### THE MORNING OREGONIAN, MONDAY APRIL 28, 1919.



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WASHINGTON, April 27 .--- Postmaster-General Burleson in a statement to-night defended his administration of the postoffice department and his

BURLESON REPLIES

HE IS NO AUTOGRAT

Charges by Gompers Are Sub-

ject of Defense.

PUBLISHERS ARE ATTACKED

Collective Bargaining Is Impossible

for Civil Service Men, Says

Postmaster-General.

General Burleson in a statement to-fight defended his administration of the postoffice department and his policy in operating government-con-trolled telephone and telegraph sys-tems against charges made yesterday by Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, that the postmaster-general was carrying out an archaic, autocratic policy" in the conduct of the Postal Telegraph com-many and the telephone service and "was completely out of sympathy with the trend of American thought." Mr. Burleson in his statement continue his criticism of what he termed "cer-tain selfish publishers." "As the postmaster-general sees it," maid Mr. Burleson's statement, "it is little short of silly to talk about col-lective bargaining with an executive officer by civil service employes under hours of labor and working conditions are fixed by the logislative branch, and it is for the executive head of a department to strictly follow the law in respect thereito. In the matter of fixing compensation ... the post-mater-general has recommended, as the record shows, that the government he a model employer, that compensamaster-general has recommended, as the record shows, that the government he a model employer, that compensa-tion for those who serve it he fixed upon a generous basis, in fact, com-pensation of laborers and clerks should be fixed at from 15 to 30 per cent more than is paid for similar fervice in pri-tute employment. That the legislative branch can be relied upon to act gen-erously is shown by the postal estab-lishment in which within two years increases have been granted aggregat-ing more than 340,000,000 annually.

### Attitude on Strike Shown.

"The attitude of the postmaster-gen-tral toward organisation of govern-ment employees and their affiliation with outside organisations having the

The putting of the part of endressing griev-ances has long been known. The putting the part of employes of the strike on the part of employes of the government is not permissible; in fact, is unthinkable, and that the ut-most danger to the covernment is innost danger to the government is in-Volved in any suggestion that there should be a recession from this posi-tion and that as far as he is concerned there will be none.

graph employes, they are at present working for the government, and the postmaster-general insists that a strike on their part is not permissible and he will never concede that it is."

Policies Are Followed. Burleson said he had strictly ob-

prevent it this labor question shall not be used by certain selfish publishers to obscure the real issue. The post-master-general insists that the issue shall these certain selfish pubers who have been bloods;



Advancement Laid to Aggressive Political Activities.

INEFFICIENCY IS CHARGED

Record of Former Texas Congress man Deemed Not Commensurate With Honors Paid Him.

Burleson pictured as snoop, troublemaker organizer, nutocrat and archpolitician toffice employee call their chief slave eer, convict laborers having been whipped his farm. Misgovernment of mail syste

isged." This was the schedule of the news con-lined in an article written in Washington by nuls Seihold for the New York World and he Orogonian. Responsible heads of the estern Union and Postal Telegraph com-com Postmatter. under Instructions from Postmaste tiles, ral Burleson, now in control ioan telegraph and cable lines, nd even the schedule of the at neral elegraph

A day of two later Mr. Burleson atement that he had been threat

ler to fully understand what order to fully dimension of news service it is sarry to read Mr. Seibeld's article, which d have appeared in The Oregonian sev-days ago, had it not been suppressed by Burleson's subordinates, because of the clasms of himself which it contained,

### BY LOUIS SEIBOLD.

WASHINGTON, April 20.-Two en-tries in the diary of Gideon Welles, who was secretary of the navy in the cabinet of Abraham Lincoln, are of im-prescriptible value in assaying the characteristics of Albert Sidney Burleson, posimaster-general of the Wilson administration. The diary of Mr. Welles, who was a most discriminating ob-server, thus describes William H. Seward, the Lincoln secretary of state:

Mr. Seward has a passion to be thought a master mind of the Administration and to parade before others an exhibition of author-ity which, if permitted, is not always exer-cised wisely or intelligently.

A second note in the Welles diary refers to Edwin M. Stanton, the Lin-coln secretary of war, as follows:

Soin secretary of war, as follows: He is by nature a senationalist and has rom the first been filled with panics and darms. He is impulsive and not administra-tive, has guickuess often rashness, when he has nothing to apprehend; he is more vio-ent than vigorous; more demonstrative than iscriminating; more vain than wise; is rude, irregant and domineering Goward those in ubordinate positions, if they will permit the udences, but a sycophant and disembler a deportment and language with those he cars.

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Reports to the Vossische Zeitung say martial law has been declared through out Bavaria. Landshut, northeast of Munich, has been declared through ment forces, but southwest of Munich has been actured by that class during the May and Ammer.
Munich, has been advanced along the soviet troops have advanced along the Fourm and Ammer.
According to a Munich dispatch to the basis of the unemployed at Nursemburg have been arrested Here, resisted arrest, and was shot, while
Create William Winkler, the Spartacan leader there, resisted arrest, and was shot, while

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Had our soldiers not shown more spirit at the front than we are showing at home Germany would have won. Then we would not have been ASKED to INVEST by our government, but FORCED to PAY by and to the kaiser! Our boys fought and won gloriously. We must invest generously.

