

Fair tonight, warmer Sunday, showers, South winds.

Table with 2 columns: Location (Seattle, Portland, etc.) and Temperature.

GREAT TENNESSEE BASIN IS DOOMED; LEVEE WEAKENING

If St. Francis Dyke Breaks Thousands of Acres of Tillable Land in Two States Will Be Inundated.

ENGINEERS GIVE UP ALL HOPE OF STOPPING FLOOD

Practically All of Eastern Part of Arkansas Is Covered With Backwater.

Memphis, April 5.—All hope of saving the St. Francis levee and the St. Francis basin was abandoned today by government officials and engineers.

Five hundred refugees, who arrived here today from Tiptonville, Tenn., reported that every house in Lake county, Tenn., was completely submerged.

St. Louis, April 5.—The break in the levee below Hickman, Ky., is 360 feet wide and no attempt has been made to stop up the gap.

Conditions at Columbus, Ky., are terrible. People who were perched on top of housetops and trees were floated away on the flood waters.

As I was leaving Columbus I saw a...

Expelled Co-Ed Wins Damage Suit Gift of Hat Offended Dean Talbot

Miss Esther Mercy, a former student of Chicago university, sued Dean Marion Talbot for \$100,000 for alleged defamation of character.



GIRL WITH \$250 HAT IS AWARDED DAMAGES AGAINST DEAN TALBOT

Chicago Jury Cuts Down the Amount Demanded by Esther Mercy, Student.

Several hundred university students and co-eds who had gathered in the corridors cheered when the verdict was returned.

"Do I consider you no better than a woman of the streets?"

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS NOT STRATEGIC IN WAR

Washington, April 5.—America must center its strength in defending Hawaii, San Francisco and Alaska, let the Philippines go without a struggle.

"If any power decided to seize the Philippines," said General Edwards, "I would let it do so."

TWO DEAD IN TEXAS AFTER PISTOL-DUEL

Beaumont, Texas, April 5.—M. A. Knight and W. C. Whitney, building contractors and leading citizens of Beaumont, are both dead today as a result of a pistol duel.

FATHER BUYS BACK DISCARDED FAMILY NAG

Pomona, Cal., April 5.—A. H. Wittman gave a youth \$5 to shoot his decrepit family horse.

But He Saw the Ball Game.

Alameda, Cal., April 5.—"I just can't miss that ball game," sighed S. A. Hays as he saw a thief leap from a park bound street car with his wallet and \$100 in valuables.

NET IS DRAWING TIGHTER AROUND MURDER SUSPECT

Jack Roberts, Ex-Convict, Held in Auto Tragedy, Is Identified as Man Who Slept Near Scene of Crime.

SHOTGUN AND CLOTHES SAME, SAYS GARDENER

Sheriffs Confident They Are Nearing Climax in Investigation of Case.

Still another hitch was taken this morning in the evidence that is fast gathering around Jack Roberts, ex-convict, as the man suspected of murdering George Hastings and Donald Stewart on the Whitehouse road a week ago.

LA FOLLETTE MAKES REMARKABLE RECORD IN NEBRASKAN TOUR

Lincoln, Neb., April 5.—Traveling 200 miles and making 22 speeches to 15,000 persons is the remarkable record with which Senator Robert M. La Follette is credited today after his first 24 hours of campaigning in Nebraska.

Beginning at Plattsmouth early yesterday, La Follette journeyed through the farming section between that city and Lincoln, being heartily greeted at each stop.

PROGRESSIVE CANDIDATE DELIVERS 22 ADDRESSES BEFORE 15,000 PEOPLE IN A DAY.

During all his speeches on his first day's trip, Senator La Follette laid particular stress on his demand for tariff reduction, direct legislation, the recall, the initiative and referendum and trust control.

AVIATION PROGRESS

He told Roberts he might sleep in a little log cabin, used as a playhouse by the children near the house, and Roberts immediately went over there and turned in.

ABE RUEF TO TELL STORY OF BAY CITY GRAFT OPERATIONS

Former Boss of San Francisco Is to Make Autobiographical Statement of Events of His Life.

WILL WRITE OF PARTS PLAYED BY OTHERS

Stung to Quick by Editorials in Which He Is Referred to as "Hyena."



Abe Ruef, who will write story of life, telling of his connection with San Francisco grafting.

San Francisco, April 5.—Stung to mortal by a recent editorial in a San Francisco morning paper, in which he was described as a "human hyena" and a "curly, cunning, cynical rogue," whose part in San Quentin prison would prove to the respect of reputable men the world over, Abraham Ruef, once all powerful political boss of San Francisco, today in the San Francisco Bulletin, publishes a partial statement of his connection with the graft which made his name notorious.

"It had been intended by Ruef," the Bulletin says in a foreword, "to tell the whole story of how public officials are corrupted and the public itself exploited because private interests are permitted to own the people's necessities and to make millions overnight by capitalizing privileges that have been secured from the people's representatives through bribery."

This plan, the paper says, was abandoned because many indictments still hanging over Ruef might be used to make the former boss suffer bitterly for giving offense to the powerful enemies his story would expose.

The Bulletin directly mentions the names of Patrick Calhoun of the United Railroads, William F. Herrin of the Southern Pacific and Frank Drum of the San Francisco Gas company as men who have moved heaven and earth to prevent the inside story of Ruef's life becoming public.

