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**RUPERT COMPANY
BUYS LOCAL CANNERY**
Umpqua Growers Association
Votes to Sell Holdings to
Outside Concern.

RELIEVED GOOD MOVE
Unit to Plant Will Be Built as
Soon as Deal Is Closed and
Sufficient Floor For Stor-
ing Cans.

At a meeting of the stockholders of the Umpqua Growers Association this morning at 10 o'clock the city hall it was unanimously agreed to sell the local cannery and equipment of the association to the Rupert company, incorporated, which at present conducts canneries in a number of cities in Oregon and Washington. This deal has been pending for some time, as the company made an offer several weeks ago to the local association and it was decided to bring the matter to the attention of the stockholders and present the bona fide proposition submitted by the Rupert concern, in which they agree to take over the present buildings and construct one of this year and complete the entire plant next season. They will take over the \$41,000 of canned goods on hand and find a market for them. In addition to all this they agree to take the fixed assets of the price the association originally paid. The fruit on hand will be sold at a 20 per cent reduction on a spot list which is somewhat higher than the sales list, making in all a 20 per cent reduction. They expect that \$20,000 be raised by local merchants and will issue preferred stock for that amount, paying 7 per cent interest and offering \$50,000 security.

A. C. Marsters, local banker, spoke for the proposition and stated that he was heartily in accord with the plan and would mean more business to the locality. He stated the local bankers had investigated the Rupert corporation thoroughly and were convinced they were offering "edge" security. He also said that the Roseburg banks could not finance the cannery under management as the loans were running too rapidly. Mr. Marsters introduced the motion that the assembly be sold, which was carried unanimously.

Dr. Bailey and Mr. Harding expressed themselves as opposed to the plan and believed that the cannery should be kept under local control. They were, however, strongly in favor of supporting the cannery, regardless of who conducts it.

A. J. Lilburn, president of the association, and Geo. Neuner, Jr., secretary, also spoke concerning the plan and were in favor of the plan taken.

The meeting adjourned at noon after a resolution was introduced giving the directors full power and authority to dissolve the Umpqua Growers Association in the event the deal with A. Rupert and company went through.

**Passengers Have
Narrow Escape**
By Associated Press
NEW YORK, April 12.—Passengers in an elevated train had a remarkable escape from death today when it catapulted into the street, a distance of 25 feet, in the midst of debris of a car, which was knocked off the elevated structure by collision with another train and demolished. About a dozen passengers were removed to hospitals and a woman was seriously hurt.

forded an opportunity, arising the Washington senator, a candidate for the highest office the country affords. He is to make a short tour of his home state before coming to Oregon.

**Attendance Largest
History of Church**
Yesterday was one of the greatest days in the history of the Christian church in this city. Every service was largely attended, and every service had results. Beginning with the Bible school when 250 were in attendance and continuing through the day the interest was intense. The building was packed at the morning hour and overflowed in the evening hour. The afternoon women's meeting was also largely attended. During the day 17 people came forward either to profess faith in Christ or to take membership. This makes a total of 46 since these meetings began. The services continue each evening during the coming week. Tonight the evangelist will speak on "The Foolishness of God," and tomorrow night the sermon will be on "The Thief on the Cross." Next Sunday afternoon arrangements are being made for a big men's meeting. Other things of interest will be the special sermon Friday night, a chart lecture to railroad men on "The Two Railways of Life," and a meeting at 4:30 Thursday afternoon conducted by Mrs. Cross for girls and young ladies. There will be baptismal services this evening at the close of the sermon.

**Here to Present
Smith-Hughes Act**
E. E. Elliott, the newly elected head of the vocational education department of the Oregon Agricultural college, succeeding Mr. Barrows, who recently resigned, is in this city today conferring with members of the school board, Supt. Smith and County Supt. Brown, concerning the establishing here of the Smith-Hughes course in agriculture for the high school classes next year. Mr. Elliott spent Saturday in Yoncalla in a similar conference with the school heads there.

