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MICHIGAN TO SHOW WAY WIND BLOWS

Eyes of Washington Are Fixed on Primaries.

STATE WILL VOTE TOMORROW

Victory Would Place Wood Far Ahead of Field.

BORAH CONTINUES FIGHT

Success at Polls Would Make Boomerang of Charges Senator Makes Against General.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, April 3.—The eyes of Washington are fixed on Michigan, where on Monday the republican voters will go to the polls in what is regarded as the most significant of the presidential primaries yet to be held.

The chances are that the Michigan voters will point out the man who is going to be the next president of the United States, and Washington is interested in having a president of some kind after March 4 next year, confident at the same time that he will be a republican. He may be no more popular here after he has served for a term than some others have been, but there is always joy in anticipation. Besides, a brand new president would not dare to shut himself away from the cabinet and from the country for months while asserting that there was no physical reason for not being approachable.

Government Now Headless.

It was in 1912 that former Senator Albert J. Beveridge, speaking before the bull moose convention in Chicago, gave form to the phrase, "invisible government" that was severe enough as an indictment against any government, but that complaint has been considerably amended in Washington of late where the charge is that the present government is both invisible and headless. Some will cry "sedition" at the latter remark, but it is not meant half so severely as some will wish to construe it. It means only that Mr. Wilson, while declining to see anyone and talk over the needs of the nation, refuses at the same time to assert the powers he possesses in a way to give confidence that the government at Washington still reigns.

Open Field Is Given.

But this is getting a long way from Michigan. The returns from Michigan are watched with the keenest interest, because the primary machinery there is designed to give every rival for the presidential nomination the fullest opportunity to find out what the voters think of him. There is no catch in the law and even Senator Borah, who can trail overshadowing political crime through fire or running water, has so far sought no charges of conspiracy against the legislature which passed the statute, although he has been campaigning in the state for Hiram Johnson for five full days—a long time not to discover something wrong.

Should General Wood carry the primaries after all of the bitter fight that has been made upon him, chiefly by Senator Borah and certain democratic elements led by the New York World, political observers here quite generally agree that it will put him much further in the lead in effect than in the figures that will be added to his delegate column. It will be significant because all of the fire of the opposing forces has been centered on him except for a desultory attack directed by Johnson against Hoover in the last two or three days.

It cannot be said, of course, that

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MILLION IN HIGHWAY BONDS TO BE ISSUED

SALE IS AUTHORIZED BY STATE BOARD OF CONTROL.

Proceeds Will Be Used to Match Federal Aid for Construction of Roads in Oregon.

SALEM, Or., April 3.—(Special.)—The state board of control at a meeting here today authorized the issuance and sale of highway bonds in the sum of $1,000,000 to match federal aid for the construction of post and forest roads in Oregon. The state highway commission had asked for the balance of $2,500,000 of these bonds, but informed the board of control that only $1,000,000 of that sum was necessary at present.

It was reported to the board that about $4,000,000 of federal money is available for road construction in Oregon, but the state will not be able to match more than $2,500,000 of that amount until such time as the present indebtedness limitation of 2 per cent based on the assessed valuation of the state is extended. A measure providing for extension of this limitation to 4 per cent will be submitted to the voters of Oregon at the special election, May 21.

Issuance of state highway bonds to match any amount of money appropriated by the government for road construction in Oregon was authorized at the special session of the legislature in January. The total bonded indebtedness of Oregon at present is $9,665,000, according to a financial statement submitted to the board. Practically all of this indebtedness represents road bonds.

J. N. Smith, superintendent of the state home for the feeble-minded, was granted a leave of absence by the board, and he left today for California, where his daughter is said to be very ill. Dr. W. H. Byrd will look after the medical needs of the inmates of the home during the superintendent's absence.

UNIQUE CONTRACT FILED

Man to Care for Aged Woman for Share of Estate.

VANCOUVER, Wash., April 3.—(Special.)—An unusual agreement between a man and an aged woman was placed on file here today. The agreement is between E. J. Condra and Mrs. Pauline Bolton. She was born in Lima, O., September 27, 1832. Condra is to live in the same cottage with Mrs. Bolton, and take care of her and when she dies she will leave him $18,000 of her estate.

Recently she deeded him four lots "because of many acts of kindness." He is to see that she is not taken to a hospital in case of illness and assure her decent burial beside her husband when she dies. Mrs. Bolton's husband died several years ago.

LIVING CHEAPER IN WEST

Travelers From East Said to Buy Clothing to Ship Home.

