

IRISH REPUBLIC AND ULSTER IN BATTLE ARRAY

FALL OF IRISH FREE STATE PROVISIONAL GOVERNMENT FEARED

Chaos Reigns Throughout Country and It Is Believed Only a Question of Short Time Until Valera Supporters Raise Flag of Republic.

LONDON, April 7.—"Chaos in Ireland is beyond anything the public can imagine," said a Dublin dispatch to the Morning Post. "Michael Collins is helpless and has few supporters. In fact, he is practically besieged in Dublin. It is anticipated that a republic will be proclaimed in Ireland within the next few weeks."

News of a battle in Fermanagh county is expected hourly. In some quarters fears are openly expressed that the Irish provisional government will be overturned. It is believed that it is only a question of a few days, perhaps hours, when the supporters of Valera will raise the standard of the Irish republic and that this will be followed by a declaration of war, not only against Ulster, but the Free Staters who fail to enroll under the banner of the republic.

P. G. & E. CUTS WAGES IN PIT RIVER CAMP

REDDING, Calif., April 7.—The Pacific Gas and Electric company, has reduced wages for common laborers in its construction camps on Pit river from \$3.25 to \$3 a day of eight hours. Board remains at \$1.25 a day.

COAL OPERATORS WILL NOT JOIN IN CONFERENCE

WASHINGTON, April 7.—The coal strike has as yet been without effect upon business, according to the view expressed today at the treasury department.

Officials explained it was too soon for reserve stocks of coal to become depleted sufficiently to affect the country industrially.

Proposal Rejected

TERRE HAUTE, Ind., April 7.—Indiana coal operators yesterday rejected the proposal of Chairman Nolan of the house labor committee for a joint conference of operators and miners unless the entire central competitive field comprising western Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana and Illinois, were represented in the conference.

Not Accepted

CLEVELAND, Ohio, April 7.—Members of the Pittsburgh Vein Operators' association, at a meeting yesterday, turned down the request of Congressman Nolan, chairman of the house labor committee, for a joint meeting between operators of the central competitive coal field and officials of the United Mine Workers of America in Washington April 10th.

LLOYD CROWSON IS GIVEN SURPRISE PARTY

A surprise party was given Thursday evening to Lloyd Crowson at the home of his parents on the Boulevard. It was one of those parties that surprise the recipient beyond any doubt, for if the guests had arrived a few minutes later they would have found Lloyd in bed.

The evening was spent in games and general entertainment, finished off by a round of refreshments.

Those present were, Lloyd Crowson, Molly Clary, Carroll Holmes, Geneva Moore, John Ghislin, Orpha Oslin, Howard Gear, Marjorie Payne, Charles Moore and Mr. and Mrs. Crowson.

The first commandment of modern advertising: Thou shalt deliver the goods. If you advertise superior service, fail not in its rendition.

S. P. OFFERS RATES FOR MEMORIAL DAY

Special Memorial day excursion rates of one and one-half fare for the round trip between all points on the Southern Pacific lines where the one way fare is \$25 or less have just been announced by Charles S. Fee, passenger traffic manager. Tickets will be on sale at all regular ticket agencies from May 27 to 30 inclusive, with return limit June 1.

As Memorial day comes on Tuesday this year the railroad traffic officials expect that a large number of people will avail themselves of these week-end excursion rates.

DEATH AND HAVOC IN THE WAKE OF IOWA CYCLONE

WOODWARD, Ioda, April 7.—Mrs. Will Tierman, the wife of a farmer, was killed in a cyclone here, which swept this section last night. Many farm houses and outbuildings were wrecked by the twister, which did damage estimated at \$200,000.

NEXT FRIDAY WILL BE NATIONAL HOSPITAL DAY

WASHINGTON, April 7.—The United States public health service found the celebration of national hospital day so popular and so generally satisfactory last year that it heartily approves its repetition this year on Friday, May 12, the anniversary of the birth of Florence Nightingale, founder of modern nursing. On that day, the public will be again invited to visit the hospitals in their vicinity, as guests, and to familiarize themselves with their atmosphere, methods and aims.

