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The Weather REGON: Tonight and Saturday fair. Moderate westerly winds. Local: Rainfall, trace; southerly winds; cloudy; maximum, 58; minimum, 41; river, 5 feet and stationary.

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MISSISSIPPI FLOODS CUT-OFF THOUSANDS

HAITIANS ASK RESTORATION OF HOME RULE

Usurpation Charged Against United States Authorities, Withdrawal of Military Forces Demanded.

Washington, April 28.—(By Associated Press.)—Representatives for the restoration of a government to the Haitian people and the immediate withdrawal of American military forces from the island were before Secretary Hughes today for a committee of lawyers and representatives of the Foreign Policy association of New York and the National Popular Government league of Washington.

Abrogation Demanded

"The immediate abrogation by the United States of the treaty of 1915, unconditionally and without qualification.

PLAN TO RAZE BURNT BUILDING STATE HOSPITAL

A recommendation that the nurses' dormitory at the state hospital for the insane which was damaged by fire Wednesday, be razed and the property cleared is contained in a report on the fire damage submitted to the state board of control today by C. Van Patten & Son, contractors, who were employed to make a survey of the damaged building.

ROTARIANS, KIWANIS TO HEAR HOSPITAL NEEDS

The board of directors of the Salem Rotary and Kiwanis clubs today granted the Salem hospital board permission to introduce a speaker who will set forth the needs of the hospital at the Rotarian-Kiwanis dinner to be held here in about three weeks.

WOBBLIES REACH RUSSIA TO WORK

Sebez, Russia, April 27.—(By Associated Press.)—The pioneer contingent of industrial workers of the world from the United States arrived today and was welcomed by officials from Moscow, who will accompany the party to the soviet capital on a special train. The party expects to spend at least a week in Moscow before starting to Siberia to take charge of the mining, steel and farming concessions in which "Big Bill" Haywood is interested and expects to visit.

Death of Woman In Illinois Town Veiled In Mystery

Hoopston, Ill., April 28.—One man, believed by Sheriff Knox to be able to solve the mystery surrounding the death of Gertrude Hanna, 25 years old school teacher who was found dead in a vacant parsonage here yesterday, is the center of a sweeping investigation today which is expected to result in the man's arrest within 24 hours and the possible implication of several others.

Although expressing the belief that the girl had been dead for nearly a month, Dr. Fisher said today that the intestinal organs were in almost perfect condition and appeared in as good condition as if the young woman had been dead but 24 hours. This led to the theory that the body had been kept on ice or in a cool place.

Pursuing the theory that a man living in Hoopston is responsible for the girl's death, Sheriff Knox and States Attorney Newsom spent the day rounding up young men who were intimate friends of Miss Hanna.

William Hanna, the girl's father, declared he believed he knew the man who was responsible for the girl's death. The man sought is thought to be one who is said to have been seen frequently with the girl.

Wilson Repeats Old Limerick to Visiting Women

Washington, April 28.—Several thousand women including numerous delegates to the Baltimore convention of the National League of Women Voters and to the convention here of the League of American Pen Women, staged a demonstration late today before the home here of former President Wilson.

Cheers of the women brought Mr. Wilson to the door and upon requests for a speech he declared that while he appreciated the compliment very much he felt he was "not strong enough to make a speech."

"I will repeat for you one of my favorite limericks, which runs as follows: 'For beauty I am not a star, There are others more handsome by far; My face, I don't mind it, Because I'm behind it—'

The rest of the verse was lost in a burst of laughter and cheering that was heard for blocks.

The former president made his appearance resting heavily on a cane and assisted by a negro butler. He was attired in a black frock coat and top hat and smilingly greeted his visitors. Doffing his hat and hanging his cane in the pocket of his coat, he bowed and then said:

"Thank you very much for the compliment. I appreciate it very much. I am sorry I am not strong enough to make a speech."

Mr. Wilson then retired to the house and when the cheering throng kept up the tumult, calling first for Mr. Wilson and then Mrs. Wilson, the former president and his wife appeared at an upper window and smilingly waved to the crowd below. It was then that Mr. Wilson repeated his favorite limerick.

For several minutes he and Mrs. Wilson remained at the window while the women visitors sang songs and applauded intermittently until the window was closed.

The delegation was to have been headed by Lady Astor, but she did not appear in the throng. She had another engagement at the same hour.

YOUTH GUILTY OF MURDER

London, April 28.—(By Associated Press.)—Henry Jacob, a 19 year old hotel pantry boy, was found guilty today by the central criminal court for the murder of Lady Alice White, widow of Sir Edward White, former chairman of the London county council, on March 14. He was sentenced to death.

