

**THE FORECAST**  
Maximum 64  
Minimum 51

# The Dalles Chronicle

**THE WEATHER**  
Occasional rain

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## CHIEF JUSTICE WHITE DEAD; END AT 2 A. M.

NEVER RECOVERS FROM SLIGHT OPERATION PERFORMED LAST FRIDAY.

## WAS 76 YEARS OLD

WASHINGTON IN SORROW OVER PASSING OF BELOVED PUBLIC FIGURE.

By United Press  
WASHINGTON, May 19.—Talk of a successor to Chief Justice White of the supreme court today centered on William Howard Taft, former president. Selection of Secretary of State Hughes is also being discussed.

By Herbert W. Walker  
(United News Staff Correspondent)  
WASHINGTON, May 19.—Chief Justice Edward Douglas White of the United States supreme court died here today at a. m.

The chief justice did not arouse from the coma into which he sank late Tuesday after an operation the preceding Friday.

Mrs. White and two nieces, Miss Anne Montgomery and Miss Mary Broussard, were at his bedside when the chief justice passed away. A Catholic priest was present also.

Justice White was 76 years old. More than twenty-seven years he served on the supreme court bench and he had been chief justice since 1910.

His death cast a pall of sorrow over official Washington. He was one of the best loved men in public life.

White was born in the parish of (Continued on Page 6.)

## WALL STREET BOMB SUSPECT ARRESTED

ITALIAN HELD FOR SUSPECTED COMPLICITY IN EXPLOSION CRIME.

By United Press  
NEW YORK, May 19.—A warrant for the arrest of Giuseppe De Filippo, suspected of complicity in the Wall street explosion September 16, was today issued by United States Commissioner Samuel Hitchcock.

The warrant charges Filippo with attempting to destroy a United States public building—the essay office in Wall street—by exploding a bomb in front of it.

Filippo is under arrest in Bayonne, N. J., upon a warrant sworn out by Charles Scully, head of the bomb squad of the department of justice.

Scully said that he had been told by a witness that Filippo was the driver of a rickety wagon containing the bomb which killed 35 persons in the noon day crowd.

## CONCERTED BLUE LAW DRIVE IS STARTED

PRESBYTERIANS AT WINONA LAKE BATTLE ANTI-SABBATH PROPAGANDA.

By United Press  
WINONA LAKE, Ind., May 19.—A concerted drive for Blue Sunday laws, a move to check wide-open Sabbath agitation, was today started here.

Church members of all creeds and faiths were asked to fight the "million dollar propaganda against our Christian Sabbath," and to urge civil authorities to prohibit Sunday amusements.

The blue law question was thrown before the Presbyterian general assembly when the sessions opened today.

## SQUATTERS FLEE FROM HIGH WATER IN COLUMBIA

TEMPORARY RESIDENTS ON FLATS MOVING; RIVER RISES 2.3 FEET.

The rapid rise in the waters of the Columbia river during the last several days has resulted in hurried pulling of stakes and moving of tents to higher ground by squatters who have been camping during the winter on the beach below the city.

Several small wooden shacks were swept off their foundations last night and carried down the river. Their owners had already moved to safer localities however, and aside from losing their shelters, were not subjected to any great discomfort. Caught in an eddy, one of these shacks could be seen this morning, lazily floating over what several days ago was sandy beach. Lace curtains were still up at the windows, as if the owner of the house had abandoned the shack in haste during the night.

The river is still coming up, a rise of 2.3 feet having been recorded during the last 24 hours. The water now stands at 30.5 feet, which is already higher than it was at any time last year. The river is expected to go to the 35 foot mark or above, before the freshet is over.

## SHIP CLEARS WITH NON-UNION CREW

FIFTH OF GOVERNMENT SHIPS TO LEAVE COLUMBIA WITH STRIKE BREAKERS.

By United Press  
ASTORIA, Ore., May 19.—The freighter Eelbeck, fifth United States shipping board vessel to clear from Portland and Astoria with non-union crews since the marine strike began, crossed out of the Columbia here today.

The Eelbeck carried a cargo of wheat for Leghorn, Italy.

## 13-YEAR OLD WIFE TRIED FOR MURDER

PATHETIC SPECTACLE BEING STAGED IN OZARKS COURT-HOUSE.

By United Press  
FARMINGTON, Mo., May 19.—Folks in the Ozarks hooked up their mules today and drove into town to hear Letta Parson's story in court.

Most everybody in the Ozarks knows about Letta.

For thirteen years she was nobody's child, just running around Farmington and the countryside, without father or mother. She never learned to read or write—Letta is just "po' white."

Then, shortly after her 13th birthday, John Parson, a wood chopper, married her and brought her home to mother his two children.

Letta is being tried for the alleged murder of one of them. Five days after she was married she blew the top of six-year-old Lily Parson's head off with a shotgun.

The child bride—she didn't look it today, with her skinny pigtails and her scared eyes—says she didn't "make out" to kill Lily. She says she was playing on the floor with the children and didn't know the gun was loaded.

