

Spring Freshets Bring Danger to Midwest States

Many Lowlands Already Flooded, Serious Damage Feared—Wind, Snow Play Havoc in West.

Chicago, April 11.—Spring freshets, which have already flooded many lowlands, were threatening more serious damage today in many middle western states. Rains, almost torrential, sent the rivers up in Michigan, Wisconsin, Illinois, Missouri, Kansas, Oklahoma and Arkansas. Streams in other states were also rising, but not at an alarming rate.

Snow was general throughout the northern and middle Rocky mountain area, reports from Denver indicated. Lander, Wyo., reported that it was digging its way out of eight inches of snow.

The snow and wind played havoc with telegraph wires. It was not until late last night that The Associated Press was able to establish through communication to cities west of Omaha.

Winds of especially high velocity seemed to center in Missouri. Three small towns, Ash Grove, Harold and Luck, northwest of Springfield, Mo., were in the path of high winds and two persons were killed and property was damaged to the extent of \$100,000.

The storm today was moving eastward slowly.

Allied Debt Refunding Commission Completed

Washington, April 11.—The allied debt refunding commission, created by congress and entrusted with conversion into long time securities of the debts of the allied nations to the United States, was formally completed today through confirmation by the senate of the nominations of Senator Sumner of Ohio and Representative B. H. Ladd of Ohio, republicans, as members of the commission.

The vote on confirmation was 47 to 25. Two democrats, Senator Broussard, Louisiana, and Senator Kendrick, Wyoming, voted for confirmation, while three republicans, Senators Borah, Idaho; La Follette, Wisconsin, and Norris, Nebraska, voted against. The roll call was made public by order of the senate.

Degenerate Flees After Attempt to Attack Girl

Des Moines, April 11.—(Special Telegram.)—Screams of Miss Wilma Igo, 20, whom he had attempted to assault, frightened away a burglar-degenerate from the home of L. J. Young here early today.

Miss Igo was awakened by the burglar when she was seized by him in her room at the Young home. Her screams awoke her roommate, Miss Esther Evelett, and Mr. and Mrs. Young, who were sleeping in an adjoining room. Miss Evelett and Miss Igo grappled with the burglar, but he shook them off and fled through an open window, through which he had entered.

Police, who were called, failed to find any clues to the burglar.

Reorganization of Earl Motor Company Completed

Chicago, April 11.—Announcement of the reorganization and refinancing of Earl Motors, Inc., was made yesterday by Ralph Van Vechton, vice president of the Continental and Commercial National bank. All important creditors of the Jackson (Mich.) automobile company which became involved in the difficulties of the Fort Dearborn National bank, were said to have assented to the plans.

Clarence A. Earl will continue as president of the company and adequate lines of credit, it was said, have been arranged with Chicago, New York and Jackson banks to finance the new manufacturing program.

Boy Suffers Broken Ankle When He Runs Into Auto

Central City, Neb., April 11.—(Special.)—The small son of Mr. and Mrs. Theodore DeGroot of this city was severely injured when struck by an automobile while playing ball in front of his home. The lad did not see the car and ran directly into the rear fender, being thrown under the car. He suffered a broken ankle and other injuries. The car was driven by Miss Helen Barge.

Strike Disturber Given Commutation by Governor

Nebraska City, Neb., April 11.—(Special.)—"Bunny" Meyers, sentenced to 90 days in the county jail by the military court here several weeks ago during the packing house strike for "pernicious activity," was ordered released by Governor McKelvie on the recommendations of County Attorney Heinke and Sheriff Fischer. Meyers has been a good worker on the highways and received a 20-day commutation.

Golf Club at Pawnee City to Use Fair Ground as Links

Pawnee City, Neb., April 11.—(Special.)—The Fairview Golf club, recently organized here, closed a contract with the Pawnee County Fair association to use the fair grounds for the new links. Work will start this week on a nine-hole course. Professionals say the grounds are ideal for a course because of the hazards which exist.

Shipment of Steers From Avoca Brings Top Price

A load of well finished steers averaging 1,367 pounds, were brought to the stock yards yesterday by F. W. Hinz from Avoca, Ia. They sold for the top price of the day, \$8.40, a hundred. There were 16 in the consignment, which was bought by a packer buyer.

Herefords Bring \$8.25

J. D. Clausen, Jr., brought in 18 head of fine Hereford steers Monday that averaged 1,347 pounds and brought the top price of the day of \$8.25 a hundred. He said the cattle had been on feed for the last six months and that he made a good profit.

Lloyd George, on His Native Heath, Not King, But Hail Fellow Well Met



Lloyd George's boyhood home.

By F. A. WRAY.

Criccieth, Wales, April 10.—If and when it is possible to run to earth David Lloyd George, prime minister of Great Britain, uncrowned king of Wales, powerful politician in Europe, then the best thing to do is to seek him in his own native village. It is there you get him in the proper perspective.