FOUR FATALITIES IN INDUSTRY IN WEEK

Four fatalities are included in the list of 284 industrial accidents reported to the state industrial accident commission for the week ending April 27. Workmen losing their lives in accidents during the week were: L. J. Throop, chokerman, Healdsburg, Cal.; A. M. Danton, laborer, Newberg; C. F. Scoggins, logger, Oswego, and R. Moriyaser, hog feeder, Astoria.

LABOR DECISIONS HELD LAWFUL

Chicago, April 28.—The decisions of the United States railroad labor board are as binding as law and can be enforced as such, according to a decision of the supreme court of Mississippi, received by the labor board today.

UNION LEADERS BOLT RAIL WAGE HEARING

Chicago, April 28.—Overruled by their protest against allowing shippers and manufacturers' organizations to testify in the railway wage hearing now before the United States railroad labor board, the union labor leaders and their attorney today bolted the hearing when John F. Burchmore, speaking for the National Industrial Traffic League was admitted to the stand.

CONGRESS TO PROBE LEASES OF OIL LANDS

LaFollette Declares Hundreds of Millions of Government Oil Reserves Turned Over to Private Companies.

Washington, April 28.—Congressional investigation into the leasing by the interior department of oil rights in the Teapot Dome, Wyo., naval oil reserve to the Sinclair oil interests today appeared in prospect after a long attack in the senate on the leases by Senator LaFollette, republican, Wisconsin, and announcements by republican leaders to support a resolution of inquiry.

Adoption of the LaFollette resolution proposing an investigation of the Teapot Dome leases by the senate public lands committee and calling upon the administration for complete data regarding the leases, was urged also by Senator Poindexter, republican, Washington.

Senator McCumber, republican, North Dakota, in charge of the tariff bill, agreed to lay aside that measure, probably tomorrow, long enough to have the LaFollette resolution considered.

Favoritism Alleged

The Wisconsin senator contended that the department in making the leases which grant "to favored individuals" public properties worth hundreds of millions of dollars which belong to the people.

He urged adoption of his resolution calling on the administration for all the facts and documents regarding the Teapot Dome leases.

Secretary Fall of the interior department was attacked by Senator LaFollette as the "ablest opponent of the policy of conservation established under Roosevelt."

Russian Issues New Issue of Money in Large Denominations

Moscow, April 28.—While private brokers are offering more than 4,000,000 paper rubles to the dollar and food prices are soaring proportionately, the government has announced a new issue of money in probably the largest denominations in the world. The notes will be in 50,000,000 and 100,000,000 rubles and will be redeemable in 1924.

UNION HIGH TO BE AT GERVAIS

A union high school at which students from Gervais, Manning, St. Louis and Parkerville will be in attendance will be established at Gervais next fall, it was announced by Mrs. Mary L. Fulker, county superintendent, after a vote of the four districts had been canvassed by the district boundary board this morning.

One hundred two votes were cast for the union high school, and only 24 against it.

The school will be the only one of its kind in the county. Years ago there was a union high school at Scotts Mills, but later the plan was abandoned.

PLAN TO DEVELOP DESCHUTES LAND

Plans for additional development work on the Tumalo irrigation district in Deschutes county were laid before State Engineer Cupper for his approval Thursday by Fred N. Wallace, secretary of the district and John H. Lewis and R. W. Res, engineers. The plans involve the construction of a division dam across the Deschutes river near Bend, with ditches, flumes and siphons for carrying the water to the project and a dam at Crescent Lake for the storage of additional water, all at a cost estimated at \$350,000.

Want Cheap Land

Laboring under the impression that good land, well located and with plenty of water available can be purchased in Oregon at \$2.50 per acre with ten years to pay for it, the Pioneer Investment company of Lincoln, Neb., has written to State Engineer Cupper for additional details. The company expresses a desire to promote a colonization scheme which will require from 200,000 to 400,000 acres of this class of land.

Only 55 Percent of Women Wear Corsets; Industry Threatened

Chicago, April 28.—It seems to be a question whether the girls wear 'em any more.

The ways and means committee of the Chicago corset club met today to outline a life-saving program for the industry.

"Only 55 per cent of the women are wearing corsets," according to Rosa Hey, secretary of the organization, which includes manufacturers, salesmen and designers of the feminine form frames.

"More and more women are giving up the corset," said Mme. Alla Ripley, president of the Fashion Art League of America.

