

The Weather
Rain tonight and Tuesday.
Maximum yesterday 66
Minimum today 37 1/2
Precipitation .05

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

Weather Year Ago
Maximum 70
Minimum today 42
Precipitation .04

Daily—Seventeenth Year,
Weekly—Fifty-Second Year

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CONFERENCE AT GENOA IS OPENED

Italian Premier Elected President and Delivers Inaugural Speech—Lloyd-George to Follow—U. S. Ambassador Child On Hand As Observer—Splendid Spirit Prevails.

GENOA, April 10.—(By the Associated Press.)—The Genoa economic conference was formally opened this morning in the historic palace of St. George by Premier Facta of Italy. Prime Minister Lloyd George of Great Britain was the chief driving force behind the call for the conference, emphasized on the eve of the gathering the vital necessity there was for Europe and the world of grappling earnestly with the problems confronting the continent. While declining to make a prediction as to what would be accomplished, he declared:

"One thing is certain, we have come here to work with all energy and selflessness and not to waste time. I am sure all the delegations are in accord on one point and that is to reach an agreement which will prevent renewal of international conflicts, thus re-establishing general peace and reciprocal confidence between the states on a basis of economic prosperity."

As for the French delegation it was declared in its behalf it had come in an open spirit, resolved to do all possible to accomplish the task set for the conference. This is the first time the allies have gathered in such a conference since the war with the nations which were their enemies in that struggle and others which remained outside the conflict.

Crowds Gather Early.

All Genoa was astir early today in eager anticipation. Every street in the city was liberally flag-bedecked and all the ships in the harbor were decked with hunting in honor of the conference.

Crowds began to gather during the forenoon before the royal palace, watching the incessant coming and going of the automobiles carrying the delegates, who were calling on the Italian minister, to make their last arrangements before the opening of the meeting. Chancellor Wirth, the head of the delegation, accompanied by Dr. Walter Rathenau, the foreign minister, Robert Schuman, minister of economics, and Dr. Andreas Hermes, minister of finance and followed in a second motor car by secretaries and experts of the British delegation, called upon Premier Facta and Premier Schanzer.

Chancellor Wirth expressed the hope that the conference might fulfill the expectations of the suffering people of Europe, especially those of Central Europe. He declared Germany was ready to go to any length to reach the desired objects.

Agreement was reached among the delegates that Premier Facta be elected president of the conference and that M. Schanzer, vice-president, the premier was to deliver the inaugural speech, followed by Prime Minister Lloyd George of Great Britain, Louis Barthou, French minister of justice and vice-premier, Chancellor Wirth of Germany, Foreign Minister Chicherin of Russia, and Premier Thiébaux of Belgium. Each speaker was to employ his own language, but with a translation by official interpreters into English and French to follow.

No other speeches were definitely announced, although representatives of other countries notably Japan, had expressed a desire to present the views of their governments.

U. S. Ambassador There.

GENOA, April 10.—(By the Associated Press.)—Lines of four contingents in this ancient city today began efforts to restore to the world normal conditions.

All plans had been completed today for this great economic congress which was regarded by competent judges generally as the most important and significant assembly since the Versailles conference.

Representatives of 33 states were

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Mormon Head Scores Short Skirts, Which Make Men Blush

SALT LAKE CITY, April 10.—Short skirts which show the knee and "make the men blush for shame" were denounced by President Heber J. Grant of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints at the closing session of the 92nd annual Mormon conference here yesterday.

"I can well remember the time, not so many years ago when, if a young woman were seen on the streets in a dress that reached only just a little above her shoe top, we were shocked," President Grant said. "Today I have seen many knees on our own temple grounds."

MANY INJURED IN WIND STORM AND BLIZZARD

Missouri Visited By Violent Gales, While Rocky Mountain Regions Are Swept By One of the Hardest Snow Storms This Season.

SPRINGFIELD, Mo., April 10.—Several persons were injured and a heavy property loss resulted when a tornado struck Miller, Lawrence county, Missouri, this morning. From Miller the storm traveled northeast, striking Ash Grove, Green county, where one man was killed and several persons injured.

