

Cove News Items

Grand Rally Tuesday Night to Discuss Establishment of a Cove Newspaper.

A rally has been called for the Macabee hall Tuesday evening at 8:15 o'clock. The purpose is to discuss the possibility of a Cove newspaper. Services at the Baptist church on this evening will begin at 7 o'clock to enable those who attend this meeting time to be present at the "newspaper" meeting.

Monday evening at 7:30 o'clock in the Methodist Episcopal church a meeting of all Cove boys between the ages of 12 and 21 has been called to organize a Cove Boy Scout brigade.

The regular meeting of the Parent-Teacher association will be held at the school building Thursday evening, March 1. The program follows: Song, "The Star Spangled Banner"; roll call; paper, "Ventilation," P. B. Arant; piano duet, Martha Powell, Bessie Lantz; paper, "Sanitation," Dr. A. C. McCown; piano solo, P. B. Arant.

After each paper is read the meeting will be thrown open for a general discussion.

Through the cooperation of Mr. Weskil the school was able to secure the motion picture, "The Life of Our Savior," which was given in the Macabee hall Saturday evening. The pictures were remarkably beautiful and very impressive.

Monday afternoon the school and many citizens listened to an instructive and entertaining lecture on birds and animals by Mr. Finley. The pictures aroused great interest.

The seventh and eighth grades prepared special programs for Washington's birthday.

Union News Notes

High School Students Pass Good Bible Study Examination—Mr. and Mrs. Jacobs Entertain.

Union, Ore., Feb. 24.—(Special)—Ed. Cline and W. C. Nadeau returned home Sunday from Wallowa where they attended the Saturday K. of P. meeting.

W. J. Townley was a Tuesday business visitor at the county seat.

A. Hanson was a visitor in La Grande the first of the week.

G. F. Hall and George A. Seibird were Monday business visitors in La Grande.

Dr. J. P. Myers returned from Portland Monday where he had been called during the illness of his father. He reports that his father is doing nicely.

The following pupils of the Union high school passed the state examinations in Bible study, on the Old Testament, with an average above 90: Joseph Thompson, Sylvia Hughey, Horace and Alice Weaver and Irene Busic. A perfect rating was awarded Miss Busic for her excellent paper.

County School Supt. Mrs. A. E.

WORLD'S GAYEST STREET IN WAR DRESS



Mexicans in Japan Seek Friends For Gen. Carranza

Diplomatic Circles Are Wondering About Mission of Three Mexicans in Japan—British Embassy Suspect Efforts to Help the Germans.

BY RALPH H. TURNER
(United Press Correspondent)

Tokio, Jan. 12.—(By Mail)—An international affair centering around three Mexicans and their mysterious movements in attempts to buy ammunition and arms, has just finished its first act in Japan. Today the attention in diplomatic circles here is directed toward conjecture as to just what the Mexicans were at in their mission for the Carranza government.

The Mexicans' efforts met with success, but their activities have been so intent as to arouse daily watchfulness on the part of officials connected with both the American and British embassies here, the latter fearing that attempts were being made to aid the Germans.

While future developments are expected to heighten the sensational character of the Carranza mission, it is now known as a certainty that the Mexicans, assisted by two Japanese, a Dutch adventurer, and a Welshman discharged from the British army for conduct unbecoming an officer, succeeded in chartering the Kotohira Maru, a Japanese vessel of 4100 tons. After loading cargo, this boat left Yokohama during the night of January 4, and proceeded to Muroan, where it coaled and sailed direct for Salina Cruz, Mexico.

According to the manifest, the shipments consisted of 403 tons, but it is known that this steamer of over 4000 tons did not sail direct for Salina Cruz with a cargo of only 400 tons, listed as machinery. It is also known that the Kotohira Maru carried 27 Japanese gun experts.

It is believed that the Mexicans, handicapped in their operations by the alertness of the Japanese government, were offered only inferior material, of an old pattern and lacking in uniformity, so the trio finally resolved to add to their small arms purchase a quantity of machinery for the manufacture of guns and ammunition.

The three Mexicans were J. M. Carpio, R. Vargas and Gutierrez Astreaga. They arrived in Yokohama November 23. They are all Carranza men. Carpio was chief of staff under General

Obregon, Carranza's war minister. The Mexicans had money—all kinds of it. They had credits issued by New York banks totaling more than \$2,000,000 gold. This money is generally known to have been deposited in the Chartered bank, the first bank of Japan and the Mitsui bank. In addition to these credits there is a large sum of money deposited in a powerful bank here, the remnant of a sum placed here by General Huerta when that bandit was supreme across the Rio Grande.

