

WEATHER FORECAST  
Fair Friday, except showers in northwest portion; Saturday partly cloudy, with showers in central and northeast portions. Gentle to moderate south winds except east over the south portion.

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## ERZBERGER IS NOT PLEASED BY MEETING WITH FOCH

Following 40 Minutes Conference, German Representative Returned Deeply Moved

## PEACE SITUATION TERMED SERIOUS

Radical Differences Among Delegates as to Settlement of Boundaries Constitute Main Issues Now

Paris, April 3.—The council of four has virtually divided according to information from French sources, that the left bank of the Rhine will be neutralized until Germany has paid the indemnities fixed by the peace conference.

It is understood French and Belgian troops will hold this territory, the United States claiming it to be impossible to leave American troops in Europe after the signature of the peace treaty and England having insufficient effective troops to maintain garrisons along the Rhine.

It is surmised the visit of King Albert of Belgium to Paris was not unconnected with the above Belgian troops will be asked to undertake in this territory.

Paris, April 3.—An appeal for the independence of Korea will be submitted to the peace conference before the end of the present week by a delegation headed by Kinsie Kim, representing the new Korean Young Men's Society. The appeal is declared to represent the vehement desire of almost the entire Korean nation as manifested by the present widespread passive resistance movement.

The document is accompanied by a long memorandum reciting the alleged injustices and unpopularity of Japanese rule and the harshness of the measures with which Japan is declared to be endeavoring to repress the national movement for liberation.

Paris, April 3.—I have always thought, and think more than ever today that the peace preliminaries to be imposed upon Germany will be ready before Easter unless something unexpected arises," said Stephen Pichon, foreign minister yesterday in reply to questioners at a banquet given by French republican journalists, according to the Matin.

Geneva, April 3.—Field Marshal von Hindenburg, with a large staff has arrived at Gilwice, northern Silesia, contrary to the terms of the armistice, has ordered a general mobilization in the region, according to dispatches to the Journal de Geneve.

The Polish agency at Lausanne states Germans are systematically destroying the industries of upper Silesia and taking everything away from the factories. Owing to the seriousness of the situation Ignace Jan Paderewski, the Polish premier has postponed his visit to Paris it is said.

Lithuanian troops on re-taking Mitau, are reported to have found seven hundred bodies of women and children in the streets when they entered the city.

Paris, April 3.—The drafting committee of the League of Nations commission has finished work but has not passed on the French amendments to articles VIII and IX, as well as American and Japanese suggestions as to the Monroe doctrine and the equality of nationalities. It is expected the league of nations commission will meet Saturday to adopt a definite text of the covenant. President Wilson will act as chairman of the meeting.

## MOONSHINING IN APPALACHIANS IS ON THE INCREASE

Knoxville, Tenn., April 3.—Prohibition is making an astonishing increase in illicit distilling in the Appalachian mountain territory, according to the statements made by a number of Appalachian mountain workers at the final session of their conference here this afternoon. The difficulty of dealing with this situation was discussed during which it was asserted, persons from towns and cities offer moonshiners eighteen to twenty-five dollars a gallon for their whiskey.

## BOLSHEVIKI ARE DEFEATED IN THE ASIATIC THEATRE

London, April 3.—Northern Caucasus from the Black sea to the Caspian has been entirely cleared of Bolsheviki as a result of the campaign of the army of General Denikin in that region, during January and February, according to an official report received here. Anti-Bolshevik leaders, fighting having ceased, are forming new forces of Cossacks and other natives.

## SCHOOL CHILDREN CALL STRIKE FOR PROFESSOR LOWRY

Knoxville, Tenn., April 3.—A "school strike" is on in Knoxville. Of the 1,500 pupils of Park City school, not exceeding 300 were in school today. The "strikers" are demanding the re-election of Prof. J. R. Lowry, as principal of that school, he having failed of re-election. The city board of education, by a vote of 5 to 3 on Tuesday night elected Mrs. Martha Baker, of the primary department, to succeed Prof. Lowry at the beginning of the next session in September. Yesterday several hundred pupils "boiled" and protested the action. This morning they paraded the streets of the city bearing banners reading "Park City School Strike," and "No Lowry, No School." They went to the Knoxville high school and shouted for "Lowry" and finally were routed by an official force. It was reported this morning that a sympathetic strike may be entered into by pupils of other schools. Prof. Lowry has been principal of the school for eight years. Mrs. Baker has made no formal statement as to her decision.

