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THE WEATHER

Fair; light to heavy frost in the morning; moderate winds.

PRICE FIVE CENTS

LIQUOR MEN PRODUCE NEW PROHI QUERY

Impracticability of Congress and States Working in Conjunction Pointed Out by Distillers.

CONFUSION PREDICTED FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT

Section One Held Not Self Executing in Opinion Given by Counsel

CHICAGO, April 22.—Practicability of enforcing the national prohibition amendment by "concurrent power of congress and the states was questioned today at a meeting of the distillers' committee, in charge of the distilling industry's fight against prohibition.

The point was raised in an opinion submitted by Levy, Mayer, counsel for the committee, following reports that referendum petitions had been filed, were in process of filing or were circulation in Ohio, Missouri, California, Washington, Oregon, Nevada, New Mexico, Nebraska, Oklahoma, Arkansas, Colorado, Michigan, and Maine.

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Students Strike Ends in Twenty-four Hours

FORT COLLINS, Colo., April 22.—A 24-hour strike of the entire student body of the Colorado Agricultural college ended tonight when the faculty asked the student council to present their grievances at chapel tomorrow and gave assurance that none of the students would be disciplined for participating in today's walkout.

The strike resulted from dissatisfaction over drill regulations under which 30 returned soldiers were compelled to attend regular military drill provided in the school curriculum.

The student strike was called today in sympathy with the returned soldiers.

POLICE LOCATE BOOZE IN TRUNK

Eight Bottles of Whiskey Seized in Baggage—Arrest Expected

Seven pint and one quart bottle of a poor grade of whiskey was confiscated by the police last night when a trunk which had been at the Southern Pacific depot for two days was searched. The trunk came from San Francisco. Chief of Police Varney stated last night that an arrest will probably be made in a day or two.

After getting trace of the whiskey Chief Varney began a search of the baggage in the depot and found the liquor in the second trunk examined. All of the bottles had been opened and filled up tight against the cork to prevent "gurgling". The noise of which would betray the contents of the trunk. The bottles were tied

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The strikers boarded a train for Limerick and when the station was reached, four persons left the cars and tried to pass the soldiers at the gate. While the argument was proceeding the other passengers who had remained concealed in the train, darted for other doors and windows. The guard was unable to halt them and soon all were home.

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PARIS, April 22.—(By The Associated Press)—The Italian situation remains unchanged, according to the authoritative announcement after the meeting of the council of four today.

The Italian premier, Vittorio Orlando, while not attending the session of the council, had a series of private conferences, and arranged a meeting with Premier Lloyd George, with a view of seeking a plan of adjustment.

One compromise proposed to the Italians, making provision for the recognition to their claim to Fiume in exchange for the abandonment of their claim to the Dalmatian coast, was rejected.

PARIS, April 22.—(Havas)—The Temps says that the frontier between Italy and Germany-Austria apparently has been definitely fixed as Italy demanded it and as France and Great Britain in 1915 promised it should be run. The frontier will be drawn to the north of the Brenner Pass in Tyrol.

The Brenner Pass is the lowest of all the passes that traverse the main chain of the Alps. It is the shortest route between central Germany and Italy.

Alleged Favor to I. W. W. May Cost Mayor Position

SIOUX CITY, Ia., April 22.—Action demanding the immediate recall of Mayor Wallace M. Short because of his alleged friendly attitude toward the I. W. W. was taken and the necessary machinery to accomplish that purpose was set in motion at a meeting of 100 Sioux City residents at a hotel here tonight.

Leadville Mine Strike Settled by Committee

LEADVILLE, Colo., April 22.—The strike of 1,000 metal miners, engineers and pump men which began here Sunday because of disagreement between the men and the operators over the amount of wage reduction, was settled tonight when the miners' committee and the operators agreed on a daily wage of \$4. representing a reduction of 50 cents.

PROHIBITION LOSSES.

WELLINGTON, N. Z., April 22.—The majority against prohibition in the New Zealand plebiscite is placed at 1,800 by official returns.

Burglars Enter Depot of P. R. L. & P. Company

ESTACADA, Or., April 22.—Broke into the depot of the Portland Railway, Light & Power company here last night and seized money and valuables aggregating about \$150. They escaped without leaving a clue. Then men entered by breaking a window in the station building, blew open the little safe containing the station records and funds and annexed all money and valuables. The ticket drawer was also searched but nothing was taken from it.

About 3 a. m. three shots were heard by a local merchant and a car was heard passing through the streets at a rapid rate, coming, apparently, from the depot. The man hearing the shots and the automobile, hastened to the window could discern nothing.

GOVERNMENT OF BUDAPEST OVERTHROWN

Rioting and Pillaging Begins in City Where Bela Kun's Soviet Was Ruling Power; Resume Fighting at Munich

PEACE SITUATION IS STILL MUCH CONFUSED

Polish Troops and Bolsheviks Forces Fight on Russian Front

PARIS, April 22.—(By The Associated Press)—Bela Kun's soviet government has been overthrown at Budapest, according to an official wireless message received here today. Rioting and pillaging is going on in the city.