SUSPECT HELD AS WITNESS IN TAYLOR MYSTERY

Los Angeles, Cal., April 28.—Monore C. Connette, newspaperman, held at the county jail here pending an investigation of possible knowledge concerning the mysterious shooting of William Desmond Taylor, motion picture director, here February 1, today denied "that he had killed a man in defense of honor," as the Hilo, T. H., sheriff cabled the district attorney here he had information that Connette so admitted.

The Hilo sheriff's cable also said that Connette "gave graphic description of Taylor's room at the time of the killing." Connette explained this by saying that in answer to the request of a Hilo newspaper reporter for information concerning the murder mystery, he drew a diagram to make more clear the situation in which the body was found, but this diagram was based upon diagrams published by a Los Angeles newspaper.

Connette is being held merely as a witness, pending investigation of reports that he knew more about the murder mystery than had been published.

French Attitude

Premier Barthou, head of the French delegation here, conversed at length during last night over the long distance telephone with Premier Poincare in Paris, and as a result it was stated this afternoon that the official viewpoint of France with regard to the reply to Russia had been harmonized.

Divergences had developed in the attitude of the French delegation here and that of the government in Paris, especially toward the Russian question, and it was announced that M. Barthou had asked permission to go to Paris for a day or two to consult with premier. It was said this afternoon that whether M. Barthou would proceed to Paris for the consultation depended largely upon the outcome of today's discussion of the Russian question here.

SENIOR CLASS WIN PRIZE IN ORATORY

The senior class of Willamette university took first place in interclass oratory this morning. The standing of the four classes was sophomores, fourth; juniors, third; seniors, second, and seniors, first. The four speakers and their subjects were as follows: Seniors, Fred McGrew, subject, "When the Public Welfare is Paramount"; Juniors, Helen Hoover, subject, "Formalism"; Sophomores, Geo. Oliver, subject, "The Ideals of a Democracy"; and Freshmen, Bonney, subject, "The Determined Man."

McGrew took two firsts and one second in composition and thought, and three second places in delivery. Bonney took one second, one third, and one fourth in composition, and two first and one third in delivery. The total scores were: McGrew, 98 2-3; Bonney, 88 1-3; Hoover, 82 1/2, and Oliver, 79.

The judges of composition and thought were Professors E. C. Richardson, E. M. Erickson and J. T. Matthews of Willamette. Those for delivery were Elmo S. White, attorney, and Professor C. M. Panunzio and Dean Aiden of Willamette.

OUTLINE PLAN FOR REVIVAL OF RUSSIAN TRADE

No Loan to be Offered But Consortium Formed to Finance Commerce Through Combinations of Firms.

Genoa, April 28.—(By Associated Press.)—Plans for Russia's reconstruction were being finally determined today in the conference sub-commission on Russian affairs, and the indications were that a definite proposition would be laid before the Russian delegation by the week-end, with the suggestion that the proposition be either accepted or rejected, without further discussion.

The Italian press today gives indications of what the allied proposals are.

No Loan to be Offered.

First, it is asserted, no loan will be offered to soviet Russia, but it will be suggested that an international consortium be formed to finance trade with Russia through combinations of firms and individuals of the various countries represented. Germany will be included in the consortium, it is declared, and provision made that the United States may join.

This plan contemplates the economic colonization of Russia, with guarantees that the autonomy and sovereignty of the soviet government will not be infringed upon.

The division of trade will be arranged in such a way that the countries participating in the consortium will have the opportunity of dealing with the sections of Russia nearest them. For example, Great Britain would be given the opportunity to trade with northern Russia through Archangel and the Baltic ports, while the southern countries would be given advantages in the Black sea ports.

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BLAME PLACED UPON KEANEY AT TREASON TRIALS

Charles Town, W. Va., April 28.—(By Associated Press.)—J. F. Stewart, union miner and first witness in the trial of William Blizzard on a treason charge, told today of a meeting on Lens Creek, near Marmet, addressed by "Mother" Jones, who urged men camped there to return to their homes.

District President C. Frank Keeney gave orders to stop the men, the witness said, when the crowd started to leave. He also testified as to an appropriation by his local union for a purpose of which the treasurer said: "You'll have to guess what I'm going to do with it."

Mrs. Stewart, second witness, also told what she saw and heard at the meeting addressed by Mother Jones. She also told of driving her car with Keeney and District Secretary Mooney as passengers from Lens Creek and of being stopped by an armed guard.

"I have orders to stop every man," the guard said, "and Keeney answered: 'I'm the man who gives the orders,'" according to the testimony.

