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The Weather

Prediction Fair
Maximum yesterday 69
Minimum today 29.9

Weather Year 'Ago

Maximum 76
Minimum 49

2ND OUTRAGE S. CALIFORNIA IS REPORTED

Los Angeles District Atty. Declares Citizen of Standing Whipped and Mistreated By Gang of Masked Men—List of Oregon K. K. K. Secured—Probe Continues.

LOS ANGELES, April 28.—The district attorney's office announced today that within the past two or three weeks there was another outrage in southern California. The statement said:
"A citizen of repute and standing in a town of Los Angeles county reported to the district attorney that he was taken from his home by a gang of masked men, whipped and otherwise mistreated. The citizen said he believed his assailants were members of the Ku Klux Klan."
The district attorney's office said the man had asked that his name and the location of his home be withheld, because he feared further violence and that he had asked that protection be accorded him.

LOS ANGELES, April 28.—Early conferences looking toward the impounding of a grand jury to investigate the activities of the Ku Klux Klan in Los Angeles county were planned for today by Thomas Lee Woolwine, district attorney, and judges of the superior court. While the conferences were in progress deputy district attorneys and attaches of the sheriff's office were expected to continue their examination of the documents and regalia seized Wednesday at the local headquarters of W. S. Coburn, grand goffin, Pacific domain, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan.

Already, according to Mr. Woolwine, evidence has been found definitely linking the Los Angeles headquarters of the Klan "with the recent outrages" at Ingleswood, a suburb of this city, and at Bakerfield and Taft, in Kern county, California.

Woolwine Keeps Muzz

Mr. Woolwine is making public very little of the information obtained through the seizures but he has stated that he has learned the names of 1,013 residents of Los Angeles city and many others of other parts of the county who apparently are members of the Klan.

He is also in receipt of a statement from N. A. Baker, Klan leader, or organizer, who is said to have led the raid at Ingleswood last Saturday night when three peace officers, masked and armed members of the raiding band, were shot, one so seriously that he died a short time afterwards.
This statement is said to contain Baker's version of the raid, but it has not been made public. Neither have the circumstances which led Baker to make it, but it is known that in doing so he acted under the advice of an attorney who accompanied him to the office of Mr. Woolwine where he was questioned at length.

Oregon List Secured

From the seizures made at Grand Goblin Coburn's office, the headquarters of the Klan for six western states, it is said the officials have obtained reports and membership enrollments from Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Nevada, Arizona and California, together with correspondence showing that at least six ministers of the gospel have communicated with the Klan officers.

Information received by the district attorney and the sheriff was said to be to the effect that every mail took large numbers of resignations from the Klan to the office of the grand goffin.

Klan Is Denounced

Names of three members in the

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Deschanel, Former President France, Influenza Victim

PARIS, April 28.—(By Associated Press). Paul Deschanel, former president of France, died this afternoon.
M. Deschanel was taken ill with influenza a few days ago and on Wednesday it was announced that complications had developed and his condition was serious.

After his resignation from the French presidency in September, 1920,



PAUL DESCHANDEL
FORMER PRESIDENT OF FRANCE

M. Deschanel lived in retirement for several months. His condition improved steadily and late that year it was announced he had completely recovered in health. In January of last year he became a candidate in the senatorial elections, being returned for Eure et Loire on January 9. He began attending the senate sessions the following May and in January of this year was appointed a member of the senate foreign affairs commission to replace M. Poincare when the latter assumed the premiership.

FIGHTING BOB ATTACKS SEC'Y INTERIOR FALL

Wisconsin Senator Declares Harding Cabinet Officer Is Ablest Opponent of Conservation Since Roosevelt Days—Oil Land to Big Interests

WASHINGTON, April 28.—Congressional investigation into the leasing by the interior department of the oil rights of the Sinclair Dome naval 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.

WASHINGTON, April 28.—(By the Associated Press).—Senator LaFollette, republican, Wisconsin, attacking leases of naval oil reserve lands in the senate today, declared the reserves were being "scrapped in behalf of specially favored private interests."

His speech was in reference to leases recently made by the interior department in the Teapot Dome, Wyoming reserve, to the Sinclair oil interests.

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 upon the administration for all the facts and documents regarding the Teapot Dome leases.

Secretary Fall of the interior de-

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PARIS SEES NO HOPE IN SITUATION

Utmost Pessimism Reigns in France over Russian-German Entente—Believe Military Alliance Probable—Allies Make Known Terms to Russia.

PARIS, April 28.—(By Associated Press). Hope was still expressed in official circles here today that a non-aggressive agreement might be adopted at Genoa but the utmost pessimism prevails concerning the prospect of any kind of a satisfactory understanding with soviet Russia.