What Ruef will tell when the indictments against him are dismissed—as has already been advised by District Attorney Fisher—is set forth in a signed statement, which says in part:

"Every human experience has a value, and may teach a lesson. Where the experience is serious the lesson should be profound. Solitude, restraint, confinement make for introspective thought. Since the heavy doors of the state prison closed behind me I have given much consideration to the events and influences which ended so ignominiously a life full of hope. I have reflected; I have studied; I have considered the causes, the effect, the sur-

NEW PROSECUTION OF PHILLIPS URGED UPON DEPOSITORS

Committee's Report Roasts Governor Hay for Failure to Remove Bank Examiner—Alleged Swindles Recited.

(Special to The Journal.)

Vancouver, Wash., April 6.—Depositors of the defunct Commercial Bank at 10 o'clock this morning and after the report of the committee was read, adjournment was taken to Saturday, April 13, at 1 o'clock.

The meeting was called to order by Dr. J. M. P. Chalmers, chairman, and Attorney R. C. Suggs read the report of the depositors' committee. In explanation while reading, Suggs said:

"At the time the bank closed W. C. Miller owed something like \$7000 in notes, he had a contract for a piece of land and in some manner Mrs. J. R. Harvey, who held title to the land, deeded it directly to the Commercial bank in December, 1910. Mohandro, state bank examiner, and the bank officials deeded it back to Miller, but he never recorded the deed. Receiver Kies held the deed to the bank and in January, 1911, crowded Miller to sign a note for the land and to pay the claim, whereupon Miller took the deed from his pocket and said, 'I guess you will not, moreover, I am going to mortgage that land.'"

"We believe we have made a careful investigation into the affairs of the defunct institution. We desire here to report the results of our investigation as fully as possible.

New Prosecution Is Urged. "We find upon investigation that the officers of the bank were guilty of fraudulent entries in its books. This was some evidence for the purpose of..."

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DIVORCE GRANTED MRS. KRUSE, WIFE OF HOTEL KEEPER

Cruel and Inhuman Treatment Charged; Recent Disappearance One Cause; Property Settlement Made.

(Special to The Journal.)

A divorce was granted yesterday afternoon shortly before the circuit court closed to Marie E. Kruse from Theodore Kruse, proprietor of the Louvre grill and Belvidere hotel, on the grounds of cruel and inhuman treatment.

One of the chief forms of cruelty, alleged the woman, was his sudden and mysterious disappearance from Portland last August, his absence of several months, and the sudden and as mysterious return.

While yesterday was the regular court day for divorces, the suit was not filed until shortly before time to close the court for the day. The hearing was held immediately. Presiding Judge Kavanaugh heard the testimony, declaring the woman's complaint was sufficient to grant her the decree and restoration of her former name, Marie Daggert.

In the spring of 1911, Kruse entered into contracts to furnish and take charge of the Carlton hotel, carrying forward such arrangements until about August 21, when he disappeared without giving notice. This was a few days before the opening of the new hostelry. The woman was left with the contracts and arrangements on her hands. Two weeks after his disappearance, alleged the plaintiff, Kruse wrote her from...

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WILSON IS HAILED AS EXPONENT OF TRUE DEMOCRACY

One Hundred of Leading Democrats of Oregon Stand Up and Cheer When C. E. S. Wood Lauds Candidate.

(Special to The Journal.)

One hundred and more of the first Democrats of Oregon gathered at the meeting of the Jackson club in the Medical building last night, rose to their feet and cheered with the spontaneous fervor of men who espouse a patriotic cause when Colonel C. E. S. Wood, in what might be termed the keynote speech of the Democratic primary campaign, hailed Woodrow Wilson as the candidate of the plain people, the choice of true democracy, and the foe to the end of special privilege and the "big interests."

It was a meeting of rare spirit. In striking indication of the deep interest in the coming battle, so many Democrats crowded into the meeting hall that every seat was taken.

More chairs were brought in, but they didn't half go around. Finally some of the younger men commandeered the president's desk and the secretary's table, shoved them against the wall and in a twinkling a dozen smiling Democrats had perched upon them. But even at that, many who couldn't get any kind of a seat stood along the walls, too eager to hear to mind the inconvenience.

Points Way to Victory. Colonel Wood, speaker of the evening, launched into his subject with vigor. In the course of his speech he took up each Democratic candidate and his record in detail, pointed out the objections and good points, then told why Woodrow Wilson was the man of all to lead the way to victory.

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SAILING VESSEL HAS ROUGH VOYAGE, 144 DAYS AROUND HORN

Mutiny and Disaster Mark the Journey of the William P. Frye, Philadelphia to Frisco.

(Special to The Journal.)

San Francisco, April 6.—After a hazardous voyage of 144 days, marked by mutiny, disaster in storms and death, the sailing vessel William P. Frye is in port here from Philadelphia. Trouble started almost before the vessel, with a crew of green hands, left the Delaware river November 13. A free for all fight started among a number of drink crazed sailors, with the result that three jumped overboard and two were drowned. In December the ship fought a gale lasting a week off Cape St. Roque, and was saved just as the crew were about to abandon her in despair. For three days in January she rode out a sou'wester off Cape Horn that shifted her cargo. One of the sailors had a leg broken during the storm. Finally after further rough weather, when all hands thought the voyage was about to end, adverse winds or no winds at all kept the ship drifting about in the open sea within a few miles of port for many days, unable to make the harbor.

MONDAY AND TUESDAY OF NEXT WEEK LAST DAYS FOR REGISTERING

Monday and Tuesday of next week are the only days left for registration after today. There will unquestionably be a rush of the tardy ones on those days, and all who can do so should visit the court house this afternoon or this evening, as the books will be held open until 9 o'clock. Today's registration will carry the total to 42,000. The original estimate of 42,000 will not fall far short of the mark. The total shown this morning is 42,000. The Republican vote is estimated at 21,000. The Democratic vote is estimated at 21,000. All other votes are estimated at 10,000.