

OREGON I. W. W. ISSUE STRIKE ULTIMATUM

VIOLENCE IS THREATENED BY WOBBLES

Oregon Reds in Order for Strike Tomorrow Warn All Bootleggers to Close Up Or Drastic Action Will Follow—Unconditional Release of War Prisoners Demanded.

SALEM, Ore., April 27.—Machine gun crews and gas howitzer squads of the National Guard, together with expert riflemen, will be transported to any critical point in the state should local civil authorities be unable to handle situations that may arise from the threatened I. W. W. strike, it was said at the capital today. Governor Pierce conferred for two hours today with Adjutant General White, who recently made a tour of inspection of logging camps.

PORTLAND, Ore., April 27.—The Portland local of the lumberworkers branch of the I. W. W. today announced that the strike called in the state for May 1 had been sent ahead to start tomorrow and gave out a list of demands. The demands follow: First, the unconditional release of all class-war prisoners. Second, the abolition of all piece and contract work. Third, an eight hour day from camp to camp. Fourth, that the company furnish sanitary beds with clean linen at least once a week. Fifth, that all Sunday work and overtime be paid for at the rate of time and one-half and that no work be done on Sunday except when absolutely necessary. Sixth, that all mail matter be allowed to come to camp without censorship of any kind. Seventh, that all safety rules be lived up to. Eighth, that clean and sanitary bath houses and dry houses be maintained in all camps. Ninth, that all top bunks be removed. Tenth, that employment offices be established by the employers and that no fee or charge of any kind be made. Eleventh, that all persons handling foodstuffs in camps have their health cards. Specially listed as "class-war prisoners" are the I. W. W. prisoners in Leavenworth prison. "The Centralla prisoners who defended their hall," Mooney and Billings, Sacco and Vanzetti, Ford and Suhr, Rangle and Kline, criminal syndicalism victims in state prisons.

The strike committee also sent out warnings to bootleggers and gambling houses. "You are hereby given notice to close up during the strike or drastic action will be taken against you," they read. Other literature urged strikers to "stay away from booze."

Disorders, San Francisco
SAN FRANCISCO, April 27.—The first disorder of the strike of I. W. W. timber and marine workers in the Pacific states was an affair aboard the tanker Solano, as she was about to sail from San Pedro late yesterday. The event was described by the ship's officers as a "huffin'" but as the ship did not return, few details were available.

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HUSBAND CONFESSES HE SAT ON WIFE IN SHALLOW POND UNTIL SHE DIED

NEW BRITAIN, Conn., April 27.—Having confessed that he sat on his wife in a shallow pond so that she was drowned, John A. Carlson, a plumbing contractor, was held without bonds today. He said he deliberately drove his automobile over an embankment. The car overturned and both were thrown into the pond. Then Carlson placed a cushion on his wife's head and chest and sat on it, holding her head above the surface. He sat there until her struggles ceased, according to his statement, and then went to the highway and obtained assistance. He rode to a hospital in an ambulance with his wife's body and told officers that the accident occurred when his wife lost control of the car. Carlson and his wife were married 24 years ago. Two sons, aged 19 and 15, live here. The drowning occurred a month ago, Carlson said he had quarreled on the motor trip with his wife because he purchased for her a fur coat costing \$130 when she wanted one costing \$200.

Governor of Texas Disapproves of Ku Klux Demonstration

AUSTIN, Texas, April 27.—Disapproval of the demonstration by the Ku Klux Klan in the house of representatives last night when a concert by the St. John orphanage for negroes was in progress, was voiced by Lieutenant Governor T. W. Davidson in a statement in the Journal of the Texas senate today. He declared the incident "unfortunate and inopportune."

DOLORES DROPS DAMAGE SUIT AGAINST "BABE"

Miss Dixon Withdraws From Case When Her Record Is About to Be Introduced—She Admits Frame-Up, According to Ruth's Attorney.

NEW YORK, April 27.—Miss Dolores Dixon, who recently brought a suit for \$50,000 damages against "Babe" Ruth, the New York Yanks home run king, alleging seduction and assault, withdrew her case today. The withdrawal was made just as the case of Robert McChesney, who was to have been examined in supreme court as to the record of Miss Dixon was about to be called.

