

## BRITISH COAL MINES MAY BE FULLY WRECKED

GENERAL STRIKE DEFERRED — GOVERNMENT TO TAKE OVER INDUSTRIES.

## COLLIERIES SMASHED

EMPLOYEES PUMPING WATER FROM PITS DRIVEN AWAY BY MOB.

By Lloyd Allen  
(United Press Staff Correspondent)  
LONDON, April 5.—The British coal mining industry on which the life of the nation depends, is threatened with extinction by the miners' strike, Evan Williams, leader of the colliery owners, warned today in an exclusive interview with the United Press.  
"The miners threaten to bring disaster on owners and workmen alike," Williams said. "We are doing our utmost to save the pits and to save the workmen from the terrible consequences of their action."  
Flooding of mines, destruction of property and excessive wage demands will crush the industry, he declared. No man will risk his finances in a business which can be disrupted so easily, he said, and the present owners cannot afford to salvage their ruined properties.  
"The difference between us and the miners is basic," he said.  
"The miners are demanding a national pooling of all mining and finance which will destroy the efficiency"  
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## CONSOLIDATE ALL SOLDIER AID, PLAN

CHARLES G. DAWES MAKES RECOMMENDATION AFTER INVESTIGATING MATTER.

By United Press  
WASHINGTON, April 5.—The consolidation of all soldier relief of government agencies under one head, directly responsible to the president, without the cabinet acting as intermediary, will be recommended to congress, it was indicated today.  
The plan is proposed by Charles G. Dawes, chairman of the special committee appointed by President Harding to investigate the government's treatment of the world war veterans.  
Dawes declared at the first meeting of the committee today that he would recommend the consolidation to the president. It has been authoritatively stated that Harding will probably include in his message whatever names Dawes recommends.  
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## VOLCANO ERUPTS; PEOPLE FLEE TOWNS

ROOFS AND STREETS OF FOUR CITIES COVERED WITH LAVA.

By United Press  
VERA CRUZ, April 5.—The volcano of Popocatepetl is erupting again, spouting lava down onto four nearby towns, Puebla, San Martin, Texmelucan and Amecameca, whence the people are fleeing for their lives, according to telegrams received here.  
Huge jets of smoke and gas are being flung into the air to an estimated height of 3,000 meters above the crater and are drifting over the countryside, a menace to life and a blight to vegetation.  
The roofs and streets of the four cities are reported to be covered with a layer of lava.

## CHAMBER TO CHOOSE ITS DIRECTORATE

21 LOCAL BUSINESS MEN NOMINATED FOR IMPORTANT POSITIONS.

City directors of The Dalles-Wasco County Chamber of Commerce, eight in all, will be chosen at a general chamber of commerce election to be held tomorrow. Votes will be cast at the chamber of commerce building, from 12 o'clock noon until 9 o'clock in the evening. All chamber of commerce members may vote, regardless of their places of residence.  
Only city directors will be chosen at tomorrow's election, county directors to be nominated and elected by the various county districts affected.  
Considerable competition is expected at the election of directors tomorrow, with 21 names upon the ballot to select from.  
After considerable deliberation, a group of business men has recommended the following ticket:  
L. Barnum, N. A. Bonn, John G. Odell, T. H. West, R. T. Yates, H. S. Rice, V. H. French and H. L. Kuck.  
The list is made up of the members of the old board of directors, with the addition of French and Kuck, included in order that all local banks might be represented on the board.  
The following persons will act as election judges: G. A. Pearson, H. N. Crandall, Pat Foley, H. E. Greene and Edward C. Pease.  
The following candidates for directors in The Dalles-Wasco County Chamber of Commerce, have been nominated:  
Ed Merrifield, J. G. Odell, Hallie S. Rice, Charles Roth, L. Schanno, Bert Thomas, Dr. Fred Thompson, T. H. West, R. T. Yates, N. A. Bonn, L. Barnum, A. E. Crosby, Hal Fancher, V. H. French, L. J. Gates, J. C. Hostetler, J. T. Henry, C. A. Johnston, J. B. Kilmore, H. L. Kuck, and R. Marshall.  
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## EFFECT OF WAR SHOWN BY FRENCH CENSUS