KLAMATH FALLS, April 3.—(Special.)—The cost of living is from 25 to 40 per cent higher in the east than on the Pacific coast, says J. F. Maguire, just returned from a two months' trip. Most of the time was spent in a visit to his old home in Boston.

Traveling men from the east, he says, buy clothing for themselves and families in the west and ship it home. Rents are soaring everywhere and so are building costs, said Maguire. According to a survey recently completed in Boston, that city lacks 30,000 dwellings, and the same proportionate shortage exists in other cities.

WEEK GENERALLY FAIR

Occasional Rains Are Forecast for North Coast States.

WASHINGTON, April 3.—Weather predictions for the week beginning Monday are:

Rocky mountain and plateau regions, generally fair; cold, with freezing temperature first half, normal latter half.

Pacific states—Except for occasional rain on the north Pacific coast, fair; normal temperature probable.

GERMANY WARNED TO RECALL TROOPS

Retirement From Ruhr Is Demanded by France.

WAR LEADERS IN CONFERENCE

Strict Compliance to Treaty Ordered in Note.

REDS ARE BEATEN BACK

Reichswehr Forces Reported to Be Making General Advance Against Insurgents.

PARIS, April 3.—After warning the German charge d'affaires tonight in a note that the French government would admit of no derogation of the treaty of Versailles, Premier Millerand conferred with Marshal Foch. Marshal Foch then had a conference with the minister of war, Andre Lefeve, who later was received by the premier.

Premier Millerand sent the note to the German charge d'affaires, Dr. Von Mayer, recalling that he had written him yesterday asking him to insist that his government retire the troops which recently entered the Ruhr basin.

Peace Treaty Text Cited.

Premier Millerand cited the text of the article of the treaty of Versailles to the effect that any contravention will be considered a hostile act against the signatories of the treaty and added:

"I will inform you later what decision the government of the republic takes."

COBLENZ, April 3.—(By the Associated Press.)—The Reichswehr captured Duisberg, Rhenish Prussia and Ruhrort, the harbor for Duisberg, late this afternoon, after much street fighting, according to advices received tonight.

THE HAGUE, April 3.—The general advance of the German government troops along the entire front against the insurgent forces in the Ruhr and neighboring industrial regions which began at 7 o'clock Friday morning, has been very successful, according to well-informed Dutch sources.

Reds Forced to Retreat.

The troops forced the reds to retreat across the Testerberg and the government forces have already penetrated Hamborn, the advices stated.

At the center of the front the government troops have taken Recklinghausen, 13 miles northwest of Essen, while the left wing is advancing from Hamm westward. Companies of the red army have been named after prominent Russian and other extremists, bearing such names as "Company Lenine," "Company Trotzky" and "Company Karl Liebknecht." The personnel, however, is mostly German.

COPENHAGEN, April 3.—Decision to call off the general strike in the entire Ruhr industrial region was reached at a plenary session of the executive council of the district yesterday, according to a dispatch from Essen. It will be renewed, however, if the Berlin government fails to fulfill obligations entered into with the workers.

CHINESE TROOPS MUTINY

200 Soldiers Reported Killed and Populace Terrified.

AMOY, China, April 3.—Two hundred soldiers were killed and many wounded in a mutiny of troops in Anhui province, according to advices received here.

The fighting was continuing and the inhabitants fleeing in terror, the dispatch added.

COMMERCE AIR LINES ARE HIT BY WAR TAX

RULING APPLIED TO FREIGHT OR PASSENGER PLANES.

Patrons if Riding Must Pay Eight Per Cent Additional on Fares, Says Collector.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 3.—Even the air isn't free any more, at least as far as war tax is concerned, according to Justus Wardell, collector of internal revenue, who announced today the receipt of a ruling from Washington that airplanes engaged in commercial passenger, freight and express traffic over established routes in competition with other methods of transportation must pay taxes on their traffic.

Passengers carried by airplane under such conditions must pay 8 per cent additional on their fares, just as if they had ridden on a train. Wardell said, while airplane freight will be subject to the regular 3 per cent tax.

PRINCE ASKED TO OREGON

Governor Invites British Heir to Touch at Some Port in State.

SALEM, Or., April 3.—(Special.)—Governor Olcott today sent an invitation to the Prince of Wales to visit at some port in Oregon on his voyage of the Pacific ocean. The letter was addressed to San Diego, where the visitor is expected to arrive within the next few days.

