

The Weather

Maximum yesterday53
Minimum today36
Precipitation15

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

Predictions

Fair. Light to heavy frost.

Fiftieth Year. Daily—Fifteenth Year.

MEDFORD, OREGON, FRIDAY, APRIL 16, 1920.

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LAST CHANCE IS GIVEN TO R.R. STRIKERS

Eastern Railroads Deliver Ultimatum to Insurgents—Must Return to Work by Tomorrow Noon—Thousands Flock Back to Yards—4000 Men in Toledo Vote to Quit Walk-Out—Force at Portland 75 Per Cent Normal—Labor Board Meets.

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS, April 16.—Return of strikers and improvement in service was reported today by railroads in various sections of the country as the newly appointed railroad labor board assembled in Washington for its first session to consider wage demands of rail workers.

In the New York district there were conflicting reports concerning the number of men, who had returned after the railroads last night had delivered an ultimatum that their last chance would expire tomorrow noon. Some roads announced that strikers were flocking back, but others reported sporadic walkouts.

Some brotherhood officials expressed fear that the men might regard the ultimatum as a challenge and prolong their walkout.

With passenger service generally improved throughout the country, increased freight shipments were reported in the New York and New England districts.

New England points reported arrival of more freight, including coal, than any day since the strike started to the east. Proposed drastic cuts in railroad schedules and a general industrial shutdown were believed to have been averted.

75 Per Cent Normal

PORTLAND, Ore., April 16.—Railroad officials here reported 21 switching crews working locally today. This is about 75 per cent of normal, they declared. An additional crew was at work today at the Brooklyn yards of the Southern Pacific, while another crew was being recruited by the S. P. and S. Striking railroad men, to date, are understood to have taken no action in connection with the ultimatum requiring them to return to work by tomorrow or lose their pension, seniority and other privileges.

TOLEDO, O., April 16.—By a large majority, four thousand insurgent railroad switchmen of Toledo voted this afternoon to return to work immediately. They agreed to abide by conditions submitted by the Baltimore and Ohio, which provide that the trainmen return to their positions, that no discrimination be shown against the men and that everything be done to see that their requests for increased pay and better working conditions are granted.

PITTSBURG, Pa., April 16.—Five crews of striking yardmen in the east-bound section of the Pittsburm yard of the Pennsylvania railroad returned to work this afternoon. This is the first notable break in the ranks of the strikers in this district.

Charters Are Revoked

CHICAGO, April 16.—Charters of three lodges, Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen were revoked today by A. F. Whitney, vice president of the (Continued on Page Eight)

HAYWOOD ADMITS I. W. W.'S BEHIND THE UNAUTHORIZED R. R. WALKOUT

CHICAGO, April 16.—Plans of the Industrial Workers of the World to advocate the one big union movement during the present unrest among railroad workers was revealed in a statement by William D. Haywood, former general secretary and treasurer of the I. W. W. and John Sandgren, editor of the One Big Union Monthly, published here today. The two leaders were quoted as denying any connection between the I. W. W. and insurgent railroad organizations now on strike, but said efforts have been made to institute "industrial unionism" in the unauthorized rail strikes as in all other strikes of importance. "We have always agitated toward securing recruits for the One Big Union idea," Haywood was quoted.

START FINAL ACTION TO KEEP HENRY ALBERS FROM PENITENTIARY

PORTLAND, Ore., April 16.—As a last possible step in the defense of Henry Albers, wealthy Portland miller, sentenced in federal court here over a year ago to pay a fine of \$10,000 and serve three years at McNeil's island for alleged violation of the espionage act, attorneys for Albers have served upon United States District Attorney Humphreys a petition for a writ of certiorari, which if granted, would take the case before the supreme court of the United States for review of the record. If the petition is denied by the supreme court, no rehearing will be possible, it is said, and no other recourse lies open to Albers but to serve the sentence.

