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PEOPLE ARE DYING BY THE ROADSIDE

Two Thousand Refugees Pouring Out of Russia Daily

MANY ARE TOO WEAK TO WALK

Thousands of People Are Existing on Grass Roots Boiled in Water Is the Statement Made.

LONDON, Aug. 9.—E. L. Thompson, in charge of the American Relief Administration at Brest-Litovsk, reports that Russian refugees are pouring in at the rate of two thousand a day. Many are crawling on their hands and knees, being too weak to stand. Scores are dying by the roadside.

Conditions are appalling, according to the report, and thousands of people are existing on grass roots boiled in water.

Bolshevik sentries are living on whatever they can get.

BOOTLEGGERS IN JAIL FOR FOUR MONTHS

PENDLETON, Aug. 9.—Roy Sams today began serving a four month sentence imposed upon him by Justice B. R. Richardson, of Athens, as part of a sentence for illegally manufacturing and selling liquor. Sams was captured by Deputy Sheriff Spears and Ridgeway after a hunt and search which lasted a day and a night. A \$250 fine and costs which may total \$700 was also given to the convicted still owner.

GOLD MINERS ACCEPT CUT

TONOPAH, Nev., Aug. 9.—Mine electricians, blacksmiths and hoist men, on strike since April 16, have voted to return to work, according to announcement from the unions today. They will accept the new wage scale which calls for a reduction of about 12 1/2 per cent.

The action of these crafts, it was said, practically brings to an end a strike which greatly hampered mining activities in this district.

DEEPENING SHAFT

BAKER, Aug. 9.—Sinking from the 350 level to the 450 level will be started in the shaft of the Gem mine in the Susanville district in a few weeks. Timbers have been cut for the shaft.

Manager J. H. Dunstan, in Baker during the week, stated work that is now under way on the 350 level is making good progress, drifting to the north on the vein.

LYON KELLY FUNERAL

The funeral of Lyon Kelly, of Perry, who died shortly before noon today, will be held at two o'clock tomorrow afternoon at the Bohlenke chapel.

EAMES RANCH SOLD AGAIN

New Owner Expects to Develop Property and Thoroughly Equip it

The thousand-acre Eames ranch near Telocast was sold yesterday to Earl Zundel by Floyd McKennon, who recently traded two brick buildings at Bavenport, Washington, for the place. The consideration was upwards of \$20,000. Two houses in La Grande and a Premier car were taken in part payment by McKennon, the balance being in cash.

The Eames ranch is one of the oldest in the county and Zundel expects to modernize the equipment on the place and develop it to the fullest extent possible. He is on the place today looking it over with a view to determining the improvement work necessary.

The transaction was made through C. J. Black & Co., and J. F. Phy.

Another Steamer Goes on Rocks in Pacific

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 9.—The Pacific Mail steamer, San Jose, bound for San Francisco from Panama, struck the San Pablo reef off the west coast of Mexico. She is still fast, but listing heavily. The boat has thirty-two passengers and a crew of sixty-six. It is believed that she will float until relief reaches her.

Crew of Ill Fated Alaska is Severely Criticized by Passengers on Steamer

Californian is Killed in Wreck

John D. Spreckels Jr. Died From Effects of Machine Accident

BAKERSFIELD, Calif., Aug. 9.—John D. Spreckels, Jr., of San Francisco, a surgeon's office here, whence he went to a local hospital, died Monday afternoon in a local hospital, following an automobile accident near Taft, California.

Spreckels was on his way here from an oil lease northwest of Taft, in which he was interested. His car skidded and turned over on a curve. When found he was able to talk, but said nothing of the accident's cause.

Passengers by brought the injured man to a surgeon's office here, whence he was hurried to a hospital and blood transfusion made, in an effort to save his life. He died, according to a surgeon's report, from shock and loss of blood.

ICE CREAM TAX MAY BE LIFTED

Women's Wearing Apparel Tax is Thought to be Among Those Killed

WASHINGTON, Aug. 9.—Agreement to eliminate the taxes on fountain drinks and ice cream and the so-called luxury tax on wearing apparel is understood to have been reached Monday by Republican members of the house ways and means committee sitting in executive session. A reduction of one-half in the 10 per cent levy on sporting goods also is said to have been agreed upon.

The total loss of revenue from these proposed changes would be slightly less than fifty million dollars and the reductions are the first to be passed upon by the majority members, in their effort to carry out the announced program of Republican house leaders to cut half a billion dollars from the nation's tax bill.