## 31 PER CENT. TO BE TOTAL ACREAGE CUT

Reports Read Before South Carolina Convention Were From Practically All Cotton States

## FLORIDA'S CUT ABOUT A FOURTH

In Addition to Acreage Reduction, Per Centage of Fertilizer Used to Be Much Less

Columbia, S. C., April 3.—At a convention of delegates, announced as more than 800, from every county in the state, report of the South Carolina Cotton Association on cotton acreage was read.

Announced reports from all cotton growing states showed estimated reductions of \$1 3-100 per cent for this season over last.

According to these figures Georgia, Mississippi and Texas will each produce a third less cotton this year, and Florida practically a fourth less.

Unfavorable weather for cotton planting prevails in 80 per cent of the cotton belt. It was announced that 50 per cent less commercial fertilizer will be used this year than last, according to statements before the convention. It was also pointed out that there is a marked labor shortage and that "inroads of the boll weevil will be more serious than for years past."

## JAPANESE BANKERS PLAN DEVELOPMENT CHINA AND SIBERIA

San Francisco, April 3.—The development of China and Siberia will be accomplished by the formation of an organization of leading financiers and bankers in Japan and the United States, according to T. Mochizuki and Y. Ozaki, members of the Japanese parliament, who are visiting this country to study political conditions before proceeding to Paris in an official capacity.

"The time has come when it is necessary for Japan and the United States to stop misunderstanding each other and get together for their mutual benefit," Mochizuki said. In commenting on the different phases of the proposed organization, he said:

"When this is accomplished we believe any unofficial talk heard here and in Japan will cease. The fact that a Japanese-American pool which will perhaps total into the billions has been formed will make all understand that Japan is not trying to take any advantage."

Mochizuki expressed the opinion that "the United States and Japan should control the Pacific for all time."

## OFFICIALS STATE THAT STRIKE HAS BEEN SUPPRESSED

Berlin, Wednesday, April 2.—Strikes both at Stuttgart and in the Ruhr district seemed to be checked by the energetic action of the government by prompt use of troops, martial law and other salutary means. Official reports from Stuttgart say that serious violence was reported only from Esslingen where the Spartacists seized weapons and automobiles but surrendered them after negotiation.

## DEATH RATE LOW AT TEXAS ARMY AVIATION FIELD

Fort Worth, Tex., April 3.—Records show that at the three Fort Worth air fields flying practically ceased today and all enlisted men were discharged, 106 men were killed from November 7, 1917 to April 1, 1919. During the time the British Royal Flying Corps trained its squadrons here, fifty students, officers and mechanics met fatal mishaps.

## WITH THE YANKS IN RUSSIA



At the left is the blockhouse built of railway ties, such as our Yanks are using in northern Russia. This particular blockhouse is at Oboserskaya, on the Vologa railroad, where the allies were fighting the Reds as late as March 23. The soldier is Private Arnold Butsberger. The picture at the right shows an American guard at Archangel serving rice rations to bolshevik prisoners.

## JAPS CANNOT OBTAIN LANDS IN MEXICO

Lengthy Statement is Issued by Mexican Officials in View of Recent Agitation

Mexico City, April 3.—In Lower California there are various foreign enterprises, among which are one or two Japanese, to which have been given concessions for the exploitation of certain natural resources in various places, but none of them has been permitted to write news or views to the paper at any time. Every piece of contract, which will embrace the entire field of Florida and it is his intention to make of the Weekly Journal not only one of the newest weeklies in the South, but to carry in its columns much that will be of special value to the agriculturists and commercial interests of the towns and rural communities of this section.

Mr. Custer extends an invitation to every citizen of Florida, particularly to those residing in the counties known as the Pensacola zone, to write news or views to the paper at any time. Every piece of contract, which will embrace the entire field of Florida and it is his intention to make of the Weekly Journal not only one of the newest weeklies in the South, but to carry in its columns much that will be of special value to the agriculturists and commercial interests of the towns and rural communities of this section.

