

Unsettled Monday and Tuesday; probably showers; not much change in temperature.

Hourly temperature table with columns for 5 a.m., 7 a.m., 9 a.m., 11 a.m., 1 p.m., 3 p.m., 5 p.m., 7 p.m., 9 p.m., 11 p.m.

HUNS ON WAY TO VERSAILLES

ALLIANCE PROJECT UNDERWAY AT PARIS

President Wilson Withholds Action Until He Can Place Matter Before American Senate.

Paris, April 27.—(Havas)—A project for an alliance between France and America actually is under way, the Echo de Paris says.

Final Action on League Covenant About to Be Taken

Monday is to see the commencement of the final action on the covenant of the league of nations.

Montenegrins Decide to Unite with Serbia.

Belgrade, April 27.—The national assembly of Montenegro has decided to unite with Serbia and the kingdom of the Serbs, Croats and Slovenes.

Funerals Silence Agitators in Vienna.

Vienna, April 27.—(By The Associated Press)—Possible disorders arising from a refusal to grant the demands of former soldiers for \$300 each were prevented today by the imposing funeral procession through the city of five policemen, killed a week ago.

Hitchcock Speaks in Denver for League.

Denver, April 27.—Declaring that "everyone who is a sincere supporter of peace and international justice" will support the league of nations covenant as finally drafted by the committee of former senators.

Fleet Corporation To Dispose of Large Shipping Interests.

Washington, April 27.—Important steps toward disposing of the tremendous shipping interests built up by the government during the war were taken today in the creation by Director General Piez of a new corporation, designed to supervise the disposal of millions of dollars of investments to private concerns.

Cemetery Dedicated.

Paris, April 27.—An American military cemetery was dedicated today at Mesves, France, a few miles northwest of Nevers, in the department of Nièvre, Herbert Hoover delivered the principal address.

Revised League Covenant As It Will Be Presented Today to Peace Conference

Changes From Original Draft Explained in Parenthetical Insertions in Copy Made Public By State Department at Washington; Monroe Doctrine Recognized; U. S. President to Call First Meeting.

Washington, April 27.—The revised covenant of the league of nations, as it will be presented at Paris tomorrow to the peace conference in plenary session, was made public tonight by the State department.

Attached to the text, however, is the hitherto unpublished "annex" referred to in the covenant, in which are named the 31 states, including the self-governing British dominions, which are to be the original members of the league of nations, and 13 states to be invited to accede to the covenant.

Those invited to become members by acceding to the covenant are the three Scandinavian countries, the Netherlands, Switzerland, Spain and Persia, and the American republics of Argentina, Chile, Colombia, Paraguay, Salvador and Venezuela.

As in the original document, the covenant provides that the league shall act through an assembly, in which each state shall have one vote and not more than three delegates and a council, comprising for the present one representative of each of the five great powers and each of four other powers to be selected from time to time by the assembly.

The text provides that nothing in the covenant shall be deemed to affect the validity of international engagements such as treaties of arbitration or regional understandings like the Monroe doctrine by securing the maintenance of peace.

Changes in Draft. The United States senate add provisions for the withdrawal of a member nation upon two years' notice after fulfillment of the league obligations, exempt domestic questions from the league's jurisdiction, provide that mandatory or German colonies or former Ottoman dominions shall be given only to nations willing to accept them, leave it to member states to decide what armed force, if any, it will contribute to the force required by the league to enforce its mandates, and make it clear that member states individually will pass upon proposed limitations upon their armaments.

Text of Covenant. The full text follows: The covenant of the league of nations: In order to promote international co-operation and to achieve international peace and security, by the acceptance of obligations not to resort to war, by the prescription of open, just and honorable relations between nations, by the firm establishment of the understanding of international law as to actual rule of conduct among governments, and by the maintenance of justice and a scrupulous respect for all treaty obligations in the dealings of organized peoples with one another, the high contracting parties agree to this covenant of the league of nations.

Article One. The original members of the league of nations shall be those of the signatories which are named in the annex to this covenant and also such of those other states named in the annex as shall accede without reservation to this covenant. Such accessions shall be affected by a declaration deposited with the secretary within two months of the coming into force of the covenant. Notice thereof shall be sent to all other members of the league.

Article Two. Any fully self-governing state, dominion or colony not named in the annex may become a member of the

Organized Labor Leader Injured In Automobile Crash



SAMUEL GOMPERS, LEADER OF THE AMERICAN FEDERATION OF LABOR.

New York, April 27.—Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, was seriously injured here this afternoon when a taxicab in which he was riding was struck by a surface car and hurled 20 feet to the curb.