SPRINGFIELD, Mo., April 10.—Ash Grove, twenty miles northwest of here was struck by a tornado early today according to reports reaching here. One man was reported killed and several buildings destroyed. Wires are down and no definite information has as yet been received here.

DENVER, Colo., April 10.—A snowstorm of considerable intensity swept the northern and middle Rocky Mountain area last night and today, accompanied in some sections by high winds.

Lander, Wyo., reported the deepest snowfall, with eight inches, according to the local weather bureau, while Cheyenne, Wyo., reported a 42-mile per hour wind today. The lowest temperature was at Leadville, Colo., where the mercury dropped to eight above zero. A light frost was reported at Phoenix, Ariz.

Beginning at the southern part of Montana, the storm swept southeastward, including most of Wyoming, north central and northeastern Colorado and northwestern Kansas, according to Frederick W. Brist, forecaster.

The snowfall in Denver reached five inches this morning and the snow was still falling at nine o'clock.

Club Standings Pacific League

SAN FRANCISCO, April 10.—Standings of the clubs in the Pacific Coast league, including yesterday's games, follows:

W.	L.	Pc.	
Los Angeles	5	1	.833
San Francisco	5	2	.714
Vernon	2	1	.667
Oakland	2	3	.400
Sacramento	2	3	.400
Salt Lake	2	3	.400
Seattle	2	5	.286
Portland	2	5	.286

Steel Orders Increase.

NEW YORK, April 10.—The monthly tonnage report of the United States Steel corporation, made public today, showed 4,941,148 tons of unfilled orders on hand March 31. This is an increase from February's unfilled orders which totaled 4,141,069.

FEAR REVOLT IN IRELAND THIS WEEK

Extremists Preparing for An Uprising Easter Week Is Report—Feeling Against Radicals Only Obstacle—Conditions Going From Bad to Worse—Army Active.

LONDON, April 10.—Will the extremist republicans in Ireland observe the anniversary of the Easter week uprising against Britain in 1916 in again attempting this Easter week to oust the provisional government and establishing a republic in its place? This is a question that is being discussed seriously in well informed circles in England and Ireland.

The London Daily Mail's Dublin correspondent declares this phase of Ireland's perplexities has been debated rather freely in Dublin and that opinions there differ widely. The correspondent is convinced that the provisional government will do nothing to provoke a rebellion by immediate attempts to restore order.

He is less clear about the attitude of the more radical republicans and appears to think that the latter's action depends on how far they believe they can sway public opinion with them.

Radicals in Ill Favor

The article remarks that the extreme republicans are in ill favor with generally recognized thinking elements in Ireland and also with the great bulk of the general public.

He recalls, however, that the people in Ireland generally were at first against the rebellious event in 1916 but later rapidly veered to the point of view of the revolutionists. He has come to the conclusion that both sides are simply jockeying for the psychological moment, considering the temper of the people in Ireland.

Certain commonly well-informed people in London expect a violent strike by extremist republicans at an early date. These English sources of opinion believe Easter week will be accepted.

According to some political reports the British government is keenly awake to that possibility.

Deny DeValera Deposed

DUBLIN, April 10.—(By Associated Press.) A statement issued by the Irish republican publicity department today contradicted the rumors, given form in an article in the London Daily Mail, that Eamon DeValera had been deposed as leader of the republicans at the secret meeting of the Irish republican army in Dublin yesterday.

DUBLIN, April 10.—(By Associated Press.) The police barracks at Broadford, county Clare, occupied by official Irish county army units, was attacked at two o'clock this morning, says a dispatch from Limerick. There was an exchange of fire for considerable time, the besieged force refusing to surrender.

Captain William O'Brien, who was in charge of the units occupying the barracks, was fatally wounded. No other details of the fighting were available at the time the dispatch was sent.

TULLAMORE, Ireland, April 10.—(By Associated Press.) George Gavin Duffy, minister of foreign affairs in the Dail Eirann cabinet was seized by a crowd of young men and women and dragged from a platform upon which he was making an address at a pro-treaty meeting before a large gathering here today.

The disturbers upset the press table and after causing general consternation among spectators, abruptly withdrew and shouted "long live Eamon DeValera; long live the republic of Ireland."

Tullamore is the capital of Kings county and is on the Grand canal fifty miles west-southwest of Dublin.