Tuesday witnessed no action on the part of the Italian delegate to the peace conference in Paris, which would indicate that Premier Orlando and Foreign Minister Sonnino had receded from their demand that the east coast of the Adriatic and its adjacent islands and the seaport of Fiume be given to Italy.

Nor was there visible any sign on the part of the British and French premiers and President Wilson of weakening in the stand they have taken that Italy's price is too high. Promises alleged to have been made to Italy by France and Great Britain in the London treaty are being held to inflexibly by the Italians. The Italians did not attend Tuesday's meeting of the Council of Four, which put aside entirely the Italian claims and discussed with Baron Makino and Viscount Chinda, of the Japanese delegation the question of the future of Kiso-Chan.

Apparently there is still much bitterness over the Italian question. One of the Italian delegates told the Associated Press it was considered useless for the Italians to take further part in the conference unless the allies were agreeable to granting Italy's request. One compromise has been suggested to the Italians, but declined by them, according to late reports. This provided for recognition of Italy's claim to Fiume in return for the abandonment of her ambitions to the Dalmatian coast.

Private conferences between Premier Orlando and members of the council of four are said to have taken place and a meeting with Mr. Lloyd George has been arranged to secure, if possible, an adjustment of the controversy.

Considerable fighting has taken place on the Russian front between Polish troops and the Bolsheviks. The Poles have captured Vilna and the important railway centers of Baranovic and Novogrodek to the south of Vilna. Reports are to the effect that near Lemberg the Poles have broken through the Ukrainian front.

The soviet government of Bela Kun in Hungary has been overthrown. Riot and pillage are said to be in progress in Budapest.

Fierce fighting is reported to have been resumed in Munich, where Wurttemberg troops have started an attack against the soviet forces under cover of artillery fire.

Revolution in Turkey has been followed by the setting up of a soviet government, according to reports received in Paris from Kiev, Russia.

Special Commission to Look After Hun Delegates

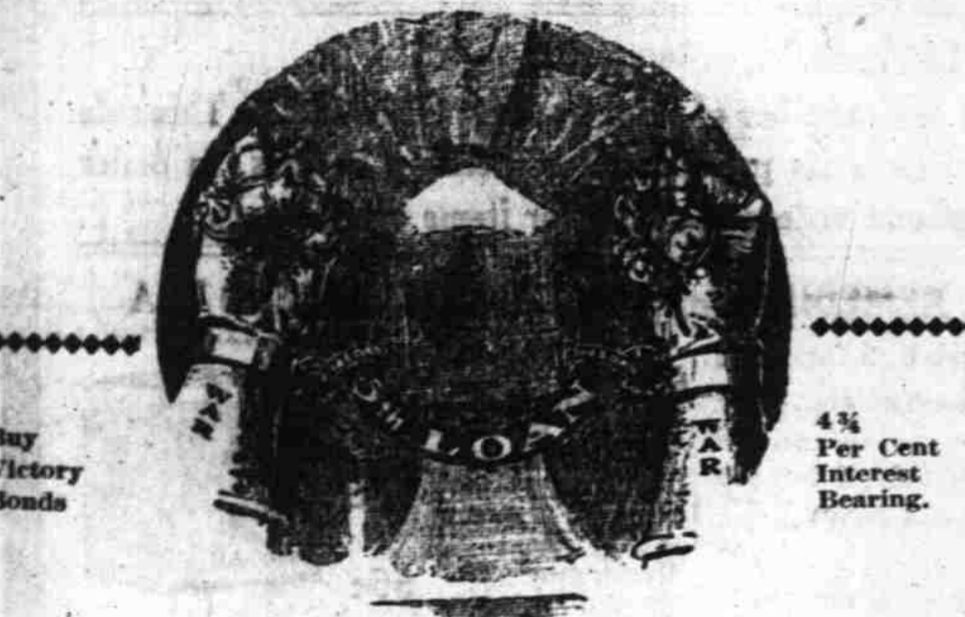
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Peruvians Would Refer Disputes to Big League

BUENOS AIRES, April 22.—The Peruvian delegates to the Pan-American labor congress, which will convene here next Saturday, announce that they will endeavor to have the congress declare in favor of submitting all American questions to the league of nations, especially the Tacna and Arica dispute.

BANK CLERKS MAY STRIKE.

BUENOS AIRES, April 22.—The Bank Employees' union will present to the bankers certain demands this week, which, if not granted, may result in a strike. Thirty-nine banks in Buenos Aires and the interior are affected.



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Silvertone Coatings:

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More Yards for Your Money

Just two pieces of All Wool, White Serge and Diagonal Suitings—No such value anywhere at yard ... 95c

Twenty-six pieces of excellent wearing Suitings in plain colors, stripes, checks and plaids, ranging from dark colors to plain white. These are 52 to 56 inches wide and are reduced to yard ... \$1.45

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Early Ending of War Due in Large Measure to Activity on Ocean

Here are some reasons why you should buy Victory bonds.