Surgeons reported that two of Mr. Gompers' ribs had been fractured, and his right hip sprained and that he had suffered severe body contusions. Despite the age of the labor leader, who is 69 years old, the surgeons declared that there was no likelihood of the injuries proving fatal.

Pedestrians who witnessed the crash rushed to the wrecked machine and extricated Mr. Gompers, who was unconscious. One side of the cab was completely crushed in and the wreckage had pinned him against the other side.

Mr. Gompers, it was said, requested that no one be punished for the collision, saying it was "plainly an accident."

Union Pacific Clerks Form Organization to Adjust Differences

Union Pacific employees from all parts of the western country met in Omaha yesterday and formed the Brotherhood of Railway Clerks for Union Pacific lines.

One hundred and fifty delegates attended the meeting. H. B. O'Dell, regional deputy for the brotherhood, acted as chairman.

"This is an organization formed to settle the differences between Union Pacific employees and employers," he said. "Its prime motive is to avert strikes."

R. L. Chumbley, 2022 Bristol street, was chosen general chairman of the arbitration board which will represent the brotherhood in all questions. E. M. Savage of Denver, Colo., was chosen first vice chairman; C. K. Tallock of Green River, Wyo., was chosen second vice chairman, and C. S. Copeland, 4404 Fontenelle boulevard, was elected general secretary and treasurer.

O'Dell in the course of the meeting spoke freely on government ownership of railroads.

"Railroad employees to the man I favor government ownership of railroads," he said. "In spite of the fact that railway officials have done everything in their power to belittle the efforts of the government along the lines of government ownership, the railroad men stand in a body for the present system. If railroads revert to private ownership this country will witness the greatest strike in the history of the world."

"I am advised that the next congress will draft a bill demanding a five-year trial for public ownership. The four men elected here today represent 3,500 railroad employees and to them the five-year trial means the proof of the value of public ownership."

Wilson's Statement Made Public Before Orlando Had Read It

Paris, April 27.—Italian representatives here denied today two published statements in connection with the present crisis, namely, the report that Premier Orlando had read President Wilson's statement before it was made public, and that the premier would return to Paris on May 1 to resume his place in the peace conference.

Rome, April 27.—At a political meeting today a special committee was appointed to draft a resolution of confidence in the government for submission to parliament. The meeting was attended by senators and deputies from all parties except the official socialists.

William A. Leet, Wealthy Omaha Sportsman, Tries to Kill Himself in Frisco

Refusal of Wife to Withdraw Divorce Given as Cause; Takes Poison and Shoots Self After Calling Friend; Formerly Married to Miss Anne Robertson.

San Francisco, Cal., April 27.—Grieved over the refusal of his beautiful wife to withdraw her suit for divorce, William A. Leet, millionaire automobile man, formerly of Omaha, attempted suicide by poison and shooting here Saturday night.

He telephoned to Mrs. Charles A. Warren, formerly of Omaha and Chicago, with whom his wife has been living since she filed the divorce suit, and told her he intended to end his life. Following the telephone conversation he drank poison, then turned a revolver in his breast. The bullet missed its mark and lodged in his left arm.

The screams of Leet were heard by the janitor and elevator operator of the Stanley Stanford Court apartment, where he resides. They broke into the apartment and called the police. In the meantime Mrs. Warren had telephoned her husband at his club, telling him of Leet's intention, and asking him to hurry to the apartment.

Mrs. F. M. Leet, 209 South Thirty-third street, has not been notified of her son's attempt to commit suicide. Young Leet was in Omaha three weeks ago. He told friends of his intentions to start in business in San Francisco.

Inherited Fortune. Since he inherited \$250,000 on the death of his father, in 1914, Leet became involved in a series of escapades. Following a short romance, he married Anne Robertson, popular Omaha girl. He built a luxurious home on one of his farms near Manning, Ia., on which he lived but a short time. In 1916 he won the championship of amateur automobile racers in the United States on the Chicago speedway. More than 50,000 persons saw Billy Leet burn the curves with his gas demon for 500 miles.

In January, 1917, he was sued for divorce on a charge of cruelty. His wife received an alimony of \$50,000.

Omahan to Make Parachute Leap During Flying Circus

Captain Goodale, Promises to Drop 3,000 Feet if Discharge is Received in Time; Lieutenant Wiggins to Fly Over City and Take Photographs From Air.

A parachute leap from one of the airplanes taking part in the flying circus may be a feature of the exhibition to be held on the Ak-Sar-Ben flying field at noon today. Captain Goodale of Fort Omaha expects to be discharged from the army today, and has announced that if he is mustered out will mak the leap.

