

YESTERDAY'S WEATHER  
U. S. WEATHER BUREAU  
April 4, 1918—Last twenty  
four hours' rainfall, 0.26  
Temperature, Min. 49, Max.  
74. Weather, cloudy.

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FOOD FORECAST FOR TODAY  
One Wheatless and one Meatless Meal.

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## HUNS ONCE AGAIN TAKE OFFENSIVE; MAKE SOME GAINS

### British Give Some Ground But Inflict Heavy Loss; French Attacked In Force

### Rains Reported From French Front Are Proving Serious Handicap To Enemy

NEW YORK, April 5—(Associated Press)—In several sectors of the Western Front yesterday the Germans resumed the offensive and in some instances succeeded in gaining ground. In these efforts heavy losses were inflicted upon the enemy. Both British and French positions were immediate objectives, it is shown by the official reports received from London and from Paris last night.

After several days of comparative inactivity except for heavy shelling bitter fighting was resumed in a German salient and it is admitted in the British reports that some gains were made by the enemy on critical sectors to the east of Amiens. The heaviest fighting which the Britons experienced was in the vicinity of Hamel and along the British lines where a triangle had been forced into the German front between the Luce and the Avre Rivers.

### GERMANS ATTACK IN FORCE

German forces numbering fully a hundred thousand delivered terrific attacks on the French front nine miles from Grivesnes, on the Amiens-Roye road, said the French official communique of last evening. The attack was met by a hurricane of fire from the French artillery, machine guns and rifles. Although the enemy forces were time after time hurled back and repulsed they finally succeeded in making some gains which, however, comprised only a small section. The French retained Grivesnes and the Germans occupied Mailly, Raineville and Marolles. Later in the day powerful counters launched by the French regained a part of the ground that was lost in the earlier fighting.

On the French front, immediately to the right of the British lines, in angle between the Luce and the Avre Rivers the Germans gained some ground.

Other French reports told of violent artillery engagements and some smaller infantry activities in the vicinity of Montdidier and of a French raid on German trenches northwest of Rheims in which thirty prisoners and two machine guns were taken.

Berlin, in last night's official report said: "Four times the forces of the Entente vainly attempted to retake the heights to the southwest of Moreuil. But the attacks broke down and the enemy was repulsed with heavy losses".

### RAIN HANDICAP TO HUNS

From the French front came reports that it was raining heavily and that the Germans were thereby heavily handicapped in their efforts to bring up guns and supplies for the troops in advanced positions. The recent lull in the Teutons' offensive was probably caused by the difficulties which they are experiencing repairing the roads and the bridges which were destroyed by the Allies as they fell back.

There are indications that the German war lords are preparing to break the news of disappointing results for the greatly heralded results to the people of Germany. A Reuters' despatch received in Ottawa yesterday said that there were carefully worded warnings published generally in the German press warning the people not to expect too much from the offensive.

### LONG RANGE SHELLING CONTINUES

Paris reported that the long range shelling of Paris was being continued and that as a protective measure the city officials had prohibited all theatrical performances, including vaudeville, moving picture performance and concerts.

### AMERICANS IN NEW SECTOR

American troops are occupying a new sector which it is assumed is the one which was referred to in the despatches of Wednesday which mentioned a "sector other than Toul". The announcement of American forces holding a sector on the Meuse heights was made simultaneously with the statement that the enemy raided an American listening post after a heavy bombardment of this sector.

### FIVE MORE CONCRETE SHIPS ARE ORDERED

WASHINGTON, April 4—(Official)—Following approval of the concrete ship type by experts the extensive and rapid construction of concrete ships is now probable. The shipping board has contracted for three additional ships of 7500 tons each with the same yard that built the first ships of 5000 tons. The board has also decided to increase the size of future wood ships to 5000 tons, from the present 3500 ton size.

### NINE HUNDRED MILLION IS PAID IN ONE DAY

NEW YORK, April 4—(Official)—The income tax returns of this city are about \$900,000,000, which is much more than expected.

