

EXPLOSION ENTOMBS OVER 100 MEN

CREDITORS OF GERMANY CUT ANNUITY RATE

May Pay War Debts at Yearly Rate of 420 Million, Allied Experts Say.

Offer, Reducing Schedule Under Dawes Plan, Is Carried to Berlin to Be Studied.

(Associated Press Leased Wire) PARIS, Mar. 21.—Dr. Hjalmar Schacht, president of the Reichsbank, will take with him to Berlin tonight, it is learned, the offer of the allied experts on reparations to accept 1,750,000,000 marks (about \$420,000,000) as the figure for the German reparations annuities.

The allies' offer carried with it various other conditions which were not revealed.

Dr. Schacht has given no indication that the German government will accept the offer. He has telegraphed Dr. Rudolf Heistering, minister of finance, to call a meeting at Berlin of the great provincial industrialists and heads of the German institutions so that he may explain the present situation of the reparations negotiations.

The German banker asked this meeting deliberately, it was understood, so that responsibility for acceptance or conditional refusal would be widely shared not only by the government but by the great leaders of German industry and finance.

The figure of 1,750,000,000 marks is understood to represent reparations payments of all categories. This would entail a reduction of the present annuities under the Dawes plan of between seven and eight hundred million dollar marks.

The 1,750,000,000 marks figure was guarded with the greatest secrecy; consequently, when it was learned, there was no attendant explanation or comment to indicate the number of annuities, or if, as generally supposed, it was the first figure of a schedule of rising annual totals.

Thus it appeared that the minimum which Germany's creditors will accept is in fact the equivalent of the fourth year's Dawes annuity, payment of which was completed August 31, 1928.

MRS. F. E. DRAKE, DOUGLAS RESIDENT, SINCE 1875, DIES

Mrs. Frances E. Drake, a pioneer Myrtle Creek woman, died about midnight last night after a short illness. Her maiden name was Frances E. Swartout and she was born July 14, 1845 in New York state. She was married January 1, 1862, to John Richey, who died soon after their marriage, and she was then widowed in 1866 to W. B. Drake, a blacksmith, who moved to Myrtle Creek October 10, 1875.

Mr. Drake died a few years ago and his widow has since been residing in the old home, which was set in the midst of a most beautiful garden that for years has been a show place in the city of Myrtle Creek.

She leaves a son, C. J. Richey, who resides at Myrtle Creek. Funeral services will be held Saturday at 2 p. m. at the Methodist church.

SOUTHERN PACIFIC CRAFTSMEN TO ASK RAISE IN WAGES

(Associated Press Leased Wire) SACRAMENTO, Cal., Mar. 21.—Southern Pacific labor leaders have been called to meet in San Francisco March 25 to draft a request for wage increases. It was indicated in Sacramento last night.

The request will be presented to Southern Pacific officials at a conference in San Francisco April 1, according to H. C. Kinsey of Sacramento, chairman of the negotiatory committee of the railroad's shopmen's association.

More than 2,000 mechanists, boiler-makers sheet metal workers and car men in Sacramento will be affected. They are now getting a basic wage of 77 cents an hour.

Wedding of Future Ruler of Norway To Princess of Sweden Welds 2 Nations



PRINCESS MARTHA CROWN PRINCE OLAF (Associated Press Leased Wire.)

OSLO, Norway, Mar. 21.—A firm link was forged between the royal families and peoples of Norway and Sweden and two young hearts were made glad today as the solemn words were pronounced in the old church of Our Holy Saviour which made Crown Prince Olaf of Norway and Princess Martha of Sweden man and wife.

The Norwegian capital has not been given an opportunity in a long time for such festivity and rejoicing. It rose to the occasion with a vast outpouring of the populace which thronged the lavishly decorated streets and squares in the vicinity and along the route of the wedding procession. Volleys of cheers greeted the bride and bridegroom and their entourage as they drove to the church and then emerged after the wedding.

The wedding ceremony itself was a comparatively simple affair, vice and because of the limited accommodations of the modest edifice was witnessed by a few hundred persons only.

The most enthusiastic demonstration was outside where the Norwegian people, who have taken their crown prince's young bride to their hearts, outdid themselves showing how welcome was the nuptial event to King Haakon's subjects.