McChesney did not appear when called and Hyman Bushel, Ruth's attorney, asked that the case be dismissed. He produced a stipulation, signed by Miss Dixon, her guardian ad litem, Barbara V. Escoc, and her attorney, George Feinberg, withdrawing the suit. Bushel announced he also had obtained a confession signed by Miss Dixon, in which she admitted the suit was the result of a frameup in which several persons were involved. Ruth's attorney declined to give out the document, saying he would show it to "Babe" at Boston today. He then would turn it over to the district attorney for investigation, Bushel said.

The stipulation, signed by the plaintiffs, which Ruth's attorney submitted to the court, was in the form of an agreement by which the suit was to be withdrawn "without costs to either party against the other, an order to that effect to be entered without notice to either party to the other."

Bushel said he had refused to sign the stipulation. Although he kept secret the contents of Miss Dixon's alleged confession, he showed reporters a signature which he said was hers, affixed to the document. Ruth was training in the south when the suit was announced and he at once vigorously denied that he ever knew or had seen Miss Dixon. He was joined in denouncing the case as a blackmail scheme, by Mrs. Ruth.

Miss Dixon, according to her lawyer, is an expectant mother. Later McChesney, who was released from the Tombs yesterday appeared in court ready to answer questions. He was astonished to learn that Miss Dixon had withdrawn her suit. "I would like to go on the witness stand and tell the whole inside of this story," he told the reporters.

TWELVE DIE IN TENEMENT FIRE, N. YORK

Heart Breaking Tragedies Follow Mysterious Blaze in Upper Gotham—Bride-to-Be Dies When She Tries to Get Wedding Dress—Seven of One Family Killed.

NEW YORK, April 27.—(By Associated Press). Fire of mysterious origin starting in a pile of rubbish on the first floor of a five story brick tenement in East 109th street early today mushroomed through the building and caused the deaths of twelve persons, members of two families living on the top floor.

Two persons were injured and firemen made spectacular rescues of many of the 200 living in the building. Seven of the dead were members of the family of David Mandelbaum, a painter, who had planned to move today to a little farm upstate which he purchased recently. They were Mrs. Mandelbaum and her children, whose ages ranged from 1 to 16 years.

The other dead were Aaron Kuxis, his wife, their daughter Bertha, 21, their son, David, 18, and a relative, Mrs. Isaac Brownstein, who was visiting them.

Mandelbaum, who was rescued by firemen and police after he had made desperate attempts to save his family, said he was awakened by smoke, and when he opened the door of his bedroom, he was met with a rush of flame.

His little son, Hyman, who also had been awakened, crawled on his hands and knees behind him. Mandelbaum placed the youngster on the fire escape and told him to climb down and wait for the firemen. He was rescued.

The Kuxis family, who occupied an apartment opposite the Mandelbaums, was trapped. Mrs. Brownstein was pulled out of the room unconscious by firemen and taken to a hospital, where she died.

Bertha Kuxis, who was to have been married June 17, lost her life because she went back to her apartment for her wedding dress. She had reached a landing where she could have escaped when she went back. Her fiancé, David Aaron, who lives in the neighborhood, saw her charred body carried from the building. He was overcome with grief.

Many more persons would have been trapped by the flames, according to police, had it not been for Michael Kaufman, a city employee living across from the burned tenement, who discovered the fire.

Seeing smoke and flames shooting from a fourth floor window, Kaufman telephoned a fire alarm and then rushed across the street into the burning building and ran through the floors blowing a police whistle between shouts of "fire," as he fled from the building. The rapidly spreading flames enveloped the wooden stairways driving the forty or more tenants in the building to seek safety through the windows or down fire escapes.

Arriving at the street Kaufman continued to blow his police whistle until he had attracted the attention of Angelo Magatta, a taxi driver, who drove his car beneath the fire escape landing at the first floor from which the terror stricken tenants dropped to the cab's roof.

With the arrival of the fire department which had been called by three alarms, a half dozen men and women were found to be hanging from window sills and were brought to safety after thrilling rescues.

DUBLIN, April 27.—(By the Associated Press).—The chief of staff of the Irish republican army has ordered a cessation of hostilities from noon of Monday with a view to negotiation of peace. A proclamation issued by Eamon DeValera, the republican leader, stipulates as one of the conditions of peace that the sovereign rights of the Irish nation are indefeasible and inalienable.

10 Lbs. Lost by Marathon Dance Queen



After shuffling for 69 hours, Miss Vera Sheppard of Long Island City, was compelled to call a halt in her Marathon dance. Miss Sheppard, shown above with Ben Solar, who was her partner for almost the entire 69 hours, lost 10 lbs. in weight, and was almost unconscious during the last hours. She was supported only by the strength of her various partners, one of whom was partly demented as a result of the strain.