CIVIL WAR AGAIN LOOMS IN CHINA; POLITICS IS CAUSE

SHANGHAI, China, April 5.—Serious disturbances have occurred in the province of Honan and civil war is imminent, according to advices received by Chinese officials here. This situation is the result of a change of tuchuns, or military governors in the province by the Peking government.

It was announced recently that General Wu Kwan Hsin, formerly inspector general of the upper Yangtze provinces had been appointed tuchun in Honan to succeed General Chao Ti.

Murmurs against the appointment were at once heard and after open threats had been voiced by military subordinates of the Honan incumbent, an open clash between troops of General Chao Ti and those of the appointee, General Wu, occurred at Sin Yang Chow, on the Peking Hankow railway. General Wu's troops are scattered thru the northern part of the province in a way calculated to bottle up those of the tuchun he is seeking to replace with the authority of Peking behind him. It is estimated in Shanghai that General Wu commands about 40,000 troops while General Chao Ti not many more than half that number.

FRENCH YOUNG PEOPLE DANCE ON DYNAMITE

BREST, April 16.—Young people of this city who have been dancing at one of the large American barracks near town have just been apprised of the fact that they were literally "dancing upon a volcano." The Americans left behind a large number of boxes upon which were words in English, but the dancers, not understanding that language did not know the words were "dynamite," "lyddite," "gun cotton," and "detonators."

LEFFINGWELL, ASST. SECY. OF TREASURY, RESIGNS

WASHINGTON, April 16.—R. C. Leffingwell, assistant secretary of the treasury has resigned and his resignation has been accepted by President Wilson.

NEW KAISER OUTBREAK BERLIN NEAR

Baltic Troops Hoist Kaiser Flag and Defy Government—London Mail Correspondent Declares Germany Has Every Appearance of Preparing for Civil War—Russian Revolutionaries in Germany Busy—Allies Threaten Blockade Aqain.

LONDON, April 16.—Germany has every appearance of preparing for civil war, says the Daily Mail's Berlin correspondent.

The Baltic troops are defiant. They are in camp at Muenster, where they have hoisted the "Kaiser flag," says the dispatch.

WARSAW, April 11.—(By the Associated Press)—Danzig dispatches received assert that an intercepted wireless communication indicates that Russian reactionaries in Germany are raising German-Russian detachments at various points, including Silesia and at Hammerstein, West Prussia.

Conditions Are Grave

BERLIN, April 15.—Government troops were massed in the center of Berlin last night following the return of Herr Severing, Prussian minister of the interior, from the Ruhr district, where he was sent to conduct operations.

It is presumed this military movement was a result of rumors of a new revolt impending.

Severing ordered the public barred from the quarter of the city containing government buildings.

Grave conditions are reported from Pomerania, where reactionaries are active.

PARIS, April 16.—The representatives in Berlin of France, Great Britain, Italy and Belgium will join in a warning to Germany that she must execute without delay the disarmament and demobilization clauses of the peace treaty, according to present plans. It is understood the charges d'affaires will also say to the German government that in case the insurrectionary movement in Germany is not suppressed the allies may refuse further deliveries of foodstuffs.

BERLIN, April 16.—Paul R. Damm of Patterson, N. J., who was shot and killed at Wesel by a German sentry recently, was making a deliberate attempt to escape from prison when fired upon, according to an oral report by a representative of the American commission here, who has just completed an investigation.

LATEST NEWS OF THE STATE

SALEM, Ore., April 16.—Today, the last on which candidates for political office may, under the Oregon law, file their declarations with the secretary of state, brings many of the aspirants tardy in bringing or sending the statements to Salem.

PORTLAND, Ore., April 16.—Judge H. C. Levens of Burns, Ore., a member of the circuit court bench of Harney county, died in a local hospital today at the age of 59 years. Besides a widow, he is survived by a sister, Mrs. R. S. Sheridan of Boise, Idaho, and two brothers, Grant Levens of Walla Walla and William Levens of Glendale, Ore.