General Aguirre declared the government had not and would not allow foreign interests to obtain lands in Lower California and pointed out that article XXVII of the constitution prohibits foreigners from holding lands within sixty miles of a frontier and thirty miles of a seacoast. He said under these provisions, because of the geographical situation of Lower California, it would be virtually impossible for foreign interests to secure any considerable tract, even in the interior because of the narrowness of the peninsula.

Regarding concessions held by foreigners, the under-secretary stated that among those holding fishing rights were both Japanese and Norwegians, but he made it plain no foreign interests held rights to land along the coast.

Discussing a purported interview with him on March 29, General Aguirre denied its accuracy. In taking up this interview at length, it was pointed out that it was stated that "the concessions were fully authorized by the provisions of the constitution," which he said, "absolutely robbed the first sentence stating 'Japanese corporations have been granted concessions to exploit agricultural lands in Lower California' of any meaning that would cause alarm since the geographical and constitutional provisions regarding zones barred to foreigners absolutely prohibited large holdings."

The under-secretary declared, however, that the dispatch was incorrect in that the only concessions granted were five-year permits to conduct fishing operations which permits allow no land or port holdings. General Aguirre stated when asked regarding the reported concessions by George T. Summerlin, an interim charge at the American embassy here, he informed the American diplomat of the facts substantially as given in his statement quoted above.

Baron Fugitaro Otori, Japanese minister to Mexico, stated yesterday that the only agricultural interests held by his countrymen were small rice lands near Mexicali, which he said were absolutely without importance.

## ARMY PATIENTS MOBILIZED AT BIG HOSPITALS

Washington, April 3.—In order that the personnel at army hospitals may be reduced to the minimum consistent with efficient operation, Surgeon General Ireland today ordered that the patients in all army hospitals be concentrated in as few wards as possible. A large number of medical officers and nurses will be released as a result.

## PAUL W. CUSTER TAKES CHARGE WEEKLY JOURNAL

The Journal has secured the services of Paul W. Custer, formerly connected with the publishing business on the Pacific slope and along the coast, who will take charge of the Pensacola Weekly Journal. Mr. Custer, through experience with newspapers throughout the country, is particularly fitted for this work, which will embrace the entire field of Florida and it is his intention to make of the Weekly Journal not only one of the newest weeklies in the South, but to carry in its columns much that will be of special value to the agriculturists and commercial interests of the towns and rural communities of this section.

## News In Brief From All Over The Universe

New York, April 3.—An offer of two hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars has reached here today from Great Falls, Mont., accompanied by the assurance that the Willard-Dempsey fight can be staged there.

Monroe, La., April 3.—Two masked men held up the State Bank of Bastrop, La., during business hours, robbed the institution of \$10,000 in cash and escaped, according to a report received here tonight.

Coblenz, April 3.—German troops opposite the Coblenz bridgehead began moving early Thursday toward Frankfurt, where a Spartacan revolt has been causing disorder.

Charleston, S. C., April 3.—After spending the night at Charleston port terminals, following their arrival yesterday afternoon units of the 30th division on the transport Huron landed this morning and entrained from Camp Jackson.

Newport News, Va., April 3.—Three troop trains with detachments of the 132nd Field artillery (Texas national guard) left Camp Stuart today for Camp Bowie. The troops are expected to arrive at Houston Sunday.

Bulletin, New York, April 3.—Royal Dutch-Shell oil interests have acquired control of the Mexican Eagle Oil Co., Ltd., a Lord Cowdray property, with oil concessions in five states in Mexico, according to a cable message received here today at the New York offices of the latter concern.

London, April 3.—Captain W. E. McGilley of the American expeditionary force was decorated with the military cross by King George at Buckingham Palace today. The captain is a member of the medical corps.

Sacramento, Calif., April 3.—Further consideration of the anti-Japanese bills before the state senate will be deferred until the legislature obtains a statement as to whether proposed legislation would embarrass the American delegation in its deliberations at the peace conference.

Washington, April 3.—The war department announced today the sailing of the transport Martha Washington, due at Charleston, S. C., about April 12, with the Second and Third battalions of the 150th Infantry of the 30th division, which includes Companies 2 and 3.