FAMILY CALLED TO DOOR OF HOME SHOT TO DEATH BY ARMED BAND IN OKLAHOMA

HAWORTH, Okla., April 27.—Ira Gardner and A. B. Miller, farmers, were arrested today by a posse and placed in the city jail here in connection with the killing of five members of the family of Tom Hansell at the Hansell home near here late last night. Officers declined to discuss the arrests of the two men, other than to say they were taken into custody because of letters recently received by Hansell and members of his family.

ISABEL, Okla., April 27.—J. W. Pope, 45, was captured by a posse near Clarksville, Texas and brought to the county jail here late today in connection with the slaying of his estranged wife, their two children, and Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Hansell, his parents-in-law, at the home of the latter near Haworth early today.

HAWORTH, Okla., April 27.—

RADIO SERVICE FOR METHODIST CHURCH, SUNDAY

The use of radio in church work will be introduced in Medford for the first time Sunday. Bishop Wm. O. Shepard, speaking from Portland, will address the congregation of the First Methodist church Sunday evening at 7:45. A telegram to the local pastor, Rev. J. R. Sargent, carried the announcement that arrangements had been made in Portland, with one of the broadcasting stations. Through the courtesy of Mr. Slyneg S. Smith and Mr. Virgin of this city the best receiving set in the city has been secured for the evening. The radio features—which will include some musical numbers from the Los Angeles Bible Institute—will be but one of a number of exceptional attractions. Dr. A. L. Howarth, secretary executive of the Portland area, has been secured as the speaker of the day. He will address the congregation at the 11 o'clock service and again at 8 o'clock, following the radio message from the bishop. Dr. Howarth is recognized as one of the outstanding ministers of the Methodist church, being in demand to address large church gatherings, not only in the northwest, but in many sections of the country. He has just returned from the Hawaiian Islands where he took a prominent part in the mission conference recently held. In addition to the radio music, the choir has planned some special music for both services. Of especial mention is a contralto solo, "O Rest of Rests," which will be sung by Mrs. Bryan Pierce. Another attraction of the day is a moving picture, the title of which is "Uncle America." A good machine and operator have been secured for the occasion. The hour of this feature is 6:30. There will be no charge. The services of the day will initiate the campaign to complete the fund for the new church.

BASEBALL SCORES

National.		
At Philadelphia—	R.	H. E.
Brooklyn	5	10
Philadelphia	2	4
Grimes and Deberry; Winters and Henline.		
At Pittsburgh—	R.	H. E.
Chicago	1	7
Pittsburgh	2	8
Alexander and O'Farrell; Morrison and Schmidt.		
ST. LOUIS, April 27.—St. Louis Cincinnati postponed, rain.		
American.		
At Detroit—	R.	H. E.
St. Louis	2	7
Detroit	5	13
Pruett, Kolp and Severid; Holloway, Johnson and Woodall.		
At Boston—	R.	H. E.
New York	4	8
Boston	2	6
Shawkey and Schang; Fullerton, Quinn and Pielnehl.		

Conan Doyle Receives Scribbled Note From His Departed Mother

TOLEDO, Ohio, April 27.—A scribbled note, purporting to be a message from his dead mother, was received by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle last night during a seance with Miss Ada Bessinet, a distinguished Toledo medium. The letter, beginning: "My dear son," informed Sir Arthur that his mother had tried to come to him in spirit but failing, apprised him of her presence by the note. The English novelist also received what he said was a whispered message from his nephew, Oscar, killed in the world war. Several "spirit faces" appeared before him and before others of the party, but none was recognized.

HUGHES STARTS! MOVE TO STOP RUM SMUGGLING

Secy. of State Asks Great Britain to Prevent Ships From Engaging in Liquor Traffic to U. S. A.—\$150,000 Capture Is Reported.

WASHINGTON, April 27.—New representations on the subject of rum smuggling have been made by the state department to the British government which is requested in friendly terms to co-operate in preventing vessels flying the British flag from engaging in liquor traffic between American and foreign ports.