LEGION TO MARK GRAVES OF ALL WORLD WAR VETS

Consistent with the policy of the national American Legion, Grants Pass post No. 28 Wednesday night voted to place markers on the graves of all ex-service men in Josephine county, and to make these veterans of the world war charter members of the local organization. These markers are of a fine grade of bronze and incorporate the Legion emblems.

PARENT-TEACHERS ELECT OFFICERS

The Parent-Teachers' association held an enthusiastic meeting at the Hawthorne annex Thursday afternoon and officers for the coming year were elected. Mrs. F. G. Swedenburg was elected president, Mrs. A. N. Humphreys and Mrs. George W. Rose, vice-presidents, and Mrs. Walter Herndon, secretary and treasurer.

Considerable discussion took place as to whether they should continue their affiliation with the national and state associations and it was decided that no definite action would be taken until after the visit of the state and national presidents on May 2. The state president of the association is Mrs. J. J. Hill of Portland, and the national president is Mrs. Higgins of Boston.

A few other things in the interest of the children of the city was taken up and favorably disposed of, among which was the endeavor to get a better price for the children at the swimming pool, and the improvements hoped for at the playground in the park.

POISONED HER HUSBAND TO WIN NEIGHBOR'S LOVE

BREMERTON, Wash., April 7.—Talking calmly to Prosecutor Ray Greenwood of Kitsap county of the events of the evening a week ago on which, according to her own confessions she poisoned her husband, Mrs. Ruth Plumley has declared in a sworn statement that it was her infatuation for Loyal Wood a neighbor, that caused her act.

If they keep on cutting things out of the Roseburg schools we'll soon have to be sending the kids to correspondence schools.—News Review.

FORD PLANTS INAUGURATE A FORTY-HOUR WEEK

DETROIT, Mich., April 7.—Adoption of the 40-hour week as a permanent policy in all plants of the Ford Motor company has been announced by Edsel B. Ford, president of the company.

Under the new plan the factories will close on Saturday and Sunday, and about 3000 men will be added to the force. The change will affect approximately 50,000 employees who will continue to receive a minimum \$6 a day wage.

HONOR ROLL OF HIGH SCHOOL

Any pupil in the senior high school who is pursuing a course of not less than four regular subjects and who makes in each of these subjects 90 per cent or more, and who has a citizenship grade of 90 per cent or more is an honor pupil for each report period. The honor pupils for the six weeks period ending March 3, are: Alma Dorn, Marjory Edson, Ruth Fifield, John Gale, Catherine Pit-tenger, Caroline Tilton.

SENATORS FLAY PRESIDENT AS "SPOILSMAN"

WASHINGTON, April 7.—Democratic senators made President Harding the target for bitter partisan attacks in the senate today, when they renewed charges that he personally was responsible for the alleged infractions of the civil service regulations, in sweeping democrats out of office, and replacing them with republicans.

Caustic criticisms of the president by Senators Harrison, Stanley and Caraway took the form of personal denunciation of him and classed the president with "republican spoilsmen."

ROUND UP 700 GALLONS IN REDDING RAID

REDDING, Calif., April 7.—Joseph Cherta's place, three miles east of Redding, known locally as "Tait's in the Woods," was raided by Deputy sheriffs and Deputy District Attorney L. C. Smith.

Seven hundred gallons of wine were confiscated.

LATHA J. PAXSON DIES THURSDAY

Mrs. Latha Jane Paxson died at her home at the corner of Quincy and California street Thursday evening at 5 o'clock. Mrs. Paxson was born in Iowa 64 years ago and has lived in Ashland for the past four and a half years. Mrs. E. A. Cooper is a daughter of Mrs. Paxson.