DUBLIN, April 10.—(By Associated Press.) Armed British foot soldiers appeared in the streets yesterday for the first time since the truce and caused a sensation.

CHARLEMONT, Ireland, April 10.—A police patrol on special assignment was ambushed yesterday and two in the patrol were wounded. Later, Dunganon police searched the district and arrested five men.

BELFAST, April 10.—The Albert street Presbyterian church in the Falls area was attacked by disturbers last night for the second time within two weeks.

BOY PRODIGY WHO LOST WITH TILDEN



A. L. Weiner, the fourteen year old boy from Philadelphia who was beaten playing doubles with the world's champion in the national indoor tennis championship in New York. The youth displayed considerable skill, but the experience of his opponents was too much for him.

U. S. A. CLAIMS AGAINST BOSCHE ARE ANNOUNCED

Alien Property Custodian Declares Total Claims Are \$415,000,000 While Enemy Property Held Here Is \$350,000,000.

WASHINGTON, April 10.—An accounting of the \$350,000,000 worth of enemy property held by the government was given the senate today in a report, the first compiled since February 1919, by Thomas R. Miller, alien property custodian, in response to a resolution by Senator King, democrat, of Utah.

"The final disposition of this property," Mr. Miller said, "will undoubtedly have a direct bearing on the economic relations between this country and Europe, with particular reference to the late enemy powers. The sequestered property will also have a bearing on the question of the settlement of American claims."

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Discussing the \$415,000,000 of American claims against Germany, Mr. Miller recalled the terms of the Knox-Porter resolution, indicating that no disposition should be made of enemy property held by the United States until the German government had provided for the satisfaction of all American claims. He asserted that congress must evolve some plan whereby American claims against Germany may be adjudicated by some proper tribunal created by law.

"There are several classes of claims against Germany," Mr. Miller said, "such as, for instance, those of Americans whose cash was seized by the German custodian, and who are now being offered the return of their money at the depreciated value of the mark, which today is a reduction of 720 per cent from the pre-war value. This amounts to practical confiscation on the part of the German government."

"There are also claims on file with the state department for loss of property and life at sea, growing out of submarine sinkings to April 6, 1917. "If the property were returned today without any conditions, the tax laws in force in Germany would require German nationals or other people under the jurisdiction of the German government whose property was returned to them to give up to the German government a majority of the returned property."

"It has been suggested that the amount of money which the German government would realize from such taxation might form the basis of a fund to be left in this country, the same to be applied for the satisfaction of claims of American citizens against Germany when these claims are adjudicated."

Answering charges by Senator King that property had been seized since peace was concluded with Germany last July, the report declared that the last property seized was that belonging to Grover C. Bergdoll, which was seized May 17, 1921.

GREAT WHITE WAY ENTERS COAL STRIKE

Broadway Merchants File Protest With President Against Coal Strike—Fear Lightless Days Again—Injunction Is Issued Against West Virginia Strikers.

NEW YORK, April 10.—Apprehensive that a threatened coal famine may darken "the great white way" as it did during the "lightless" days of the war, the Broadway Merchants association will send a delegation of 250 members to Washington Thursday to file a protest with President Harding against the miners' strike.

CHARLESTON, W. Va., April 10.—Nine union members and officers were forbidden to interfere with free competition among men working in the coal industry in West Virginia in a temporary injunction issued by Judge George W. Clintock, in United States district court here today.

The injunction addressed to various international and district 17 officers of the United Mine Workers of America and to all officials and members of that organization, was issued on the petition of the Borderland Coal company and sixty-two other West Virginia and Kentucky operators.

Socialists to Aid.

CHICAGO, April 10.—Members of the socialist party are called on in a letter sent out today by the national executive committee to "render every possible aid to the striking coal miners."

"We urge our members in the strike zone," the letter says, "to place themselves at the service of the local unions. Where they can render picket duty or aid in gathering or distributing relief they should do so."

PITTSBURG, April 10.—Union leaders and operators today centered their attention on Fayette county, where a strong force of picketed organizers from the United Mine Workers was straining every force to organize the coal and coke workers of the H. C. Fricke Coke company, the most important non-union coal producing concern in western Pennsylvania.

