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PARDON BOARD SAYS FRANK MUST HANG

APPEAL MADE FOR A LESSER PENALTY LOST

MARY PHAGAN'S MURDER TO BE EXPIATED BY HANGING OF LEO FRANK.

FAMOUS CASE DECIDED BY THE PARDONS BOARD

Another Chapter in Frank Case Written Out, Again Being Detrimental to His Case—Long Fought Case Resumes Almost the Last Chapter, and Hanging is Near.

Atlanta, Ga., June 9.—The state prison board has ruled that Leo Frank must hang for the murder of Mary Phagan, a girl employed in his factory. Appeal for commutation of the life sentence of the death sentence to life imprisonment was denied.

The principals in Frank case are: Leo Frank, superintendent of National Pencil factory, Atlanta, Ga., a Jew, thirty-one years old, born at Paris, Tex. Former home and relatives at Brooklyn, N. Y. Graduated from Cornell university. Father a traveling salesman. Moved to Atlanta about six years ago. Married an Atlanta Jewess two years afterward. Prominent in Jewish church, social and charitable circles. President of Atlanta Society of B'Nai B'rith.

James Conley, negro sweeper at National Pencil factory. Accuser of Frank. Confessed accessory in murder. Serving sentence one year in penitentiary after trial following Frank's conviction. Of short stature and "ginger cake" complexion. Declared by Frank's attorneys to be real murderer.

Mary Phagan, 14-year-old step-daughter of Mr. J. W. Coleman. Extremely pretty. Unusually well developed for her age. Popular and considered prettiest girl in Bellwood, Atlanta suburb where she lived. Worked in "metal" room of factory. Sister and also a brother in the navy. Father dead and mother remarried.

Student Back on Ranch.
Roy Couch, son of Mr. and Mrs. Willard Couch of Ladd Canyon has his feet under his parent's table again after a year spent at O. A. C. His mother began preparation of the dinner that greeted Roy's return several weeks ago by grooming a brace of spring fies, and to these Roy set his eyes upon arrival home. After his mother had pacified inner Roy, father hauled down the chaps and muckinaw and in these Roy will spend his vacation this summer.

Prominent Unionites Here
L. A. Wright and Mick Levy are over today from Union on a relaxation trip trying to regain their poise after a strenuous Stock show week.

JUNE FORECAST OF WHEAT CROP IN OREGON 20,000,000

According to crop report for Oregon and the whole United States issued last evening by the bureau of crop estimates in co-operation with the weather bureau, and the United States department of agriculture, the forecast for the 1915 wheat crop in Oregon compiled on June 1st, show 20,000,000 bushels of fall and winter wheat will be harvested in Oregon along next fall barring unforeseen calamity.

The specific figures according to the June estimate are:

Fall wheat, 16,000,000, estimated, in Oregon and 675,000,000 for the whole nation. The actual crop last year was 13,684,000 in Oregon and 600 in the whole country.

Spring wheat, estimated for Oregon 3,280,000, actual crop last year 2,920,000. Total estimate for the nation, 274,000,000 and total crop last year 206,027,000.

The oats crop on the same date

Counselor Lansing is Temporary Premier; Note to Germany on its Way

UNCLE SAM'S MAN ON THE JOB IN GERMANY



MILO JEWETT OF MASSACHUSETTS, AMERICAN CONSUL AT KEHL, BADEN, ONE OF THE IMPORTANT DIPLOMATIC POSTS IN GERMANY.

PROMULGATE SPECIAL RULES

WELFARE COMMISSION ARRANGES WORK SCHEDULE

Is Permissible, Under Certain Conditions, to Work Girls More Than Regularly-Prescribed Hours.

Attorney Chas. A. Small, secretary of the Merchant's association, has received from the office of Caroline J. Gleason, state secretary of the Industrial welfare commission, a copy of the new law permitting the employment of women over the hours allowed by the State Labor laws in cases of emergency, such as in fruit packing and picking. Following is a detailed copy of the notice:

Gentlemen: Take Notice:—That pursuant to the authority granted by Chapter 35 General Laws of Oregon, 1915, the Industrial Welfare Commission has investigated the emergency overtime requirements of the fruit and vegetable canning and packing industry of Oregon and finds that for six (6) weeks of each year the aforesaid industry requires emergency overtime beyond the fifty-four (54) hours a week prescribed as maximum hours for women workers in such industry in I. W. C. Orders No. 2 and No. 5.

Wherefore, the Industrial Welfare Commission authorizes and permits the employment of adult women in fruit and vegetable canning and packing establishments in the State

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Washington, June 9.—After a brief conference between President Wilson and Counsellor Lansing, it was announced that the rejoinder to Germany will be sent today. Later it was announced the transmission began at just 2 o'clock. It had previously been signed by Acting Secretary of State Lansing.

Judge Lansing, counsellor to the state department under Bryan, and recognized as one of the greatest authorities on international law, will temporarily—and many think permanently—succeed W. J. Bryan as secretary of state. It is announced that Assistant Counsellor Chandler Anderson will become counsellor in the position Mr. Lansing must lay aside. Lansing didn't seem to think a permanent secretary of state will be named immediately.