"Why, what ever! If it is not Mr. Lloyd George! Come in, David. What a stranger, indeed! But you are not looking well? That London air is bad for all, I am told. And how is Margaret, George? She is well, indeed? And your sons? I have just been telling my boys that if they do not do their lessons they will never be prime ministers of England!"

Such is the greeting, hurled in fluent but cordial Welsh, to the prime minister when he calls on a cottager's wife in Wales.

He's Just Old Friend.

He may convulse British politics, he may shake empires, but when he arrives at Criccieth he is just their old friend, David. They like the man who grew up with them; in fact, they love him. But there is no particular respect and certainly no awe of him. What he has done is nothing more than any son of Criccieth should and ought to do.

In fact, it is part of their self-appointed duty to prevent him becoming swollen-headed and vainglorious. It is their privilege to keep him in his place. And affection cannot be allowed to butt in.

Six years ago Lloyd George took three of us along to his old Sunday school. We were to hear the school superintendent's address. The prime minister wished us to understand the real secret of the greatness of Wales. We were glad to fall in with his wishes. He had been worried and distraught. His government had been almost split asunder; he was the victim of plots and intrigues. Half a dozen sections were attempting to drive him out of the premiership. It was a time when a sense of relief was a benefit in every way.

Parable for Premier.

And so the school superintendent gave out his text. It was from St. Mark, xii: 1-13: "The Parable of the Wicked Husbandman."

"This is the heir. Come, let us kill him, and the inheritance shall be ours. And they took him and killed him and cast him out of the vineyard."

"There seemed to be bolsheviks even in those days" was the comment of the premier, with a somewhat sickly smile. And he stayed a very little time after that.

But the school superintendent meant it all for the best. Anything approaching the besetting sin of vanity was entirely contrary to his principles.

Yet, despite these occasional rebuffs, the prime minister of England enjoys himself better at Criccieth than anywhere else. So does his wife. In fact, she is in the highest element of bliss. Here she is the farmer's daughter over again—capable, supreme and confident.

When He Digs Potatoes.

And when one reads the stories of Lloyd George digging potato furrows in the garden for relaxation it is really a falsehood. What has happened is that Mrs. George has found him a job that she considers really useful, although she admits that he



His home at Criccieth.

is little good at it. In fact, once he has set a row of potatoes with infinite labor he usually comes along and does the work all over again.

Brought up in a little four-roomed, home-made cottage by Criccieth—the walls built of huge stones, laboriously carried from the seashore—Lloyd George now lives in the swaggiest-looking house near the village. In appearance it lacks all elaboration and resembles the country home that any American business man with \$10,000 to spare would be likely to erect for his family.

But the house possesses a wonderful outlook. The sun shines on it all day, and from any one of its four sides there is a clear and wonderful unobstructed view of 50 miles. The premier can look right out across the Irish sea; he can view the ancient towers of his beloved Carnarvon castle; from the porch he can see the wonderful white-tipped peaks of Snowdon. At his feet lie the village and the bay. When one has seen his home it is possible to visualize the perorations of his speeches when he interprets everything in terms of the rugged mountains, the surging sea and the beautiful woodlands.

Scenery Index to Character.

And this scenery is an index to his character. A man who comes of a race who have earned a scanty living on the sea and have literally scratched existence out of soil mainly composed of rocks fears little either in the shape of personalities or difficulties.

For relaxation, when not discussing—in Welsh—local affairs with his village mates, Lloyd George has either fishing or the crazy Criccieth links. He is not a very good fisherman, although he seems to get all the pleasure in the world out of it. But he certainly passes a lot of time on the beach, digging out what are known as "razor-fish," an ugly species of the shell variety which he pretends to be edible in the highest degree.

Still the links are his greatest joy. And nobody has ever seen or heard of golf links like those of Criccieth. To the uninitiated observer they seem to be built around the tops of three fair-sized mountains, with stark, uninviting sides of limestone and slate. Incidentally, they are intersected by tiny farms, and consequently there is no need for artificial bunkers, because every 50 yards one runs into a stone fence about 12 feet high.

Eighteenth Hole Is Pride.

But the 18th hole is the pride of the locality. One drives off the top of a steep hill; at the bottom of the hill is a sunken cattle track; then comes the green, invitingly sloping downward, after that there is a more

pronounced slope toward an enormous pigstye. And woe betide the man who drives either too long or too short!

But Lloyd George thinks them the finest links in the world. He wants Brad, Vardon and Ray all to come and give him their candid opinion of them, because he fears no criticism. Up on these hills he is hail-fellow-well-met to all the world and in the wonderful air on the hills tops both his health and spirits seem visibly to improve.

And when he is not slicing his drive or missing an easy putt it is almost possible to imagine that he does not care whether he is ever prime minister again or not.

Retail Food Prices Decrease for March

Washington, April 11.—A decrease in the retail cost of food to the average family in March, as compared with February, was reported by the bureau of statistics of the Department of Labor. Prices of 43 food articles in 51 important cities were considered. Seventeen of these articles showed decreases ranging from less than .5 per cent on butter and tea to 34 per cent on strictly fresh butter. Twenty-one articles increased from less than .5 per cent on cheese to 11 per cent on oranges and six articles remained unchanged.