The union leaders insisted that they had made great headway and the operators agreed that about 8,000 men had quit work in mines of the Fricke company and in a much larger number of mines operated by independent companies. Both sides were of the opinion that the next few days would tell the story.

Daugherty at Work

INDIANAPOLIS, April 10.—Attorney General Daugherty who arrived here from Washington unannounced was declared authoritatively to be considering the dismissal of indictments pending here in federal court which some operators have declared made impossible any wage conference that would end the coal strike, which began April 1.

The attorney general's mission was kept a secret and he refused to state his purpose declaring he could say nothing until "investigation of the purpose of my trip is complete, and I am satisfied that any action is right."

SEATTLE, April 10.—Representatives of union coal miners and Washington operators today continued their discussion, began last week, of wages to be paid maintenance men left in mines of the state during the progress of the present strike.

Spokesmen for the conferees indicated that prospects were good for a settlement of the question.

CHICAGO, April 10.—Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, who is expected here today to attend the opening meeting of the railway employees' department of his organization, plans to remain until Wednesday, when he will preside at a general conference of labor union leaders.

This conference, Mr. Gompers has said, is to "consider problems confronting particular localities, as well as the labor movement in general." The coal miners' strike will be discussed, but leaders declare that nothing more than moral support will be pledged.

The convention of the railway employees is to continue two weeks.

Beckett Wins On Foul.

LONDON, April 10.—George Cook, Australian pugilist, was disqualified in the sixth round of a ten round bout here tonight with Joe Beckett for the championship of the British empire.

Grand Jury Charges Porto Rico Governor With Stealing Cash

WASHINGTON, April 10.—(By the Associated Press.)—A long story of alleged appropriation of public money for private use "without scruples or justification" is told in a copy received here today of the recent grand jury presentment returned in Porto Rico against Governor E. Mont Rely, his secretary, John Hull and Auditor W. L. Kessenberger.

EX-MINISTER KILLS PAL IN PRISON BREAK

Herbert Wilson, Well Known On Coast As Evangelist, Is Charged With Murder When Fellow Prisoner Is Killed On 'Bridge of Sighs.'

LOS ANGELES, April 10.—A charge of murder was preferred today against Herbert Wilson, former minister and evangelist, as the result of a sensational jail breaking plot yesterday which resulted in the death of E. Cox, fellow prisoner of Wilson, when the plot was foiled by sheriff's deputies. Wilson and Cox, held pending trial on charges of mail robbery and suspected of other robberies involving \$25,000, county officers say, with Eddie O'Brien, held for a Toledo, Ohio, mail robbery, were surprised yesterday in the final stage of a break for liberty.

The plot was known to the sheriff and elaborate preparations to prevent its success were made in plans to arrest those outside the jail believed to be interested in it.

After giving \$1,000 in currency to the turnkey, who had previously advised the sheriff of the affair, Wilson with Cox and O'Brien, left the jail proper and were "in the bridge of sighs" communicating to the hall of justice. O'Brien sawed through the only steel bars between them and liberty and emerged into a hall when officers fired shots in the air and seized him.

A shot was heard in the bridge of sighs where Wilson and Cox were alone. Cox was found dying and accused Wilson of firing the shot. Wilson had a pistol, wrapped in cloth, from which one shot was fired. Frank Wilson, a brother of the suspect, was arrested in a nearby street in an automobile with the engine running.

Clothes for the prisoner was found in the car.

Wilson was well known in the Pacific Northwest and Canada.

Elks Asked to Name Queen for Festival

PORTLAND, Ore., April 10.—Elks lodges throughout the state have been asked to nominate a queen contender in the contest that has been arranged by the Festival commission, in charge of Elks' Prosperity Week, May 15 to 21. The winner in this popularity contest will preside over all the activities of that week beside being presented by Portland lodge with a high class automobile. An automobile also will be given the young woman second in the race and to the third will be tendered her choice of a diamond ring or a trip to San Francisco during the Shrine convention at the lodge's expense. The unsuccessful candidates will be taken care of too, for they will be brought to Portland and made attendants upon the reigning queen. Thus they will have a prominent part in the spectacular "Parade of Peace, Progress and Prosperity," which will be staged each evening at the municipal auditorium.