The Smith-Hughes course is in reality a law, introduced some years ago by Congressmen Smith and Hughes, in which a federal sum is set aside to provide for teachers in high school adopting the course. If the sum is matched by the state government. The Smith-Hughes course in agriculture and other branches is differentiated from the courses as offered now in that they are practically put on a vocational basis, and made more practical. A year-round teacher is provided, very little of the expense of keeping the teachers coming out of the local school funds. The agricultural work, in case the plan is adopted, would consist more of the actual experiment than of book work, the experiments taking place either on small plots on a school farm or in this city, probably at the homes of the pupils, under the supervision of the teacher.

The Smith-Hughes bill provides for four courses, trades and industries, domestic science, teachers' training and agriculture. Several of these courses have been tried in other schools, but with the exception of the agricultural course have not proven satisfactory. The Smith-Hughes course in agriculture is now in use in eight schools in this state, with good results in each case.

The community itself has much to do with the adoption of this method and it is believed by many that the characteristics of Douglas county, its extensive canning industry, prune growing, broccoli, gardening, etc., would do much to make it an ultimate success, and to meet the needs of this community. The Roseburg school board will hold its regular meeting tonight, and it is expected that it will take up the matter then. Mr. Elliott will continue on to the southern part of the state tomorrow.

**Revolution Breaks
In Guatemala**
By Associated Press
WASHINGTON, April 12.—The long threatened revolution in Guatemala against President Estrada Cabrera has finally broken out. Reports today to the state department said the opponents of the president had gained control of Guatemala City, after some street fighting. A marine guard from the cruiser Tacoma, a submarine tender to the Niagara, has been landed to protect the American legation.

MOTHER IS DEAD.
T. H. Olson and family left yesterday for Litchfield, Minn., in response to a message announcing the death of Mr. Olson's mother. She had been in poor health for several months, and recently her condition became very bad, but the news of her death came as a severe shock. Mr. Olson may decide to remain in Litchfield, his former home, permanently, but was not sure when departing whether or not he will return to Roseburg, where he has resided for several years.

**COUNTY INSTITUTE
WELL ATTENDED**
Teachers and Members of
School Boards Over County
Met at Riddle Saturday.

FUNDS ARE NEEDED
Prof. John Almack, of University,
Tells of Increasing Enrollment
in Comparison With Increase
Funds, Building Facilities.

One of the most enthusiastic and well attended county institutes to be held in this section for some time was held at Riddle Saturday when a good share of the teachers of this county met in a joint session with representatives from the majority of the school boards. Many prominent school men and women were present, among them being John C. Almack, director of the extension division of the University of Oregon, and one of the well known educators in the state.

Mr. Almack spoke on "School Reorganization," and also "Millage Tax Bill." He is an interesting speaker, and is well informed on school subjects. He began his talk with an endeavor to explain his idea of what a school was, saying that the school system is an organized method of presenting to each rising generation the knowledge of the foregoing generations, so that they will be prepared to carry on the high standard of civilization. Our knowledge must be transmitted to the young, and the schools are the only recognized way by which this can be done. The problem of presenting this knowledge to the children, according to Prof. Almack, becomes more complex with every age. An ever increasing store of new inventions and ideas are added with every generation and so the task of presenting them becomes greater.

As stated by Prof. Almack, the building facilities of the schools in this state have increased 15 per cent since 1913, while the enrollment has increased 150 per cent. He exhibited a chart explaining this, and just what congestion and confusion was being caused by such a condition. The income to colleges in the state has increased 4 per cent, which is nothing in comparison to the attendance increase. Prof. Almack's entire talk led up to the necessity of the schools for more funds, which is so large as to almost demand that the proposed 2-mill tax bill be passed, if our civilization and school system is to go forward and not backward.

C. A. Stark, of the Sutherlin school board, and Geo. E. Aiken, presented the school board side of the question to the teachers and others. They brought out the point that they are representing the taxpayers and that it has always been their policy to secure the best teachers possible for the lowest price. They agreed that this was probably not the best policy in the long run as it would not doubt force teachers out of the profession. The teachers and board fully agreed on the question of the millage tax bill, and on the fact that an increase in wages was almost a necessity. A general talk on the 2-mill tax bill was introduced and led by County School Superintendent O. C. Brown, who explained the law as it will be voted upon. Other talks according to the program took place and the following resolutions were passed:

Whereas, that the present period of dissatisfaction and social and political unrest, the prosperity of our nation and the perpetuation of the great ideals for which it stands depend very largely upon the training for citizenship which the children of our country receive in the public schools, and,

**Strike Situation
Not Much Improved**

CHICAGO, April 12.—Development in West Pittsburg in the Switchmen's unauthorized strike to-day was regarded by the railroad brotherhood officials as pointing towards a gradual dissolution of the insurgent forces, but in the east, where the walkout was joined by the trainmen in several districts, the situation assumed a more serious aspect. In the central and far west numerous reports of defections from the strikers' ranks were reported. Railroad officials here were presented with "terms for settlement of the strike," which included the recognition of the new union.