But Johnny Parson, her other step-child, says she killed his sister because she acted up when Letta was trying to comb her hair.

Then there are folks who say Letta isn't such a child as her 13 years indicate. They say she was "gottin' even" with John Parson because he tramped around with another woman right after he married Letta.

There is a chance the Ozark folks who know all about Letta won't get a chance to hear her story. The case (Continued on Page 6.)

## RELIGIOUS SECT SEEKS ASYLUM FROM CANADA

MENNONITES, CLAIMING PERSECUTION, START GIANT MIGRATION.

## 20,000 LEAVE NORTH

FLIGHT GREATEST SINCE PASSAGE OF MORMONS FROM ILLINOIS.

By United Press  
ST. PAUL, May 19.—Between 15,000 and 20,000 Mennonites will begin their exodus from Canada to Mexico within the next three weeks, railroad officials here said today. They will spend more than \$1,000,000 in fares.

Negotiations for transportation closed this week. Members of the order, who claim that they have been persecuted by the Canadian government, will seek asylum in Mexico, their agents said.

Passengers, livestock, farm equipment and household goods will make up special trains to move across the country from north to south.

Not since the days of the flight of the Mormons from Nauvoo, Ill., to Utah, has there been such a massed movement of a religious order on the American continent. They will settle in West Durango, Mexico. The Mexican government will give them free transportation from the Mexican border.

Rev. J. F. Wiebe of Saskatoon is here arranging for the transportation of hundreds of members of the order from various parts in Canada.

## SIBERIAN CITY CAPTURED BY REVOLUTIONARIES

HELSINGFORS, May 19.—The Siberian city of Omsk has fallen before an army of 40,000 Russian revolutionaries, according to reports received here today. The Red army, commanded by General Rucely, is now marching on Omsk.

## GIRL HIKES 40 MILES TO INDIAN SWEETHEART

DURANGO, Colo., May 19.—John Miller, a Navajo Indian employed on a ranch near here, yesterday sent word to the Indian girl whom he was to marry that he could not lay off to wed.

The girl then began a 40-mile journey on foot, leading a goat as a gift to her husband-to-be. She swam the flooded waters of the La Platta river.

The two will be married tomorrow.

## MAIL ROBBERY FOILED; SUSPECTED MEN ESCAPE

SACRAMENTO, Cal., May 19.—What railway mail service officials believe was an attempt to rob the mail car of Southern Pacific passenger train No. 10, eastbound, was today frustrated when two men were discovered in the car. The train was stopped and the men fled.

## LLOYD GEORGE ATTACKS FRENCH PRESS AS THREATENING ENTENTE

AMERICAN AND BRITISH GOVERNMENTS BELIEVED IN ACCORD ON SILESIAN QUESTION; "CHILDREN OF PEACE TREATY NOT TO BREAK CROCKERY."

By A. E. Johnson  
(United News Staff Correspondent)  
LONDON, May 19.—Lloyd George has reiterated in terms that afford no misconception, that Adelbert Kerfany and his Polish irregulars must be curbed, that the Silesian question must be settled by the supreme council, and that the Versailles treaty must be upheld and respected.

The premier cites American and Italian sentiment as backing his demand for fairness to Germany under the treaty, and scores in vitriolic words the "truncated and distorted" reports of his own attitude printed by French newspapers.

Lloyd George's indictment of the French press, it may be said, is a more important phase of the contro-

## FRANCE IGNORES BRITAIN IN NEW GERMAN DEMAND

PROTEST AGAINST ENTRANCE OF UNORGANIZED TEUTONS INTO SILESIA.

## BRIAND REMAINS FIRM

NATION CANNOT REMAIN NEUTRAL IF GERMANS INVADE DISPUTED COUNTRY.

By United Press  
PARIS, May 19.—Ignoring Britain in the Upper Silesia controversy, the French government today sent a note to Berlin protesting against the entrance of unorganized German bands into Silesia.

The note intimated that Germany should close her frontiers.

By Webb Miller  
(United Press Staff Correspondent)  
PARIS, May 19.—Premier Briand of France today reiterated his statement of Saturday, flinging down the gauntlet to Great Britain.

"I stand on what I said Saturday," he declared after reading Premier Lloyd George's warning of yesterday.

"There's nothing in the Versailles treaty saying the Germans shall get the rich mining district of Upper Silesia while the Poles get the remainder."

Briand made his statement prior to entering the Palais Bourbon to make a defense of his foreign policies.

"It's only a little flurry of bad humor on the premier's part," he said with a smile. "It will pass soon—there is no harm in it. I don't care to enter into a controversy with Lloyd George, but France cannot remain neutral if Germany is permitted to invade Upper Silesia."

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## SAN FRANCISCO, May 19.—Train No. 10, the San Francisco-Ogden express, carried the bulk of the San Francisco mail for the east, according to Southern Pacific officials.

## FARMERS TO ASK CITY FOR AID IN BOND CAMPAIGN

SUCCESS OF ISSUE IN FORTHCOMING CAMPAIGN BELIEVED ASSURED.