Reports to the foreign office from various sources regarding alleged annexes to the Russo-German treaty appear to have made an impression. According to these sources, the annexes are declared to include a clause pledging Russia to support Germany in claims for her former colonies or at least to the mandates for them.

Another clause is asserted to provide for a military understanding in case the Genoa conference fails to realize the mutual desires of Russia and Germany.

Barthou Talks With Paris

GENOA, April 28.—(By Associated Press). Vice 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 with regard to the reply to Russia had been harmonized. Divergencies 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 the 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.

Russian Plan Outlined

GENOA, April 28.—(By Associated Press). Plans for Russia's reconstruction were being finally determined upon 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, without further discussion.

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

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.

There is considerable discussion as to where the conference will stand if the Russians refuse all the proposals made to them.

Corset Makers Scared To Death; Girls Don't Wear Them Anymore

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 Miss Rose Hey, secretary of the organization, which includes manufacturers, saleswomen and designers of the feminine form frames.
"More and more women are giving up the corset," said Mme. Alla Ripley, president of the club.
"Fashion Art League of America."
"Young girls? Why to tell you the truth, I don't know a girl who wears a corset," she said.

A King Without a Crown or Country Goes Roving With His Sister



Otto of Austria who has just been declared King Otto II by the legitimist party of Austria seems to be very little worried about his crown. Otto is now 10 years old. With the young prince is his sister, Archduchess Adelaide who is 8 years old. This photo was made about two weeks before the death of his father, the exiled king of Austria.

18,000 PEOPLE ARE CUT OFF BY RUSHING WATER

VICKSBURG, Miss., April 28.—Twelve thousand persons are reported to have been cut off in the northern and eastern sections of Issaquena county by back water 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.

NATCHEZ, Miss., April 28.—A call was received here for rescue workers 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.

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.

BASEBALL SCORES

National	R	H	E.
At Pittsburg.	5	10	1
Cincinnati	3	11	1
Pittsburg	3	11	1
Batteries: Gouch and Wingo; Carlson, Yellowhorse, Wheeler and Gooch.			
At Brooklyn.	R	H	E.
Philadelphia	10	15	0
Brooklyn	7	16	1
Batteries: Hubbell and Heinline; Grimes, Mammux, Gardonier and Miller.			
At Boston.	R	H	E.
New York	10	10	0
Boston	6	15	4
Batteries: Neff and Smith; Watson, Oeschger and O'Neill.			

American	R	H	E.
At Detroit.	9	11	0
Chicago	6	11	0
Detroit	6	11	0
Batteries: Davenport, Wilkinson and Schalk; Oldham, Stoner, Daus, Johnson and Bassler.			
At New York.	R	H	E.
Boston	3	7	1
New York	10	14	3
Batteries: Karr, Fullerton, Dodge and Ruel; Bush and Schang.			

Coast

Vernon-Portland game postponed, wet grounds.

ST. LOUIS, April 28.—Kenneth Williams knocked out his seventh home run in six days, in slamming a circuit drive off Malls in today's game with Cleveland. No one was on base.

THREE CHILDREN LOSE LIVES IN DESCHUTES FIRE

BEND, Ore., April 28.—Three children, Mildred and Eunice Bergstrom, aged 13 and 10, and George Livesley, their cousin, aged 4, were burned to death early today at the ranch home of W. L. Bergstrom near Deschutes in a fire which started from an incubator. Bergstrom and his wife are in a hotel at Deschutes suffering from burns.

The children were asleep on the second floor of the house when the fire, which had started in the incubator, was discovered. Mr. and Mrs. Bergstrom made futile efforts to break through the wall of fire which prevented them reaching the children's room.

Both were burned and narrowly escaped with their lives. Mrs. Bergstrom was able to reach the stairs, but Bergstrom's escape was cut off and he had to break a window and jump to the ground. In breaking the glass in the window he cut an artery of his right hand.

Bergstrom later, in spite of his burns and injury, cranked his car and drove two miles to Deschutes, where he and Mrs. Bergstrom received medical attention. The ranch house was destroyed with loss estimated at \$2,000.

DISCARDED SAFE CRACKER'S TOOLS FOUND IN CITY

While moving electric power poles yesterday afternoon E. W. Gerhard and his crew of the California-Oregon Power company, found a set of safe cracker's tools consisting of a pipe wrench, a jimmy bar, a punch and a longer punch made from an old rat tail file. Parts of two different safe combinations accompanied the tools. Two dials and a tumbler were also among the parts. The tumbler bears the number 25488.