PENDLETON, Ore., April 16.—The largest coyote warrant ever issued in Umatilla county was today given to John McCullough of Stanfield, for \$112. McCullough found thirty-six puppies and one female in raids made on coyote dens in his vicinity. The pups' pelts command a bounty of \$3 each and the female a bounty of \$4.

SALEM, Ore., April 16.—The name of Henry Cabot Lodge, United States senator from Massachusetts was today filed with the secretary of state as a candidate for the republican nomination for vice-president of the United States.

PORTLAND, Ore., April 16.—Karl W. Oster, former secretary of the Oregon branch of the communist labor party of America, found guilty March 20 of violation of the state criminal syndicalism act, was today sentenced to serve five years in the state penitentiary.

HEAVY FIGHTING IN ARMENIA, 13 AMERICAN WORKERS IN DANGER

CONSTANTINOPLE, April 15.—(By Associated Press.) Messages have been received from the Aintab area, in northern Syria, indicating that Turks and Armenians are engaged in heavy fighting, the Armenians occupying the American mission buildings. This news has aroused uneasiness regarding the position of the thirteen American relief workers at Aintab.

OVERALL CLUB IDEA SPREADS OVER COUNTRY

Movement to Reduce High Cost of Clothing Sweeps Through Kansas, Oklahoma, Texas, Alabama, Kentucky and Arkansas—Mayor of Emporia Inaugurated in Blue Jeans

KANSAS CITY, Mo., April 16.—The "overall club" movement, intended as a protest against the high prices of clothing, is spreading rapidly throughout the southwest.

Dispatches said clubs had been formed in numerous places in Missouri, Kansas, Oklahoma, Texas and Arkansas.

The movement in Missouri began at Jefferson City, where state house officials and employes are signing pledges to wear denim until clothing prices are reduced.

Kansas City, Kas., Salina, and Wichita all report large followers of the movement.

Mayor Adopts Overalls The inaugural outfit of the Rev. Joseph Brogan, mayor-elect of Emporia, Kas., and president-elect of the Emporia Overalls club, will be overalls, according to his announcement. The Emporia club reports several hundred members.

Announcing the organization of an overalls club at Kansas university, Chancellor Frank Strong said he would lead the membership among the young men in wearing overalls and that Mrs. Strong would set an example for the young women of the university by adopting the cottage apron as the approved garb for both home and street wear.

The movement in Oklahoma is of state-wide proportions, Oklahoma reports said. Dallas and Amarillo, Texas, and Pine Bluff and Hot Springs, Ark., were among the towns in those states reporting the foundation of the clubs.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., April 16.—An "overall club" was formed in Louisville today by the Exchange club in an effort to force down the cost of clothing. Eighty-five members pledged their support to the movement.

It is proposed that women join the movement by donning gingham dresses. A parade of members dressed in overalls and gingham is planned for next week.

Alabama Joins In

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., April 16.—The lowly overall today supplanted the "pinchback" in Birmingham.

Rainy weather served to fortify the wavering intentions of those who had resolved "to see what the other fellow did," before they donned denim themselves. As a result the pledge to put 'em on today was universally kept.

City commissioners functioned in denim; judges applied the law in the same uniform; bankers, doctors, lawyers and merchants wore their overalls with an assurance which could only have been acquired after long practice before the mirror.

The women had quietly "organized" at home. Towards noon many appeared in dresses of calico and gingham and the variety of colors gave the downtown section the appearance of a carnival.

Retail clothiers have advertised "bargain sales" in men's wear and lower price marks were observed in some store windows. The cost of overalls is \$6 and there seems to be an unlimited supply.

"I would rather pay \$6 for my overalls than \$60 for a suit," said Judge William E. Fort of the circuit court. "This movement is no joke. It will bring down the cost of clothing."