Frank Wetherbee, prominent business man of Eugene, was a visitor in Salem today.

All Clothes Stolen From Foot of Bed While He Slumbers

Medford, Or., April 28.—Robbers entered the home of H. U. Lumsden, well known local merchant, last night and took his entire wardrobe from the foot of the bed where he was sleeping, containing a valuable watch, cash and personal belongings, valued by the owner at \$250. The same robbers, it is believed, entered the home of Robert Brownlee, local lumberman, near the Lumsden residence, making off with a new overcoat and \$6 in cash. The police declare they have no clues to the culprits.

BLOSSOM DAY TO FIND SALEM HOST TO FIVE CONSULS

Portlanders and other nearby residents in general, and five consuls from foreign countries in particular, are to be the guests of Salem on her annual Blossom Day to be held on Sunday, May 7.

This year's Blossom Day, officials in charge declared this afternoon, will be the greatest event of its kind ever offered in Oregon. More than 150 cars will make up the caravan to leave Portland for Salem on the morning of the 7th, and this line will be lengthened by scores of motorists who will join on the way. All roads will lead to Salem and thousands are expected to visit the city and the orchards nearby.

Oblect to Great Visitors

Governor and Mrs. Ben Olcott, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Koser, Mayor George E. Halvorsen and other state and city officials will be in the group which will meet the prominent Portlanders when the caravan arrives at the state fair grounds. The long line of cars will be piloted through the territory adjacent to Salem and following this inspection refreshments are to be served.

The British, Chinese, Japanese, Italian, and French consuls, accompanied by their families, already have announced they will make the trip to Salem.

Baker Will Speak

Mayor George Baker, of Portland, will be among the speakers who will be heard before the party begins its return trip to the metropolis.

Motion pictures will be taken of the party en route and upon its arrival in Salem.

The state motorcycle patrolmen have been delegated by Secretary of State Koser to keep the caravan intact on its trip south.

BRITISH REQUEST WORLD LABOR TO BOYCOTT JAPAN

London, April 28.—An appeal for an international boycott of Japan, signed by six prominent members of British labor organizations, has been sent to the leaders of the labor and socialist movements throughout the world, according to a letter from W. P. Coates, secretary of the national "hands off Russia" committee in London, which is published in the London Times.

According to Mr. Coates, the appeal was sent "in view of the crimes committed by Japanese troops in Siberia and the Japanese government's policy of still maintaining its troops in that country, in spite of the pledge given to the powers at Washington."

The signers are named as Robert Williams, Robert Smillie and J. Bromley, and Neil MacLean, J. E. Mills and Ben Tillet, members of the house of commons.

WOMEN'S LEAGUE VISITS PRESIDENT

Baltimore, Md., April 28.—This is Washington day of the convention of the National League of Women Voters, which will wind up its annual session tomorrow after a week replete with discussions of its social and legislative activities.

The delegates will visit congress, be entertained at luncheon by more than a score of Washington hostesses and many of them will be received by Woodrow Wilson and Mrs. Wilson at the former president's home.

The delegates will return to Baltimore for the closing meeting tomorrow forenoon and return to Washington for a reception at the White House in the afternoon.

RIVER LEVEES BREAK GREAT AREA FLOODED

12,000 Persons Marooned by Backwater—500 Caught in Submerged Town—Calls for Help Four in.

Vicksburg, Miss., April 28.—Twelve thousand persons are reported to have been cut off in the northern and eastern sections of Issaquena county by backwater from a break in the Mississippi river levees.

Five hundred persons are said to have been caught in the town of Valley Park by the rising water. The entire area in this section, covered by water which came from a break higher up the river, comprises a tract 35 miles long and 50 miles wide. Calls for help also have reached Natchez, it was said, from Clayton and Lake St. John, both in Concordia parish.

6000 Concentrated

Alexandria, La., April 28.—Six thousand persons, forced to leave their homes in Catahoula and Concordia parishes, La., by the flood waters of the Mississippi and other rivers were concentrated today in the vicinity of Jena, Sicily island, and Holloway, La., according to the local Red Cross representative.

Natchez, Miss., April 28.—A call was received here for rescue work at Clayton, La., and in the vicinity of Lake St. John in Concordia parish, where it is reported several hundred persons are marooned. Water is reported nine feet deep at Clayton.

New Orleans, La., April 28.—With two great sections of Louisiana farm land already inundated by flood waters from two breaks in the Mississippi river levee in (Continued on Page Seven.)