

GOAL IS REACHED ON TIME

MERCHANT MARINE PLAN IS PRESENTED TO CONGRESS BY PRESIDENT HARDING

Thirty Millions a Year Will Be Cost To the Government

PRIVATE CAPITAL TO BE ENCOURAGED

Foreign Bottoms Will Be Allowed To Bring Not More than Half of Immigrants to This Country.

(By Associated Press)

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28.—The administration plan for government aid to the merchant marine was presented to congress today by President Harding with the declaration that the influence of the United States in world councils is "sure to be measured by that unflinching standard which is found in a national merchant marine."

The president detailed to both houses in joint session the war-time creation of America's greatest tonnage, an experimental venture as he described it, and added "Having failed at such enormous cost, I bring to you a proposal which contemplates a return to private initiative enterprise, aided by conservative success, wherein we are safeguarded against promotion of private greed, and do not discourage the hope of profitable investment, which underlies all successful endeavor."

Points in the plan, embodied in bills introduced immediately after the president's address, follow: An annual estimated aid of thirty million dollars, obtained by a diversion of ten per cent of the national customs receipts; a requirement that not over 50 per cent of the immigrants to the United States be transported in foreign ships; sale of shipping board tonnage and use of funds as a construction loan fund; induction of merchantmen officers and sailors into the naval reserve with attendant allowance in pay.

Suspects In Taylor Case Are Arrested

(By Associated Press)

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 28.—Six men were arrested early today in a raid on an alleged narcotic den. Detectives working on the William Desmond Taylor murder mystery questioned the men. Police say that the arrests may develop a connection with the Taylor murder.

The men gave the names of John Jerkey, William Farby, William East, George Calvert, Ray Lynch and Harry Amersheim. The arrests followed information by Mrs. John Rupp, who kept house for the men.

She said that they furnished liquor and drugs to motion picture actresses and others in Hollywood. She said she heard Kirby and Calvert make threats against Taylor two days before the murder for "injuring their business."

When Taylor was murdered they were absent from home early in the evening and stayed up all night.

Roads in County Still Partly Closed by Snow

Only one road in Union county is in first class condition. And that is between Hot Lake and La Grande and is practically all pavement, according to County Roadmaster John F. Birney. All over the county the road situation is improving slowly and from reliable reports it may be considerable time before some of the roads are cleared for traffic. The road out of Elgin is heavily drifted with snow, which is frozen into a solid state and it is not expected to be cleared for several weeks. Reports have it that a short time back the telephone men used snow shoes instead of climbing apparatus to repair the wires.

The North Powder-Union road is not closed but the state highway commission has been experienced for

PRINCESS MARY IS A BRIDE THIS MORNING

Marriage Ceremony Performed Amid Pomp and Dignity: Royal Ball May Be Held In Spring.

(By Associated Press)

LONDON, Feb. 28.—Princess Mary and Viscount Lascelles were married today with all the pomp and dignity befitting a royal wedding.

(By Associated Press)

LONDON, Feb. 28.—It is understood that Viscount Lascelles and Princess Mary will pass the first part of their honeymoon at Weston Park, the Shropshire home of the earl and Countess of Bradford, who are distantly related to Lord Lascelles.

Weston Park is a charming residence, set amid beautiful surroundings and is in a portion of the country as yet quite unknown to the Princess, who is expected to pass about three weeks there. It is one of the most comfortable residences along the whole of the Welsh border. Princess Mary's uncle, the Marquis of Cambridge, has his home at Shotton, a few miles away.

State Ball. There is some talk of a state ball (Continued on Page Three)

ELKS BURY HENRY BADER AT ELGIN

Being a charter member of La Grande lodge No. 133 B. P. O. E., this lodge had complete charge of the funeral services over the remains of Henry Bader of Elgin and on Sunday afternoon in the city hall of that city public funeral services were held.

A number of the officers and members of La Grande lodge were in attendance and the eulogy over the remains of the deceased was pronounced by J. H. Pearce, past exalted ruler.

Mr. Pearce recalled the early days of the Grande Ronde valley when Mr. Bader located here. He recalled the installation of the Elks lodge in La Grande and of the prominent part always taken by the deceased. But lodge life was secondary for Henry Bader was well known to the industrial life of the valley and as a business man, Mr. Pearce called to mind, had been one of the substantial citizens of Elgin.

A very large gathering attended to pay the last respects to Mr. Bader. Interment was made in the Elgin cemetery.

The Bride and Groom



PRINCESS MARY AND VISCOUNT LASCELLES.

MAGNIDER WEARING A BIG SMILE

(By Associated Press)

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28.—Hanford MacNider, national commander of the American Legion, conferred with the president today, urging immediate enactment of the bonus. After leaving, MacNider and Taylor, legislative agent of the Legion, said they were satisfied there will be no delay and that the president was "heart and soul with the American Legion." They did not discuss the financing plan.