PRETTY CHOIR SINGER KILLS HERSELF DURING SERVICES OF SEATTLE CHURCH

SEATTLE, April 10.—Miss Bertha Brackett, 25-year-old choir singer, who shot herself during services at the First Baptist church here last night, died this morning.

A nervous breakdown, superinduced by fear of the recurrence of a mental trouble which afflicted her 12 years ago, was believed by members of the family to have caused Miss Brackett to commit suicide.

Miss Brackett was the daughter of Alfred H. Brackett, vice-president of a large dye works here. For the last several years she had taught in schools of Seattle and other northwest cities and from 1912 to 1918 attended the University of Washington, where she was known as one of the most popular students. Her father and mother were devastated today. The shooting came with dramatic suddenness just after the Rev. Ambrose M. Bailey, pastor had concluded reading his text, from the fifth chapter of John: "Verily, verily, I say unto you, the hour is coming and now is, when the dead shall hear the voice of the Son of God; and they that hear shall live. There was a muffled report in the choir loft, and Miss Brackett fell. She was carried to an ante-room and the pastor, believing her to be only slightly injured, continued the services.

AMUNDSEN'S MONOPLANE FALLS FIRST FLIGHT

Monoplane Wrecked On First Lap of Trip to Seattle, Washington—Machine Reported Down at Miola, Pa.,—Planned to Use Plane to Reach North Pole.

CLEVELAND, O., April 10.—Captain Raold Amundsen's monoplane, which left New York this morning for Cleveland, on the first lap of a continental flight, was wrecked at Miola, Pa., this afternoon, according to a message received here late today by Charles O. Otis, local broker, from Horace Gades, his New York manager and one of the party.

CLEVELAND, April 10.—Officials of the government air mail service received worst this afternoon that the Amundsen airplane passed over Bellefonte, Pa., at 11:58 a. m., flying against a heavy wind. It is expected Captain Amundsen will reach Glenn Martin field here about 3 p. m.

CENTRAL PARK, N. Y., April 10.—Captain Raold Amundsen, Arctic explorer, hopped off in an all-metal monoplane today for Cleveland on the first lap of a trans-continental flight, which eventually will take him to Seattle, where he will leave June 1 for a drifting voyage in the north polar regions.

He was accompanied by Lieutenant Oscar Omdal, Norwegian ace; B. Lewis, civilian pilot; Ernest Rubi, mechanic and Horace Gade, member of a firm of bond brokers.

The monoplane left Arsen field at 8:18 a. m. and the explorer said he expected to be in Cleveland tonight to spend several hours visiting friends. He planned to leave Cleveland for Chicago tonight. His contemplated route after leaving Chicago is: Omaha, Cheyenne, Salt Lake City, Reno, Sacramento and thence to Seattle.

STORES CLOSE SO CLERKS MAY PRAY

TACOMA, April 10.—The stores at Ilwaco, in Pacific county, will close from noon until 12:30 every day this week, passion week, so that the proprietors and clerks can attend short religious services at the motion picture theater there. The merchants of the town, in their signed statement announcing the time for prayer, declared that the Divine teacher gave the principles upon which all successful business must be founded.

SECY. FALL LEAVES FOR COAST TRIP

WASHINGTON, April 10.—Secretary Fall will leave Washington tomorrow for an extended trip through western states which have large public lands, to make a personal investigation of Indian reservations, reclamation projects and other matters.

23 FRENCH SOLDIERS KILLED WHEN HIDDEN GERMAN MINE IS DETONATED

BERLIN, April 10.—(By the Associated Press.)—Twenty-three French soldiers and one German foreman are now reported to have been killed and ten others injured in an explosion at the Huettin smelting works near Gliwitsa, Upper Silesia. Tremendous excitement was reported from Gliwitsa with the expectation that martial law would be proclaimed.

The latest accounts declare the explosion took place in the family vault of Count Einsiedel, one of the founders of the Royal Smelting works, in the cemetery connected with a hidden mine. The unofficial reports said a workman was detonated during a search for concealed arms.

The German authorities are unable to conduct investigations, the advice stated, as the inter-alled commission for Upper Silesia is under control, but it is declared that so far no evidence incriminating German subjects has been found.