"It was the good fortune of the 162d United States infantry, a regiment whose personnel was entirely made up of Oregon soldiers, to be stationed in England for many months during the world conflict," reads the governor's invitation. "At that time the officers and men from this state were given every mark of courtesy by the citizens of your nation.

"These soldiers and the state they represent would deem it a high privilege if you could change your itinerary so that you could touch at an Oregon port."

LOADED CARS ARE IDLE

Freight Handlers Quit Because of Better Pay Elsewhere.

KLAMATH FALLS, Or., April 3.—(Special.)—Unloaded freighted cars are piling up at the Southern Pacific depot as the result of inability of the company to keep freight handlers. Men refuse to stay for the wage paid, which they assert is $3.90 at most, and contrast it with the minimum daily wage of $4.75 paid by box factories.

Merchants, with stocks in the unloaded cars, have appealed to the division superintendent to increase wages. Two men are working endeavoring to do the work of six, but they threaten to quit unless wages are increased and a sufficient force maintained to handle the shipments.

BOISE'S COOKS ON STRIKE

Population Gets Litle to Eat While Restaurants Are Closed.

BOISE, Idaho, April 3.—(Special.)—Boise has been forced to go on a diet. Seven of the leading restaurants have been closed during the past week because of a strike of waiters, cooks and helpers, members of the Cooks' and Waiters' union.

Demands for an increase in wages of 50 cents were made by the union. The proprietors of the restaurants refused to comply. A walkout followed. Since then Boise has been going hungry.

MT. LASSEN IN ERUPTION

California Peak Throws Off Smoke or Steam; First Since February.

REDDING, Cal., April 3.—Lassen peak was in eruption for a brief period today. White columns of smoke or steam ascended from the south end of the crater for about 30 minutes, then ceased, only to be resumed briefly.

Today's eruption was the first since February 9.

INCIPIENT TORNADO WRECKS ODESSA, OR.

COOKHOUSE SMASHED AS COOK FLEES TO SAFETY.

Freak Storm Tears Up Trees, Blocks Roads, Demolishes Homes, Demoralizes Shipping.

KLAMATH FALLS, Or., April 3.—(Special.)—Roads blockaded by hundreds of fallen trees, several buildings wrecked and other property damaged is the result of a freak storm near Odessa, 30 miles north of here, on upper Klamath lake, yesterday. Telephone lines are demoralized and the news reached here late today when Captain H. E. Calkins, motor boat mail carrier, returned from his trip up the lake. No boats were lost, he said, but all that were on the lake had hard work to keep afloat in the gale, the worst recorded in lake shipping history.

At Odessa a tree was blown across the postoffice, completely wrecking it. A cook house was smashed to kindling beneath the weight of two falling trees only a moment after the cook had fled to safety. Gus Johnson's summer home was cut in two by a tree and numerous tents and cabins were wrecked at summer resorts in the vicinity.

The storm lasted from 10 to 4 o'clock, and in spots approached the violence of a tornado. As far as known, damage was confined to a comparatively small area, having Odessa as a center, with a radius of 15 or 20 miles. Weather conditions in Klamath Falls were normal yesterday.

FALLING TREE KILLS LAD

Youthful Logger Riding on Train Victim of Accident Near Bates.

BAKER, Or., April 3.—(Special.)—Word reached Baker late last night describing the tragic death of W. A. Dutton, 19 years old, who was killed yesterday noon, when a large tree, uprooted by the severe storm, fell across a passing logging train on a private spur of the Sumpter Valley railway, four miles below Bates.

Young Dutton and William Coulter, loggers, were riding a flatcar when the tree fell. The young man was almost instantly killed and Mr. Coulter was thrown from the car into the river, several yards beyond the edge of the track. Both his legs were fractured and his right arm also was broken. The dead man is said to be a stranger in the vicinity. Nothing found in his clothing gives information concerning his home or relatives.

COUPLE RUSH TO ALTAR

Passing of Lenten Season Marked by Increase in Marriage.

NEW YORK, April 3.—Passing of the Lenten season and coming of Easter were marked in New York by a slash in the price of Easter blossoms and a rush for the altar. More than 224 marriage licenses were issued today.

Flower markets established by the city proved meccas. Prices at these stands were considerably lower than those asked by the dealers, which, however, were little higher than last year.

EDITOR QUITS DUTIES

Frank P. Glass Sells Interest in Birmingham News.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., April 3.—Frank P. Glass, for the last two years president of the American Newspaper Publishers' association, and for 10 years vice-president and editor of the Birmingham News, has severed his connection with the News, his stock having been purchased by Victor H. Hanson, majority owner and publisher, and associates.