Five Omaha citizens, including two women, will take rides with pilots of the circus. Mrs. Frank Selby and Miss Grace Allison are the women who will try their nerves in the air flights, and E. F. Eolda, state secretary for the Victory Liberty loan, Sam Burns, county chairman, and Frank W. Judson, will also go up.

The flying circus arrived in Omaha last night and the cars were immediately taken to the siding at Sixteenth and Center streets, where the mechanics started unloading and assembling the planes. The circus will start at 12 o'clock sharp, and last two hours. The field may be reached by automobile road or the West Leavenworth car line, which goes within 10 blocks. The West Lawn street line runs even nearer.

The circus carries 17 planes, and 11 are used in the exhibitions. Four different kinds of planes are represented: the American Curtiss, the French Spad, the English S. E. 5, and the German Fokker. The show is an imitation of the actual stunts of battle. A Curtiss plane is attacked by two German Fokkers and is rescued by four American and British scout planes which give battle to the German ships.

Lieut. G. Wiggins, in a Curtiss machine, will fly over the city and take photographs from the air. Another plane will drop 60 envelopes containing orders for merchandise donated by the merchants of Omaha. These goods will run from a set of picture postal cards to \$10 worth of men's furnishings.

Democratic Party Is "A Political Monarchy" Says Senator Sherman

Pittsburgh, April 27.—United States Senator Lawrence Y. Sherman of Illinois, addressing the American Republican club last night, declared that the democratic party is a "political monarchy," the functions of which are exercised by the president and a "group of satellites, who long ago severed their connection with free government."

The administrators, Senator Sherman said, are seeking to convert the government into a "socialistic state or into a vassal of European powers."

"The evidence of one," he continued, "is its drift toward government ownership of all the great enterprises of our country. The other is proved by the first form of the league of nations presented by the president last February."

GERMANS EXPECT TO HEAR DOOM TUESDAY

Italian-American Incident Will Not Influence Negotiations, According to View Held at Berlin.

Berlin, April 27.—German delegates to the peace conference will travel to Versailles on three special trains, the first leaving Berlin today and the last Monday.

It is expected that the peace terms will be handed to the German representatives Tuesday evening.

The French says it is assumed in well informed circles that the Italo-American incident will not influence negotiations at Versailles.

Crowd of Curious Watch for German Delegates

Paris, April 27.—(By The Associated Press)—A small but persistent crowd of curious persons in Versailles and a formidable battery of cameras and moving picture machines hung about Versailles park beneath the windows of the German headquarters today in expectation of the appearance of the German representatives, but aside from brief excursions by Delegates Von Lersner and Warburg in the morning, they had little to reward them for their pains, as none of the Germans again appeared.

The seating arrangements of the conference room in the Grand Trianon, now installed, evidently do not contemplate the presence of the delegates of all the allied and associated powers at the preliminary meetings. Space limitations prevent the delegates of the 23 powers at war with Germany from meeting in this room, unless all the tables and chairs are removed and the deliberations conducted standing.

Unlike the hall of mirrors in the Versailles palace, in which it is planned to have the peace treaty signed, this room has no venerable associations.

Academy Appeals to Have Treaty in French Language

Paris, April 27.—An appeal has been made by the French academy that the official text of the peace treaties to be negotiated and the covenants to be signed shall be drafted in the French language.

The academy considers it its duty to recall that French has been the diplomatic language for more than two centuries and has been used not only in the negotiations in which France was concerned but also those in which she had no part.

"This custom was not imposed by France. It was established through the spontaneous accord of all nations, on account of the qualities of clearness and precision that characterize the French language.

"If this custom, now more than two centuries old, is given up and if the equal value of texts published in several languages is admitted, the international relations would be exposed to the confusion which would be sure to arise from different interpretations. Besides, a tradition dear to France would thus be brought to an end."

Former Speaker Clark Welcomes Missouri Troops

Newport News, Va., April 27.—Eight thousand troops from France, including men of the Rainbow division from Missouri, and the 35th division from Missouri and Kansas, and of the 87th division from Arkansas, Louisiana and Mississippi, reached this port today on board the battleship South Carolina and the transports Antigone and Princess Matoika and began to embark in preparation for the last stage of their trip home.

Champ Clark, former speaker of the house of representatives, accompanied by his son, Lieut. Col. Bennett Clark, who previously had arrived with other Missouri troops, welcomed the Missouri men.

Ex-Emperor Charles Seeks Health in Switzerland

Geneva, April 27.—Former Emperor Charles of Austria arrived yesterday at Montreux, where the former grand dux of Luxembourg is staying. The former monarch, whose health continues to give anxiety to his family, will remain for a short period.

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