

THE WEATHER: Unsettled Tuesday, probably rain or snow in northeast portion; colder in east portions; Wednesday partly cloudy.

WILSON MAY QUIT PEACE MEET

PRESIDENT MAY LEAVE PARIS IN FEW DAYS

Rumors Say Executive Likely to Abandon Parleys if Agreement Not Reached Within 48 Hours.

Paris, April 7.—President Wilson's orders that the United States transport George Washington proceeded immediately to a French port have aroused much comment here and are even construed by some officials as preliminary to a determined move to force an agreement at an early date by the peace conference.

As is usual in such cases, various rumors were soon in circulation and before night one was current that the president had delivered an ultimatum to the effect that he would withdraw from the conference unless an agreement was reached in 48 hours.

It is confidently asserted by those close to the president that he did not contemplate any such action, but the same authorities have no hesitation in declaring that the president had made his position plain on the questions at issue and it is believed his determination to adhere to this position is fixed.

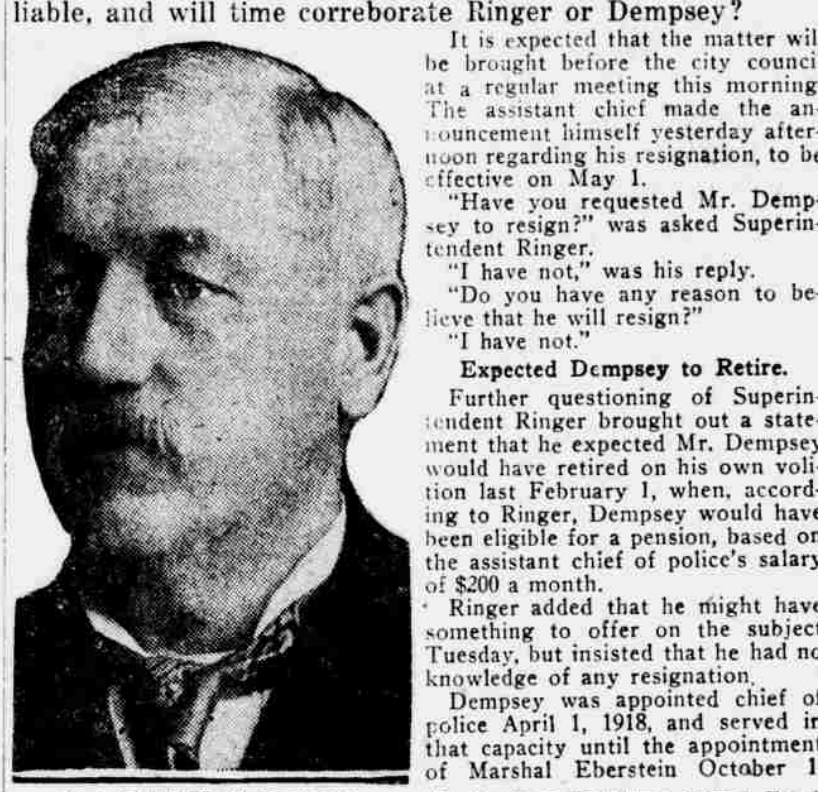
The council of four men was to have met at 11 o'clock this morning at the "White House," where the president is still confined to bed, but he was unable to attend.

He was told that it "looked as though we shall go to war," and it was briefly explained that he was to go to the other side "to see the people on that side" and reach an understanding as to how the United States best could co-operate with allied sea forces in operations against

Has Michael Dempsey Been Asked to Give Up His Job? This Is Burning Question

Assistant Chief of Police Asserts That He Has Been Asked to Resign, While Superintendent Ringer Says Nothing to It; Matter Expected to Come Up at Council Meeting Today.

Assistant Chief of Police Michael F. Dempsey states that he had been asked to resign and that he has resigned. Superintendent of Police Ringer stated that Dempsey had not been asked to resign, and added that he had no knowledge which would indicate that Dempsey would resign.



Asst. Chief M. F. Dempsey.

It is expected that the matter will be brought before the city council at a regular meeting this morning. The assistant chief made the announcement himself yesterday afternoon regarding his resignation, to be effective on May 1.

Further questioning of Superintendent Ringer brought out a statement that he expected Mr. Dempsey would have retired on his own volition last February 1, when, according to Ringer, Dempsey would have been eligible for a pension, based on the assistant chief of police's salary of \$200 a month.