During the year, the bureau added, the average decrease in the retail prices of these foods was 11 per cent, 35 articles declining and eight increasing. In the nine-year period ending March 15, the average of increase was placed at 43 per cent.

Bill Would Make Retirement of Naval Men Compulsory

Washington, April 11.—Compulsory retirement of naval officers reaching 60 years of age, or having served 30 years, if the president so desires, is proposed in a bill introduced by Chairman Page of the senate naval committee upon recommendation of Secretary Denby.

Another bill proposed by the naval secretary and introduced by Senator Page would repeal the law prohibiting employment of retired naval or marine corps officers by private companies furnishing supplies to the government.

With respect to this measure, Mr. Denby stated that there was no similar restriction on army or foreign officers and the department believed that it would be to the advantage of the government if it were possible for shipbuilders and other manufacturers of naval supplies to avail themselves of the service of retired officers.

THE BRANDEIS STORE

For the Easter Promenade We Are Ready With the Newest Fashions

Scanning the Horizon

Only through the system known as "The Lookout in the Foretop" could the recent buying trip of the Brandeis representatives have been so wholly successful. Permanent representatives in all important European markets have been "spotting" the very bargains now offered over the Brandeis Store counters as a result of this trip. And permanent representatives in all important markets of the world are even now scanning the business horizon, locating the goods our customers need and want, shipping on cable order or mapping out purchasing campaigns for the buying trips of the future. There is never a lessening of effort or a slackening of vigilance where there is the possibility of obtaining a bargain for the Brandeis Store customers. "The Lookout in the Foretop" is always on the job.

For Madame

Tailored Suits Navy Blue
with that longer jacket; created to embody smartness and grace of slender models and will prove becoming to the woman of full figure; priced,

39.50

For Mademoiselle

14 to 20 Years
Three-piece costume suits of navy blue will cord. Frocks with matching separate coats, making a three-piece costume at the former price of a suit or frock. Priced,

69.50

Easter Frocks for Madame

An interesting collection of better frocks in street and dinner models of fine Roman crepe, georgette, crepe de chine, and silk faille. Many are beautifully beaded, as shown in the sketch—

49.50

Paris Says

That a Cape or Wrap is becoming to both women or misses. An unusual assortment of velveteen, marvella, gerona, and Canton crepe—priced,

59.50

Second Floor—West

Easter Hats

Continuing Our Pre-Easter Sale of **6⁸⁵** Smart New Hats

Several shipments came too late to be included in this group Saturday. So we are continuing this sale all week, and there will be new hats each day in the greatest variety of colors and styles.

Second Floor—East

Gloves for Easter

Perrins Modane, Real Grenoble Kid Gauntlets—With heavy hand crochet backs in black or self-colors and pique seams. In newest shades of silver, brown, oak, white and black. Per pair, **5.00**

Van Raalte Pure Milanese Silk Gauntlets—With strap wrist, in beaver, gray, sand, pongee, white and black. Sizes 5½ to 8½. Per pair, **1.85**

Kayser Long Silk Gloves—12-button length, of heavy Milanese with two-tone embroidered backs in gray, beaver, mode, white or black. Per pair, **2.75**

Main Floor—North

Two-Tone Sport Oxfords

9.50 pr.

The famous Red Cross Oxford of gray suede in combination of patent leather tips and instep straps. They have leather soles and flat heels. The importance of smart footwear in the costume ensemble is well understood today and these oxfords will be one of the highlights of the clearest Easter outfit. Priced, **9.50**

Third Floor—East

Hart Schaffner & Marx Suits for Men

35.00, 40.00, 50.00

For Easter new clothes are the custom. Naturally you want to make your Easter selections where the offerings are varied and genuinely representative—where value is assured. Logically that leads you here.

Fourth Floor

Handkerchiefs

Handkerchiefs Take An Important Place in the Easter Fashion Parade.

All Linen Handkerchiefs—Sport a French hand-rolled hem and solid splashes of color, each, **75c**

Colored Linen Handkerchiefs—Hemstitched, hand embroidered, ed corners, each, **75c**

Men's All Silk Pongee Handkerchiefs—Hemstitched borders in contrasting colors, each, **75c**

Main Floor—North

Women's Chiffon Hose

2.95 pr.

A beautiful, sheer quality in beige, rose, gray and black. Full fashioned, double soles with all silk reinforced garter tops. Per pair, **2.95**

Main Floor—North

A cagey old hunter, McNair,
Lit a Piedmont with dubious air.
At the second and third,
He said, "It's a bird."
At the tenth, "Oh man, it's a bear!"

—that "down-in-Dixie" flavor

Piedmont

The Virginia Cigarette

—and for cigarettes

Virginia tobacco is the best

LIGGETT & MYERS TOBACCO CO.