## EXPERIMENTS AT ROCKAWAY ARE UNDER WAY

Flyers Are Busy on Preparations For Trans-Atlantic Trip to Start on May 15

Washington, April 3.—Trans Atlantic flight experiments are under way at the naval air station at Rockaway Beach, L. I., to determine the number of Liberty motors which will drive the seaplanes on their proposed flight across the Atlantic ocean next month. The three N-C type of planes now in commission, were designed for three engines, but officers in charge of preparations for the flight believe it will be possible to add a fourth motor, giving each plane 1,600 horse power.

Four motors will be carried by the N-C now being completed at Garden City, L. I. and most officers favor the use of this number on the flight, both because the increased power and because the planes could be better managed in the event one motor went out of commission during the voyage.

It was indicated today at the navy department that the number of the machines to leave Newfoundland would depend upon whether any of those in commission were damaged during the preliminary tests or on the trip from Rockaway to the "jumping off" place. From this it was inferred that it was planned to start three and possibly all four of the N-C type craft.

Naval officials here are watching with keen interest the preparations being made by Harry G. Hawker, and Lieutenant Commander MacKenzie Greive for their projected flight from Newfoundland to Ireland in a Sopwith air plane and they were not surprised by the news that it had been found necessary to delay the start beyond April 16, the first to undertake the trans-Atlantic voyage as there is no evidence that the navy department intends to hasten the start of its flight.

## ARRIVAL IN MEXICO OF GEN. BLANQUET IS WIDELY NOTED

Washington, April 3.—Notice of the safe arrival in Mexico of General Blanquet was received today at the state department. Officials said no attention would be given the matter since it was one to be dealt with by the government of Mexico recognized by Felix Diaz, nephew of the late president, Porfirio Diaz, has been heading revolutions intermittently ever since the overthrow of his uncle. Whether the undertaking now joined by General Blanquet with a formidable staff of old Mexican federal army officers will make greater headway than those that have gone before no one here ventures to guess.

Ambassador Bonillas said today the government of Mexico was capable of dealing with the revolutionists. The ambassador said he had received no advices recently from Mexico on the subject of the revolutionists. He seemed inclined to doubt however, that the revolutionists actually had landed near Vera Cruz. He had heard from unofficial sources, that it was quite likely the revolutionists had landed somewhere other place and the announcement regarding the Vera Cruz coast was a blind to protect their exact whereabouts.

Newport, R. I., April 3.—Mrs. Helen French Vanderbilt was married today at Harbour View, her residence here, to Lieutenant Paul Fitzsimmons, U. S. Navy, who was graduated from Annapolis in 1914.

Mrs. Vanderbilt obtained a divorce some years ago from Alfred G. Vanderbilt, who lost his life in the sinking of the Lusitana.

## AVIATION FIELD COMMANDER DEAD PLANE ACCIDENT

Americus, Ga., April 3.—Lieut. Col. Frederick W. Dickman, commanding officer of Southern field, and Major John W. Butts, executive officer, were killed this afternoon when their airplane plunged two hundred feet in nose dive to the ground. Dickman was the son of Major General Dickman, commander of the Third Army of Occupation on the Rhine. Butts' home was Cisco, Texas. Both are graduates of West Point and each leaves a widow and one child.

The two officers, Major Butts as pilot, and Colonel Dickman in the rear seat, had gone for their usual afternoon flight and were attempting the last turn of the field preparatory to landing. The wind was gusty and apparently caught the plane with such force that it lifted the tail vertically into the air and the height was not sufficient to permit it to straighten out.

## PERMANENCY OF SHIP YARD FELT ASSURED

Plans to Make Material Extensions at Local Plant Are Said to Be Under Way

## ADVANTAGES THIS PORT REALIZED

Expenditure of Additional Large Sums in Development, Understood Very Probable at an Early Date

In recognition of the many favorable points to Pensacola as a location for a permanent steel shipbuilding plant, and the unbounded facilities in the way of port advantages and geographical location, the Pensacola Shipbuilding Company is to be made one of the permanent industries here and is to be still further developed. Details concerning the organization are not yet available, though sufficient information to indicate clearly the intention of the promoters of the industry along this line, point to the absolute permanency of the plant, which is considered one of the most modern of the many that rapidly sprang into existence immediately after the United States entered the war and the urgent need of ships, both for war and transportation purposes were so keenly realized.

