representatives of the longshoremen to arbitration on wages and hours.

Wheat Crop Short. PENDLETON, Ore., May 21.—(AP)—A 30 per cent wheat crop for eastern Oregon unless weather conditions change is predicted by J. W. Maloney, collector of internal revenue and former wheat farmer of Pendleton. The present condition was ascribed to the fact that wheat went through the winter without the usual moisture.

BASEBALL

National. Pittsburg 11 17 0 Philadelphia 10 2 0 Batteries: French and Padden; Pearce, Moore and Todd.

R. H. E. St. Louis 2 8 2 New York 5 9 1 Batteries: Hallahan and V. Davis; Bowman and Mancuso.

American. New York 6 13 0 Cleveland 9 14 0 Batteries: Uble, VanAtta and Dickert; Hudlin and Prtlak.

R. H. E. Washington 5 11 2 Detroit 6 14 0 Batteries: Prim and Phillips; Marberry, Hognett and Hayward.

JAPANESE KILLED BY CHINESE IRREGULARS TOKYO, May 21.—(AP)—Eleven Japanese, including five schoolboys, were reported to have been killed when 100 Chinese irregulars raided a model Japanese settlement in Manchukuo.

The report, contained in a dispatch from Hankin (Changchun), capital of Manchukuo, to Rengo (Japanese news agency), said the attack took place at Lake Chirip, northeast of Tunhua in eastern Kirin province.

NAB SOCIALIST LEADER TO PREVENT ADDRESS TAYLORVILLE, Ill., May 21.—(AP)—Sheriff's deputies took Norman Thomas, socialist party leader, into custody today, prevented him from making a speech on the Christian county courthouse lawn, and threw tear gas bombs into a crowd which had gathered to hear him.

DR. STEARNS LEARNS HE'S A GRANDFATHER

Word was received here by Dr. R. W. Stearns, informing him that an eight-pound daughter was born this morning to Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Saunders from San Jose, Calif. Mrs. Saunders is Dr. Stearns' daughter. The little girl has been named Sadra Lou.

BOMB IN MAIL SHATTERS HAND OF POSTAL WORKER

WASHINGTON, May 21.—(AP)—A bomb concealed in a package exploded in the dead letter office of the post-office department today, shattering a hand of Myrton Genung, the clerk examining it.

The dead letter office is in the Washington city postoffice, near the Union station. Genung opened the package and found what appeared to be a book. When he turned the cover, the bomb exploded. The book has been holed out. Postal inspectors immediately began an investigation. They would not disclose the name of the person to whom the package was addressed nor how long it had been in the dead letter office.