

Oregon: Tonight and Thursday fair light to heavy frost early morning, moderate winds mostly westerly. Local—Min. temperature 38, max. 48. Rainfall, .17 inch. River 5.5 feet, falling.

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166 Killed By Tornado Report Says

Birmingham, Ala., April 21.—The toll of yesterday's terrific storm which swept portions of Mississippi, Alabama and Tennessee, was placed today at 166 persons killed, scores injured and property damage of approximately \$2,000,000.

Communication with the stricken areas was being gradually restored today.

Appeals for aid were received from many small towns and settlements and Red Cross relief parties were being organized to carry food and tents into the storm swept districts.

The greatest havoc wrought by the storm apparently was in the three Alabama counties north of here. The tornado apparently struck first at Gain, Ala., and zig-zagged through northern Alabama, eastern Mississippi and southern Tennessee where its force was spent.

Assistance Needed

Birmingham, Ala., April 21.—Assistance is urgently needed for the relief of survivors in a dozen counties of Mississippi, Alabama and Tennessee, reports today from the storm swept districts.

Death List Long

The storm apparently struck in the rich farming belt lying around Bay Springs, Jasper county, Miss., and moved northeast across the remainder of the state, to vent its fury upon the extreme northwestern tier of counties in Alabama before moving into Tennessee.

In and near Meridian, Miss., 21 persons lost their lives, while 15 employees at a lumber camp in Neshoba county were killed.

The deaths in Mississippi already reported totaled 118. Of these Aberdeen and Meridian had 21 each; Hound Bay Springs, 7; Glen, 10; Igo, 6; Starkville, 6; Neshoba county, 16; Winston county, 5 and others scattered. Alabama reported 45 dead of whom 20 were in Marion county and 15 in Killingworth Cove. The others were scattered. Only three known dead were reported in Tennessee.

Twister Leaves Destruction And Death In Wake

Huntsville, Ala., April 21.—The tornado swept into Madison county from the southwest just south of Lilly Flagg, and crashed over the mountain into Killingworth Cove, leaving, as far as known here, fifteen dead and more than a score of injured in its wake. Extensive property damage was reported.

Laurel, Miss., April 21.—At least five persons were killed by the tornado in its course through Neshoba and Winston counties, according to word received here, and considerable damage was caused to property and crops.

New Orleans, La., April 21.—The Gulf division of the American Red Cross has sent a carload of tents, blankets and medical supplies to the stricken areas, and has organized a corps of nurses, workers and physicians to Meridian to aid in relief work among the storm sufferers.

Germany Asks Right to Maintain Larger Army

Paris, Apr. 21.—Germany has asked the inter-allied conference at San Remo to increase from 100,000 to 200,000 men the standing army provided for Germany by the terms of the treaty of Versailles.

The request was contained in a note handed to the French foreign office last evening with the demand that it be sent to the supreme council at San Remo.

The note set forth that an increased force was necessary for the maintenance of order in the interior and that furthermore, the army would not accept an order for its dissolution.

The note further requested that Germany be allowed to retain the entire German staff and corps of officers, which means the entire framework of the active army.

Two other German notes were handed to the foreign office at the same time. The first referred to the disarmament of the civil guards, as demanded by the allies. Germany on April 19 presented this note, announcing the decision to disband the guards, and General Nollet, head of the allied commission of control in Berlin, had already been made public.

The second note embodied requests

Hi Johnson Apparent Choice of Nebraskans For G.O.P. Nomination

Lincoln, Neb., April 21.—Election figures compiled by the Lincoln Daily Star on yesterday's primary for republican presidential preference give:

Johnson 24,416.
Wood 18,895.
Pershing 12,321.
Ross 1223.

These returns are from 46 of the state's 93 counties only three of which are complete.

In the democratic contest for delegates at large (four out of eight candidates to be elected) William Jennings Bryan jumped into fourth place on the face of returns from forty counties two of which are complete, returns compiled by the Star show.

Omaha, Neb., April 21.—With returns from 326 out of 1849 precincts heard from early today Senator Hiram Johnson led the field of candidates for republican presidential preference in yesterday's primary, the vote being: Johnson 12,002; Wood, 8741; Pershing 5583, and Ross, 481.

In Douglas county (Omaha) Senator Johnson obtained a plurality of 277 over General Wood in the first 113 out of 164 precincts to report, while in the state, outside of Douglas county, he had a plurality over Wood of 2984 in the first 233 precincts.

With the small number of precincts heard from William Jennings Bryan is running sixth in a field of eight for delegate at large to the democratic national convention, but he has displayed his most strength in the country outside of Douglas county where the

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large majority of the vote is still to be heard from.

With 288 precincts out of 1849 tabulated the vote gives:

Hitchcock delegates, Neville, 7952; Shallenberger, 7700; Nebel, 6572; McNery 6247; Bryan delegates, Stephens, 5284; Bryan, 5147; Berge, 4955 and Thomas, 4712.

