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## CROP-MOVING FUNDS PLACED IN INTERIOR

GOVERNMENT TURNS BIG SUM OVER TO HELP MOVE THE CROPS.

## ANNUAL PROBLEM IS UP

President Urged to Suggest Permanent Remedy for the Situation That Annually Embarrasses Smaller Concerns of the Country—New York Bankers Express Surprise at McAdoo Scheme.

Washington, Aug. 1.—Declaring that the government should adopt radical measures to prevent the annual money stringency which accompanies the movement of the crops, Senator Tillman today urged President Wilson to take the initiative to that end. Tillman declared the stringency was purely artificial. After a conference Tillman said no particular plan was in view, but told the president that it was a disgrace to the nation that such things were permitted to happen and asked him to consider a remedy.

"The president should have some economist of national repute investigate the manipulation of the finances which is the underlying cause of this annual stringency," said Tillman, "and then prepare a bill striking at the root of the evil." He told the president that if it were necessary we should tack additional legislation on the tariff bill as an amendment to secure immediate action.

The prediction that the house will pass the currency bill at the same time that the senate passes the tariff bill was made by Representative Palmer of Pennsylvania. "The administration currency bill," he said, "with several minor amendments will be approved by the house caucus August 11." At the same time a resolution will be adopted asking the banking currency committee to report out the currency bill at the earliest possible moment.

Representative Neely of Kansas, introduced into the house a resolution to investigate the charge of McAdoo that the New York banks were conspiring to depress the United States two percent bonds and antagonize the administration currency program.

**Bankers Show Surprise.**  
New York, Aug. 1.—Bankers are surprised at the decision of Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo, to place from twenty-five to fifty million dollars of government funds in the hands of banks to facilitate the movement of crops. The heads of financial houses said that they didn't know that the western and southern banks were under any extraordinary strain in preparing for the crop movement. They declared that the crop reports indicated the financial arrangements throughout the country were progressing favorably and all the banks were in good shape.

## CROSS QUIZZES ENDED.

Two Hours Given Manufacturers to Wind Up Their Questions.

Washington, Aug. 1.—A decision to allow the manufacturers to submit additional questions to Mulhall reached the executive session of the incident committee today. The association must conclude its cross examination in two hours, said Bower.

Mulhall asserted that the manufacturers spent \$5,500 in an effort to elect Watson governor of Indiana.

The cross examination of Martin Mulhall, self confessed lobbyist, ended this afternoon. He was excused until Monday, when the committee will decide whether it wishes to question him further. The most of today's session was devoted by Mulhall to explaining his contradictions of testimony. Former congressman Watson is scheduled to testify Monday.

## Pankhurst Out Again.

London, Aug. 1.—Sylvia Pankhurst and daughter, Emeline, and Annie Kenny, militants, who were sentenced to Holloway jail for disturbing the peace, were released today under the terms of the Cat and Mouse act. Both were extremely weak from the hunger strike.

## Was Canine Really Mad?

OWNER SAYS "DECEASED" HAD DISTEMPER.

## NONE KILLED TODAY

Question as to Validity of Mad Dog Claims Yesterday Arise.

Was the dog mad? That's the question now interesting a number of La Grande people.

Officers say that the dog was mad, and accordingly they armed themselves with firearms and sought out the dog without ceremony and dispatched him to dog heaven.

Adna Rogers owned the dog and he avers that only distemper was causing the dog's peculiar actions; that the dog was peaceful and a pet, and there was no sign of rabies.

Oldtime inhabitants scout the mad dog idea stating there never was such a thing in this part of Oregon, whereupon others point to the coyotes of Wallowa county a couple of years ago when state officials were dispatched from Salem on the information that rabies had broken out among the coyotes and great danger prevailed. After considerable deliberation and the working overtime of college departments in examining coyotes' heads hearts and stomachs an edict was issued that rabies or something like rabies was apparent and an order prevailed to kill coyotes and dogs which ran over the Wallowa hills.

Reasoning along these lines many people say the coyotes were bitten by mad dogs or they never would have had rabies.

And when the whole argument gets to the police department the officers say: "In the language of Maud Adams, for pity's sake don't argify on a question of this kind. We are taking no chances of mad dogs running at large in La Grande. Muzzle your dogs or there will be fewer canines in this city."

Dogs of the unmuzzled sort were scarce on the city streets today. The police department found no occasion to kill any animals.

## RUSSIA WON'T ATTEND FAIR

OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT OF NON-SUPPORT ISSUED.

Germany Withholds Final Answer of Its Official Position.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 1.—On the heels of England's decision yesterday not to participate in the Panama exposition, comes the announcement that Russia has decided not to participate in the Panama exposition. No official explanation is given.

**Germany Undecided Still.**

Berlin, Aug. 1.—It is officially announced the ministry of the interior has not yet decided whether Germany will participate in the San Francisco fair. The final decision has been postponed a month.

