

The Weather

Prediction Rain
Maximum yesterday 62
Minimum today 43.5

Daily—Eighteenth Year.
Weekly—Fifty-Third Year.

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Weather Year Ago

Maximum 77
Minimum 37

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FIND SKELETON OF N. W. STUDENT KILLED IN RUSH

Ghastly Find On Lake Front at Evanston Explains Mysterious Disappearance Leighton Mount, Student Northwestern University.

PORTLAND, Ore., May 1.—Leighton Mount, whose skeleton was found at Evanston, Ill., was 18 years old and the son of Mr. and Mrs. John L. Mount, former residents of Portland. Mount's parents moved to Evanston before Leighton entered Northwestern university.

CHICAGO, May 1.—Leighton Mount, Northwestern university student missing from the September, 1921, class rush, whose skeleton was found on the Evanston lake front last night, was killed in the class rush, Chief of Police Leggett of Evanston, declared today.

"Mount's body was carried to the pier after his death and buried beneath heavy stones," Chief Leggett said. "There could be no other explanation of the presence there of his skeleton."

"It is likely that Mount was killed accidentally during the class war in September, 1921, and that his body was hidden by students who were frightened as a result of their hazing."

Both arms and hands, one foot and one lower leg are missing, the chief said and the pier, beneath which the skeleton was discovered, is being guarded by police until a complete search can be finished.

Chief of Police Leggett and President Walter Dill Scott of the University met today to arrange for the inquest tomorrow. Chief Leggett announced that the boys who testified at the hearing held soon after Mount's disappearance would be among those summoned to testify.

Besides the skeleton, identified by the boy's mother through a belt buckle and fragments of a coat, the chief exhibit for the inquest is a piece of rope about three feet long found by the body. Students engaged in the class rush of 1921, said today it was similar to the ropes given scores of underclass men for use in tying the hands and feet of members of the opposing class.

The rope found by Mount's body was not knotted and gave no indication of having been around the hands or feet of the skeleton. It was worn about half way through at spots about six inches apart.

HANSON PLAN CASES ARE ALL CLEARED UP

SALEM, Ore., May 1.—The supreme court this morning affirmed the decision of Judge F. M. Calkins in the case of Grace M. Wilson vs. City of Medford, in a suit to quiet title.

This is a legal action instituted about a year ago and tested the constitutionality of the Extended Payment Plan, generally known as the Hanson plan, the basic issue being whether the city has the right to issue certificates of delinquency for non-payment of assessments, and if unredeemed after a certain period, issue deeds. The Wilson case was the most important of the suits filed, and much interest taken in its final outcome.

The Fehl case, attacking the Hanson plan at another point, was decided in favor of the city of Medford, a week ago, and the remaining suit of Rosell vs. the City of Medford, the defendant made a stipulation to abide by the decision in the Wilson case.

AN ENTENTE WITH FRANCE IS CORNERSTONE OF NEW OFFER FROM GERMANY

BERLIN, May 1.—(By Associated Press.) Germany's new program for a settlement of the reparations tangle, reichstag leaders believe, will propose the flat payment of thirty billion gold marks, the promulgation of a 99 year non-aggression pact signed by the Rhine powers, and the establishment of a Franco-German entente.

The items on the program which receives its final approval by government officials today before it is transmitted to the allied governments and to Washington, have been closely guarded by Chancellor Cuno and those immediately around him. Political

Salem Favors Sugar Boycott, Hoover Is Friendly to Move

SALEM, Ore., May 1.—Mayor Giesy and the heads of seven leading civic organizations today expressed themselves as favoring a sugar boycott and plans were outlined for a public meeting to be held the latter part of this week. The presidents of five Salem women's clubs denounced the activities of market speculators which have made sugar prices "unreasonable."

WASHINGTON, May 1.—American women who are organizing boycotts against use of sugar "are on the right track," in the opinion of Secretary Hoover.