NO INVESTIGATION NOW.
WASHINGTON, April 12.—There will be no investigation of the railroad strike for the present by the interstate commerce committee, Chairman Cummings announced today after receiving assurances that the railroad labor board would be appointed within 24 hours.

SERVICE SUSPENDED
NEW YORK, April 12.—The Central railroad of New Jersey suspended all passenger service at noon, when the agents were ordered to cease selling tickets. The road covers the state and the suspension order affects over 50,000 commuters. The notice posted in the Pennsylvania station today announced that "several trains" scheduled to arrive this morning would not get here "for various reasons."

ULTIMATUM IS ISSUED.
CHICAGO, April 12.—Striking railroaders in the Chicago district must either return to work or consider their positions vacated and hunt elsewhere for employment, so District Attorney Charles Cline told the leaders of the men today. The government demands that the trains shall run and they will assist the roads in filling places of the men who fail to return to work.

**New Republic in
Mexico Still Exists**

By Associated Press
NOGALLES, Sonora, Mexico, April 12.—Officials of the "new republic" of Sonora, which withdrew from the Mexican government Friday, today awaited the next move, which they declared must come from Carranza's administration forces. In the meantime they prepared for any military activity against the state. Carranza has but one channel open to bring the state back into the federation, they said. He must accede and guarantee Sonora what they claim is the state's rights, and that he will not send troops into Sonora against the wishes of the state government.

**French Withdraw
When Germans Act**

By Associated Press
LONDON, April 12.—The latest French note relative to the occupation of the Ruhr region says the troops in Frankfurt and other occupied cities will be withdrawn immediately upon the withdrawal of the German troops from the region. The note also promises, it is stated, that no more independent action will be taken.

of the refreshment committee to be turned over to the Near East fund. A delicious dinner was served at noon to all visitors by the patrons of the school.

**Dam to be Built
Near Hatchery**

(By Associated Press)
PORTLAND, April 12.—(Special to The News-Review).—The state fish and game commission this afternoon appropriated the sum of \$6000 for the construction of a dam on the North Umpqua river to provide adequate water supply to conduct trout operations. The dam will be built at the site of the present hatchery and will greatly increase the facilities of that establishment. Construction work is expected to start within the very near future.

**O. AND C. LANDS
ARE THROWN OPEN**

Date For Filing Arrives and
Many Seize Opportunity
of Securing Land.

APPLICANTS IN CITY
Ex-Service Men From All Parts of
United States Arrive to Secure
Portion of Grant Lands
if Possible.

Hundreds of squatters, homesteaders, ex-service men and others thronged Roseburg today attending the opening of the O. & C. grant lands, which were thrown open to entry this morning. Among the crowd could be found men from every state in the union, lured to the west by the attractive promises given out in alluring details through the press of the middle west and east. The lands were thrown open this morning, squatters who have been on the land for a certain length of time being given from April 12 until May 8 to file their claims. Ex-service men are also allowed to file their entry at this time and their filings are listed as simultaneous on May 8, after which time a period remains for the exercising of military preference rights.

Long before the doors of the federal building were thrown open this morning the sidewalk were jammed by squatters who had arrived at an early morning hour to make sure of their filings and to be ahead of the rush. In order to facilitate handling, numbers were issued and the applicants were given service in accordance with the numbers in their possession, the first on hand being the first to receive attention. In this manner over 100 numbers were issued in a very short space of time, after which the method was discontinued and the clerks took the applications as rapidly as they could be received.

By far the greater number of filings were made by ex-soldiers. A large number also appeared asking for information and were given all of the data in the hands of the land office officials. Ex-service men are arriving on every train and are scarcely able to find accommodations. Hotels and rooming houses are crowded to capacity and beds are at a premium. Several local men who are familiar with the lands now open have gone into the business of locating the soldiers on tracts that are considered of an agricultural nature. W. A. Bogard, who knows practically all of the land, has assisted a great many would-be homesteaders in finding locations, while Scott Morrison has also placed several men on possible homesteads.