One of the big problems of the war that had to be financed by the sale of war bonds was the laying of mines of a special type to close the northern exit for German submarines. This line extended from the Orkney islands to the coast of Norway, a distance of 250 miles and with the depth of the water 900 feet. Manufacture of these mines in a short time was a big undertaking. There were 70,100 planted in the "North Sea Cabbage Patch" of which 30,570 were of American manufacture. To this charge more than any other thing is attributed the early ending of the war. Many submarines were lost trying to get through this barrage. As the average damage estimated for a submarine that made a successful trip was \$50,000,000 and the total cost of the mine operation was \$45,000,000, it is mathematically demonstrated that this effort was a paying proposition.

The story of bottling the Hun submarines is eloquent of the help rendered by buyers of United States Liberty Bonds that made possible such a program.

REBEL GENERAL GOES TO DEATH

Alvarez, Leader of Mexican Anti-Government Forces Executed

VERA CRUZ, April 22.—(By The Associated Press)—General Francisco Alvarez, of the anti-government forces, was executed shortly before midnight last night. He met death at the hands of a firing squad with the utmost bravery.

General Alvarez, of the anti-government forces, was sentenced to death by a court martial here Monday. Alvarez was captured here last Tuesday in the battle in which General Aureliano Blanquet was killed. Thousands of persons surrounded the barracks when execution took place.

Alvarez had been sentenced to die at an earlier hour, but the execution was held up by order of the supreme court. The war department, however, ordered compliance with the sentence of the court martial and the prisoner was brought out to face his executioners.

Two hours before the execution the correspondent of The Associated Press visited Alvarez in his cell. He evinced no fear and declared he was prepared to die.

"I consider the sentence of the military court illegal," said Alvarez, "as I ceased to be a soldier when the federal army disbanded and I left the country. If I were still a soldier the court's sentence would have been just."

"I am ready to die without fear because I know man is born eventually to die. Many friends have visited me in prison and their kind words have helped me to face death bravely. None of my old companions of the federal army, however, have come to see me."

Hundreds of Northwest Soldiers on Way Home

ST. PAUL, Minn., April 22.—Four hundred Oregon and Washington soldiers bound for Camp Lewis stopped here several hours today to take a bath and swim at the Y. M. C. A. The soldiers include the Camp Lewis detachment of the 263rd Infantry and the 181st brigade headquarters and two casual companies, the 390th and the 411th. They left late this afternoon.

PUMP FIRE KILLS MAN.

KELSO, Wash., April 22.—Earl Barnes, son of State Senator Frank Barnes of Silver Lake, Wash., was burned to death today when his clothing caught fire from the exhaust of a gasoline pump he was operating.

POSTAL WIRES BEING SPIED ON BY GOVERNMENT

Distribution of Official House Organ to Telegraph Employees Cut Off

BURLESON GIVES ORDER

Operators and Others Are Banned from Criticizing Federal Control

NEW YORK, April 22.—Distribution of "Postal Telegraph," the house organ of the Postal Telegraph Cable company to employees of the company through "regular channels," has been ordered suspended by Postmaster General Burleson, according to a statement tonight by William J. Deegan, secretary of the Mackay companies.

Mr. Deegan added that distribution to the public of literature "which in any way reflects on Burleson's control" also had been ordered suspended and that an employee who expressed any opinion against the present control "must give a promise to keep his mouth shut or face instant dismissal."

Mr. Deegan also declared that "a system of postoffice espionage has been instituted on our lines which would do credit to the 'Russian Bolsheviks.'"

"Employees," he declared, "are being told by Burleson's representatives that they must not criticize any act of Burleson or in any way express their opinion of Burleson's control. Any one expressing such opinions is reported to the postoffice department by Burleson's spies. By means of these threats an organized reign of terror has been instituted on the lines of the Postal Telegraph system and every effort is being made to shake the confidence of the staff in the fact that the company eventually will have its lines returned."

WEALTHY MAN SHOT AT HOME

Orville Billings, Tacoma, Dies Accidentally on Eve of Trial

TACOMA, Wash., April 22.—On the eve of his trial on a criminal charge in the superior court of King county, Orville Billings, reputed to be one of the wealthiest men of this city and at one time a candidate for governor, accidentally shot and killed himself at 8:30 o'clock tonight at his home in this city.

Mr. Billings was seated at a table eating dinner when he fired the fatal shot. He died in a few minutes. Members of the family declared that the shooting was accidental.

Billings was one of the best known men in the state. For years he had been prominent in its politics and finances. He was reputed to have made an enormous fortune as president of the Pacific Building and Loan association from the management of which he was deposed a few months ago.

Information was filed last fall in King county charging him with a statutory crime against a young girl, employed as a domestic at his home. The trial was continued several times but was to have been started tomorrow.

Hearings on Jap Claims Discontinued by Council

PARIS, April 22.—(By The Associated Press)—The council of four decided today to discontinue its hearings on the Chinese and Japanese claims to rights in Shantung province and agreed merely to terminate Germany's right to China in the peace treaty, leaving the settlement of the respective rights of China and Japan to the German concessions until a later date.

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