Business men of The Dalles have gone to the farmers of the county for aid in putting over some enterprise where the cooperation of all was necessary for success.

Now the tables are turned, and the farmers are coming to the city for aid in putting over The Dalles-California highway \$800,000 bond issue.

County Judge J. T. Adkisson today announced that he will call upon the chamber of commerce for a series of mass meetings to be held at the court house or in other convenient places, where prominent farmers and leaders of rural communities will appeal to city residents to help put over the issue.

Judge Adkisson believes that the bond issue, if left entirely to the farmers, would go over in big shape, but the attitude of people in the city has so far been apathetic. The vote of residents in The Dalles will pass or defeat the bonds, and the county court desires to arouse interest so that every voter will register his preference.

Judge Adkisson believes too much attention has been given to the county (Continued on Page 5.)

## CHICAGO MARKET WORRIED BY BILL

GRAIN PRICES ON BOARD OF TRADE DROP; FEAR ABOLISHMENT.

By United Press  
CHICAGO, May 19.—Grain prices dropped on the Chicago board of trade at the opening today, due to the success of legislation in the Illinois assembly, which, if enacted into law, will abolish this great grain market.

July wheat opened off 2c at 11½¢ and quickly lost an additional ½c. Other wheat quotations showed a similar loss. Corn and oats were off from 3-4c to 1c.

## BANDITS CAPTURED WHEN AUTO CRASHES

CHICAGO BANK ROBBED OF \$10,000, BUT MONEY IS RECOVERED.

By United Press  
CHICAGO, May 19.—Three bank robbers, fleeing after holding up the Division State bank here, were captured today when their auto turned over. One bandit was wounded by police fire. A fourth robber escaped.

Four men entered the bank shortly after it had opened and drove the officials into a rear room. They then scooped up all the money in sight, about \$10,000, and fled. They were chased by the police in a machine. The robbers' car overturned as it rounded a corner. The four men started to run.

The police shot William Dungan and captured two others. The fourth man held up another automobile and made his escape in it. The loot was found in the overturned machine.

## IMMIGRATION BILL SIGNED

WASHINGTON, May 19.—President Harding late today signed the immigration bill.

## QUARANTINE FOLLOWS DEATH FROM TYPHUS

By United Press  
NEW YORK, May 19.—Ellis Island was today put under quarantine, following the death of an immigrant from typhus. More than 1700 immigrants who might have come in contact with the disease, were returned to Hoffman Island, where they will be confined under observation for 21 days.

## PANAMA ASKS SOUTH AMERICA TO INTERVENE

DISPLEASED WITH ULTIMATUM OF U. S. REGARDING COSTA RICA DISPUTE.

## SENDS FORTH ENVOYS

PANAMA MINISTER LEAVES FOR WASHINGTON WITH REPLY.

By United Press  
PANAMA, May 19.—Panama today appealed to South American nations to intervene in her controversy with the United States over disposition of a strip of Central America claimed by both Panama and Costa Rica.

The government sent envoys to Peru, Argentina, Brazil and Chile to ask those countries to demand that final disposition of the disputed province be left to a commission from the Latin-American nations and the United States. At the same time, Secretary of Foreign Affairs Garay sailed for Washington, presumably with an answer to Secretary Hughes' ultimatum directing Panama to vacate the disputed territory.

It was reported Garay would request further consideration by United States authorities, politely refusing to vacate until the request was granted.

## STANDING OF POLICE. BOOTLEGGERS' LEAGUE

By United Press  
NEW YORK, May 19.—Latest scores of the New York police force vs. all New York bootleggers, six weeks' contest:

Police: 3,600 arrests; 453 indictments; 1,734 arraignments; four convictions. Bootleggers: 28 dismissals by grand jury, six acquitted by juries; 407 discharges.

## POLICE CAPTURE YOUTHFUL YEGGS

BOYS FOUND IN JEWELRY STORE, POUNDING ON SAFE COMBINATION.

By United Press  
PORTLAND, May 19.—Two youthful safecrackers were last night cornered in a local jewelry store, busily pounding away at a safe. They are Fede Dargoff, 16 and Frank Birdsall, 17. They said they came from San Francisco a week ago. They confessed to the robbery of a large drug store since arriving.

The youthful yeggs gained entrance to the jewelry store through a skylight, punched the knob off the safe and were endeavoring to knock in the combination when the police broke in the door and captured them.

## "SPIRIT BORN" BABY STRANGLED TO DEATH

CORONER'S JURY INVESTIGATING MYSTERIOUS DEATH OF CHILD.

By United Press  
DE BUQUE, Colo., May 19.—The "spirit baby" of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Mayer died of strangulation, according to the verdict today of a coroner's jury. The infant's body was exhumed from the back yard of the Mayer home, after neighbors had reported the death to officials.

Mayers asserts that the infant was born of spirit, through immaculate conception and not of flesh and that they had received a message from the "great beyond" that the child had not long to live. No arrests have been made, but the police are investigating.