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Deterioration Is Pointed Out. A very good picture of the deterio-

on pending legislation, of promoting by his personal wishes and views. The Congressional Record is interspersed with frequent instances to show that while Mr. Burleson was "watching congress," congress was by no means entirely ignorant of either his mis-stions or deceived as to his motives. The nearest approach to an explana-tion of his intimate relations with the president." There is no question but that Mr. Burleson has always been very much on his job. He is a man of in-tomitable energy, most frugal in habit, tireless and persistent in pursuit of his objects, and is credited with having much on his job. He is a man of in-domitable energy, most frugal in habit, tireless and persistent in pursuit of his objects, and is credited with having won the high regard of the president by cheaper and then forwarded over spec fied routes, entailing great loss of time.

the persistency of personal attentions and compliance with the most trivial of the presidential wishes. He has never appeared to be on other than casual terms with any of his cabinet associates with the exception of

A very good picture of the details ration of the mail service as viewed by the congressional critics of Mr. Burle-son is provided in the speech made by Congressman Miller from which quo-tation has already been made. Making allowance for the partisan motive that inspired this portrayal of conditions in the nearfiles department (Mr. Miller former Attorney-General Gregory, with whom he used to go fishing. Trouble Made in Cabinet.

Trouble Made in Cabinet. There are many stories of an apocry-phal character to indicate that Mr. Burleson was as prolific of trouble making in the cabinet as he has been in congress. Some of the president's most important aids and political ad-visers have at times reflected marked resentment toward undertakings initiat-ed by Mr. Burleson for which he had secured the indorsement of the presi-dent Wilson's own party. A few of the more illuminating phrases used by Mr. Burleson for which he had secured the indorsement of the presi-dent. Most of these undertakings were naturally of a political nature, because in addition to keeping his sys on congress, Mr. Burleson was never at

four times a week. That the president entertains a very high regard for Mr. Burleson is evidenced by the fact that the storms of criticisms directed at him from time to time have apparent-ly not influenced the president against him in the slightest degree.



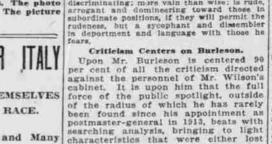
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the extent of \$72,000,000 annuall fully restored to this privilege. postmanter-general says no."



JAPANESE MAGNATE ADVISES

PACIFIC COAST STATES.

Practically Unlimited Commercial Growth and World Trade Would Follow, Says K. Kishimoto.

SEATTLE, Wash, April 27.-(Spe-tial)-Practically unlimited commer-cial growth and world trade, especially with the orient would be opened to Pacific coast ports if a mammoth steel plant were built here to handle the ore of the west coast, in the opinion of K. Kishimoto, of Osaka, known as the stee!

King of J.pan, who is at the New Washington hotel. This opinion is shared by H. Taguichi special commissioner of the department of agriculture and com-merce of the imperial Japanese gov-ernment, who arrived in Seattle yes-terday with Mr Kishimoto

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Commissioner Taguichi has come to the United States to make a special study of iron and steel and shipping questions, while Mr. Kishimoto, "The Carnegie of Nippon," is combining business with pleasure. Mr. Taguichi who at one time was a newspaper man expects to collect data pertaining to the possibilities of steel and iton de-velopment in the northwest. "Japanese capital," he said, "Is plen-tiful and is looking for substantial for-eign investment. If a great steel project should be brought under way here, it is my performing pinion that it would be an attractive proposition for Japanese capital, if desired, Could you make a good quality steel here as they do on the eastern coast? If so, your product, it would seem to me, certainly ought to be in demand in the Orient." Mr. Taguichi said he would study future greatnese of the ports, as well as looking into steel and iron questions. Heating into steel and iron questions.

Martial Law Declared; Spartacan not be possible to hand over to the Italians a territory inhabited by a Slav Leader Resists Arrest and Is Shot.

majority.'

the part of William Winkler, the lead-ing character. The other personnel of the cast is as follows: Miss Blanche Drake, Salem, "Aunt Jane," his sister; Odell Savage, Salem, "Jane," his niece; Gustave Anderson, Salem, "Bobby Bax-ter"; Harold Dimick, Woodburn, "Ben-jamin Moore"; Robert Story, Wolf Creak, "Ting," a bellboy; Oscar Olson, Woodburn, "Sam," a colored porter; Evelyn Gordon, Portland, "Kitty," an actress; Estelle Satchwell, "Suzette," Aunt Jane's maid.

Aunt Jane's maid. James R. Mott, Portland attorney and graduate of Willamette university, is directing the production.

CLEAN-UP WEEK AT OREGON Citizens to Clean Premises and City

Advancement Is Mystery. There has always been a good deal of miystery as to the reasons for Mr. Burleson's advancement from the Texas delegation in congress to the control of the postoffice department. It has gen-erally been credited to the influence of Colonel Edward M. House, most inti-mate friend and adviser of President Wilson and now second in command of the American delegation to the peace conference at Paris. No appointment made by Mr. Wilson at the outset of his first term provoked so much surprise as his nomination of Mr. Burleson for postmaster-general. The record of the Texas congressman up to that time had

Texas congressman up to that time had given neither promise nor achievement commensurate with the honor paid him.

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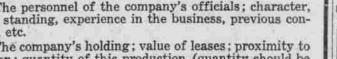
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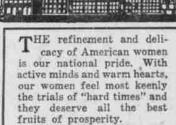
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