By United Press  
PARIS, April 5.—The effect of war on the population of France is graphically shown in the partial census returns from various districts of the republic, all of which show a startling decrease.  
The department of Ardennes, for example, reports a population of 275,165, or a decrease of 43,731. The Nord reports 1,780,337, a decrease of 181,443; Meurthe and Moselle, 501,200, deficit of 63,530.  
The southern department, where the Riviera resorts are situated, is the only one showing an increase, and figures indicate a general migration to the South. Losses in the Pyrenees region, however, are considerable.  
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## NOTE OF PROTEST SENT TO ALLIES

YAP AWARD AND MESOPOTAMIA OIL DEAL BASIS OF REPRESENTATIONS.

By United Press  
WASHINGTON, April 5.—A new note has been sent to the principal allied powers by Secretary of State Hughes, protesting against their attitude on the mandates of territories seized during the world war, it was learned here today.  
The note, it was stated authoritatively, was dispatched last night. A copy is understood to have gone to Great Britain, France, Japan and Italy. It deals specifically on two points in the controversy between the United States and the allied powers.  
First, the United States holds that the island of Yap, an important cable point in the Pacific ocean, should not be included in the Japanese mandate over former German islands north of the equator.  
Second, the American protest against the San Remo agreement between Great Britain and France for the division of the oil supplies of Mesopotamia, held under British mandate.

## DOOM OF PARIS PEACE TREATY IS SEALED BY U. S.

PRESIDENT MAKES IT PLAIN, RATIFICATION OUT OF QUESTION.

By United Press  
WASHINGTON, April 5.—The doom of the treaty of Versailles, so far as the United States is concerned, has been pronounced definitely by President Harding. In unmistakable words, the president today made it clear to newspaper men that the United States cannot consider the ratification of the treaty. Harding denied, however, that he approved immediate action on the Knox peace resolution.  
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## WINDSTORM HURTS TWO; DESTROYS 10 HOUSES

By United Press  
WHARTON, Texas, April 5.—Damage estimated at \$50,000 was done here today when a heavy windstorm swept the city during a downpour of rain. Ten houses were demolished and 40 damaged. Two persons were injured.  
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## BANDITS ROB BANK OF \$50,000, DIVIDE LOOT

By United Press  
ST. PAUL, April 5.—The state bank of Withrow, Minn., 18 miles north-east of here, was today robbed of \$50,000. The bandits divided the loot in a nearby school house.  
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## WOMAN GETS DIVORCE AND BRAZILIAN JUNGLE

By United Press  
OAKLAND, April 5.—Mrs. Ella M. Douglas today became the owner of 1,500,000 acres of Brazil jungle land when Superior Judge St. Sure granted her a divorce from B. V. Douglas and with it title to the land.  
"I intend to go to Brazil and live," she said.  
Douglas is said to be serving time in Sing Sing.  
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## BABY DIES, MOTHER HELD RESPONSIBLE

OLDER CHILDREN GIVE CRYING CHILD BOTTLE OF LYSOL.

By United Press  
SEATTLE, April 5.—Accused of manslaughter in connection with the death of her 14-months-old baby, Mrs. Gladys Primeau is today held in jail here without bail. The complaint alleges that the woman locked her three children in their home Saturday night and left them. The baby in some manner secured a bottle of poison and died in the city hospital Sunday morning.  
When she left the children she wrote a note to her husband, telling him not to worry. The baby was dying when he returned.  
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## SEATTLE, Wash., April 5.—The lure of the cabarets overpowered Mrs. Gladys Tremeau's mother love last night and tonight police were looking for her in the dancehalls to tell her how the 14-months' old baby that she locked in the house and deserted had fatally burned itself with a bottle of lysol.

When she left Mrs. Tremeau wrote a note to her husband, telling him not to worry. He arrived home to find the baby dying from the burns. Two older children had given the baby the bottle of lysol to play with because he cried so much after his mother left.  
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## PLANT OF POLK COUNTY OBSERVER GUTTED BY FIRE

By United Press  
DALLAS, Or., April 5.—The plant of the Polk County Observer is in ruins today, following a disastrous fire which gutted the building late yesterday.