The wearing apparel levies proposed for repeal are 10 per cent of the amount by which the costs of: Women's and misses' hats, bunnets and hoods, exceed \$15 each; women's and misses' silk stockings or hose exceed \$2 per pair; men's women's, misses' and boys' boots, shoes, pumps and slippers, exceed \$10 per pair; men's and boys' silk stockings or hose exceed \$3 each; men's and boys' hats exceed \$5 each; men's and boys' caps exceed \$2 each; men's and boys' neckties and neckwear exceed \$2 each; men's, women's, misses' and boys' pajamas, nightgowns and underwear exceed \$5 each; kimono, petticoats and waists exceed \$15 each; men's waistcoats sold separately from suits, exceed \$5 each; and house or smoking coats, jackets, and bath or lounging robes exceed \$7.50 each.

Sporting Goods Tax Cut

The sporting goods on which it is proposed to cut the tax in half include:

"Tennis racquets, nets, racquet covers and presses, skates, snowshoes, skis, toboggans, canoe paddles and cushions, polo mallets, baseball bats, gloves, masks, protectors, shoes and uniforms, football helmets, harness and goals, basketball goals and uniforms, golf bags, and clubs, including sticks, balls of all kinds, including baseballs, footballs, tennis, golf, lacrosse, basketball and pool balls, fishing rods and reels, billiard and pool tables, chess and checker boards and pieces, dice, games and parts of games (except playing cards and children's toys and games) and all similar articles."

JOBS READY TO BE HANDED OUT TO OREGON ASPIRANTS

PORTLAND, Aug. 9.—Senators Stanford and McNary are understood to have agreed on patronage and appointments will be announced within 48 hours. Responses from the men slated for appointment are now being awaited.

Ship Under Full Speed in Heavy Fog is Admitted

CREW FAILED WHEN NEEDED

At Critical Time Men Were Demoralized and Boats Poorly Handled

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 9.—The latest revised list of missing ones from the ship Alaska contains the names of twenty-six passengers and four members of the crew. Included in the missing passengers is Miss Ruth Hart, of La Grande.

EUREKA, Cal., Aug. 9.—First admission by an officer that the steamer Alaska was proceeding under full speed despite the heavy fog when she crashed on the Blunt's reef Saturday night, was made Monday by S. A. Carlson, third assistant engineer. Carlson said he was on duty when the ship struck.

Carlson's statements were made as part of his testimony at a coroner's inquest.

The 18th body, that of a man yet unidentified, from the sunken vessel was found Monday under the light-house at Cape Mendocino.

Late Monday an inquest over the body of Charles Heane, chief steward, was held. The jury found Heane came to his death "through drowning as a result of the wreck of the steamer Alaska." The findings of the jury, it was said, would apply to all the dead.

Crew Are Criticized
George Goodall, a passenger of the Alaska in a statement before the coroner's jury was particularly severe in criticism of the Alaska's crew. Goodall said members of the crew made efforts to get passengers off the ship, but they became demoralized when it came to handling the lifeboats. He declared the lifeboats were not in proper condition.

Other testimony was given by E. C. Morgan, purser; W. E. McMillan, radio officer; J. J. Michaelson, radio operator; and Mrs. Mabel Lamber of St. Paul, Minn., and William Bass of Oakland, passengers. Michaelson said he was on duty but because of his activities did not note how rapidly the ship was traveling when she struck.

He directed from the bridge the efforts to take off the passengers. "I am going down with this ship; but if you do what I tell you, nobody will go down but myself," he was heard to mutter.

Two lifeboats capsized, T. A. Vanney, Portland, Ore., said.

"There were 20 persons, mostly women, in one of those boats. It is my opinion that practically two-thirds of them were drowned."

George Glenn of Omaha, Neb., remained on the deck near the captain.

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Imbler Juveniles Will Play Idaho

Youngsters of Apple Town Showing Remarkable Skill at Game

Proveas of the Imbler juvenile team will be matched with Moscow Idaho, for the juvenile baseball championship of Northern Idaho. Having defeated Walla Walla for the championship of Eastern Washington, and being already masters of Eastern Oregon, the youngsters who displayed such great skill against Walla Walla recently, have now accepted a challenge from Moscow. Moscow claims to have a team that can beat Imbler and the youngsters are going up to investigate.

The Imblerites are practicing daily and their sky-pilot keeps after them lest they get chummy and develop pains in the head, which other teams before them have done and then gone down to defeat. Their coach is explaining the difference between confidence and over-confidence.