**Fine Old Statue of Columbus.**

Washington, Aug. 1.—Superintendent of the Capitol Woods today has three new statues in his library. A bust of Columbus, modeled in plaster more than half a century ago by some now unknown artist engaged in the decoration of the National Capitol was brought to light from an obscure corner and was whitewashed for public presentation. Coincident with the discovery of the Columbus statue senate employes found two others, one thought to represent Cincinnatus and the other a young Greek. They were found under a leak and drops of water dripping day by day for many years in three places on "Cincinnatus", had drilled three clean holes completely through the statue. There are no names or initials on any of the three statues to denote the sculptor.

## JOHN BASSETT MOORE MAY BECOME PEACE MEDIATOR IN THE MEXICAN EMBROGLIO

REPORTS THAT EUROPEAN POWERS BRING PRESSURE ON UNCLE SAM DENIED

Washington, Aug. 1.—The present peace plans from President Wilson it is reported contemplates the sending of an American commission to Mexico headed by John Bassett Moore, counselor for the state department, to investigate and make recommendations. The attempt to align the senate foreign relations committee against the president failed, and Chairman Bacon assured the president that no executive action would be taken without his consent. Bacon asked the president for what ever evidence he may have refuting the story told the senate foreign relations committee by Ambassador Wilson. He will present it at the next meeting.

**Morning Story Denied.**  
Through Secretary of State Bryan President Wilson issued the following statement: "A statement appearing in the morning papers to the effect that the European governments are bringing pressure to bear upon the United States in order to compel an aggressive action in Mexico, is absolutely without foundation."

The president asserts that the government received neither official nor unofficial notice that the Powers of Europe will land armed forces to protect their interests unless the United States affords the proper protection. He believes that the stories were inspired by persons who are interested in Mexican mines.

Wilson and Bryan conferred for several hours on the Mexican situation.

**Wilson Status Unsettled.**  
Washington, Aug. 1.—Open hostilities between President Wilson and Ambassador Wilson, which may foreshadow the dismissal of the diplomat it is believed, will come with today's developments, following the reports that the ambassador is preparing to

## MICHIGAN STRIKE IS WORSE

Calumet, Aug. 1.—The establishment of martial law at camps where the non-union miners and their families are to be protected, is urged by General here. It is said that a campaign of terrorism directed against the wives of the non-unionists by uncontrollable foreigners brought about the situation which rendered the troops practically helpless unless the martial law was declared.

The Houghton county bridge is now heavily guarded as a result of a reported plot to dynamite the structure. A quantity of dynamite and stolen magazines was found near Houghton.

**Dynamite Plot is Rumored.**  
Rumors of a dynamite plot in connection with the copper mine strike became current here last night, following the arrest of eight men at the Red Jack shaft. It was rumored that the portage lake bridge connecting Hancock and Houghton was to be a subject of attack. Guards and militia men were posted at each end of the structure and street car passengers, autoists and pedestrians were not allowed to pass until they had satisfied the officers in command that their intentions were innocent.

**Strange Weapons Used.**  
Incidental to the copper miners' strike, hot water, red pepper and various household utensils were used as a supplement to revolvers and bayonets in a fight Thursday running between deputy sheriffs and women inmates of a Hungarian boarding house at the Wolverine mine. The battle ended with the arrest of three alleged rioters

after troops had rescued the civil officers from a threatening mob.

The arrests were part of a series which the sheriff's office has instituted within the last 24 hours in an effort to imprison ringleaders of the disorders which marked the first two days of the copper miners' strike. Warrants were served in half a dozen mine locations and the paid population was increased to one of its highest records in Houghton county.

Union leaders incidentally denied the reports that large quantities of dynamite were smuggled into Calumet recently for a campaign of destruction, and the reports are generally discredited.

Several strikers have been arrested; some charged with rioting. Twenty-nine miners are now in jail.

## FIGHT FOLLOWS TRAIN WRECK

Duluth, Minn., Aug. 1.—Three are known to be dead and six seriously injured, while a score are missing as the result of a railroad wreck which was followed by a hot fight between dock workers and railroad men. Thirty laborers were working on an ore train last night at Allouez dock, when another train shunted in the switch and

struck the rear of the ore train. Enraged at the carelessness of the train crew and dockmen attacked the crew whereupon police were rushed to the riot call.

The strike of 200 dockworkers was called today as a result of the accident. The men allege conditions are unsafe.

## Cupid Victor In Auto Race

NORTH POWDER MOTHER CHASES DAUGHTER.

## ENDS AT HOT LAKE

Marriage Occurs at Union While Relatives Are En Route.