Wood in Running.

In the race for delegate at large to the republican convention the early returns show the Wood delegate leading by a fairly good margin, although returns are so meager that nothing like a forecast is possible.

For the democratic preference, United States Senator Hitchcock had little trouble in overwhelming his opponent, Robert Ross of Lexington, the senator's vote running as high as four to one for Ross in both Douglas county and in the other parts of the state.

The early returns today also showed Governor Samuel H. McKelvie to be leading his field for the republican nomination with Adam McMullen in second place. The vote in 329 precincts gave McKelvie 6868; McMullen, 5917; Pollard, 2275 and the other three candidates with much smaller votes.

In the 326 precincts out of 1849 in the state reported John H. Morehead holds a clear majority for the democratic nomination over his four opponents with the following vote: Morehead, 5927; Ralph A. Clark, 2681; Jackson, 1226; Taylor, 1126, and Shumway, 603.

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Inclusion Of Fair Grounds Up To Voters

It rests with the voters of Salem whether or not the state fair grounds shall be included in the city of Salem; whether the chief of police of Salem shall receive a salary of not to exceed \$1800 a year; and whether the mode of making street assessments shall be changed to a more economical and progressive basis, as a result of the action taken by the city council at its special meeting in the city hall last night. The council formally passed an ordinance calling for a special election on May 21—the date of the state primary election—at which time the above measures will be submitted to the will of the voters in the city.

The council displayed considerable affection with indecision last night when it came to the final vote on the street assessment measure. Forcibly argued Monday night, both pro and con, with the ponderance of the debate in favor of an amendment cutting out the street intersection clause, the council last night, on motion of Councilman Halvorsen, voted to reinstate this clause.

Mayor and Schunke Clash.

Perhaps no measure has evoked so much discussion, favorable and otherwise, at a meeting of the council as that providing for inclusion of the fair grounds in the city limits. It began with Schunke placing the mayor on a sharp grill:

"May I ask you a few questions?" "What do you want?" the mayor hesitated.

"What is the fundamental cause for the passage of this bill at this time?" "I wish you to understand that I have nothing to do with this and don't know."

"I thought you did know, your name appears on the measure as responsible for it," Schunke pressed. "Do you know why, sir?"

"I understand that the Elks wished it."

Police Protection Asked.

"Do you know any other benefit to the city of Salem that will come through the inclusion of the state fair grounds?"

"Those who back the bill have advanced good reasons," the mayor responded. "People want police protection out there."

"Isn't that section under the jurisdiction of the sheriff?" "Yes," replied Wilson.

"Isn't the sheriff's protection adequate?" "I guess so."

"Why, then, make an attempt to rush this through at the eleventh hour?" Schunke demanded. "Move you the indefinite postponement of the bill."

The motion lost.

Sineral Favors Proposal.

Ray Sineral declared that the annexation of the fair grounds would, in his opinion, be a big advantage to the city because it would aid in making "the annexation would do no harm to the public," Halvorsen chimed in, "and the city will realize several benefits. I don't see why we can't submit this to the people for their consideration anyhow."

"He told of the desire of the Elks to have the state fair grounds and the use of the buildings during their convention here in July."

"Can we use the buildings?" Voice asked.

"The Elks have the consent of the state fair board," Halvorsen replied. McClelland launched into a lengthy harangue of the proposal, basing his argument on the statement that a special election to vote on the matter would cost \$1000. He pictured Salem as a Reno, a Milwaukee and Mexico.

Halvorsen Explains Cost.

"Several years ago that nigger Johnson went into Mexico and held a fight with another consummate scoundrel," he declared disdainfully. "You gentlemen know that none of you would take them into your home. So I don't see why you would have the fair grounds in the city so such 'pills' as these could hold fight here."

Halvorsen explained that by holding the city special election at the same time the state primary election is held there would be no expense. Councilman Scott also spoke in favor of the measure.

The council passed the ordinance granting to city policemen and firemen a raise of \$25 a month to all those who have been in the city's employ more than six months. The others receive a graduated scale of raises. The street department employees also were granted an average increase in wages of \$10 a month. The salary of City Engineer Hugh Rogers was raised from \$125 to \$150.

Passengers To Be Taken Up By Planes Sunday

Passenger flights over Salem and Marion county will be made on Blossom Day by the two Sea Gull planes that are to come here on Sunday, according to word received from the Oregon, Washington & Idaho Airplane company, of Portland, today. Persons wishing to view the snow white blossoms scattered hills around the city will have an opportunity to do so.

It is believed that the landing place will be at the foot of Court street, where the seaplanes landed before, and that passengers will be taken aboard there. Costs of the flights, and how long passengers will be kept up, was not mentioned in the word received from Portland today.