STATE ASKS DIVORCE BE SET ASIDE

Commonwealth of Nevada Brings Suit to Annul Mary Pickford's Decree—Allegations of Fraud, Collusion and Connivance Between Moore, Mary and Douglas Fairbanks are Entered—Claim Doug and Mary Engaged to Wed

MINDEN, Nev., April 16.—In the interest of the state of Nevada a suit asking that the decree of divorce granted March 2, 1920 by District Judge Langan to Gladys E. Moore, more familiarly known as Mary Pickford, from Owen E. Moore, be set aside will be filed in the district court here this afternoon by Leonard B. Fowler, attorney general.

The complaint is based on allegations of fraud, connivance and collusion between Moore, his wife and Douglas Fairbanks, to whom the former Mrs. Moore was married a short time after her divorce was granted. Fairbanks is brought into the case through allegations that there was a conspiracy between himself and his present wife to defeat that provision of the California law which requires that a year elapse before a final decree of divorce be granted, by having Mrs. Moore get a divorce in Nevada. In that respect it is alleged in the complaint, that an engagement and agreement to wed existed between Gladys Moore and Fairbanks prior to February 15, 1920, the date on which Mrs. Moore came to Nevada.

Other allegations are that Moore came to Minden solely to be served with summons in the suit, that no substantial facts were given in court to warrant a divorce and that Miss Pickford concealed her identity from the judge up to the moment of taking the witness stand. As Judge Langan is one of the witnesses summoned for the state, another judge will hear the complaint.

ELEVATOR MEN IN NEW YORK STRIKE, GIRLS ARE CALLED

NEW YORK, April 16.—Revival of the lost art of walking up stairs was forced upon thousands of reluctant persons in New York today by a strike of union elevator operators. The union claims a membership of more than 17,000.

The operators, who voted last night to strike for increased pay and shorter hours, did not show up for work this morning. Women who ran the lifts during war days were being sought as strike breakers.

Petulant workers, many of whom already had been held up by transportation difficulties, had to make the long, tedious climb to offices on the tenth, twentieth and thirtieth floors.

The operators claim their strike has the sanction of the American Federation of Labor. They demand wage increases ranging from \$5 to \$10 a week and the eight hour day with time and a half for overtime.

WANTED, MOTHER CATS TO NURSE BABY FOXES

NEW YORK, April 16.—A call for mother cats to nurse baby silver foxes was received in New York today from an upstate fox farm owner.

N. H. Bacon, president of the New York Fur Auction Sales corporation, to whom the appeal for cats was sent said the fox farmer was willing to take all the cats he could get. A mother cat can earn \$2.50 for six weeks endeavor, he said. At the end of six weeks a litter of baby foxes becomes sufficiently mature to take solid food.

Free Lectures. J. R. Stilwell, editor of the Stillwell Magazine of Metaphysics and Pseudo-Physics, will lecture in the Althea Hall, Main street at Central Sunday, March 18, 8 p. m. Admission free. Questions answered.

FORMER AMBASSADOR BLAMES WILSON FOR CONDITIONS IN MEXICO

WASHINGTON, April 16.—Mexico's present condition is "due to the unfortunate and mischievous policy of the Wilson administration," Henry Lane Wilson declared today before a senate committee investigating Mexican affairs. The former ambassador told the committee that in the six years since his resignation every prediction he made then as to the results of President Wilson's policy had been justified by the events. "President Wilson's theory that any number of Mexicans are struggling for liberty is erroneous," he said. "It is simply a free for all struggle for loot."

MICHIGAN TOWN HOLDS RECORD IN CENSUS CONTEST

WASHINGTON, April 16.—An increase of 463 per cent in the last ten years in the population of Muskegon Heights, Mich., announced today by the census bureau is the largest yet reported in the 1920 census. From a population of 1680 in 1910, the town has grown to 9514.

The largest increase previously announced was that of Scotts Bluff, Neb., which showed a growth of 295.9 per cent.

Battle Creek, Mich., 36,164, increase 10,897 or 43.1 per cent.

Enid, Okla., 16,576, increase 2777 or 20.1 per cent.

Hillsdale, Mich., 5476, increase 475 or 9.5 per cent.

Owosso, Mich., 12,575, increase 2936 or 30.5 per cent.