Ringer added that he might have something to offer on the subject Tuesday, but insisted that he had no knowledge of any resignation. Dempsey was appointed chief of police April 1, 1918, and served in that capacity until the appointment of Marshal Eberstein October 1.

Returned Soldier Meets 90 Local Boys Before Leaving France; Send Regards to Their Friends. Ninety Omaha boys, members of the 35th ambulance company of the 35th army corps, crowded around Leo E. Hays, former Omaha police officer when he arrived in Faverolles, France, on his way home and begged him to take some news of their whereabouts to their relatives in Omaha.

Wires are down in the vicinity of Chadron. There was a heavy fall of snow in southwestern Nebraska, extending as far as McCook. Near Madison, a heavy wind did some damage to farm buildings. A school house was blown from its foundation.

ATTACK ON CODE BILL IS MADE IN THE HOUSE

Governor Proposes Measure to Create Constabulary to Aid in Running Down Automobile Thieves.

From a Staff Correspondent. Lincoln, Neb., April 7.—(Special Telegram.)—A crisis in the progress of the administrative code bill was precipitated shortly before adjournment of the house this afternoon when McLaughlin moved its indefinite postponement. Lengthy speeches in favor of the motion were made by Tracewell and Byrum.

Tracewell asserted that no one, with the exception of Senator Peterson, knew the provisions or the nature of the bill. Tracewell alleged that legislation has been held up pending the progress of the code bill, adding that it had been productive of more log rolling and more railroading than any other measure that had come before the house.

Byrum made an appeal to the members of the house to have a sense of individual responsibility in passing on the measure and to consider the bill, not as a party measure, but as a measure for the people, and would be fatal to effective administration of the law.

The bill is one that was introduced by the governor and is entitled H. R. 585. It has for its purpose the clothing of the governor with the power to deputize any citizen with the authority to enforce the laws prohibiting the stealing of automobiles and motorcycles.

It is alleged in some quarters that there are conditions existing in the large cities of the state which prevent a vigorous prosecution of automobile thieves, and that they are banded together. The argument is advanced that many of the men who are now engaged in bootlegging on a wholesale scale are also engaged in the business of handling "hot cars," as stolen automobiles are called.

Secretary Glass to Visit Omaha During Loan Drive. Secretary of the Treasury Circuit Glass will come to Omaha Thursday, April 24, according to advices received by wire Monday by the Liberty loan committee.

Omahans Bravely Face Big Task of Rebuilding

STORM RELIEF AT HAND BUT FEW SUFFERERS NEED AID FROM CIVIC SOCIETIES

Quarter-Million-Dollar Loss Estimated After Thorough Investigation; One Twelve-Year-Old Girl Lies Near Death From Her Injuries, While Others Hurt Will Recover, It Is Believed.

Offers of relief sped on swift wings yesterday to the hundreds of sufferers from the tornado of Sunday night. The Red Cross, Chamber of Commerce, Real Estate Board and the city commissioners were represented on the scene early, seeking those who needed help to recover from the sudden disaster that had come upon them.

Commissioner Manley of the Chamber of Commerce asked Mayor Smith to call upon the Chamber of Commerce to supply any relief that might be needed. The mayor and city commissioners toured all over the affected districts. They went into ruined houses and interviewed the people. They found little need for relief.

Walter Jardine, chairman of the disaster relief committee of the Omaha chapter of the American Red Cross, toured the district himself and had out other workers doing the same. Mrs. C. M. Wilhelm, head of the women's section of the Red Cross, was out investigating as early as Sunday night, and spent most of yesterday in the work.

The audience was held spell-bound by the marvelous playing of Alexandre Debouille in the violin solo "Rondone Capriccioso," by Saint Saens and by the soulful performance rendition on the piano by Georges True of "Barcarolle" and "Etude en forme de valse," by Saint Saens.

The injured were reported last night to be getting along well with the exception of Frances Micklen, 12-year-old daughter of James Micklen, Fifth and Pine streets. Seriously injured, she was rushed to the University hospital Sunday night. Yesterday afternoon an operation was performed. Mrs. Micklen and another child, Andrew, are also at the hospital, but are not injured seriously.