Among the subjects discussed was the question of cancelling the British registry of rum vessels, which are found to be actually controlled by American interests. The British ambassador here also was asked to use his good offices to obtain an agreement between the United States and Canada by which the dominion authorities stop issuing clearance papers to vessels with liquor cargoes designated to the United States.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., April 27.—Fifteen men held up guards at the W. B. Samuels distillery near Bardstown, Ky., early today and carried away twenty barrels of whiskey in a stolen truck, according to reports received by federal prohibition officers here.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 27.—A seizure of a truckload of Scotch whiskey, valued at \$10,000 was made by the police today when the truck stalled on a hill near the waterfront. John Albert, driver of the truck, was arrested on a charge of violating the Wright state prohibition act and told police that the truck had been loaded at a nearby wharf to which the liquor was brought from sea on a tug.

HIGHLANDS, N. J., April 27.—(By Associated Press). Coast guardsmen today seized the motor lighter Napague with an estimated cargo of nearly 16,000 cases of liquor. The lighter was enroute from the rum fleet to the New Jersey shore when captured off Sandy Hook. The cargo contained mostly rye whiskey with an estimated retail value of more than \$150,000.

U. S. MINING ENGINEER ESCAPES FROM MEXICAN BANDITS, "WILL NOT RETURN"

MEXICO CITY, April 27.—Oliver W. Krull, the American mining engineer who was kidnapped from a Durango mining camp on April 6, escaped from the bandits who held him a prisoner at a place called Coeta Durango, according to a story he told upon his arrival at Gomez Palacio. Krull said he was well treated after his capture, although he was suffering from cold and hunger on the long forced marches through the mountains. The kidnappers, headed by Juan Gallardo, the outlaw leader, whose headquarters are at Coeta, first attempted to force Krull to appeal to the United States government for a ransom of \$100,000, the engineer asserted. When the bandits were convinced that this demand was impossible of realization, they agreed to permit Krull to ask his relatives for a \$5000 reward for his return. Krull led a life of hardship for two weeks and then managed to escape. He wandered about for some time without food until he encountered a detachment of federal troops which had been sent in search of Gallardo. The soldiers assisted him in reaching Durango. Krull said that he did not intend to return to the scene of the kidnapping.

TOM WORD NOT GUILTY SAYS JURY

Federal Officer Acquitted On Drunk Charge By Jury After Few Minutes' Deliberation—State's Case Falls Flat—Alleged Evidence Lacking—Ask Dismissal Indictment.

A jury in Justice of the Peace Glenn O. Taylor's court this afternoon returned a verdict of not guilty, in the trial of Tom L. Word, department of justice agent, who collected the evidence in the Jackson county night riding cases, after 23 minutes' deliberation. Three men, the first result five to one for acquittal, charged with being in place on the night of the 22, 1922, and the night of the 23, 1922, beginning on White Soap.

An indictment, same evidence, was ago by the grand jury now in session. Chief Assistant United States District Attorney Tom McGuire, this afternoon in the circuit court at Jacksonville, made a motion for the dismissal of this bill.

County Attorney W. T. Miller, of Josephine county was called in to assist the state in the prosecution of the case, and made the closing argument. Miller among other things charged in his remarks, "that if the defendant was a poor man, a verdict of guilty would be returned in fifteen minutes."

Chief Assistant United States District Attorney McGuire in his argument to the jury, charged "that there is no denying that feeling ran high in this community, and this action is based upon the desire of somebody to get Tom Word," and "built upon foolish and flimsy conjecture." McGuire also charged that "the state is trying to gloss over the word drunk, by the use of the expressions 'intoxicated' and 'under the influence.'"

District Attorney Rawles Moore made the opening statement, and asked for a fair and careful consideration of the evidence, covering only the testimony in his arguments. The case lasted an entire day.

The jury was composed of the following with H. C. Burgess as foreman, C. S. Butterfield, Dick Bradley, G. M. Mordoff, J. Bayse and John M. Root.

The high point in the trial, which attracted statewide attention because of the federal position of the defendant, and his activity in collecting evidence in the Jackson county night-riding cases, was the indefiniteness of the witnesses for the state, as to the alleged "drunken condition" of Word. None would testify "beyond a reasonable doubt," that Word was in the condition charged.

The first witness called by the state was O. L. Davidson, proprietor of a news stand at Main and Fir streets, who testified that, on the night of November 22, 1922, he saw Word pass his place, and that "he seemed to stagger," and that "his overcoat was hanging in a peculiar position 'down towards the ground.'"

Davidson said he could not testify definitely that Word was "drunk." W. H. McGowan and T. A. Fifer, who were in the clear stand at the time, corroborated the testimony of Davidson, but could not testify definitely. (Continued on Page Three)