## POMONA VOTES SUNDAYS SHALL BE "PADLOCKED"

"BLUE JAYS" TRIUMPH BY 55 BALLOTS — THEATERS TO TEST LAW.

By United Press  
POMONA, Cal., April 5.—Pomona yesterday went on record as favoring the blue laws, closing all of the city's amusement places on Sunday. The "Blue Jays" triumphed by a margin of 55 votes, with a total of 2078 favorable votes cast for the ordinance.  
Chairman Harry Arthur of the American League of Freedom, declared that his organization will take legal steps to determine the validity of the ordinance. Theaters, Arthur asserted, will continue to operate after the ordinance goes into effect on May 11, in order to make a test case.  
George T. Liddle, chairman of the civic betterment league, proponent of the ordinance, declared that the victory was a protest against "out-of-town" forces which have brazenly endeavored to force their low standards of morality upon the people.  
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## FORMER EMPEROR CARL LEAVES FOR SWITZERLAND

By United Press  
BUDAPEST, April 5.—Former Emperor Carl left Steinhilfing for Switzerland this morning, according to an official announcement.

## STANFIELD INTERESTS FORM BIG CORPORATION

By United Press  
PORTLAND, Or., April 5.—Thirty-one corporations, companies and partnerships in which United States Senator R. N. Stanfield is interested have been pooled into the R. N. Stanfield company, with resources of \$2,000,000, according to announcement here today.  
The Stanfield sheep interests in Eastern Oregon represent a majority of the capital involved in the pool.  
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## BIG Y. W. C. A. BENEFIT BILLED

15 ACTS ASSEMBLED, EVERY ONE KNOCKOUT, IS ADVANCE WORD.

A 15-act vaudeville show, with singing, dancing and surprise numbers guaranteed by the advance agent to "knock 'em dead," is billed for presentation at the Empress theatre Friday evening, April 8. The show will be put on entirely by home talent, under the direction of Miss Harriet Schrum, and will be for the purpose of raising money for the budget fund of the local Y. W. C. A.  
The vaudeville program will be put on in addition to the regular picture bill for that evening, "The Romance Promoters," starring Earl Williams. Two performances will be given, the first show starting at 7:15 o'clock and the second at 9:15.  
Among the numbers planned are Spanish dances, in which six little girls will take part; a Scotch dance; several vocal solos, assisted by a chorus, and the "surprises," the nature of which the management refuses to disclose. A feature dance will be given by Miss Schrum, following which she will do any type of dance requested by members of the audience.  
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## NUMBER THREE RURAL ROUTE IS MOTORIZED

(Chronicle's Washington Bureau.)  
WASHINGTON, April 5.—Representative N. J. Sinnott today appeared before the postoffice department and secured the change of rural route number three out of The Dalles into a motor rural route, effective May first. The new route will be nearly 20 miles longer and will supply 142 families.

## STREET SURFACING IS COUNCIL TOPIC

PETITION FOR MACADAMIZING CERTAIN STREETS STARTS DISCUSSION.

Street surfacing, bithulthic, macadam and just plain dirt, was the principal topic of discussion at a meeting of the city council last night.  
The question of which surface was the most practical and economical for use on the city's streets came up as a result of petitions by a number of property owners living on Kelly avenue, Webster, C. B. Calhoun and D streets for the laying of a macadam surface upon parts of these streets. 25 percent of the cost of construction to be paid by the city.  
Explaining that he had seen Ninth street macadamized three times and that the macadam surface had not stood up under the traffic any one of these times, Mayor P. J. Stadelman took occasion to say that he was "very much opposed to the spending of any more of the city's money upon the laying of macadam streets."  
City Engineer P. W. Marks countered that the present system of laying macadam surfacing was altogether different than that used several years ago when the work was done upon Jackson street. He explained that macadam street surfacing, as laid today, would stand up for a period of 10 years if given a small amount of attention each winter.  
Mayor Stadelman took the stand that if the city continued to grant petitions on the laying of macadam streets, it would never have these streets paved, which, he contended, is one of the important essentials of a modern, well-kept city.  
Councilman F. W. Sims added further complexity to the situation by informing the council that the city does not have sufficient funds at the present time to pay for its 25 percent share of construction costs, and would have to call a special election for the people to vote this money.  
"I want it understood that the people are entitled to permanent improvements and that this council is not going to block any legitimate demand for such improvements if it can help it," Mayor Stadelman said. "The only question in my mind is whether macadam streets can be called permanent improvements."  
The council finally decided to hold final decision on the matter over until the next meeting.  
The petitions read before the council asked that the following streets be macadamized:  
Webster street, from the east side of B street easterly on Webster street to the connection with the pavement on Kelly avenue.  
Starting at C street, easterly on Calhoun street to and connecting with the pavement on Kelly avenue.  
Starting at Webster street, south  
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## MAN IS ROBBED; BRUTALLY KILLED