The Copco men were moving poles from the yard on North Fir street near the Valley Fuel company, where they are now stored, to the new warehouse site on South Fir.

ASTORIA FATALITY CAUSED BY LOG

ASTORIA, Ore., April 28.—A. J. Gustafson, 45, was drowned when he was knocked into the Columbia river by a log at a sawmill near here yesterday and John Riser, a fellow worker, as in a hospital here seriously injured as a result of being struck by the log.

Wild Women Beat Up Defenseless Men in Wisconsin and Kas.

GREEN BAY, Wis., April 28.—Pleading guilty in municipal court Thursday to charges of assault and battery four women alleged to have attacked "Pat" Gaffney and Carl Zoll, proprietors of a road house Tuesday night were each fined \$100 and costs and put under \$500 peace bonds each for two years.

INDEPENDENCE, Kas., April 28.—Because of talk that he had been slandering them in pool halls, Benson F. Prior, a laborer, was taken out on a country road and whipped by two women early this week, it became known here today.

ONLY HOPE OF FARMER RESTS ON RAIL R. CUT

Secy. of Agriculture Declares Railroad Rates Must Be Reduced to Pre-War Level Before Farmers Can Enjoy Prosperity.

NEW YORK, April 28.—Unless there is a quick reduction in railroad freight rates to "about pre-war levels," or the prices of agricultural products increased sufficiently to equal the rate advance, there will be "profound re-adjustments in agricultural production involving readjustments in industry as well," Secretary Wallace of the agricultural department declared in an address today before the New York Academy of political science.

The "blighting effect" upon agriculture of the present level of freight rates, the secretary said, "can hardly be comprehended."

What he regarded as the probable effects of present rates continued for any length of time, were summarized by Secretary Wallace as follows:

"First, to favor the farmers of South America and Australia at the expense of our own farmers.

"Substantial decrease in ocean rates emphasized the disadvantage of the American farmer, he pointed out.

"Second, to keep prices on farm products in the large surplus producing states at figures lower than are justified by the investment in land and equipment and cost of production.

"Third, prolong the period of dissatisfaction among farmers and encourage advocates of economy fallacies of all sorts.

"Fourth, improve the position of eastern truck and fruit growers but add considerably to the cost of milk and dairy products because of the advanced prices of hay and coarse grains necessarily shipped in from the west.

"Fifth, gradually shift industrial enterprises westward, nearer the surplus food producing territory.

"Sixth, promote sectional rather than national spirit and make more and more difficult national policies with respect to international affairs."

Present freight rates impose a tax on the farmer of the surplus producing states, Mr. Wallace said.

"The most hopeful sign of the present time is the apparent recognition of the railroad management that our present high rates cannot be continued without disaster to the railroads themselves and that rates must come down to a point not far, if any, above the pre-war levels."

TRIBUTE IS PAID WILSON BY WOMEN

Thousands of Delegates to Convention Women Voters Stage Demonstration in Front of Ex-President's Home—Wilson Not Strong Enough to Make a Speech.

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 Penwomen staged a demonstration last night before the home 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."

Mr. Wilson called back by the cheers, thanked the women and added:

"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 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 through kept up the tumult calling first for Mr. Wilson and then for 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.

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 any 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.

Dies in Bath Tub

EVERETT, Wash., April 28.—Fred A. Durr of the Durr Tractor company, died suddenly at his home here last evening while taking a bath. Heart disease caused death. He was 50 years old and is survived by his wife and several children.

MISSING SCHOOL TEACHER FOUND DEAD IN PARSONAGE, MURDER IS SUSPECTED

HOPESTON, Ill., April 28.—Announcement early today by the coroner's physician that Miss Gertrude Hanna, 25, former school teacher, whose body was found late yesterday in the unoccupied United Presbyterian church parsonage, two blocks from her home here, was approaching maturity, increased their conviction, county authorities said, that she was murdered.

An analysis of the contents of the young woman's stomach today is expected to throw further light on the mysterious death.
The body, lying just inside the basement window, was found by carpenters who had been working there for four days.
Miss Hanna last was seen alive when she left the home of her father, W. T. Hanna, Hoopston miller, March 24.
No evidence of violence was found on the body of Miss Hanna, according to Dr. F. A. Bumgart, who assisted County Physician J. G. Fisher in the autopsy. The body was in a remarkably good state of preservation, Dr. Bumgart stated, indicating that she had been dead only a short time, not over two weeks.

NEWSPAPER MAN DENIES HE KILLED MOVIE DIRECTOR IN DEFENSE OF HONOR

LOS ANGELES, April 28.—Honore C. Connette, newspaper man 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 a graphic description 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 a diagram 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.