

The Weather  
Maximum yesterday ..... 57  
Minimum today ..... 41  
Precipitation ..... .28 inch

# MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

Predictions  
Rain tonight and Saturday.

Fiftieth Year. Daily—Fifteenth Year.

MEDFORD, OREGON, FRIDAY, APRIL 9, 1920.

NO. 16

## RED FLAG WAVES IN R. R. STRIKE

Switchman Shot and Many Slugged at Chicago Meeting of Striking Switchmen—Radical Leader Admits I. W. W. Aid—Praises Sabotage and Direct Action—Points to Success of Bridge Blowing and Property Destruction.

CHICAGO, April 9.—(By Associated Press.) John Grunau, president of the insurgent union of the Chicago Yardmen's association, declared today that the question of wages and hours had become of secondary importance and that the real fight was for supremacy over the older brotherhood.

CHICAGO, April 9.—One switchman was shot and several slugged at meetings of the striking railroad men last night, police learned today.

John Krintz, a striker who proposed that the men return to work, was shot, it was reported. He was spirited away in an automobile by friends.

Sabotage and violence was advocated by one of the speakers, E. C. Esby, a C. Y. A. organizer who participated in the Gary steel strike and several other labor disturbances here. "They call me a rebel," he told the strikers. "I'm proud to be a rebel. In 1910 I had charge of a railroad strike in the twin cities—Minneapolis and St. Paul. The men all went out and stayed out. I went down to the I. W. W. headquarters and got some help. Then one day four passenger trains were wrecked. The next day seven freight trains were wrecked. Then we sent word to the railroads that if they didn't come across we'd tear down the roundhouse. They didn't answer—we did! The roundhouse was torn down.

Men Begin to Return  
CHICAGO, April 9.—Striking switchmen who have been on strike here for nine days began returning to work this morning.

Brotherhood officials, who have been fighting the "illegal" walkout of their men do not claim that the strike is broken, but were much encouraged by reports from several

## WHY NOT SETTLE ALL POLITICAL ELECTIONS ON OSTRUSKI PLAN?

GRAND RAPIDS, Wis., April 9.—For the second time John Ostruski has been defeated for a seat in the city by the toss of a coin.

## SWITCHING STRIKE LEADS TO DEMANDS FOR HIGHER WAGES

CHICAGO, April 9.—Wage demands of five groups of railroad employees numbering 98,000 will be pushed immediately as the result of the spread of unauthorized strikes of switchmen and engineers.

## REPORT JOHN REED EXECUTED FINLAND

CHICAGO, April 9.—An unconfirmed report that John Reed, magazine writer, had been executed in Finland, has been received here.

## Census Returns

WASHINGTON, April 9.—Population statistics announced today by the census bureau include:

Portland, Maine, 69,196, increase 10,625 or 18.1 per cent over 1910.  
Biddeford Maine, 18,908, increase 929 or 5.4 per cent.  
Quincy, Mass., 47,611, increase 14,969 or 54.9 per cent.  
Lancaster, O., 14,706, increase 1613 or 12.3 per cent.

## FRANCE IS INCENSED AT J. BULL

Paris Papers Attack Lloyd-George—Situation in London Delicate—Diplomatic Conversations to Be Opened—Washington Believes An Adjustment Will Be Reached Soon—Paris Wants to Know Whether or Not Treaty to Be Scrap of Paper

PARIS, April 9.—The British attitude regarding the French occupation of Frankfurt will cause the opening of a diplomatic conversation between the powers of the entente concerning the whole subject of action with regard to Germany, it was said today in official circles.

In this conversation the French attitude will be based first on maintenance of the entente and second on strict enforcement of the treaty of Versailles.

The French accepted the treaty as finally signed and consider it a sort of charter as regards relations with Germany. Great Britain, it is thought here, considers it rather as a sort of elastic basis of settlement of European affairs which is capable of diverse modifications.

France Is Nervous  
Conciliation of these viewpoints will be the object of the ensuing conversations, during which France, it is stated, probably will ask Great Britain whether it stands for execution of the treaty.

America Neutral  
WASHINGTON, April 9.—America's attitude towards any adjustment of the new situation created by the entry of French troops into the Ruhr district of Germany will continue to be more that of an observer than an interested participant, from what can be learned in official circles here.