To say that the new arrivals are "sore" is putting it too mildly. They are completely disgusted and are very angry. Some of them carry clippings from newspapers of the middle west, showing how well the propagandist got in his work. The articles appear under a Washington caption and purport to come from official sources. They represent the land to be of great value, containing large amounts of timber and with spreading ranges close at hand for stock raising purposes.

"It took us just fifteen minutes to decide to pack our belongings and start for Oregon," said an ex-soldier arriving Saturday night from South Dakota. "Our papers for months have been full of this land opening. We were led to believe that we could take off timber of great value, and have a fine farm home, near the railroad and tanned by wagon roads. Who wouldn't make a try for a thing like that? We were told that we could take up grazing lands adjoining the national forest and have thousands of acres for range. It looked in print like a million dollar proposition, and we started out to be the first on the ground."

"The articles were all 'published' as coming from Washington, D. C., and we thought they were genuine and that the information given was the truth. When we reached Portland we were directed to come on to Roseburg, and here were disillusioned. We have a little money and we like Oregon, so we may buy a farm, which seems to be about the only way to get one worth having."

Two other men from Portland spent 2150 miles in traveling over the country inspecting all of the best homestead sites. They located two handies near Days Creek and came to the land office to make their application, only to find that the land had been withdrawn by last hour telegraphic communication, the classification having been changed. A few have found spots on which they are going to try to stick for a few months. The government is betting them the land against a few dollars that they can't live on it for the necessary time, and it's an even gamble either way. There are a few good tracts, and these are being sought by the large class of homesteaders. There are a few men who

are going to spend the money they had expected to put into a homestead on a small tract already in cultivation. Others are going to the coast country to look for farms, while by far the greater number are returning to their homes disgruntled, "sore," knocking Oregon, the administration and a few other things on the side.

**War Department
Will Loan Rifles**

The war department is now engaged on plans for the distribution this year of about 100,000 army rifles to the posts of the American Legion throughout the country. Provision was made for the distribution of these rifles, valued at about \$2,000,000, by legislation recently enacted by congress.

In addition to the loan of rifles, the bill provides for the sale to posts of the American Legion of "blank ammunition in suitable amounts for said rifles" and further specifies that the rifles are "obsolete or condemned army rifles" and that the number distributed shall not exceed "ten such rifles to any one post."

The posts of the American Legion requested these obsolete rifles for use "in connection with the funeral ceremonies of deceased soldiers, sailors and marines and for other post ceremonial purposes," the use of which the rifles are to be put having been included in the bill. The rifles will be stripped of bayonets and other attachments, as was done in the loan by the government of obsolete rifles to the high school cadets in Washington.

No distribution can be made until some system for handling the loan will have been devised.

**Switchmen Are
Returning to Work**

Reports today indicated that the backbone of the insurgent switchmen's strike has been broken, and that resumption of full travel may be expected at any time. Rebel switchmen have been returning to work in nearly all terminals and freight trains have been moved with considerable regularity. Passenger traffic has been on schedule time and has been conducted without interference. It is believed generally that the strike is on the wane and that normal conditions will be restored within a very short time.

The old "blacklist" method of combatting the strike has been called into use again and the following telegram was made public late Saturday.

"At or before 4 o'clock this afternoon some of the striking switchmen returned to join the ranks of those switchmen who remained at their places of duty. The names of those who did not return have been stricken from our rolls and they can get back into the service only by making application."

"The good men who may have been misled will return. The railroad brotherhoods are again the strikers and are helping us to get new men. The men have deserted their unions and their agreements at the same time."

"The pay for switchmen is sixty-four cents an hour for eight hours work day, and ninety-six cents an hour after eight hours. Every switchman had to begin and this is a good chance for men to get into the railroad business. We will resume service as fast as we get the force to do it. To this our attention is now devoted."

"J. H. DYER, Gen. Mgr."

There is small possibility of the strike reaching Roseburg, and in Portland the men have begun returning to work.