Whole Nation Hears All points of vantage, even to the house roofs, were occupied by spectators, thousands of whom had poured into the city from all parts of Norway to pay tribute to their future king and his princess. Wireless came into play to give the population as a whole an opportunity of hearing, if not seeing, the memorable ceremony. The Norwegian Broadcasting company had even fitted loud speakers along the streets adjacent to the church so that the immense crowds were able to follow the entire service.

Absolute silence reigned at first. (Continued on page 2)

A. J. GEDDES CASE CONCERNS OTHER CITY RECORDERS

The charge brought by Mayor Hoover that A. J. Geddes, city recorder, cannot hold two lucrative positions, is attracting a great deal of attention throughout the entire state, according to information received from various sources. It seems that the same conditions prevail quite generally throughout the state, and a great many cities are affected.

In most towns the salary paid a recorder is such that he cannot afford to devote his entire time to the office and so augment his income by some other activity. In many cities of Oregon recorders are in the identical position with Mr. Geddes, who is also the district school clerk.

The fact that the school clerk is an appointive position rather than an elective office, is pointed out by some attorneys as a distinction that must be considered, while, on the other hand, the contention is raised that the office of school clerk is a public, lucrative position and comes under the prohibition of the state constitution.

Whether the salary obtained from the office of school clerk could be considered as constituting a "lucrative position" or if it would come under the same classification as collection work, writing insurance or such other activities, usually followed by city recorders to augment their city income, is a question upon which there is a wide difference of opinion.

Attorneys quite generally agree, however, that even if the assumption is correct that Mr. Geddes cannot hold both the office of recorder and school clerk, that it is the latter position that is vacated. The fact that the recorder's position was taken last, subscribing to the oath of office and qualifying in the regular manner, would make him, officially the city's recorder, therefore is the city's recorder, then it is not entitled to both offices, then it is the school job that is open.

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H. S. JOHNSTON REMOVED FROM GOVERNORSHIP

Oklahoma's Executive Held Incompetent by State Senate's Board of Investigation.

Verdict Closes Two Years' Political Fight—New Governor on Job Is W. J. Holloway.

(Associated Press Leased Wire) OKLAHOMA CITY, Mar. 21.—W. J. Holloway is Oklahoma's fourth governor in six years today following the removal from that office of Henry S. Johnston by a senate court on a charge of incompetency.

Holloway, lieutenant governor under Johnston, had been acting chief executive since the latter was suspended pending trial.

Johnston was the second successive governor of the state to be removed from office. J. C. Walton, his predecessor, was ousted in 1923. Governor Holloway is the fourth to hold the office since then although the constitution provides a four-year term.

"I have left the office of governor, I have retained my honor and integrity," was Johnston's only statement after the verdict.

Johnston's removal came as a dramatic climax to more than two years' of political turbulence. In December, 1927, when hostile legislators attempted to meet on their own call to vote impeachment articles against him, he succeeded in dispersing them by court action.

Mrs. G. D. Hammonds, Johnston's confidential secretary, drew much of the fire of the governor's political enemies. They charged she dominated the governor's office and dictated much of the state's official business.

The governor, declaring that attacks on her were inspired by "disappointed political partisans," refused to discharge her. After he was suspended and shortly before his trial opened, Johnston accepted Mrs. Hammonds' resignation.

On the witness stand, he told (Continued on page 8)

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Should the rebels capture Mazatlan, a way would be open for their advance southward into Nayarit and Jalisco where the insurgents hoped for further help against the government.

It also would offer peril to General Calles' left flank and rear. Reports that the rebels had captured Durango were received but could not be confirmed.

A rebel advance on the federal stronghold of Naco on the border also was threatened.

The insurgent claim that their strategy is to draw General Calles northward into a trap, to cut him off from reinforcements and then to launch a major drive against him.

KILLER RETURNS TO CHICAGO TO FACE THE LAW

John MacKenzie Confesses Deed Which Ended Feud With Neighbor Over "Spite Wall."

Troubled Conscience Urges Surrender of Supposed Poor Man Who Shows Half a Million.

(Associated Press Leased Wire) CHICAGO, Mar. 21.—John MacKenzie has come back, his tattered telescope bulging with bonds and mortgages worth \$500,000 and with a confession that he killed a man last October.

MacKenzie said his conscience had troubled him ever since October 24, when, as he phrased it, he was "provoked" to the point of shooting Arthur Glanke after long years of wrangling, legal and physical, over a "spite wall."

