

WEATHER REPORT.

Tonight fair; Wednesday rain.



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DESTRUCTIVE FLOODS STIR PRESIDENT TO QUICK ACTION

Sends Special Message to Congress Urging Money to Curb Raging Mississippi

TOWN IN MISSOURI IS REPORTED DESTROYED

Unconfirmed Rumor Says New Madrid is Wiped Out With Heavy Loss of Life--Wavering Levee Threatens Great Additional Damage.

Washington, April 2.—President Taft today sent a special message to congress, asking for an appropriation of \$500,000 to fight the floods raging along the Mississippi river, the fund to be placed at the disposal of army engineers to prevent the bursting of levees.

President Taft said: "These levees contribute to the safety of adjoining agricultural lands and settlements and are also a part of the great governmental projects of maintenance of navigation of the lower waters of the Mississippi. I urgently recommend an immediate appropriation to prevent loss."

Memphis, Tenn., April 2.—An unconfirmed report is current that New Madrid, Mo., has been destroyed by a flood and many persons were killed. Confirmation is impossible, as communication has not been restored.

Memphis Damaged. Memphis, Tenn., April 2.—The crest of the flood, which has wrought such havoc in the Mississippi valley, is expected in the next twenty-four hours. The river here rose one foot last night.

It is feared that Francis levee, protecting an enormous scope of territory, will break and probably cause great loss of life, and much property damage. The northern section of Memphis is flooded by one foot of water.

Ask Aid of Governor. Jefferson City, Mo., April 2.—New Madrid has been flooded by the rapidly rising Mississippi river and Governor Hadley has been requested to order the state militia to protect the town. The inhabitants are unable to cope with the situation.

Hammond, Indiana, Threatened. Hammond, Ind., April 2.—Hundreds of thousands of acres are inundated here and hundreds of citizens are fighting the floods caused by the bursting by the Kankakee river, of Chenobier Dyke and forming a new river bed through a portion of Hammond. The damage already exceeds \$100,000,000. The ice gorge in the Calumet river have been dynamited.

JUDGE ELLIS SAYS SUFFRAGE WILL WIN

That the equal suffrage amendment will be adopted by the people of Oregon this fall is declared by Judge W. R. Ellis, who returned yesterday from a trip into that section of the eastern Oregon district east of Pendleton. He was in five or six different counties and says that the general sentiment among people with whom he discussed the subject is that "woman suffrage is going to carry this fall."

REP PETERSON SAYS MACHINE MEN FIGHT HIM BECAUSE HE WON'T TAKE INSTRUCTIONS

Declaring that the republican machine leaders of the county are waging war against him because they were unable to control his actions in the last legislature, Representative S. D. Peterson of Milton was here this morning and left on the local train for Hermiston to advance his candidacy in that section.

HUSBAND CRUSHES SKULL OF MAN HUGGING WIFE NOT KNOWING IT WAS HIS FATHER

San Bernardino, Cal. April 2.—Seeing his wife in the embrace of a stranger, Oscar Johnson dashed into his home here and dealt the supposed intruder a blow on the head with a club. Stopping over him Johnson recognized in the fellow his aged father whom he had not seen in fifteen years.

SAILOR CONFESSES TO KNABE MURDER

Declares He Stabbed Illinois Women Health Officer For Money

Portsmouth, N. H. April 2.—The mystery of the murder of Dr. Helen Knabe, state health officer of Illinois, may be cleared up through the confession made today to the police by Seth Nichols, a former sailor in the American navy.

FEDERAL COURT IS IN SESSION HERE

With Federal Judge Robert S. Bean of Portland on the bench, the regular spring term of the eastern Oregon branch of the United States district court opened this morning in the local circuit court room.

ASSESSOR STRAIN APPOINTS DEPUTIES

Now that the taxes for the past year have nearly all been collected, Assessor C. P. Strain has commenced upon the work of assessing the property in the county as a basis for the taxes of 1912.

GERMAN PRESS ROASTS SELF-ADVERTISING YANKEE

Berlin, April 2.—The German press is bitter against Colonel Goethals, Panama canal engineer, because after visiting the kaiser here, he made a statement that the kaiser said the Panama canal ought to be fortified strongly.

JUTE SACKS ARE NOW ON OPEN MARKET

Walla Walla, April 2.—Jute sacks apportioned to the different counties of the state but not contracted for, were thrown upon the open market yesterday morning by the penitentiary officials.