Hurt Identified By One "Wife" As Harry Lewis

Los Angeles, Cal., April 21.—Sheriff's officers here were engaged in checking up today a statement made yesterday by James R. Hurt, alleged bigamist, that one of his missing "wives" could be located in Kansas City. The woman in question was Nina Lee Delaney, whom Hurt is alleged to have married in the state of Washington. Hurt, who has been in the county hospital under restraint, following two attempts at suicide, was sufficiently recovered yesterday to be visited by one of his wives, Mrs. Elizabeth Williamson of Sacramento, who identified him as the man who married her last fall, under the name of Harry Lewis.

Hurt asked Mrs. Williamson how much the officers had told her, and repeatedly said he would be able to explain anything and not to worry, but was too weak to go into a full discussion of his affairs. Mrs. Williamson and deputy sheriff will return today, and it was the belief of his physicians that Hurt would be enough improved to talk freely if he wished.

Clemenceau Back From Trip Wants To Be Left Alone

Paris, April 21.—Former Premier Georges Clemenceau, who has been visiting Egypt for the past two months, arrived here this morning. He was alert and smiling but avoided interviews and would not be photographed. He was met at the station by members of his family. Many prominent men were present.

When he landed at Marseilles yesterday efforts were made to get the aged statesman to talk but all were futile.

"The war is over isn't it?" he exclaimed to the correspondent of the Journal. "Yes? Well, all I want is to be left alone."

"What am I going to do?" Why, just live until I die."

"The Tiger" growled out brief impressions of his visit to Egypt while the elephant tusk and mummy he brought back from the land of the Pharaohs were being placed on the dock.

"I got a fine case of bronchitis and found myself stuck in the middle of Egypt with both lungs out of commission. That's what comes from believing in mirages. Evidently I shall not die from it, for I am still more solid than my dear friends think, but it prevented me from visiting Palestine as I had planned."

Playground Is Offered; Club To Probe Park Plan

A playground, containing about 3 1/2 acres of land, lying just south of Mill creek, on Summer street, has been tentatively offered to the city and the Commercial club, it was announced at the club today. The board of directors of the Commercial club, at their meeting this evening, will investigate the offer, and probably decide to ask the city to cooperate in establishing a children's playground there.

The offer of the playground is said to be highly acceptable, and business men aware of it declare that the city should accept it. Details of what plan it will be donated on were not made known, and will not be until the directors meet, it was said. The civic department of the club will have charge of the playground investigation.

Japs Demand All Czechs Disarmed

Harbin, Manchuria, April 16.—Japanese authorities in Manchuria have demanded that all Czech troops in this country be disarmed. This demand is a result of the recent clash between Czech and Japanese troops at Hallar, a village near the Siberian frontier.

Six trainloads of Czechs participated in the fighting, which resulted in twenty Japanese casualties. The fight began over possession of a number of Russian prisoners being held by the Japanese, and it said Chinese soldiers aided the Czechs in their endeavor to liberate the Russians. The Czechs used an armored car, which the Japanese captured, but the latter were forced to retreat before the Chinese, who captured the Japanese barracks. The Russian prisoners escaped.

Chicago Strikers Refuse To Vote On Proposal To Return; Meeting A Riot

Chicago, April 21.—Striking railroad men in the Chicago district refused today to vote on the question of returning to work. All efforts of a committee of strike leaders to obtain action failed.

M. J. Kenney, R. S. Murphy and Shannon Jones, three of the strike leaders arrested last week, made the appeal for a return to work at a mass meeting of striking yardmen.

They were greeted with cries of "sold," "outside" and "where's Grunau?" Jones explained that efforts to obtain the release of John Grunau, president of the Chicago Yardmen's association from Joliet jail on bond had not succeeded.

Flag is Hissed

Murphy, waving an American flag, took the floor to declare he "would not fight the American government." He was greeted with cat calls and hisses.

Union leaders declared after the meeting they were helpless to order the men back to work.

A police lieutenant declared the meeting adjourned after the strike leaders had been refused a hearing. He announced that no "rump meeting" would be permitted, and the hall was cleared under police supervision.

Agreement Reached

Washington, April 21.—An agreement with the railroad brotherhood unions under which the striking railroad workers in the metropolitan district of New York will return to work immediately was announced here today by Edward McHugh, spokesman for the strikers.

Mr. McHugh said he had abandoned efforts to have the case of the New York men taken up separately by the railroad labor board and that his committee would return to New York today leaving their case in the hands of the leaders of the regular brotherhoods.

The possibility of several months delay in the settlement of the wage demands of 2,000,000 railroad workers developed today during discussions.

E. T. Whither, chairman of the wage commission of the association of Railway Executives, said considerable time would be required for the roads to gather necessary data to place before the board and that answers to a questionnaire sent out by his association could not be obtained under three months.