More surprising than his confession was the discovery of his wealth. Always he had lived frugally. He was known as a real estate operator, but police had no knowledge that his operations were sufficient to produce nearly half a million dollars.

Feud Long and Bitter Glanke was slain in front of a west side Y. W. C. A. after MacKenzie had made a final appeal to him to remove the "spite wall" between their adjoining properties.

Prior to that MacKenzie had gone as high as the state supreme court in a vain effort for relief. The two had brawled frequently on the streets, police recalled.

A coroner's inquest into Glanke's death blamed MacKenzie, but he had disappeared. He said today that he had been in Aurora and Blue Island, Ill., and in Milwaukee. He returned to Chicago, he said, to (Continued on page 8)

W. E. CLINGENPEEL, RESIDENT FOR 26 YEARS, PASSES AWAY

W. E. Clingenpeel, for 26 years a resident of Douglas county, died last night as a result of acute poisoning. He had been in poor health for several years, and had been receiving treatment for his condition, and had recently been showing some improvement.

Poisoning, however, came as a result of his weakened condition, and death occurred very suddenly during the night.

Mr. Clingenpeel was born June 17, 1855, at Sand Creek, Decatur county, Indiana, where he received his early education. He studied the jeweler's trade and went into business for himself at Delphos, Kansas. He was married June 17, 1885, at Eastfield, Illinois, to Luella Miller, who survives him. They were the parents of one daughter, who died in infancy.

Mr. and Mrs. Clingenpeel came to Roseburg in 1903 and he established a jewelry business here, selling out in 1914 to C. W. Young and D. B. Bubar. He then engaged in farming at Looking Glass until about 4 years ago, when his health made it necessary for him to give up his trade. He then opened a small shop in Roseburg and continued in business until a few days ago. He was making plans to move to a new location when overtaken by death.

He is survived by the widow and two brothers, L. D. Clingenpeel of Delphos, Kansas and C. T. Clingenpeel of Oakland, California.

He was a man who had a very wide acquaintanceship and was well and favorably known. Formerly he was connected with the L. O. G. P. and K. P. lodges.

Funeral services will be held Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the chapel of the Roseburg Undertaking company and the body will then be taken back to Delphos, Kansas, for interment. Mrs. Clingenpeel will accompany the body and will remain in Kansas and Illinois for a few weeks to visit with relatives.

CRASHING LEEVEE STARTS FLOOD

(Associated Press Leased Wire) QUINCY, Ill., Mar. 21.—Unable longer to withstand the onslaught of the torrent of water which had reached the levee crown, the Indian Grave levee on the Mississippi river, about five miles north of Quincy, gave way today, pouring a great flood over 20,000 acres of improved farm lands in the district.

GOVERNMENT WANTS MAN HELD HERE ON BAD CHECK CHARGE

Charles H. Hodge, who is serving a term in the county jail charged with passing worthless checks at Oakland, is wanted by the government for impersonating an officer, according to word received here today. A complaint against Hodge has been received by C. F. Hopkins, justice of the peace and U. S. commissioner, who recently sentenced Hodge on the state charge.

Charles W. Erskine, assistant U. S. attorney, in filing the complaint against Hodge, claims that the man represented himself to be a postal inspector and cashed a check on Craven and Son at Independence for \$10 on March 4. The check was drawn on the Dexter-Horton bank of Seattle.

Hodge will probably be arraigned on the new charge immediately and will be turned over to the government for trial. Bail in the sum of \$1,500 has been recommended in the case.

Hodge was arrested after passing two worthless checks, each in the sum of \$20 at Oakland. One check was given to Mrs. Haines, who operates the hotel where the man stayed, and the other was given to C. E. Mansfield, who cashed the paper as an accommodation.

Hodge was in somewhat similar trouble in this city several years ago when he floated worthless checks while representing that he intended to purchase the Grand Grill.

WEALTHY STEALER OF CHILD RECEIVES LONG PRISON TERM

(Associated Press Leased Wire) OAKLAND, Calif., Mar. 21.—David A. Barnett, wealthy San Leandro manufacturer, formerly of Toledo, Ohio, was sentenced to Folsom penitentiary today for kidnapping five-year-old Eloise Windfelt. He was given an indeterminate sentence that may extend to twenty years in the discretion of the state prison board.