Bowling Green, Ky., 9638, increase 465 or 30.5 per cent.

Macomb, Ill., 6714, increase 940 or 16.3 per cent.

Lufkin, Texas, 4878, increase 2129 or 77.4 per cent.

Phillipsburg, N. J., 16,923, increase 3020 or 21.7 per cent.

South Bridge, Mass., 14,245, increase 1653 or 13.1 per cent.

Gloucester, N. J., 12,162, increase 2700 or 28.5 per cent.

THEODORE N. VAIL GOES TO REWARD

BALTIMORE, Md., April 16.—Theodore N. Vail, chairman of the board of directors of the American Telephone and Telegraph company, died at Johns Hopkins hospital this morning of a complication of cardiac and kidney troubles.

Mr. Vail was brought here from Jekyll island, Georgia, last Sunday in his private car. He was in a serious condition when he reached the hospital and his death was not unexpected. Mr. Vail retired as president of the American Telephone and Telegraph company last June and became chairman of the board of directors.

Mr. Vail had visited in Medford with Newcomb Carlton, president of the Western Union, brother of E. W. Carlton of Table Rock, and was known to several people here.

CHICAGO STRIKE LEADERS PLAY THE ROLE OF MARTYR BY GOING TO JAIL

CHICAGO, April 16.—John Grunau, president of the Chicago Yardmen's association, and H. E. Reading, president of the United Engineering's association, the two "outlaw" railroad unions, announced this morning they would go to jail on the government charge of conspiracy to violate the Lever act. The two, with twenty-two of their followers were arrested yesterday by federal agents and released on their own recognizance until 2 o'clock this afternoon to give them a chance to obtain \$10,000 bond.

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ASKS ROUTE MEX. ARMY THRU U.S.A.

United States Under Pressure by Carranza. Declares State Department—Want to Attack Sonora Rebels in the Rear—Natural Defenses Too Strong on Mexican Side—Sonora Calls Troops to Defend in Anticipation of Granting the Demand.

WASHINGTON, April 16.—Mexico has asked permission from the United States to move troops through American territory so as to attack the state of Sonora from the north. No action on the request has yet been taken.

The Carranza government wishes to move its forces on the Mexican Central line to El Paso, thence through American territory to Douglas, Ariz., and across the boundary to Agua Prieta from which point a movement against Hermosillo, the capital of Sonora, would be undertaken.

The only other point of attack against Sonora is through the Chulipito Pass, between Sonora and Chihuahua and it was said that this pass could be defended by a very small force of Sonora troops.

In making known today that Mexico had requested permission to move troops through Texas, New Mexico and Arizona, officials said the United States was "under pressure from the Mexican government."

Sonora Troops Ready

AGUA PRIETA, Sonora, Mexico, April 16.—Troops of the Republic of Sonora stationed at Cananea, numbering 800 have been ordered to proceed at once to defend this port, according to General J. M. Pina, in order to prepare against possible invasion of the state by Carranza troops from United States territory in event permission is granted the federal government to route troops through the United States.

Sonora troops continued their march toward Culiacan, capital of the adjoining state of Sinaloa today, according to information given out at military headquarters here.

Military authorities said that success of the Sonora troops in Sinaloa would give the state military power necessary to overcome any force President Carranza might send against the northern state.

Carranza, according to reports received by Sonora officials, press dispatches and Mexican official federal advices intends sending at least three armies against Sonora.

Backers of the secession movement declare the state has ample financial backing to care for any military campaigns and that the revenues that formerly went to the central government from the state are available against Carranza.

Influential Mexican refugees who have been living in the United States, are declared to have pledged credit for the campaign against Carranza.

Reorganize State Department

WASHINGTON, April 16.—Reorganization of the state department, recommended by Foreign Secretary Lansing was begun today by Secretary Colby with the appointment of Wilbur J. Carr, director of the consular service, as assistant to the secretary of state.

Mr. Carr has been given charge of personnel, administration, business methods and general management of the department in addition to his duties in the consular service.

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