A signed statement by Mr. Glass declares the severance of relations to be friendly.

PORTUGAL RATIFIES PACT

Senate and Chamber of Deputies Approve Versailles Treaty.

LISBON, Portugal, April 3.—The senate and chamber of deputies today ratified the treaty of Versailles.

LIGHT, NOT HEAT, RULES PLANT LIFE

Revolutionary Discovery Is Made by Experts.

GROWTH CONTROL ABSOLUTE

Crops May Be Matured at Any Time of Year.

ARTIFICIAL LIGHT FACTOR

Regulation of Day and Night Periods Makes Marvels Possible in Vegetable World.

WASHINGTON, April 3.—Government agricultural experts have discovered that plant life seems to depend on light rather than temperature for nourishment and may be controlled by regulating the hours of light and darkness.

The principle is revolutionary, but it rests on actual experiments in which it was demonstrated that plants subjected to alternate periods of light and darkness in carefully determined proportions could be brought to maturity at any time of the year.

The discovery may be of the highest importance in the future planning of cropping systems for different regions, it is declared.

Crop Any Time Possible.

"Greenhouse experiments," says the announcement by the department of agriculture, "prove that the flowering and fruiting period of practically any plant can be made to take place at any time of the year by darkening the greenhouse in the morning and evening if the day is too long, or by lengthening the day by artificial light if the day is too short.

"Spring flowers and spring crops happen to be spring flowers and spring crops because the days of the season of their flowering and fruiting have the proper number of hours of daylight."

Animals Also Responsive.

Eventually it may be found, according to W. W. Garner and H. A. Allard, scientists in the bureau of plant industry, who conducted exhaustive experiments, that the animal organism also is capable of responding to the stimulous of certain day lengths. They believe that the migration of birds may be an illustration on the ground that direct response to such a stimulus would be more in line with modern biological teachings than theories which assume that birds "go south" as a matter of instinct.

Experiments were conducted with a large variety of plants. It has shown conclusively that too little "sleep" or in other words, too many hours of daylight, would prevent many plants from ever reaching the flowering and fruiting stage.

Reproduction Is Studied.

It was found also that plants would not reproduce except when exposed to a favorable length of day, although too much daylight for flowering and fruiting might stimulate profuse vegetative growth. A length of day favorable both to reproduction and growth results in the "ever-bearing" type of fruits.

By employing dark chambers the scientists shortened or lengthened the life cycle of plants and caused some of them to complete two cycles in one season.

Temperature appeared to exert no influence in the tests. A striking illustration of the relative unimportance of temperature was given in the fact that plants kept in the dark for a part of the day, underwent in midsummer the changes that in nature come in the fall and that heretofore have been attributed to lower temperatures. This was true, even when the dark houses registered a higher

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OUTLAW RAIL UNION OF CHICAGO STRIKES

TIE-UP OF ALL LINES BEFORE MONDAY THREATENED.

3000 Cars Stock Diverted to Other Cities—Stockhandlers Warned Against Possible Embargo.

CHICAGO, April 3.—Railroads in the Chicago area tonight faced the possibility of a general tie-up of terminal operations before Monday as a result of 700 switchmen on the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railroad, declared illegal by Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen officers, and the walkout of 350 switchmen employed by the Chicago Junction railroad, a belt line serving the stock yards.

All switchmen in the Chicago railroad district would walk out unless demands of the strikers for a wage increase were granted, according to John Grauna, president of the Chicago Yardmen's association, declared an outlaw union by brotherhood officers.

Such a walkout would involve 16,500 men. As a result of the strikes the Chicago livestock exchange warned stockhandlers against shipping livestock to Chicago before consulting railroad agents concerning a possible embargo. Three thousand cars of stock en route to Chicago were diverted to other cities, it was said.

Officers of the yardmen's union said the strikers demanded the reinstatement of President Grauna, $1 an hour for foremen, 95 cents for switchmen, time and a half for overtime and double time after eight hours overtime. Foremen now receive $5.33 a day and switchmen $5, according to the union.

B. B. Greer, vice-president of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railroad, said today that the company would not recognize the strikers of negotiate with them.

WATER RATE IS ATTACKED

Exorbitant Rates at Vancouver Charge din Complaint.