The funeral will be held Saturday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from the Baptist church and burial will be in Mountain View cemetery in charge of J. P. Dodge and Sons.

DEMPEY WILL BE OFFERED BOUT WITH HARRY WILLS

NEW YORK, April 7.—It is now being set forth in all good faith that Jack Dempsey, blonde, and Harry Wills, brunette, are to put on their proposed heavyweight championship bout at Jersey City in the not too distant future. Frank Flourney and the eminent Mr. Rickard, who collaborated on the Willard-Dempsey affair at Toledo, are to be the promoters, it seems.

Dempsey is due to reach New York in a day or so and will sail for Europe, April 11 on the Aquitania, but before he goes he will be shown the dotted line and asked to do his duty. However, if Jersey is disposed to look unkindly upon this extravaganza in black and white, there will be no bout at all, and Dempsey will be constrained to peddle his highly esteemed services around Europe.

McCLOUD COMPANY TO CHARGE \$5 PER CAR

The McCloud River Railroad company, operating out of Sisson, was authorized by the state railroad commission in a decision announced Monday to make a transportation charge of \$5 per car when live stock cars are ordered and not used, this charge to apply only when the equipment must be moved from a station other than that at which the loading was done. The company had asked permission to impose a penalty of \$10 a car.

SUICIDE SOLVES THE MYSTERY OF "AXE MURDERS"

POLICE BELIEVE FATHER SLEW SON WITH AXE WHILE INSANE

Fear of Betrayal by Finger Prints Caused Suicide; Farm Was Mortgaged and Dead Son Carried \$5000 Life Insurance.

CONCORDIA, Kans., April 7.—L. J. Tremblay, father of the family who were victims of the "axe fiend," near here Tuesday night, when one person was slain and five badly slashed, has committed suicide.

The suicide of the old man, police claim, clears up the mystery of the killing of young Tremblay by an "axe fiend." It is said Tremblay betrayed great fear when his finger prints were taken, and it became known that they corresponded with the marks left by the assassin. It was very soon afterwards that the old man secured the poison with which he ended his life. It became known today that his farm was mortgaged for \$4000 and that he had been notified of foreclosure proceedings. The motive advanced by the police for the killing of the son, is that the latter carried \$5000 insurance on his life, with his father named as the beneficiary.

CENSURE TAFT AS SOCIAT CRONY OF "IDLE RICH"

WASHINGTON, April 7.—Censuring William Howard Taft, chief justice of the United States supreme court, for his social activities among the "idle rich," Senator Norris, republican, advocated the abolition of the federal judicial system and the conferring of federal jurisdiction on the existing state courts.

Norris declared: "No judge can stick his legs under the table of the idle rich every night and be fit next day to sit in judgment upon those who toil."

INTERNATIONAL SPIES ROB TRAIN OF ENGLISH MAIL

PARIS, April 7.—International spies last night robbed the mail train running from Paris to La Roche of 30 sacks of English mail bound for Italy, in an attempt to capture diplomatic correspondence relating to the Genoa conference.

MEDFORD LAD KILLED WHEN STRUCK BY TRUCK

Arnold Gaylord Cormany, four year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter A. Cormany, who reside in the Riverside apartments, was killed when hit by a Ford truck being driven by F. Corning Kenly, an orchardist of near Medford.

The accident happened in front of the apartment, the front wheels of the truck passing over the boy's body and threw his head against the curb.

The child stepped from behind another car and was only a few feet in front of the truck when the driver first saw him.

A coroner's jury exonerated Kenly deciding that the accident was unavoidable.

It may be true that a faint heart never won fair lady, but not every man wants a fair lady; some are satisfied with brunettes.

WILL TRY AGAIN TO PUT END TO KLAMATH STRIKE

PORTLAND, April 7.—Another attempt will be made by the state board of conciliation to end the mill workers strike at Klamath Falls. The entire board, consisting of William F. Woodward, chairman, Otto Hartwig and John K. Flynn, will leave for the Falls tomorrow.