While recognizing the seriousness of the situation created by the independent action of France, officials here were not inclined to regard it as "delicate" as the British foreign office indicated last night. It was regarded as one of those situations full of potential danger but in which the probabilities of adjustment was predominant.

Since the United States has no representative on the Rhine commission, is not a member of the League of Nations, and the commander of the little American army at Coblenz will not act without direct orders from Washington, any steps taken by Great Britain or her allies to affect a more definite understanding with France must be without direct participation of the United States, it was indicated.

Lloyd-George Attacked  
PARIS, April 9.—Great Britain's attitude relative to the advance of French troops into German territory east of the Rhine as defined in press dispatches from London, is viewed by the newspapers here as a bitter pill for France and it is considered the action of Belgium supporting the policy of France hardly compensates for it.

"Perrinax," the political editor of the Echo de Paris, writes an unusually savage article attacking Premier Lloyd George, whom he calls a "demagogue."

## M. MAETERLINK'S BRIDE IS ROBBED BY AGILE LADY PORCH CLIMBER

LOS ANGELES, April 9.—The temporary residence of Maurice Maeterlinck, Belgian poet and playwright, at Santa Monica, near here, was robbed last night and police of Los Angeles and Santa Monica today began searching for a woman porch climber, reasoning only a woman would steal the articles.

## JAPS TAKE RED CITY BY RUSE

Well Prepared Surprise Attack on Vladivostok Takes Bolsheviks Off Guard—Red Headquarters Suddenly Faced by Net of Machine Guns on Easter Sunday—Japs Act Quickly When General Graves Leaves—Jap Warships Join In.

VLADIVOSTOK, Monday, April 5.—(By the Associated Press.)—Occupation of Vladivostok by Japanese forces today was the result of well-prepared surprise maneuvers.

At one o'clock this morning sand bags appeared from every Japanese station. The "red" headquarters was covered by machine guns while the Russians were celebrating Easter.

A severe brush occurred at the inter-allied barracks compound. Three hundred Russians were penned in by machine guns apparently mounted on the Japanese Red Cross hospital. They were captured and disarmed without resistance.

Japs Use Big Guns  
Two unarmed Czech soldiers going into their quarters were killed by fire from these machine guns, alongside the American Red Cross barracks.

Japanese big guns shelled the hills across the bay. Except for activities with the shipping all was over within an hour. By daylight today the city was quiet with Japanese patrols preserving strict order. Fleets were ordered replaced by the Japanese.

The Japanese command presented six demands upon the Russians the day after Brigadier General William S. Graves, commander in chief of the American expeditionary forces, left Vladivostok.

A conference was held Sunday, when United States Consul David B. MacGowan, representatives of the American Red Cross and Y. M. C. A. and others visited Captain W. C. Watts of the U. S. S. Albany and went over the situation.

Previous advices made public by the Japanese military attaché at Washington reported that the Japanese attack on Vladivostok resulted from "threatening and aggressive acts of a portion of the Russian army."

## C. KITCHEN COLLAPSES IN HOUSE

Former Democratic Leader in Congress Suffers Stroke of Paralysis Following Speech Opposing Peace Resolution—Entire Day Taken Up in Debate—Champ Clark Scores Opposition for Playing Politics—Peace Resolution Would Add to the World Confusion.

WASHINGTON, April 9.—Representative Kitchin of North Carolina, democratic leader in the last congress, suffered a slight stroke of paralysis on the right side today soon after delivering a speech on the house opposing the republican peace resolution.

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Representative Flood announced that the motion to recommit would propose straight out repeal of all war legislation.

The motion will direct the foreign affairs committee, he said, to report out a resolution repealing the war time acts.

Representative Clerk of Missouri, democrat leader, declared that the title given the resolution was "a palpable misnomer" that the measure would bring "confusion twice compounded," and that it would lead to "all sorts of international quagmires."

## SEATTLE REFUSES TO TAKE FRISCO BUMS

SEATTLE, April 9.—Thirty-five men, all of San Francisco, were prevented by Seattle police today from disembarking from the steamer President which arrived last night from California.