During their stay here the Mexicans were frequently seen in company in two smooth looking, well-dressed Filipinos, but while the movements of these Filipinos are being constantly watched, as yet their connection with the Mexicans has not been established.

The two Japanese aiding the Mexicans were T. Sudzuki, former principal of the Tokio Marine college, and M. Nakashima, who has been active in Mexican interests for years. Nakashima sailed for Mexico on the Kotohira Maru. He lived in Mexico for nearly ten years.

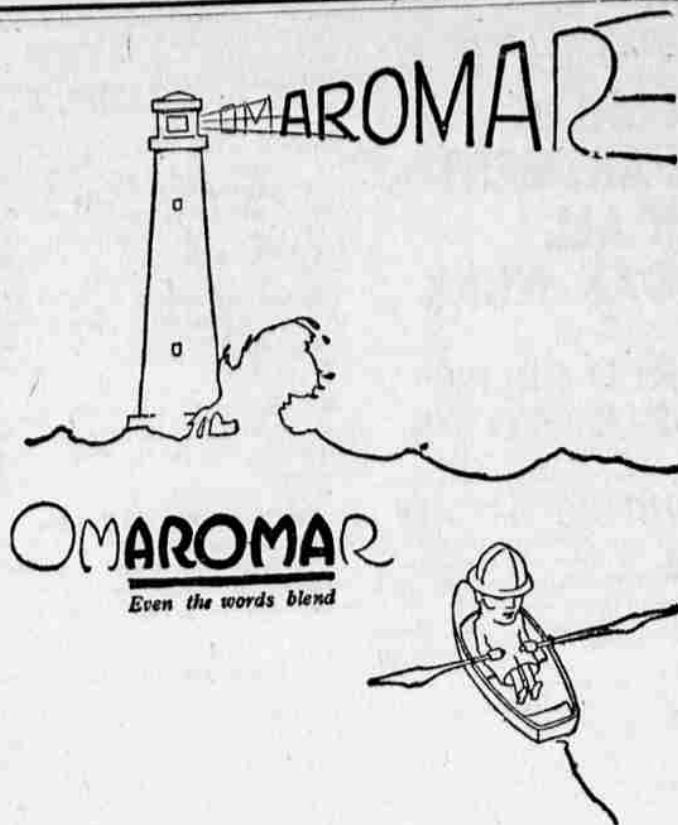
The Mexicans made frequent calls at the Mexican legation and were often seen in company with Colonel Romero, Carranza's minister here. The latter claims, however, that his countrymen only came to Japan in quest of new trade markets for Mexican products.

The real estate men have also determined upon May 1 as the date for a general 15 per cent increase in all Chicago rentals.

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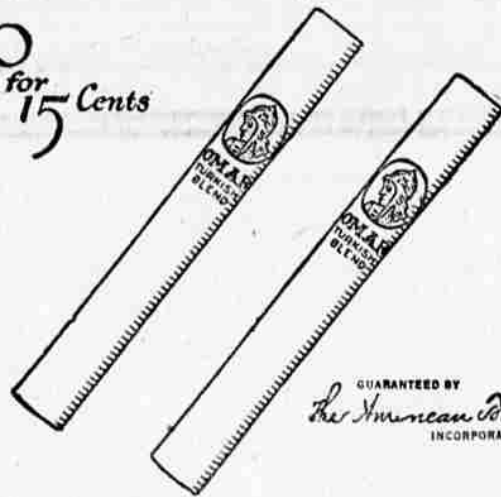
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CHICAGOANS MOVE TO SEGREGATE BLACKS

Chicago, Feb. 26.—(United Press)—Solution of the race segregation problem, made acute in recent months by the steady influx of southern negroes, is the aim of action taken today by representatives of the owners of 50,000 of the 100,000 better class apartments in Chicago. Segregation statutes, similar to the ones in force in St. Louis, will be invoked.

"We believe the interests of Chicago demand that white people shall not encroach upon the colored or the colored upon the white," I. O. Aekley, a member of the committee appointed to perfect plans for immediate action, said. "Therefore we strongly urge the segregation of the races."

"Action taken recently in St. Louis has been decreed constitutional by the supreme court. It is perhaps the greatest piece of racial legislation since the fourteenth amendment."