Two games will be played at Moscow, Thursday and Friday, and the following week the Moscow team plays at Imbler on Friday and Saturday.

Search for Brumfield Ends and Sheriffs Return to Roseburg

ROSEBURG, Ore., Aug. 9.—Frank Hopkins, deputy sheriff, and Joe Murphy, who have been conducting an extensive search through eastern Oregon, are returning to Roseburg, having abandoned all hope of picking up the trail of Dr. R. M. Brumfield, the fugitive dentist, in that section of the state.

Sheriff Starmer was in telephone communication with Deputy Hopkins for a few minutes Sunday and was informed that the highwaymen who had held up the Mazama party near Beaver swamp had been captured, but that neither of the men was Brumfield. The officer said he had carefully gone over all of the country where the doctor was reported to have been seen and, although he found plenty of evidence to cause him to believe the wanted man is hiding some place in that part of the state, he said he was unable to discover the hiding place.

According to the message, which was relayed with great difficulty over the government telephone line, the deputies will arrive here today.

Senate Committee Gives Newbury Title to Seat in the Higher Body

WASHINGTON, Aug. 9.—Republican of the Senate privileges and elections committee voted Truman H. Newberry, Republican of Michigan whose election was contested by Henry Ford, a clear title to a seat in the senate. The case now goes to the senate for final action.

ABOUT THIS TIME O' YEAR



KILLS WIFE CUTS WRIST ARTERIES

Divorced Portland Man Murders Wife With A Knife

TRIES TAKING HIS OWN LIFE

Surrounded by Police Joseph Henderson Shoots Himself in Eye and Cuts His Own Wrists.

PORTLAND, Aug. 9.—Mrs. Gertrude Henderson, who was stabbed by her divorced husband, Joseph Henderson, died early today.

Henderson, who immediately fled was surrounded by the police. He shot himself in the right eye and tried to sever an artery of his left wrist. Physicians who attended Henderson say he will recover.

The couple were divorced on June 15th. They have three children.

MT. HOOD SHOWS SOME HEAT

RHODEDENDRO, Ore., Aug. 9.—Discovery of an immense subterranean eruption under Crater Rock, on the south side of Mount Hood, out of which hot sands poured, was reported here late this afternoon by Chester Tidwell and Orville Zimmerman, official guides of the Government Camp hotel, who made a hurried trip to the rock following their daily observations this morning.

Body of Missing Kate Mahoney Found in a Trunk in Union Bay

SEATTLE, Wash., Aug. 9.—Discovery of a mutilated body, declared by Charles Tennant, captain of detectives, to be that of the missing Mrs. Kate Mahoney, in a trunk in Union bay here this afternoon was the culmination of diving and dragging operations which the police had carried on for more than a month.

Mrs. Mahoney, wealthy and elderly bride, has been missing since about April 15, shortly after her marriage to James E. Mahoney.

Mahoney has been in jail here for two months on several charges of forgery, all filed in connection with an alleged fraudulent power of attorney by which he was said to have obtained title to some of his wife's property.

Mine Owners Serve Notice Of Opening Mines Without United Mine Workers

SEATTLE, Aug. 9.—Commercial coal mine operators in a statement to former employees declared today it is their intention to re-open their mines which have been closed since last March "independently of the United Mine Workers of America."

UNUSUALLY LIGHT VOTE BEING CAST

One Precinct Had Only A Single Vote Registered Early This Afternoon.

Early this afternoon the vote cast at the charter amendment election indicated that unless more interest is shown in the election late in the afternoon, one of the lightest votes ever cast would be polled. A canvass of four precincts showed one vote cast in one, three each in two and four in one.

The polls will be open until seven o'clock this evening. The same polling places used in the state and school elections are being used in this election.

MAN PERISHES NEAR ASTORIA

ASTORIA, Ore., Aug. 9.—With one man missing and believed to have perished, a logging camp destroyed, 1300 acres of logged-off land and some green timber a blackened mass, the forest fire in the Oregon Timber Company's holdings was still raging today, although reports this afternoon said it was partially under control. The scene of the conflagration is about eight miles south of Clifton.

RESERVE BANK DEFENSE GIVEN

Claims Price Drops Were not Forced and Bank not Responsible

WASHINGTON, Aug. 8.—An explanation of banking and monetary principles, which, he said, have controlled the federal reserve system since its inception was given Monday before a congressional commission by Governor Strong of the New York reserve bank, in defense of charges that in its operations, it has discriminated against agricultural needs.