"The way to control prices of food commodities," said Mr. Hoover, "is to bring the spontaneous control of consumption."

KIN OF ABRAHAM LINCOLN KILLED, SON SUSPECTED

AURORA, Ill., May 1.—Unexplained circumstances and a possibility of murder in connection with the disappearance of Warren J. Lincoln, a former attorney and prominent floriculturist, a distant relative of Abraham Lincoln, caused police today to widen their search for him.

John Lincoln, 20 year old son of the missing man, was taken into custody and questioned. Police are still searching for Mrs. Lincoln and her brother, Byron Shoup, and a sandy haired stranger, whom Lincoln had reported to police had been following him.

Lincoln's disappearance yesterday was discovered by his brother. Edward Lincoln's night shirt and a woman's glove were found in a well and his bungalow had been ransacked. Near the house a pool of blood was found and a nearby flower bed bore the imprint of a woman's heel. A blood-stained club was discovered near the pool of blood.

Mrs. Lincoln is Lincoln's second wife and he had started divorce proceedings against her. Shoup was employed by Lincoln but after the filing of divorce proceedings both Lincoln's wife and her brother disappeared. It was reported that she had gone to Seattle.

The police concerned themselves with reports that Lincoln's life was insured for \$10,000, and that recently he had made his son the beneficiary, substituting the boy's name for that of his wife.

Young Lincoln told officers that on the night his father disappeared he had been visiting a girl friend, Mary Collins, in Batavia, near here. Police said the girl substantiated his story.

ARIZONA ATTORNEY KILLS SHEEPMAN

PRESCOTT, Ariz., May 1.—C. C. Norton, well known Prescott attorney, shot and killed Garland Smith, a sheep grower of Kirkland, Ariz. The shooting occurred in Norton's office and the attorney immediately afterwards notified the sheriff's office of his act. Norton told the authorities he shot Smith after the latter had threatened his life during a dispute over an attempt to collect a promissory note.

Daily Report on the Strike Crop

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EXPECT I. W. W. STRIKE TO END IN A FEW DAYS

Wobblies Returning to Work in Coast Lumber Camps — May Day Demonstrations Quiet—Men Admit Have No Grievances.

ASTORIA, Ore., May 1.—Logging camps in the lower Columbia river district were operating today with part crews and no May day disturbances were reported. Operators predicted that men who were out would return in a day or two, and that by the end of the week most camps would be running as usual.

According to statements by loggers to Astoria business men, they had no grievance, but walked out to show their strength.

B. A. Avery and A. J. Lushing, alleged I. W. W. organizers, arrested Sunday on the charge of violating the Oregon syndicalism law were arraigned today and pleaded not guilty. They were held in default of bail of \$500 each. It was reported that an attorney was coming from Portland to defend them.

PORTLAND, Ore., May 1.—While police were prepared for any development in connection with the I. W. W. strike and the activities of the I. W. W. in closing bootleg and gambling establishments, the headquarters of the I. W. W. today announced that orders had been issued to their men that there should be no disorder.

A picnic in a park here was the principal feature of the day's activities announced by the I. W. W. leaders.

Reports this morning from the logging districts of the state showed little change in the strike situation, most camps which had been affected reporting that men were returning to work.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 1.—Operators of some lumber camps affected by the strike of forest workers called in Pacific coast states by the Industrial Workers of the World faced May day in a state of preparedness for eventualities, while others, like shipping operators affected by the strike of marine workers called at the same time by the same body, apparently felt no apprehension over what the day might bring forth.

From the Feather river section of California came reports that mill operators and superintendents were ready for any crisis. Previous statements from I. W. W. leaders that the forest strike was not planned to be effective in Oregon until today led to close observation of conditions in that state. Thus far the proportion of men returning to work after striking a day or two in advance of the formal date and of those walking out just about balanced.

SEATTLE, May 1.—Hundreds of I. W. W. the Seattle contingent, augmented by striking lumbermen from the logging camps of the district, gathered at Renton Junction near here today for their annual international labor day picnic. Peace officers said the gathering was quiet and orderly, and that no trouble was expected.