The workers quit when the mill companies announced a 9-hour day schedule, to take place of the 8-hour day, with no increase in pay.

The first attempt to bring conciliation failed, the operators refusing to arbitrate.

Now the board is seeking steps to force them to compromise, if necessary, to reopen the industry, a big economic factor in the Klamath Falls country. A member of Attorney General Van Winkle's office will accompany the board.

Approximately 500 workers, most of them married, are on strike. Closing of logging camps is held inevitable, should the tieup continue. This would stop a payroll of 1000 more men.

ROSEBURG MAKES RADICAL CUT IN SCHOOL EXPENSE

ROSEBURG, April 7.—The elimination of four departments—teachers' training, manual training, domestic arts and music—from the city schools, has been decided upon by the school board as the result of the defeat of the school bonds at the special election Saturday. The board has found it necessary to discontinue these four departments in order to cut the operating expenses of the schools down to a figure where it will be possible to secure funds to improve the school buildings of the city and make such repairs as are absolutely necessary.

The board after thoroughly considering the matter from all angles, found it impossible to obtain money for the repairs and improvements without eliminating four of the special departments and consequently this action will be taken.

Plumbers have long made gold from lead, while many printers make only silver small change from type metal.

CAMP GROUND IS BEING IMPROVED

Improvements at the auto camp grounds being made this spring include the construction of a bridge to connect the lower and upper camps.

The ground that was bought late last year from Mr. Greer has been cleared of rocks and shaped up for use. While the trees on this tract will not furnish the luxurious shade found in the older camp, it will be an excellent place for any overflow of tourists. The Greer tract is on the west or Granite street side of the creek, directly across from the upper grounds, and extends down stream towards the lower grounds.

In order to connect the two camps, it was necessary to purchase a small strip of land in the rear of the Levi Stevens lot and build a bridge over the creek.

The floor of the bridge is now laid and will be ready for use when needed. This will make convenient a place that heretofore has been difficult for cars to get in and out of.

The park grounds are being placed in shape for the summer season. The grass is being mowed, the flowers are being mulched and leaves raked from the ground. There are eight or ten men employed at present. A few nice days and the park will be a scene worthy of any one's inspection.

Job Lots asks: "Is the word pants singular or plural?" If a man wears 'em it's plural, if he doesn't it's singular—very.

ULSTERITES GUARD BORDER WITH BIG MILITARY FORCE

BELFAST, April 7.—The situation on the Ulster frontier still continues tense, but neither the republican nor the Orange army have made a hostile move.

Two opposing forces are encamped along the border, but the republicans have not as yet made any move towards invading Ulster. A large force of armed Ulsterites are massed at strategic points, and is under orders to be ready to repel any assault. Military leaders of long experience in the great war, have marshaled the Ulsterites into a capable fighting machine.

NAVAL CUT MEETS A TEMPORARY DEFEAT 12 TO 8

WASHINGTON, April 7.—"Bigger American navy" men in the house scored a temporary victory when they defeated an attempt by the naval affairs committee to fix the authorized strength of the navy at 80,000 enlisted men and six thousand apprentices. The vote was twelve to eight. Through this action the naval omnibus bill will soon be reported out to the house and will carry no provision fixing the authorized strength of the navy. A fight to fix a maximum limitation to the naval personnel, however, will be reopened by other legislation.

FIVE-COUNTY ASSOCIATION TO BOOST IN DAIRYING

Lewis Carrigan, secretary of the Northern California Counties association, will hold a series of meetings in Siskiyou county during next week—April 9 to 12—in the interest of better dairying.

The business sessions will be held in Yreka in the city hall, D. V. Seitzer, president, presiding.

The membership will travel in autos, and on the afternoon of April 9 will hold forth in Dunsuir, with an evening session at Sisson. Scott Valley will be visited on April 11, with meetings at Fort Jones and Etna, while the evening of April 12 will be taken up by a session with the Shasta Valley chamber of commerce at Montague.