Delny Warned Against

L. E. Sheppard, president of the conductors' brotherhood, declared that since the dispute had been pending seventeen months, the roads had had time in which to gather all necessary information.

Declaring that the roads could delay settlement of the by 12 months, W. N. Doak, vice president of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, said every month's delay meant the saving of millions of dollars by the roads. He warned, however, that further delay in settling the wage question would add to the unrest among the railroad workers.

Chairman Barton declared that the board would expedite matters as quickly as possible and that the hearings would continue for the present uninterrupted.

Entire Wool Clip Of Northwest To Go To Portland

Portland, Or., April 21.—The entire Pacific northwestern clip of wool, for the season of 1920, will be concentrated in Portland, already the second wool center of the country, if plans agreed upon yesterday by the wool growers of Oregon are carried into fruition.

The plan is to concentrate northwestern wool shipments in Portland, and to abandon entirely the practice of country sales, has been approved by the Oregon State Wool Growers' association, meeting at the chamber of commerce, with 40 of the most representative sheep men of the state present.

French Troops Occupy Aintab

Constantinople, Apr. 19.—French troops entered Aintab, Asia Minor, April 14 and have relieved the situation there, according to a statement made public at the French embassy here. Messages sent from Aintab April 12 asking for immediate aid for American workers there were received last week.

The French position in Cilicia is viewed as difficult.

Strike Against Silverton Mill Brought to End

Silverton, Or., Apr. 21.—The strike which was declared against the Silver Falls Lumber company at Silverton 19 days ago by the newly organized timber workers union, was declared off Tuesday evening, after the company had rejected demands of the strikers and refused arbitration, but agreed to take back the strikers as men were needed, and consented to a conference to assure union men there would be no discrimination against them.

About 300 union men walked out following the discharge of five union men, after an ultimatum for their reinstatement had been rejected. The members of the loyal legion remained at work and all who have applied for work since have been taken on. Many of the strikers have left the country.

Salem Scouts to Get Sloop From Navy Department

The United States naval department through the medium of the national council, Boy Scouts of America, is to present the city of Salem with a 60 ft. three-masted sloop, wherewith to gracefully adorn the bosom of the Willamette river at this city. The sloop will be the property exclusively of the Salem Scouts of the Boy Scouts of America, will be handled under the sole direction of the department of sea scouting of the local council, of which P. M. Gregory is chief.

At a recent meeting of the Salem council, Boy Scouts of America, it was decided that after the arrival of the sloop, the council chambers would be located in the spacious cabins aboard the vessel, and that thereafter, Boy Scout councilmen would "rock in the cradle of the deep" when they gathered to discuss ways and means for furthering the work of the Boy Scouts in this community.

But the councilmen are not the only ones that will enjoy that vessel. It comes as a result of the organization in this city of a branch of the Boy Scout movement, known as the Sea Scouts of America, consisting of at least nine and not over forty land scouts of the organization, who have excelled in land scouting and are prepared to take up the thrills of the pleasure of learning the ropes on a real vessel. Boy Scouts must be at least fifteen years of age, and have been members of the Boy Scout organization in land troops to have learned to be a first class scout.

The first rung according in the Sea Scouting program, as fostered by the Boy Scouts of America, is that of cabin boy, and until the young aspirants for sea knowledge gain the rang of sea scout, the ship will continue to ride at anchor. When the ship's crew gains the rank of sea scout, then short voyages will be taken—and then the fun begins. All Sea Scouts will have full access to the sloop and all meetings and stunts of the Scouts will be held on board ship.

Strikers Ordered To Return Or Lose Cards, Remain Out

Los Angeles, Cal., April 21.—Striking switchmen, members of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, who were ordered to return to work by 8 o'clock today or forfeit their membership in the order, did not return, according to reports from the yards of the Southern Pacific, Salt Lake and Santa Fe systems here.

Twenty-three of twenty-eight men arrested yesterday for violations of violations of the Lober act were in custody today. Five had been released, having furnished the \$5000 bonds required of each defendant.

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LATE BULLETINS

London, Apr. 21.—A report to the Lloyd shipping agency today says the American steamer Wayhat is sinking in latitude 47 degrees north, longitude 7 degrees west. A tug is on the way to the assistance of the distressed vessel.

Washington, Apr. 21.—The house public lands committee voted today to report a bill introduced by Representative Hawley, republican, Oregon, which would permit the sale of isolated tracts in the former Oregon-California land grant. Under the provisions of the bill these tracts would be opened for homestead entry for two years prior to their sale.

Atlanta, Ga., Apr. 21.—With six counties still out, returns from yesterday's presidential preference primary showed Palmer had carried 49 counties with 138 convention votes; Smith 49 counties with 118 votes and Watson, 51 counties with 118 votes.