Barnett was convicted Tuesday. Since then he has been under investigation in connection with the slaying of 15-year-old Mabel Mayer in Oakland July 2, 1927.

Because of Barnett's previous conviction in a kidnapping case in Toledo, the court found there was no alternative to the maximum penalty in his case.

Barnett denied all knowledge of the circumstances of the Mayer girl's death.

MASONIC GRAND LODGE OFFICERS ON VISIT HERE

Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge A. F. and A. M. of Oregon Rex W. Davis of Salem, together with his official staff, visited the Douglas county Masonic lodges here last night. Due to the fact that it was impossible for the grand master to visit each lodge in the county, he called together the nine Masonic lodges from Elkton, Drain, Yoncalla, Oakland, Roseburg, Myrtle Creek, Riddle, Canyonville and Glendale, for a session here.

The officers present included Right Worshipful Deputy Grand Master Milton L. Myers of Salem; Worshipful Grand Secretary D. Rufus Cheney of Portland; Worshipful Senior Grand Steward John M. Thorne of Roseburg; Worshipful District Deputy Grand Master John E. Hynyan of Roseburg.

A banquet was served at 6:30, followed by the lodge session, in which talks were made by the several officers. The addresses were of an educational nature entirely, acquainting Masons with the work of the grand lodge, and particularly the financial affairs. The grand lodge now has over one million dollars invested in Oregon, about one-half of the amount having been used in constructing and furnishing the Masonic and Eastern Star home at Forest Grove, while the rest is invested to furnish an income which is used for educational and charitable purposes.

PENNSYLVANIA COAL MINE IS HORROR SCENE

Of Nearly 300 Toiling When Blast Occurs, 170 Grope Way to Exterior.

Rescuers Braving Fire and After-Damp But Chance of Saving Trapped Men Is Slight.

(Associated Press Leased Wire) PARNASSUS, Pa., Mar. 21.—More than one hundred coal miners were unaccounted for today, six hours after an explosion in the Kinloch mine of the Valley Camp Coal company. One hundred and seventy men came up out of the pit in small groups, while rescue crews were endeavoring to learn the fate of the entombed.

Two bodies were reported seen by rescue men who pushed into the mine as soon as entry was possible. Flames raged about the Kinloch entry into the main heading and dangerous gas and after-damp was reported in the pit.

Mine officials could not say definitely how many men were at work in the mine. The day shift had gone into the workings but a few hours before the blast and under normal conditions 392 men were employed there. However, estimates of the number at work this morning ranged between 275 and 300 men.

All of the miners who escaped came out at a point about five miles from the Kinloch entry, about which conditions continued. Rescue men found it difficult to enter the working from the Kinloch opening and it was believed that the miners at work near there had no chance to escape.

Two rescue teams of six men each went down the Kinloch slope, but all but three returned. They reported that conditions were still due to gas. According to reports, the bodies found were those of William and Charles Oliver, brothers. They were in the slope at the Kinloch entry.

About Half Escape PARNASSUS, Pa., Mar. 21.—Scores of miners were entombed by an explosion in the Kinloch mine of the Valley Camp Coal company near here today. Approximately 140 had escaped two hours after the blast and company officials said there was a possibility that many of the others might find their way to safety.

More than three hundred miners were in the workings. Of these the greater number were believed to have been at work near the main heading and rescue workers feared that they were near the center of (Continued on page 8)

SLEEPING POWDER ENDS THE LIFE OF PORTLAND WOMAN

(Associated Press Leased Wire) PORTLAND, Ore., Mar. 21.—The victim, it is believed, of an inordinately large portion of sleeping powder, Mrs. Edna Erman, 33, beauty shop proprietor, died at a hospital last night in the Riverdale mortuary. An autopsy was ordered.

Mrs. Erman had been employed as a housekeeper by W. H. Hensney, owner of the household, and usually stayed there as there were no sleeping quarters in her beauty shop.

Police were told that the woman had had financial troubles and had previously tried to commit suicide.

W. H. WHEELER DIES AT MERCY HOSPITAL

W. H. Wheeler, a resident of Roseburg and Myrtle Creek for several years, passed away at Mercy hospital early yesterday evening and was removed to the Douglas Funeral Home. Funeral announcements are being withheld pending word from relatives.