BATTERED BODY FOUND ON BED IN PADLOCKED ROOM.

By United Press  
TACOMA, Wash., April 5.—Deputy sheriffs were today seeking some clue to an apparently carefully laid robbery plot, believed to be back of the brutal murder of Henry Bacon, 50, an employe of the Northern Pacific railway.  
Bacon's battered body was found Sunday evening lying on the bed in his room at the Dupont water station, by B. F. Humble, section foreman, by whom the dead man had been employed.  
Bacon had been missing since Friday evening. Entrance to his room was gained through a window, all doors being padlocked on the outside.  
A door led from Bacon's room to that of George Aki, a Filipino interpreter, employed by the Seattle courts, who is spending a vacation at Dupont. Aki told the police there had been no sign of disturbance Friday night.

## GREEK ARMIES SHATTERED BY TERRIBLE TURKS

TWO DIVISIONS FLEE IN PANIC OVER DESERT, LEAVING DEAD.

## 3 DIVISIONS WIPED OUT

HIGH GREEK OFFICERS SLAIN — CONSTANTINOPLE WILD WITH JOY.

By Laurence Moore  
(United Press Staff Correspondent)  
CONSTANTINOPLE, April 5.—Greek armies in Asia-Minor have been shattered and routed by the Turks.  
Dispatches brought by couriers from Brussa and Songulak today showed the Greeks overwhelmed. Three divisions were annihilated. Two escaped in panic flight over the desert, leaving a broad trail of dead and dying, smashed wagons, abandoned guns, wrecked ambulances, maimed horses and flaming ruins.  
Prince Andrew, brother of King Constantine, and many high officers including a divisional general, were left among the slain.  
Word of these losses, trickling down the lines, had a disastrous effect on the Greek morale.  
Constantinople was wild with joy. From Stamboul to Bebek and from Soutari to Pera, Islamic banners and devices fluttered over jubilant crowds.  
Everywhere in some of the big foreign colonies the population joined  
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## THREE YOUTHS LOST IN BLIZZARD, SAFE

FOUND BY FOREST RANGER WHILE HUNDREDS SEARCH MOUNTAINS.

By United Press  
BUTTE, Mont., April 5.—The three missing youths were discovered today in a cabin on the east side of the Rockies, by Forest Ranger Maxwell. The young men escaped from the blizzard unharmed.

BUTTE, Mont., April 5.—Searching parties numbering hundreds of men and boy scouts today engaged in a search of the main range of the Rockies for Henry Christensen, James McDonald and Eugene Gill, youths lost in a blizzard since Saturday.

They had been hunting in the mountains and when they failed to return yesterday posses were organized. It is believed that the young men may have frozen to death and it may be impossible to recover the bodies until the snows melt this summer.  
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## "PLAY BALL," CRY IN COAST LEAGUE

SNOW STORM AT SALT LAKE CITY PREVENTS DIAMOND OPENER.

By United Press  
SAN FRANCISCO, April 5.—In three coast league cities—San Francisco, Sacramento and Los Angeles—the coast league baseball season got under way today.  
But in the fourth city scheduled for an opening game, Salt Lake City, they'll have to wait until it quits snowing. Snow has been falling there for the last fifteen hours and if they play they'll do it on skis or snowshoes.  
Clear and cold was the weather in the other three cities and while it couldn't be called ideal, the weather contained the consolation that there was no indication of rain or anything which might force postponement.