**Shedds Man Buys
75 Acres in Grain**

L. N. Allen, of Shedds, Oregon, closed a deal today whereby he becomes owner of the 75-acre grain farm owned by I. H. Hannah, which was originally a part of the Lee Love ranch on the North Umpqua, and is just north of the Overland orchards property. The place is all in barley, and the purchaser gets a part of this year's crop, which was put in by L. R. Hulbert, who has leased the ranch leased. Mr. Allen is planning to build a fine residence on a slightly spot, overlooking the valley and river, and will plant extensively to loganberries and prunes this fall and winter. The ranch is ideally located only eight miles from Roseburg, with good roads the year round, and under the improvements proposed will doubtless become a fine income property. The deal was negotiated by Tester & Lough, who also have sold the O. C. Houser property of 11 acres in West Roseburg to a Mr. Swain, recently from Wisconsin.

Social day will be observed by the Mental Culture club at the parish house tomorrow afternoon. Members will be entitled to bring a friend, provided they notify the committee this afternoon.

**AUTO CARAVAN TO
STOP IN THIS CITY**

Council to Hold Special Meeting
Tonight to Arrange
Accommodations.

CARNIVAL IS PLANNED
Merchants Arranging for Committee
to Stage Carnival for Entertainment
of Visitors From
Northwest Cities.

A special meeting of the city council has been called for tonight for the purpose of locating accommodations for the northwestern automobile caravan which is to be here on May 19 or 20. This caravan will be one of the big affairs of the year and Roseburg is extremely fortunate to be in on it. Other cities have put in a big bid for it, and Roseburg can be proud that it has been selected by these people for a stop. The purpose is more fully explained by the following letter received by Mayor W. S. Hamilton:

"Dear Sir:

"I note in this morning's Oregonian that the city council of Roseburg is preparing to enlarge its summer camping facilities for automobile parties traveling over the Pacific highway.

"The northwestern automobile caravan, made up of progressive citizens and business men of the entire northwest, including Seattle, Spokane, Tacoma, Everett, Bellingham, Olympia, Wash., Vancouver and Victoria, B. C., and numerous cities and towns of Oregon, will be the largest individual party passing through your city this season. We expect to have over 100 automobiles and from 400 to 500 people in our party, which will pass through Roseburg probably on May 19th or 20th.

"Will you advise me at once if your plans will be such that you can provide parking arrangements for such a large party. If we cannot secure such accommodations we shall have to arrange to stop over night at some other city, although we are planning now to make Roseburg one of our over night stops.

"It is important that I hear from you at your earliest convenience, as we must decide definitely on our running schedule within the next week or so.

"Very respectfully yours,
"W. P. STRAWBORG,
"Director."

There is no doubt but that arrangements will be made to accommodate the caravan. It is one of the biggest events for Roseburg, very probably, that the year will afford, and every effort will be made to take care of the visitors. It is quite probable that the fair grounds will be secured and put in condition to take care of the visitors. It would be ideal for such a purpose and would be sufficiently large to accommodate all the tourists.

The merchants of the city are also planning, if possible, to put on the strawberry carnival and have it in progress when these people arrive. It would be one of the biggest advertisements the city could have, and with a live, up-to-date festival in full swing Roseburg would be advertised from one end of the coast to the other. A committee is being formed today to put the carnival feature over, and as soon as definite dates for the caravan are received it is planned to set the carnival dates. An effort is also being made to secure the Foley-Burke carnival shows for the dates, and with a good reliable outfit in attendance the carnival will be an assured success.

**Aged Drain Resident
Passes Away Sat.**

Father G. Davis, an aged Drain resident, passed away suddenly at his home at that place Saturday evening, heart failure being the direct cause of his death. He had resided in Drain for many years and was a highly respected citizen of that place. The deceased was 89 years of age, a member of the G. A. R., and a veteran of the civil war. He is survived by two sons and two daughters, Dewitt C. Davis and T. F. Davis of Drain, Mrs. H. L. Cowles of Drain, and Mrs. R. E. Cook of this city. The funeral services were held at 2 o'clock this afternoon at the Drain Methodist church, with interment at the cemetery there.

**Irish Issue Call
For General Strike**

DUBLIN, April 12.—Officials of the Irish trades unions congress and labor party today issued a call to the workers in Ireland for a general strike throughout the country tomorrow as a protest against the treatment of political prisoners.