The white house emphatically denied reports of the formation of a coalition cabinet. It is declared consideration of a coalition ministry isn't necessary, as there are plenty of good democrats capable of handling the important post.

It is officially denied that Secretary of the Navy Josephus Daniels, against whom there is much pointed criticism, had tendered his resignation.

BRYAN BIDS FAREWELL

Meets Reporters and Turns Clean Desk Over to Successor.

Washington, June 9.—W. J. Bryan said his official farewell to the White House at 12:30 today. There is no reason, he said, why he might not call later in a personal capacity. The premier walked from the state department to the White House where the President and Secretary Tumulty were awaiting him.

It is understood he would not return to the state department in an official capacity. Before going to the White House, Bryan said good-bye to officials and employees of the department. He then received the reporters for the last time as secretary of state and declared the plans for the future were not formed. In turning over his duties to Counsellor Lansing he said the desk was clear.

"My reason for resigning in clearly stated in my letter of resignation," said Mr. Bryan in a formal statement today, "namely that I may employ as a private citizen means which

President Wilson doesn't feel at liberty to employ. I honor him for doing what he thinks is right. I am sure he desires, as I do, to find a peaceful solution of the submarine problem. Two points on which we differ, each conscientious in his conviction, are: First, investigation by international commission; second, warning against Americans traveling upon belligerent vessels or those carrying war munitions. I believe this nation should frankly state to Germany we are willing to apply the principle whereto we are bound by treaties with 30 countries, providing for investigation of all disputes."

Pharmacy Student Home.

Earnest Vehrs returned today from Philadelphia where he is attending a pharmacy school. He arranged his return trip so he could witness the Motorace June 17. On his return he stopped at Rochester and Niagara.

Hard Times Party Tonight.

This evening the Knights and Ladies of Security give a hard times

OREGON WINS HORTICULTURE GOLDEN MEDAL

SUPREME TRIUMPH SCORED AT SAN FRANCISCO BY THE STATE'S RESOURCES.

COSMOPOLITAN JURORS SELECT OREGON AS FIRST

Uniformly-Oregon Exhibits, Even to Logs and Floor in Building, Considered Foremost Factor in the Great Victory—This Is First Time California Has Been Defeated.

By OREGON COMMISSION.

Panama Exposition Grounds, San Francisco, June 9.—Oregon has scored a tremendous triumph at the Panama-Pacific International Exposition by being awarded the gold medal for her horticultural exhibit. The jury on awards was made up of eminent horticulturists from the Netherlands, the East, Japan and California. The competition was extremely keen, and Oregon won over magnificent exhibits from all over the world, many of the states, and all the Pacific Coast states. Oregon's exhibit cost the state \$2500; Washington cost \$7500 and California a much larger sum.

C. N. Ravlin of Hoodriver, chief of horticulture for Oregon, lays his success to the fact that he prepared an all-Oregon exhibit, even the frame work of the Oregon section of Oregon logs, the floors of Oregon timbers, the hedges of Oregon shrubs and plants, the fruit and flower exhibit was varied, fully representing the state.

This is the first time California has been beaten horticulturally. It is a magnificent thing for the state and will boost it, horticulturally, to thousands of people now thronging the building.

Each brother blames the other for the half century and more that slipped by without their meeting. Enos says he went back to see L. D. about 14 years ago but claims L. D. skipped out and went to another state; did not want to see him. L. D. claims he didn't know Enos was coming, but to show his good faith, came out to see Enos.

Enos is the older of the two brothers and is accorded the distinction of having arrived in Union county the year white man first settled in this valley—1862. He teamed logs from the neighboring hills to what is now South La Grande and there, himself, built the second barn in this city. The next year he went to Summerville and worked for the Rineharts a while, and then homesteaded a piece of land. He has been there ever since.

Yesterday when in La Grande he went to call on Peter Kuhn, who came west in the same train with Mr. Fisher, back there in those very rugged days.

BROTHERS MEET AFTER 53-YEAR SPAN OF TIME

SUMMERVILLE MAN MEETS HIS BROTHER AT TRAIN AND TAKES HIM TO RANCH.

E. FISHER AND HIS BROTHER AGAIN UNITED

More Than Half-Century Elapses Between Good-bye and Renewal of Greeting—Mr. Fisher has Lived in the Grande Ronde 53 Years—Each Brother Blames the Other for Lapse.

Fifty-three years ago L. D. Fisher and Enos Fisher, two brothers, bade each other good-bye in Iowa and Enos started west with an ox team. Today when No. 17 pulled into La Grande these two men met again, for the first time in that period of time—53 years according to approved methods of mathematical conclusions. Two happier mortals than these two is hard to picture. Enos came in from his Summerville home, where he lived for 52 years yesterday and expected to meet his brother who was coming out from the east. The brother didn't come last night and Enos fumed and stormed a bit but waited his time. This morning he was at the depot waiting a long time before the train drifted into sight, and he "pulled" on the train to hurry, and in the train L. D. was "pushing" on his seat to get to La Grande quicker. On the depot the two old settlers cast a cursory glimpse over the past 53 years, after the first embrace, and then wandered off to a hotel where they began a brotherly visit, finally driving out to Summerville.