May day activities of the I. W. W. resulted in the closing of a number of additional logging camps in Washington, according to early reports. The camp of the Martin Lumber company in Lewis county suspended operations and about fifty cut work in the camp of the Eastern Railway and Lumber company in the same district, it was reported.

One camp of the Chinn Lumber company near Maple Falls, suspended operations for the day, according to advices here.

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CLEVELAND, May 1.—Five hundred building material teamsters were on strike here today and a second strike was threatened by 150 structural steel workers. Employers of the teamsters would not negotiate with the union, according to officials of the teamsters' union.

NEW AMERICAN VENUS REPUTED A PERFECT 34



Meet the new Venus, a perfect 34, who has just been discovered by the dictators of American fashions, and who stands a good chance of backing the time honored V. de Milo with her perfect 34 right off the boards. She is Miss Martha Gonzales, a Brooklyn girl, who is 20 years old and meets every requirement for the new form divine. Miss Gonzales was born in New York. Her parents are American citizens of Spanish extraction and she was educated in a convent.

S. P. ENGINEER IS CRUSHED TO DEATH, ASHLAND

ASHLAND, Ore., May 1.—(Special to Mail Tribune.)—Wm. N. Ellis, 40 years old, one of the most experienced and popular Southern Pacific engineers in this city, died early this morning as the result of injuries received last evening when he was caught between his locomotive and another locomotive shunting into the same track. Ellis was on the track near his engine, and apparently miscalculated the space between the two tracks, for he was knocked against his own engine and then crushed between the two. He was rushed to the hospital and everything done to save his life, but without avail.

Mr. Ellis leaves a wife and two children, and a sister, Mrs. Charles Rose of this city. The body will be shipped to the deceased's former home at Cave City, Kentucky.

BASEBALL SCORES

National
At New York— R. H. E.
Brooklyn 3 5 3
New York 4 7 1
Batteries: Grimes and Taylor; Johnson and Snyder.

At Philadelphia— R. H. E.
Boston 12 18 0
Philadelphia 10 17 1
Batteries: McNamara, Cooney, Watson and O'Neill; Hubbell, Behan and Henline.

At Cincinnati— R. H. E.
Chicago 3 8 2
Cincinnati 1 7 3
Batteries: N. Dumovich and O'Farrell; Keck and Hargrave.

American
At Boston— R. H. E.
Philadelphia 4 10 0
Boston 5 11 1
Batteries: Ogden, Helmach and Perkins; Ehmke and Picinich.

At Chicago— R. H. E.
St. Louis 3 7 3
Chicago 5 6 2
Batteries: Kolp, Pruett and Severeid; Leverette and Schalk.

At Detroit— R. H. E.
Cleveland 5 14 1
Detroit 6 11 0
Batteries: Edwards, Uhle and O'Neill; Francis, Johnson and Woodall.

MAY DAY VERY QUIET ABROAD, REDS INACTIVE

For First Time in 50 Years, Business As Usual in Rome —Parades and Speeches Alone Mark Worker Demonstrations.

ROME, May 1.—(By Associated Press.) For the first time in nearly fifty years, business and industry proceeded here as usual on May day. All the factories were working and all the shops were open, the street cars and taxicabs were operating and everyone was at work.

ROME, May 1.—(By Associated Press.) Two communists were killed and several others wounded in a conflict with a national militia force at Milan today when a band of communists attempted to prevent the railwaymen from working, according to semi-official accounts of the accident.

LONDON, May 1.—(By Associated Press.) To the music of numerous bands, London's working people in large numbers marched in long processions from the embankment to Hyde Park today in celebration of May day. Listening to various labor leaders voice their opinions on governmental actions and world politics generally. Resolutions were moved expressing sympathy with German workers in the Ruhr and calling upon the government to denounce the treaty of Versailles, recognize the Russian republic and demand the withdrawal of the Japanese troops from the Russian part of the island of Sakhalin.