40,000 MEN RETURN TO BRITISH MINES

Majority However Vote to Prolong Fight On Owners

London, April 2.—(Bulletin)—At 6 o'clock tonight it was announced at the headquarters of the miners' federation, that the vote on the question of accepting the government minimum wage bill and returning to work stood: for resumption 123,000 and against resumption, 135,000.

Majority Rejects Wage Bill. London, April 2.—The continued suffering of hundreds of thousands of persons in England, Scotland and Wales, promises to be indefinitely prolonged by the continuation of the strike of coal miners.

Reports issued at noon today showed that the miners are opposed to returning to work under the terms proposed by J. R. MacDonald, leader of the conservative laborites. The vote at that hour was 106,752 against resuming work to 101,474 in favor of resuming.

Officials view the situation with alarm and are prepared to rush soldiers to the mines to protect strike-breakers from violence.

A leading official said: "We expect trouble and are going to be ready for it. We may have riots but they will be suppressed promptly."

WESTMINSTER BANK ROBBERS' CASE IS BEING HEARD

Los Angeles, April 2.—The hearing of the extradition proceedings in the case of Charles Dean, alleged bank-robber, was resumed before United States Commissioner Van Dyke today.

Quiet Prevails at Aberdeen.

Aberdeen, Wash., April 2.—Comparatively quiet reigns today. An announcement was made by the strikers that Wm. D. Haywood leader of the I. W. W., is coming to Grays Harbor to aid the strikers.

MILWAUKEE SOCIALIST MAYOR SLATED FOR A DEFEAT

Milwaukee, April 2.—With clear weather prevailing, predictions are that the vote in the municipal election will be the heaviest in the history of the city.

Woman Flies Across Channel.

Bologne, France, April 2.—Aviator Halem and a passenger, Miss Davis, arrived today, having crossed the English channel in a flight from London to Paris.

Japanese Official Dies.

Tokio, April 2.—Minister of War Ishimoto died today of consumption.

Wilson Leads in Wisconsin.

Milwaukee, April 2.—Supporters of Woodrow Wilson claim he is leading Champ Clark in the state primary.

MEXICAN REBELS ATTACK CITY OF PUEBLA; RAILROAD SUSPENDS

Government Refuses to Attempt to Send Trains Through New Center of Disturbance

MADERO HAS 60,000 MEN; OROZCO RETREATING

Revolutionary Leader Changes Plan of March on Capital When Faced By Combined Federal Forces Well Equipped--Torreon Fortified.

Mexico City, April 2.—Railroad communication was severed today between Mexico City and Cuernavaca, as a result of a rebel attack on the city of Puebla. The government announced that it is unsafe to run trains through the disturbed district.

It is reported that 50,000 volunteers have offered their services to the government, from Vera Cruz. By actual count only seven congressmen yesterday applauded President Madero's call for all good Mexicans to rally to the aid of the government.

Orozco Retreating.

El Paso, April 2.—General Pascual Orozco, commander in chief of the Mexican rebel forces, has temporarily abandoned his plan of attack on Torreon and Mexico City, according to advices received here today.

It is reported that the federals have turned the tables on the rebels and General Orozco is retreating from the combined forces of Generals Aubert and Salinas, which total 2100 fighting men.

Federals Reach Torreon.

Laredo, Texas, April 2.—American refugees arriving here from Torreon say General Tellez, with 1600 federals, 12 modern cannons, 10 machine guns and plenty of ammunition, has reached Torreon, and is fortifying the irrigation ditches surrounding the city.

ONLY \$50 STILL NEEDED FOR TEAM

At 2 o'clock this afternoon, the baseball committee was within less than \$100 of the goal aimed at when the money raising campaign for the financing of a Class D team was begun.

The subscriptions secured today are as follows: Fifty Dollars—Peoples Warehouse, Alexander Department Store.

Twenty-five dollars—Dick Sullivan, Judge G. W. Phelps, Round-Up Pool Hall.

Twenty dollars, Earl Coultts, E. W. McComas. Fifteen dollars—Wohlenberg Department Store, Oregon Lumber Yard.

NEXT FRIDAY AND SATURDAY ARE DESIGNATED AS PERIOD FOR CLEARING CITY OF ALL FILTH

On Friday and Saturday of this week, all citizens of Pendleton will be expected to burn, bury or in some other way eradicate all rubbish and debris from about their residences for those days have been officially designated as the annual Clean-up Days.

Schools May Close.

It has not yet been decided whether or not the schools will close in order that the children may assist their parents in cleaning up the home premises. Heretofore, it has been the custom to dismiss school for a half day but some of the authorities seem to think that this action is unnecessary inasmuch as two days have been fixed for the work and one of them being a Saturday.

As well as for a city beautiful.