### PERSHING DECORATED BY KING OF BELGIUM

WASHINGTON, April 4—(Official)—A Havre despatch says that King Albert has personally presented General Pershing with the Belgian Order of the Grand Cross and the Order of Leopold. Col. Carl Boyd aide de camp to General Pershing, has been decorated by King Albert with the Cross of an Officer of the Order of Leopold. The Order of Leopold was instituted by King Leopold I in 1832.

### STAMP SALES ESTABLISH NEW RECORD FOR DAY

WASHINGTON, April 4—(Associated Press)—Yesterday's sales of Thrift and War Stamps totalled \$4,120,933, which is a new record for a day.

AMBASSADOR from France, M. J. J. Jusserand, who has asked the United States to aid in securing evidence as to the activities of M. Charles Humbert in connection with alleged efforts to secure a dishonorable treaty for France.



### UNITED STATES WILL SEEK EVIDENCE AGAINST HUMBERT

NEW YORK, April 5—(Associated Press)—As a result of the request of M. J. J. Jusserand, the French ambassador, an investigation is to be held of the activities in this country of M. Charles Humbert. This will be conducted by Morton E. Lewis, the state attorney, who secured so much incriminating evidence against Bolo Pasha. The general examination of witnesses will be begun here next week and the hearings are to be held in secret, the testimony taken to be later forwarded to France for use in the trials there that are to be held in the case of Bolo Pasha. Humbert is the recent trial of Bolo Pasha, who was sentenced to a term of years in the recent trial of Bolo Pasha, who was sentenced to a term of years in the recent trial of Bolo Pasha, who was sentenced to a term of years in the recent trial of Bolo Pasha.

### SUSPECT IS ARRESTED FOR THE DISABLING OF THE SACRAMENTO

SAN FRANCISCO, April 5—(Associated Press)—On charges of having disabled the machinery of the steamship Sacramento while enroute to Honolulu a man named Lind was arrested last evening by federal officials who claim to have strong evidence against the prisoner. He is held for examination before the United States commissioner.

### GOVERNMENT SECURES MORE FOREIGN SHIPS

SAN FRANCISCO, April 5—(Associated Press)—The United States is securing other shipping besides the Dutch ships taken over and those obtained from Japan under agreement. Reports from New York yesterday said several Russian vessels had been taken which formerly plied between the United States and Russia.

### WATCHMAN FOR CREEL IS FOUND MURDERED

WASHINGTON, April 4—(Associated Press)—James King, night watchman at the office of George Creel, chairman of the Committee on Public Information, was murdered last night. No papers were missed by Creel when he searched the office today. A negro with whom King had quarreled has been arrested.

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### THREE FLIERS MEET ACCIDENTAL DEATHS

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### ALLIED AIR RAIDS COSTLY TO GERMANS

Despatches Received By Amsterdam Paper Tell of Loss of Life and Destruction

AMSTERDAM, April 5—(Associated Press)—Great damage and heavy loss of life was occasioned by the last air-raids of the Allied aviators. Some details of the damage to property and the loss of life and general destruction wrought is told in despatches from Germany which have come to Leuven.

At Cologne twenty six persons were killed and more than a hundred were wounded by the high explosives dropped from the airplanes of the Allies. The railroad station was destroyed and only a heap of ruins marked its location. Other great damage was occasioned in that city.

### PEACE FEELERS OF CZERNIN UNHEEDED

Officials and Legislators in Washington Go Steadily Ahead With Program

WASHINGTON, April 4—(Official)—Comment by officials here shows up the motives behind the new "peace offensive" which Germany and Austria have launched.

Concentration by officials and congressmen on measures for the prosecution of the war is not disturbed by the Czernin peace feelers. The government considers that Premier Clemenceau's comment that "Czernin lied" is a conclusive refutation of Czernin's "fair tale." The officials in their comment note the coincidence of the Austrian peace move and the apparent collapse of the German offensive and the movement of American troops to the western front.

### PRESS OF BRITAIN IS CAUSTIC IN COMMENT

LONDON, Eng., April 4—(Associated Press)—Denunciations of the peace speech made by Foreign Minister von Czernin of Austria before the municipal assembly, in which he claimed that France had opened a peace discussion, are general in the Allied press.