BERLIN, May 1.—(By Associated Press.) Semi-holiday conditions prevailed today throughout Germany. Parades and assemblies were held in various parts of the country, mainly by the socialists and the communists.

Paris Is Quiet

PARIS, May 1.—(By Associated Press.) Up to noon today May day in Paris seemed more like a leisurely celebration of the coming of spring than a day of demonstrations against capitalism or one devoted to the strikes originally planned. Except for the scarcity of the taxicabs on the boulevards Paris presented the normal aspect of a city celebrating a semi-holiday aspect.

The strike of the taxi drivers merely diverted more passengers to the street cars, the busses and the subways.

CHICAGO, May 1.—Police were forced to use their clubs to back a crush of members of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America intent on storming the entrance of the Auditorium theater today to hear Eugene V. Debs in a May day speech. Apparently no one was injured.

A riot call brought three patrol wagons loaded with police reserves and found a throng estimated by the police at nearly 3000 swarming about the theater building, the doors having been forcibly closed after the house was filled to capacity. The policemen drew their clubs and forced back the throng.

CIGARET BLAMED FOR 33 DEATHS

VICTORIA, B. C., May 1.—The explosion in number four mine of the Cabin Creek colliers, last February, which resulted in the deaths of 33 miners was caused by the attempt of Jung Tow, a Chinese miner, to light a cigarette when the mine was filled with gas. George Wilkinson, official investigator for the Canadian government, reported today. Jung Tow lost his life in the explosion.

REFUSED FOOD, TRAMP FIRES PORTLAND HOME

PORTLAND, Ore., May 1.—Police charge today that a tramp, seeking revenge fired a lodging house shortly before midnight last night, causing three of the fifteen occupants to be painfully burned or injured in fleeing from the fire.

A man to whom Mrs. L. Hayes, landlady, refused to give food last Friday, is sought by the police. Firemen found three separate fires burning in the house, they said. In one place kerosene had been used. Attendants this morning reported that all three victims of the fire were recovering.

Nightrider Mob Disperses After a Talk With Sheriff

SANTA ROSA, Cal., May 1.—A mob which gathered in a cemetery near Cunningham last night with the intention of applying tar and feather to Frank Fish for alleged undue attentions to young girls, dispersed after agreeing to the suggestion of Sheriff Boyes that they swear out a warrant against Fish. The warrant arrived here today and Fish was lodged in the county jail in Santa Rosa.

RAIL STRIKERS ABANDON CASE EVE OF HEARING

CHICAGO, May 1.—(By Associated Press.) The leaders of the strike of railroad shopmen today abandoned their case in defense against the federal injunction obtained by Attorney General Harry M. Daugherty last September and announced that their principal contentions in the case had been upheld.

The announcement by counsel for the defendants, coming 24 hours in advance of the hearing on the government's application for a permanent injunction caused Blackburn Esterly, assistant solicitor general of the United States to interpret the action of the defense as amounting to a default which he termed a "fiasco."

After announcing that all attorneys for the defense had withdrawn at the request of the officers of the railway employees' department of the American Federation of Labor, Donald R. Richberg of defense counsel explained that the shopmen were satisfied with the situation and that the government could find such satisfaction as they could and do as they wished with the case. He made public a letter addressed to himself, Frank L. Mulnolund of Toledo, Ohio, and James E. Smith of Washington, the attorneys for the defense, from B. M. Jewell, president of the railway employees' department, and the other leaders, explaining their views of the case.

The suit, the letter declared, involved the right to strike. The government had called the strike a conspiracy and its primary purpose was to seek to establish that a concerted refusal to accept wages and working conditions as fixed by the railway labor board was unlawful. In this connection the shopmen's leaders referred to the supreme court decision in the case of the Pennsylvania railroad against the labor board in which the court held that it was not compulsory to abide by the board's decisions, although holding there was a moral constraint to do so.