Deliberate inflation of credit by lowered interest rates, with consequent increased prices was resorted to during the war as a military necessity, he said, but deflation and price drops in recent months, he declared, was not forced by the board but was inevitable and world-wide. Higher interest rates by the reserve system he described as more or less incidental.

New York, far from being favored asserted Mr. Strong, had been subjected "to pressure by interest rates to liquidate greater than in any other part of the country." Although describing collapse of prices in 1920 as the "most serious in modern times," he told the commission that he considered the business situation well embarked now upon a "cycle of recovery" and cited industrial resumption, advancing prices of high grade securities and lower interest rates as symptoms.

Conditions Make Rates

"You cannot very well administer credit without some effect on prices," Governor Strong said, "but the banking machinery was not operated with eyes on a chart of prices, to move them up or down."

"The reserve bank rates," he added, "are a reflection of conditions rather than an endeavor to influence conditions and they are an effect and not a cause."

Discussing charges that high call money rates in New York drew money away from the interior, Governor Strong said they were rather an evidence that money had first been withdrawn from New York for use in the interior. In spite of 30 per cent interest at certain periods of the stringency, he said, "The New York banks had to be begged at times to make call loans." In 1917, he added, "money committee" had been set up through the reserve bank to supply stock exchange funds and to "prevent a runaway money market." From his charts and diagrams, the witness gave the conclusion that the funds lent for stock exchange purposes had been consistently reduced since 1919.

DECIDES BOUNDARY LINES

PARIS, Aug. 9.—The Supreme Council has decided not to send reinforcements to Upper Silesia. Briand and Lloyd George decided on compromise partition on the boundary lines.

Government Forecasts Present Crop Conditions

WASHINGTON, Aug. 9.—The August crop report of the Department of Agriculture issued today forecasts the preliminary estimate on production of winter wheat at five hundred and forty-three million bushels. Spring wheat, according to the forecast, will reach two hundred thirteen million bushels. Conditions are quoted at sixty-six points, which is within six points of normal.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 9.—Practically every important crop shows a loss in prospective production as the result of adverse conditions in July. The department's forecast is fifty-two million bushels less than a month ago.

AD CLUB TO ENLARGE ITS ACTIVITIES

Eastern People Are Headed for the Grande Ronde Valley

BIG CAMPAIGN TO BE PUT ON

A. W. Nelson Employed as Manager and Will Devote His Entire Time to the Work.

Realizing the increasing demands for commercial activities, realizing further that La Grande is growing; that new institutions and new people are headed this way; that the 1925 exposition at Portland is going to increase the possibilities of interesting strangers in this valley ten fold; also realizing that co-ordination of civic work is the only solution for complete success, the Ad. Club directors at a meeting last evening held in the Y. M. C. A. voted to increase the club's scope of work and elected A. W. Nelson active manager of the club to devote his entire time to the work.

Secretary Charles B. Miller, who has been attending to the work of the club for the past year, found it was impossible for him to give it the time needed and resigned to devote his energies to his profession, that of architect.

"So much building is being done now and so much more is being planned that I am busy all the time and cannot take care of the secretary's work. I recommend that a man be put on the job to give all his time to it. I know whereof I speak when I say it is no longer a part time job for anyone and if the directors could understand the letters written every day, the strangers who call and must be taken care of, they would agree with me that it is a big job for a full-time man." These were Miller's remarks as he handed his resignation to Chairman Messman.

Directors Agree

After discussion of the future with knowledge of what is going on and what can be expected it was agreed that Mr. Miller's contentions were correct and immediately the directors began trying to locate the proper man for the management.

A. W. Nelson, who had acted as secretary of the club at one time and who has a wide knowledge of county affairs as well as a state acquaintance, was unanimously chosen.

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SERVICES FOR J. C. HENRY

Business Halts While Pioneer La Grande Resident Is Laid to Rest Today

The funeral of J. C. Henry, pioneer of La Grande who died Sunday morning, was held from the Methodist church at two o'clock this afternoon at La Grande Lodge No. 41, A. F. & A. M., having charge of the services.

The members of the Masonic lodge and of the Elks lodge attended the funeral of Mr. Henry in a body and marched to the cemetery with the funeral cortege.

In honor of Mr. Henry's memory business in La Grande was practically at a standstill this afternoon, both banks closing all day and a majority of the business houses, as well as the court house, closing during the middle of the afternoon.

WEATHER FORECAST

PORTLAND, Aug. 9.—Wednesday will be fair and tonight the Eastern portion of the state will be cooler. Moderate westerly winds will prevail.