VANCOUVER, Wash., April 3.—(Special.)—Complaint that the North Coast Power company, which owns the water works of this city, is charging exorbitant rates has been filed with the public service commission at Olympia. An investigation will be made and a hearing probably granted.

The complaint was filed by Henry Crass, attorney, acting for the Pittock-Leadbetter company, St. Joseph's hospital, the U. S. National bank and the Wintler Abstract company. It is charged that each of the concerns named maintains a water system in its building for use in case of fire. The company charges the regular meter rate and in addition $2 for each hose connection.

SECRET PACT PROTESTED

Sportsmen and Business Organizations of Grants Pass Heard From.

GRANTS PASS, Or., April 3.—(Special.)—Grants Pass sportsmen and business organizations protest the alleged secret agreement between certain Medford citizens and Roderick Macleay in regard to Rogue river fishing, as not satisfactory to the majority and favor closing the river to commercial fishing for a definite period.

Telegrams to this effect have been sent out by the Josephine sportsmen's league, Wilford Allen, president, and by the Grants Pass Chamber of Commerce, F. S. Bramwell, president.

OPEN SHOP MAY RESULT

Union Carpenters and Master Builders Unable to Agree.

SPOKANE, Wash., April 3.—(Special.)—Adoption of an open-shop policy by the master builders of Spokane in the near future may result from the refusal of the carpenters' union late last night to meet a compromise offer of the builders in an effort to settle the present building trades strike.

Although members of the Master Builders' association would not discuss the matter today, it is believed by those conversant with the situation that the failure of the builders and the carpenters to agree may precipitate an open-shop movement.

LAUNDY CONVICTED FOR SYNDICALISM

Jury, Out 18 Hours, Advises Clemency.

VANDERVEER'S AIR DEJECTED

I. W. W. Attorney Leaves, Muttering About Centralia.

SENTENCE TO BE APRIL 19

Ten Days in Which to Make Motion for New Trial Allowed—Conviction Second Under Law.

"I find it hard to get accustomed to this sort of verdict. I never used to get it—before Centralia!"

His natural stoop accentuated, George F. Vanderveer, premier attorney of the Industrial Workers of the World, walked from the courtroom with the air of a beaten man, muttering these words, half to himself, when the jury yesterday afternoon found Joe Laundy, I. W. W. organizer, guilty of espousing the cause of an organization preaching violence and destruction.

Though there are 25 more indictments against I. W. W. in the hands of Walter H. Evans, district attorney, Vanderveer does not expect to return to defend the cases. Ralph S. Pierce, Seattle I. W. W. counsel, or J. F. Emigh of Butte, are expected to represent the defendants.

Vanderveer Goes to Seattle.

Vanderveer left last night for Seattle, but will return to Montesano tomorrow to argue a motion for a new trial in the case of I. W. W. there found guilty of mudering American Legion men in Centralia on armistice day.

Deliberations of the Laundy jury began at 9:10 Friday night. The verdict was returned at 3:30 yesterday afternoon, after 18 hours and 20 minutes in the jury rooms. The first ballot in the jury room stood six for conviction, five for acquittal and one not voting, it was reported. Innumerable ballots followed. A powerful plea for clemency accompanied but was not included in the report. Sentence will be passed April 19 by Judge H. H. Belt of McMinnville, who presided in the Portland trial.

Time Granted to Defense.

Ten days were granted Vanderveer in which to file a motion for a new trial. It would not be based on misconduct of the jury, he announced, though he had received a report, he said, that one of the jurors had expressed an opinion in the course of the trial highly prejudicial to the defense.

The Laundy case opened on Monday, March 22. Exhibits numbered several hundred, chiefly literature distributed by the I. W. W.

District Attorney Evans and Earl F. Bernard, deputy, conducted the prosecution of Laundy, in the hardest fought trial of the year. The paramount issue in the case was the teachings of the I. W. W. No specific act of violence or sabotage was charged against Laundy, nor was he actually accused of personally advocating such. He was charged with activity in an organization which accepted these things.

Clemency Plea Is Made.

The clemency plea of the jurors follows:

"To the Honorable H. H. Belt, circuit judge: We, the undersigned jurors in the case of the defendant, Joe Laundy, unanimously and of one mind beg of you to use all the power invested in you as judge for leniency in your sentence of the defendant."

It was signed by E. W. Endicott, foreman; A. Rosenstein, George E. Misner, William Wenny, H. Hayden,

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PICTORIAL COMMENT BY CARTOONIST PERRY ON SOME RECENT NEWS EVENTS

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