North Powder, Aug. 1.—North Powder was excited over the elopement of Miss Arden Koester and Frank Van Buskirk, recently. The brother and mother of the girl followed the pair to Union in an auto and finally to Hot Lake, but the couple had succeeded in reaching Union first and were quietly married by Rev. Cockrum of the Presbyterian church at his home late Tuesday. The bride is the only daughter of Mrs. L. M. Koester of North Powder. The couple left for Vancouver, B. C., and it is understood they will reside there.

**New Roads for Missouri.**

Jefferson City, Mo., Aug. 1.—Governor Major announced today that he will, within the next few days submit a plan for road construction which he believes will receive the indorsement of the legislature when it next meets. Even if the legislature does not support or approve the plan, Governor Major believes the residents of Missouri will follow it out. It is the Missouri governor's idea to have the men of the state spend two days working on the roads in their respective communities. Recently the people of Boone county did this and it worked beautifully. The governor believes at least 250,000 men with teams will give over two days to road building.

**Denver Entertains Daniels.**

Denver, Aug. 1.—Secretary of the Navy Josephus Daniels was the guest of democratic leaders and state officials here today. A program of speeches and a luncheon had been planned for the secretary when he stopped off here on his way back to Washington from the Pacific coast.

## FARRELL WILL DONATE TROPHY

O.-W. HEAD OFFICIAL TAKES INTEREST IN FAIR.

Various Matters of Importance Come Before Fair Directors.

Many matters of importance were gone through at an enthusiastic meeting of the Union County Fair association directors last night. The meeting resulted in another loving cup being offered for exhibits at the coming fair in addition to the two already put up. J. D. Farrell, president of the O.-W. who was in the city last evening submitted a proposal to contribute an elegant loving cup to any specified entry and the directors selected a hog exhibit for this class. To the rancher presenting the best exhibit of three male hogs, purely bred, cross or grade, under one year and not to exceed 200 pounds, will be given this beautiful Farrell loving cup. There are already two beautiful cups hung up for exhibits.

Another result of the meeting was to send out a hurry call for payments on balances due on stock subscriptions. This money is needed for current expenses very badly as well as taking care of other matters of a financial character.

A letter was read from the state stock inspector regarding the new law which requires a bill of health for bovine exhibits. The statute requires that all bovine exhibits shall carry a clear bill of health from a tuberculin test not more than a year old.

## FIRE LOOKOUT WILL OPERATE ON MT. EMILY

ENTIRE COUNTY AND MORE WITHIN RANGE OF ALERT FOREST OBSERVER.

## TELEPHONE WILL ASSIST

Union-Wallowa Counties Fire Protective Association Holds Meeting Today to Outline Plan for Establishing Fire Patrol on Mt. Emily—Will Be Able to Scan Big District.

Mt. Emily—the peak of it—is to be made into a lookout station for prevention or discovery of forest fires over a vast area of timberland. J. T. Williamson returned last evening from an inspection trip to Mt. Emily to investigate the feasibility of establishing a lookout at that point during the season of the year when forest fires are timely, and found that an enormous territory could be patrolled through field glasses from that point. Directors of the Union-Wallowa Counties Fire Protection association met here today and will act on Mr. Williamson's findings.

With field maps that Mr. Williamson will prepare, the lookout at that point can locate fires by constant watch from various points of vantage on the peak, and not only locate the fires but determine precisely where they are and through a telephone system that will be installed, according to present plans, notify the nearest authorities. It will be necessary to build about three miles of telephone to the proposed lookout and several times each day the lookout will scrutinize practically every township in Union county, parts of Wallowa county and portions of Baker. He will locate any fire that may be originating, warn the authorities or by telephoning learn if smoke that may be visible is from fire that is under control or beyond control and act accordingly. In order to view this enormous district of timberland, it will be necessary to scan the horizon from different points of view but to do this the lookout will only have to move over a territory less than a half mile square.

It is likely that the directors will decide this afternoon to establish the station at once as the present time is exactly the period when fires are dangerous.

All timber owners, meaning thereby anyone owning timber of any size or quantity are required to provide fire patrols and if not provided by the individual the state will do it and assess five cents per acre for this patrol. The Union-Wallowa County association assesses for the first year one-half cent for logged off land and one cent for timber land. Anyone can join the association.

**\$13,600,000 Subway Loop Completed.**

New York, Aug. 1.—The new New York-Brooklyn subway loop constructed at a cost of \$13,000,000, was formally opened for operation today. After today it will be possible to ride without change of cars and for a single 5 cent fare, from Chambers street, Manhattan, to and across the Williamsburg Bridge to Carnarsie by way of the Carnarsie-Broadway elevated line of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit company. When another section of the city's new subways is completed sometime next winter, trains will run all the way through to Coney Island.

**McNabb Debate Ends.**

Washington, Aug. 1.—The debate over the Diggs-Caminetti incident which caused the resignation of McNabb and involved McReynolds, ends in the house today. A two hours' debate was the principal feature of the session. Details of the plan to vote to table the resolution were conserved by Representative Works of California.