## CALIFORNIA FREIGHT COMPLETELY TIED UP BY SWITCH WALKOUT

SAN FRANCISCO, April 9.—Freight traffic of the Southern Pacific, Santa Fe and Western Pacific was tied up as a result of the strike of switchmen which started yesterday. Yard crews were out at San Francisco, Oakland, Los Angeles, Sacramento, Stockton, Bakersfield, Fresno, Santa Barbara and other points.

## VOLUNTARY ARMY TRAINING ADOPTED BY U. S. SENATE

WASHINGTON, April 9.—Voluntary instead of compulsory universal military training as proposed by the army reorganization bill, was adopted today by the senate.

The vote was 46 to 9.

As adopted the plan, which the war department is directed to put in force during the calendar year 1922, provides that all men between the ages of 18 and 28 would be eligible for four months training in any one year they might select.

WASHINGTON, April 9.—Assurances that hereafter there will be no ground for complaint against United States Steel corporation subsidiaries, that American vessels were being discriminated against in shipment from the Pacific, were given the shipping board today by Judge Gary of the steel corporation.

## PROTECTION IN MEXICO IS ASKED BY MINERS

SEATTLE, April 9.—Resolutions urging the United States government to protect American miners in Mexico and asking congress to repeal excess profits and corporation taxes were adopted by the international mining convention here today.

Among resolutions passed was one asking the government to foster production of minerals.

Sidney Norman, Spokane, chairman of the resolutions committee, presided at the morning session and introduced the resolutions.

## BOOM IN STUTZ MOTOR, BY A. A. RYAN, LEADS TO PROBE BY STOCK EXCHANGE

NEW YORK, April 9.—The New York Stock Exchange today started an investigation of this week's trading in Stromberg Carburator and refused to accept Allan A. Ryan's terms for settlement with other members of the exchange who were short in Stutz Motor when trading in the latter was suspended by the exchange.

## LEADER IS JAILED FOR COURT DEFTY

A. Howat, Mine Leader, Refuses to Recognize Anti-Strike Law and With Aides Is Sent to Jail Until Such Time as He Will Obey the Law—Action Starts Fight to Determine Validity of Much Discussed Kansas Statute.

PITTSBURG, Kas., April 9.—Alexander Howat, president of the Kansas coal miners, was sentenced to jail for contempt of court by Judge Andrew J. Curran of the Crawford county district court today.

The judge sentenced Howat and three associate union officials to the county jail until such time as they will testify before the Kansas court of industrial relations.

Under the order of Judge Curran, Howat and the other officials will be taken to the county jail at Girard immediately.

Four mines of the district were idle this morning on account of the Howat hearing. It was announced at the headquarters of the operators.

Howat shortly after he reached his office made the statement: "Our position is unchanged. We stand where we stood. We refuse to testify before this court because we do not recognize the court. It is an institution founded to enslave the working man."

Howat was found guilty of contempt for refusing to obey an order of Judge Curran issued Tuesday, that he appear with four other officers of the United Mine Workers of America of the Kansas district, and testify in the investigation of the coal mining industry now being conducted by the Kansas court of industrial relations here.

## PORTLAND LABOR ASKS LYNCHERS BE TRIED

PORTLAND, Ore., April 9.—Organized labor in Portland last night went on record to demand that the slayers of Wesley Everest, I. W. W., who was taken from jail and hanged at Centralia immediately after the Armistice day outrage, be brought to trial.

The resolution, which was originally adopted by the Metall Trades council in this city, was presented to the Central Labor council last night and adopted by a heavy majority.

The resolution condemned what it termed mob rule in no uncertain terms, and the full support of organized labor of Portland was pledged to those who are endeavoring to have the slayers of Everest prosecuted.

## CONGRESS OF SALVADOR PROPOSES A LATIN LEAGUE EXCLUDING AMERICA

WASHINGTON, April 9.—(By the Associated Press.)—After receiving the state department's interpretation of the Monroe doctrine, the congress of Salvador adopted a decree proposing a Latin-American league with the United States excluded.

The decree also proposed abolition of the Pan-American union, with headquarters in Washington, the Central American court of justice and the international court of arbitration.