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FLAG DAY TO BE EXTENSIVE

ELKS OUTLINE ELABORATE PROGRAM

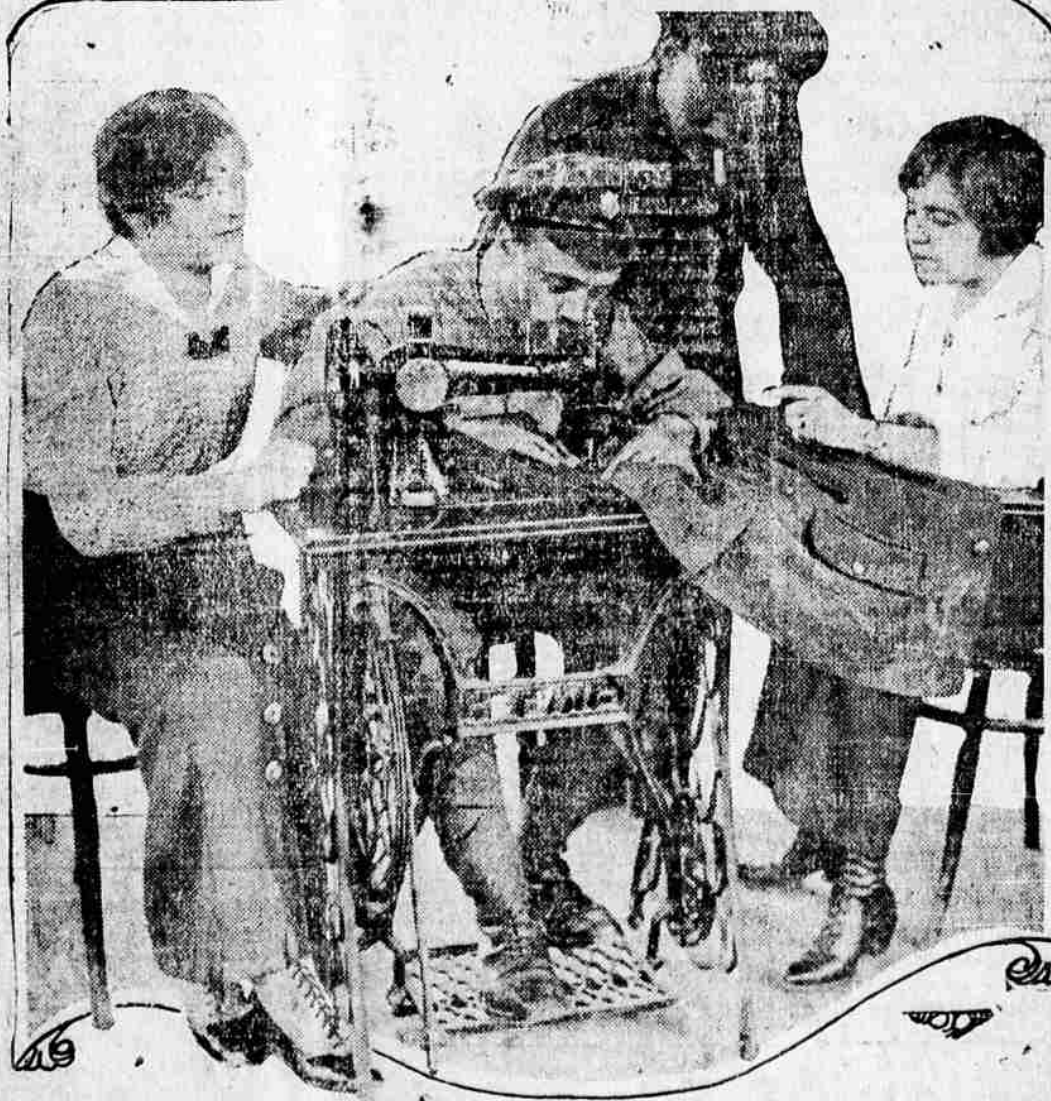
Public to Get Glimpse at Splendid New Home Sunday.

Sunday, June 13, the La Grande lodge of Elks will observe the annual Flag day program which that order assiduously carries out annually. The program details of which will be ready for publication by next Saturday, will be heard in the new Elks' home, and a public function is in store immediately afterwards.

After the flag day rites, which are open to the public, inspection of the new home will be made possible from a public standpoint.

The G. A. R., W. R. C. and the Spanish-American war veterans have been invited in to participate in the flag day program, which is impressive and patriotic to a fine degree.

THE FIRING LINE IN FRANCE NOT SO DESPERATE ALL THE TIME.



AN ENGLISH TOMMY ATKINS SEWS HIS OWN TORN COAT WITH THE "HELP" OF A COUPLE OF PRETTY FRENCH GIRLS.