The plant here while not the largest in existence, is known to be one of the most complete. All machinery was installed new and in perfect condition. In view of recent transpirations at the plant and reports and rumors to the effect that with the signing of the armistice many of war time plants would pass out of existence as soon as peace is declared and their affairs are in shape to be closed up, information that the plant of the Pensacola Shipbuilding Company is to be permanent without doubt and is to be enlarged, especially in view of the great demand for a large merchant marine for the United States, will be gratifying news to Pensacola people and people throughout this section.

It is believed that within a short time definite announcement may be made as to the exact extent of further developments. In the meantime, it is known that the plant, which a short time ago, was cutting its forces in various departments is now gradually recruiting, especially in the producing departments of system.

Machinery is now being installed in the first of the big ships launched, four others are well under way of construction, some of them nearly ready to be put over and the keel for the sixth was laid about two or three weeks ago, since which time good progress has been made on its construction.

## STEEL PRICES TO BE TAKEN UP AT NEW CONFERENCE

Washington, April 3.—Conflict between the industrial board of the department of commerce and the railroad administration over steel prices has developed to a question of whether the steel prices is already announced as having been decided upon. The conference start tomorrow between the railroad administration and the representatives of the board on which it is believed will depend the future activities of the board.

## LOCAL MILLS IN ON FIVE MILLION DEAL

Plans For Lumber Trade With European Countries on Large Scale Are Perfected

## PENSACOLA PORT BE BENEFICIARY

Local Pine Industry Is Represented in Corporation by Messrs. Burgoyne, Rosasco, Munson and Others

New Orleans, April 3.—Organization of the United States Forest Products Company with capital of \$5,000,000 to conduct a general export lumber business with European countries was perfected here tonight at a meeting of Southern Pine Manufacturers officers, and directors will be elected at a meeting in Chicago April 14 when further details will be worked out.

Twenty-five large mills will be identified with the new concern. Among Southern lumbermen identified with the company will be Peter Rosasco and C. R. Burgoyne of Pensacola; C. C. Munson, of Bagdad, Florida, and L. N. Dantler of Moss Point, Miss.

That great benefit will come to Pensacola through the organization of lumbermen formed at New Orleans yesterday, is the expectation of Pensacola lumbermen and shippers.

"Naturally the port of Pensacola will share liberally in the export lumber trade to be carried on by this organization, because of her unexcelled port advantages and her close proximity to the southern pine mills. Some of the largest mills of the 25 mentioned as participating in the organization are within the shipping area of this port," said C. R. Burgoyne here last night.

## HOLTZCLAW IS MANAGER OF ELECTRIC CO.

Former Superintendent of Company Succeeds Mr. Hanlon, Who Goes to Tampa, Fla.

Through the Stone & Webster Company of Boston, general managers of the Pensacola Electric Company, J. G. Holtzclaw has been appointed to succeed T. J. Hanlon, Jr., as manager of the Pensacola Electric Company. Mr. Hanlon has been transferred to Tampa.

Mr. Holtzclaw is a native of Georgia, and a graduate of the electrical engineering department of the Georgia Tech, class of 1907. Mr. Holtzclaw, who has been general superintendent of the local office for the past three years, has been connected with the company in various capacities for eight years, his experience with the Stone and Webster interests having embraced three years with the Savannah Electric Company, before coming to Pensacola. He was also with the Stone and Webster Company at their Boston offices in the fall of 1907, where he gained much valuable experience.

Mr. Holtzclaw is a member of the Osceola Club, the Country Club, the Pensacola Engineering Club, and treasurer of the Pensacola Carnival Association. Since coming to Pensacola to reside here and his wife and little daughter have made many friends who are glad to know that the services of Mr. Holtzclaw have been retained here, and that he is the official personnel of the company with which he has been so long connected.

## NEW ZEALANDERS TO GO THROUGH PANAMA CANAL

Newport News, Va., April 3.—With nearly 1,000 New Zealand troops on board bound for home from France via the Panama canal, the British transport Remuera has arrived here for coal. The steamer is expected to continue her voyage before the last of the week.