### POTASH MONOPOLY OF GERMANY TO BE ENDED

Decision of Interior Department Secures Big Deposit

WASHINGTON, April 4—(Official)—The decision of the interior department, establishing relative public and private rights to borderless Lake sands in California, where there are enormous potash deposits, is considered as ending the potash monopoly which Germany enjoyed previous to the war.

### WILL OF CAPTAIN MATSON IS FILED

Widow Gets Half and Mrs. Roth Is Residuary Legatee

SAN FRANCISCO, April 4—(Associated Press)—The estate of the late Captain Matson is valued at \$3,352,434, according to his will filed for probate. Half of the estate is bequeathed to the widow and \$20,000 to each of his five children by his first marriage. The residuary goes to Mrs. Lurline Roth, his daughter by a second marriage.

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Announcement of Expenses Follows Signing of New Liberty Loan Legislation

WASHINGTON, April 5—(Associated Press)—President Wilson yesterday signed the Liberty Loan legislation recently passed by congress.

Further terms for the Third Liberty Loan were announced yesterday. The drive will run on for four weeks, from April 6 to May 4. Interest will run from May 9 and the issue will mature on September 15, 1928, making them a ten year bond.

### WHOLE COUNTRY READY FOR DRIVE

WASHINGTON, April 4—(Associated Press)—Showing how congress is speeding up war work, the senate in less than an hour today passed the war measure authorizing \$4,000,000,000 of which three billions is for the new Liberty Loan.

Tremendous subscriptions to the new loan are pending, but are withheld until the formal opening of the "drive." Bonds to the amount of \$19,000,000 have already been engraved. Thousands of cities are preparing for celebrations to mark the opening of the campaign.

It is not known here whether when President Wilson speaks on Saturday at the opening in Baltimore of the Liberty Loan campaign he will consider it worth while to make reference to the latest German camouflage—the "peace offensive" of the Austrian foreign minister.

### GERMAN-AMERICAN ALLIANCE TO BE DISBANDED

NEW YORK, April 5—(Associated Press)—Final disbandment of the national German American Alliance will occur at Philadelphia next Thursday, April 11. The announcement was made by Secretary Wellesman of the alliance last evening.

"I imagine that there has come a quiet tip from Washington that the alliance would find it better to dissolve voluntarily has led to the taking of advantage of the opportunity to do so."

For several weeks past there has been in progress an investigation by the senate judiciary committee of charges of disloyalty against the German American Alliance and a demand that its charter should be rescinded.

In the course of this investigation some very damaging evidence was presented including proposed resolutions against the war which were sent out and were afterward recalled before being passed by subsidiary branches.

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### SHORTAGE OF STEEL FOR SHIPS DENIED

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### DISLOYAL MAN IS HANGED BY ENRAGED CROWD IN ILLINOIS

First Made To Parade Barefooted Through the Streets Stopping to Kiss Flag From Time To Time

UTTERED DISLOYAL SPEECH TO MINERS

Police Rescue Pro-German But He Is Found Hidden In Basement of City Hall and Hustled Out To Death

COLLINSVILLE, Illinois, April 5—(Associated Press)—Accused of having repeatedly and openly uttered disloyal sentiments Robert Praeger was last night taken from his hiding place in the basement of the city hall and hanged to a limb of a tree.

He had previously been roughly handled by the crowd but had been rescued and hidden by the police.

Praeger was accused of having made unpatriotic and disloyal remarks in a speech which he recently made before a meeting of miners at Marysville, Illinois, and ever since his reported utterances public sentiment has risen higher against him.

### TAKEN FROM HIDING

Last night he was taken by members of the loyalist committee and hustled out to death.

Footed through the street, pausing from time to time to kiss the folds of a United States flag which was carried before him. These proceedings were interrupted by the police who took Praeger from his captors and placed him in the basement of the city hall for safe keeping.

Hidden in this building he was finally found by the crowd and was again captured and taken out. His captors numbered more than 350 persons. By them Praeger was hustled out, a rope was speedily produced, thrown over a high limb of a tree and the man was strung up.

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"The people are taking the law into their own hands on the ground that congress is not passing the necessary laws. We must do something to catch the scoundrels!"

The conferees of the house and senate today agreed on a bill carrying heavy penalties for the destruction of war materials, sabotage, etc. This bill provides for 30 years' imprisonment and a fine of \$10,000.

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