The defendants are assured that the district court will not hold in the present case that the strike of July 1, 1922 "was unlawful in its inception, or was a strike against the government."

The letter continued that aside from the primary charge that the strike was illegal, no matter how peacefully conducted, there was no charge that acts of lawlessness had accompanied the strike. The shopmen set forth that in that respect they never had opposed an injunction against lawlessness. As to the government bill of complaint in support of the application for a permanent injunction against the activities of the defendants in support of the strike the letter declared:

"This nation-wide strike no longer exists."

ADMINISTRATIVE, Conn., May 1.—Rear Admiral William Sheffield Cowles, U. S. N., retired, died here today in his 77th year. Rear Admiral Cowles married a sister of Theodore Roosevelt. He was retired from active service in 1908.

RAILROAD CONDUCTOR SUES HIS OWN UNION FOR \$200,000 DAMAGES

BOULDER, Colo., May 1.—Trial of the injunction and damage suit of Rufus Jones against the order of Railway Conductors and the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen in which damages amounting to \$200,000 are sought, opened in district court here today. A jury has not yet been selected. It is expected that the trial will require about three weeks. Jones, a Denver and Interurban railway conductor and former switchman for the Colorado and Southern, asks \$200,000 damages, alleging that

STANDARD OIL FIGHTING FOR CONTROL U.S.A.

N. Y. World Declares Big Gasoline War Now On—Claim Standard Cutting Prices to Drive Out Independents—Legal Action Is Forecasted.

NEW YORK, May 1.—A struggle for domination between opposing elements in the petroleum industry is seen by Wall Street the New York World says today, with the Standard Oil interests and a few other big refiners aligned against independent companies operating chiefly in the mid-continent field. The total financing strength of the Standard Oil group is given as \$532,000,000 by the paper and that of the independents as \$489,200,000.

The offensive, which was behind the general smash in prices on the New York stock exchange yesterday, the World says, has been seen by the street for three weeks. The objective, it is asserted, is the wrecking of the independents and the eventual control of the mid-continent field by the Standard Oil interests and their allies.

"Recently gasoline prices have been subject to several cuts, always initiated by Standard Oil companies and followed by the independents," the article says. "These cuts appear purely artificial to Wall Street, for the reason that while consumption was increased enormously this year, Mexican production has continued to slump and the total supply of gasoline available is relatively lower than last year."

"For these reasons, it is said that the price reductions both in gasoline and California crude oil have been made as a blow at the independents. If the independents were out of the way it would be possible for the large interests to take advantage of decreasing Mexican yields and increasing consumption in this country to put the price of gasoline to almost any figure desired."

"Some persons in touch with the fight and the circumstances behind it believe that the compact had its inception in animosities and jealousies that accompanied disclosures at the recent oil investigation conducted by a committee of the United States senate."

"It was reported that the independents probably would take their case to the department of justice claiming that Standard Oil despite its dissolution was still in a position to strangle competition and that its present attack on the independents constituted a violation of the Sherman law."

U. S. OIL GRANT IN TURKEY SIGNED

CONSTANTINOPLE, May 1.—(By the Associated Press.)—A convention putting into effect the railway development and mining concessions granted by the Turkish government to the American syndicate headed by Rear Admiral Colby M. Chester, retired, was signed yesterday at Angora.

The Turkish minister of public works affixed his signature for the government and Clayton Kennedy for the promoting corporation.

Commander Arthur T. Chester, retired, a son of Rear Admiral Chester, also signed the document on behalf of the American syndicate.

Now It's Piano Playing

HOUSTON, Texas, May 1.—T. J. Kennedy, Jr., held the new world's record of 66 hours and 20 minutes continuous piano playing here today. He left his piano at 8:25, his last opponent having dropped out at 2:29 a. m. The marathon, staged by the American Legion here, started Saturday. The former record of 29 hours was held by Howard Roth of Toledo.