Funeral of Private Carey Will Be Held Wednesday. A military funeral will be given Private Boyd W. Carey of the U. S. marines, who died at the navy hospital at Brooklyn, His body arrived in Omaha yesterday. The services will be held at Stock & Falconer's undertaking establishment Wednesday at 3 p. m. He was the son of Mrs. J. C. Carey, 3321 Davenport street. He was wounded at Chateau Thierry and underwent seven operations.

NORTHWEST PART OF STATE UNDER FOOT OF SNOW

Storm Pressing Eastward With Lower Temperature; Telegraph Wires Down and Trains Are Delayed. Lincoln, Neb., April 7.—Dispatches from Chadron, Seneca and Alliance say northwestern Nebraska is covered with from 10 inches to a foot of snow and the storm is working eastward. At Seneca the weight of the snow carried down telegraph wires, the damage being so extended that work trains were started out on the Burlington road from Alliance to repair them.

Trains on the Northwestern Railroad are delayed and there is a tie-up at Lusk, Wyo. Wires are down in the vicinity of Chadron. There was a heavy fall of snow in southwestern Nebraska, extending as far as McCook.

Rear Admiral Sims Tells of Secret Trip to Britain Was Sent to England by War Department to Reach Understanding With English Government; Commander Babcock of Iowa Chosen as Aide; Had Eventful Journey in Disguise. New York, April 7.—How Rear Admiral William S. Sims, accompanied by one aide, proceeded incognito into England under Navy department orders issued some two weeks before the United States entered the war against Germany was told the Associated Press by the admiral here tonight on his return from overseas.

In reply to questions he gave in simple words a straightforward account of his mission, passing with dispassionate comment over many an incident of his adventure that well could be incorporated into the most romantic of war stories. On March 24, or 25, 1917, the admiral said, while he was president of the naval college, he was ordered to report "without delay" to the secretary of the navy at Washington. He was not notified of the nature of the business to be discussed. Upon his arrival there he was received in secret conference with Secretary Daniels and Admiral Benson, chief of naval operations.

The List of Injured

SERIOUSLY INJURED. Frances Micklen, 12 years old, Fifty-fifth and Pine streets, several bones broken, back badly injured. May not live. Operated on at the University hospital. Henry G. Harte, 4824 Capitol avenue, broken shoulder and possibly internal injuries. Deep gash across forehead.

Ruth Harte, 23 years old, 4824 Capitol avenue, three ribs broken. Possible internal injuries. Mrs. Roy Gibson, 631 South Fifty-first street, serious injuries about the body. SLIGHTLY INJURED. The following were also reported hurt, their injuries being less serious: Mrs. F. Gibson, Fifty-first and Pine streets, wrenched back, cuts and contusions.

Mrs. Garland Boswell, Fifty-fifth and Harney streets, cut by glass. Mrs. Charles S. Smith, 634 South Fifty-first street, bruised and scratched. Mrs. James Micklen, Fifty-fifth and Pine streets, struck by flying debris. At University hospital. Andrew Micklen, Fifty-fifth and Pine streets, cut and bruised. At University hospital.

Mrs. Henry Harte, 4824 Capitol avenue, bruised. Frank Drexel, 714 North Forty-ninth street, wrist injured by flying splinters. Mrs. Frank Drexel, 714 North Forty-ninth street, wrist cut by glass. Mrs. J. P. Eckles, 4809 Webster street, cut by glass. Thomas P. Murnana, 922 South Fifty-first avenue, side injured.

Mrs. Herman Roick, Fifty-fifth and Center streets, crushed under house. Mrs. W. L. Brayton, 4817 Underwood avenue, cut on face and hands by glass. Mrs. Fred Allen, Fifty-second street and Poppleton avenue, bruised by debris.

ST. JOE EDITOR STABS CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE Twelve Wounds Inflicted and Jurist Likely to Die; Trouble Result of Political Campaign Last Fall. St. Joseph, Mo., April 7.—(Special Telegram.)—Circuit Court Judge Frank P. Divilbiss was probably fatally stabbed this morning at the courthouse by Robert S. Lyon, editor of the Richmond Conservator, in a dispute over a political campaign last fall.

Lyon is said to have grabbed Divilbiss, and pulling a large pocket knife, stabbed him 12 times, inflicting eight wounds in the stomach, three in the breast and one behind the left ear. Divilbiss was taken to his home in Richmond and Lyon was placed under arrest soon and taken to jail, where he probably will be held until a preliminary hearing takes place. No effort has been made to obtain his release on bond. Lyon refused to make a statement or discuss the affair in any way.