BASE BALL SUITS FOR HIGH SCHOOL

An endeavor is being made to raise sufficient money to buy new suits for the Ashland high school baseball team, the old suits being practically of no use whatever.

The athletic association of the school found itself without funds and without suits, so appealed to some of the business men of the city to lend a hand in helping to equip the team with suits. This appeal appears to have met with a hearty response, and nearly all the business men have lent a helping hand.

Games have been scheduled with Medford and Grants Pass, but the first game will not be played before about three weeks. The exact date of the games will be published at a later date.

JUNIOR HIGH GIVING THEIR PAGEANT TONIGHT

The Junior high school is giving a pageant tonight at the Armory. Practically all the students of the school are to take part at some time during the evening.

A piano was purchased last year and there was not sufficient funds available at the time to pay for it, and a balance is still due. The school is endeavoring to clear this debt.

THE FARMER LEADS

When deflation put the skids under the country's business, it was the farmer who led the downward procession. And now it is the farmer who is emerging out of the valley of hard times, still at the head of the long, long line. As he gets up where the footing is better, he will help pull the other fellows out.—Farm Life.

It pays to read the classified page.

SIX KILLED IN CRASH OF TWO AEROPLANES

BOTH MACHINES BURST INTO FLAMES IN MID-AIR COLLISION

Bodies Charred Almost Beyond Recognition When Taken from Wreck—Planes Were in Daily Service Between London and France.

LONDON, April 7.—Six persons were dashed to death today when a British airplane, carrying mail and passengers, collided with a French machine, near Tilloy, France.

To add to the general horror, both machines burst into flames, almost at the moment of collision, and the bodies when taken from the wreck, were charred almost beyond recognition.

The English machine was one plying in a regular daily service which has been maintained since 1919 between London and Paris.

TWAIN ROUNDED UP CHARGED WITH BLACKMAIL

CHICAGO, April 7.—Two men giving the names of J. A. Murray and Robert DeVoe were arrested by postal inspectors here today after a running battle with revolvers at Madison and State street.

The men were charged with attempting to blackmail Victor B. Gilman, assistant general manager of the Texas and Pacific railroad, Gilman turned over to the inspectors a letter demanding \$500.

"Printing is the inseparable companion of achievement."

EASTER DISPLAY GRACING MANY SHOW WINDOWS

The idea of having an Easter window display week apparently has taken hold here, as it has in other towns, notably, Grants Pass, Roseburg and Eugene, where the merchants have gotten together and conferred, so that the displays during Easter week would not conflict, but each would be an artistic presentation in itself, pleasing to the eye and tending to stimulate the shoppers in their buying, not necessarily for bargains, but for the needs that eventuate with the Eastertide.

This is the moulting time of the human bird, and Easter has become by custom the line between the old and the new. Milady bedecks herself in springtime finery, and her lord and master is not far behind in taking on new plumage.

The newspaper brings word of the dictates of fashion, and the public awaits the appearance of the latest creations in the show window. Then the shopping begins, and it is shopping that does not take the time of clerks. The patron often enters the store knowing just what is wanted, and inside shopping is reduced to a minimum. In this the window display finds its greatest value.

All of next week Easter goods will have the call in local store windows. Easter Sunday the same goods will pass by in review, as they grace the beauty and the youth, the graciousness and the age of Ashland.

McNARY WIRES \$50,000 SET ASIDE FOR FIRE FIGHTING

EUGENE, Or., April 7.—Telling of the \$50,000 appropriation for forest fire protection in lieu of the airplane patrol, a telegram was received today from Senator Charles N. McNary by the Eugene chamber of commerce. Because of the lack of sufficient personnel the army is unable to patrol the forest with planes this year, says the senator.

It is said that if sermons were as broad as they are long they would fit both men and women better.

Cheaply acquired knowledge is apt to be soon forgotten; that acquired at serious cost is long remembered.