BAN CIGAR CUTTERS.

(By Associated Press)

NEW YORK, Feb. 28.—Health Commissioner Copeland today notified District Attorney Banton that "no cigar cutter for common usage shall be manufactured or used in any public place in the city of New York."

This follows a resolution of the health board.

EGYPT WILL SOLVE OWN PROBLEMS

(By Associated Press)

LONDON, Feb. 28.—Lloyd George announced in the house of commons today that the British protectorate over Egypt has been terminated and that Egypt is free to work out national institutions suited to the people's aspirations.

Several factions exist in Egypt, all of them committed to independence or greater freedom from British rule. Followers of Abbas Hilmi and the Nationalists led by Said Zagloul Pasha constitute the radicals; adherents of Sultan Hussein Kemal are the moderates. Said Zagloul Pasha was banished to Ceylon by the British on Dec. 10.

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FREIGHT IS DERAILED AT GIBBON TODAY

(By Associated Press)

Early this morning a freight train, while passing through Gibbon, had a car derailed and the next five hours were consumed in clearing up the track. No. 4, east bound train, was held up for five hours, getting into La Grande about 8:45 a. m.

Both trains No. 17, west bound, and No. 24, east bound, were delayed over an hour this morning, both trains coming into La Grande within five minutes time.

BOSTON GOT STUNG.

BOSTON, Mass., Feb. 28.—The city of Boston spent a dollar for a submarine chaser and now wants to return the boat and get its dollar back. Mayor Cutler said today that the chaser purchased from the navy department for conversion into a fire boat, would be returned to the government because of expense involved in plans for alteration.

Home Charity Drive in La Grande Does Not Fail—Chairman C. E. Short Announces Success for the Undertaking—People of City Thank ed—Exact Amount Raised Not Known Until All Reports Are In

La Grande is one hundred per cent on anything she undertakes.

There is no whining and sidestepping here. The Red Cross Home Charity Fund Drive is a thorough and complete success, according to C. E. Short, chairman of the solicitation and drive committee.

Mr. Short's Announcement.

"The Observer can say for the Red Cross Home Charity Drive committee that the undertaking is a complete success; that with the money already collected and with the donations which the city and county, will make the goal has been reached—\$3000 will be in the Red Cross chest to carry out the year's program. I don't know how much more than the given amount, or whether there will be scarcely any more when all committees have reported tonight, but this I can say for publication and know that I am right: La Grande has made good and the \$3000 which was the goal to be reached in eight days has been reached in the allotted time. The drive is over and all work will cease on the drive, but the good work being done by the Red Cross will go on, as it has been going on, for the entire year.

"I wish in behalf of the different committees who have worked so faithfully to thank all who took part in the drive and everyone who donated to the fund. It was a beautiful piece of work—real co-operation, thorough desire to assist, and the people as a whole are to be commended. While some other towns and cities are lagging in their charity work, let the news go forth to the world that La Grande did not falter, but made the desired amount in the designated time limit. It is La Grande's way of doing things and we are all proud of our city."

Final figures on the drive will be published tomorrow as by that time it is thought the city, county and all other donations will be in the hands of the treasurer.

RIVER PUT IN OLD CHANNEL

(By Associated Press)

The Wallawa river got back to its old channel today after a long and arduous journey. The result was that it changed its channel near Gwynn to some extent and put the tracks of the branch line in a rather precarious situation. Naturally this aroused the wrath of the authorities and the naughty river was tried and found guilty.

And now the river is practically back in its old channel due to the O.W. officials in putting a gang of section men on the job. By another week the work will be completed and all will be as before.

As soon as the weather permits the unfinished work on the section between Baker and Burice will be completed. It is expected that this job of ballasting will take the greater part of the summer to complete.

EGGS CHEAP.

(By Associated Press)

CHICAGO, Feb. 28.—Cheap eggs for Lent were stimulated Monday by a new drop in quotations. Prices showed a fall of a cent a dozen per day for the last 30 days.

FARM LOANS APPROVED.

(By Associated Press)

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28.—Approval of 230 advances aggregating \$6,495,000 for agricultural and livestock purposes was announced Monday by the war financing corporation.

BULLETINS

PORTLAND, Feb. 28.—The weekly Portland public school today. Seven hundred pupils reported in 60 seconds. The buses started at the furnace room and went to the roof.

(By Associated Press)

SALEM, Feb. 28.—The Oregon criminal syndicate law was upheld by the supreme court in the appeal of Joseph Laundry, convicted in Multnomah county. The case was, however, remanded for trial on other grounds.

RUM BUILT SCHOOL.

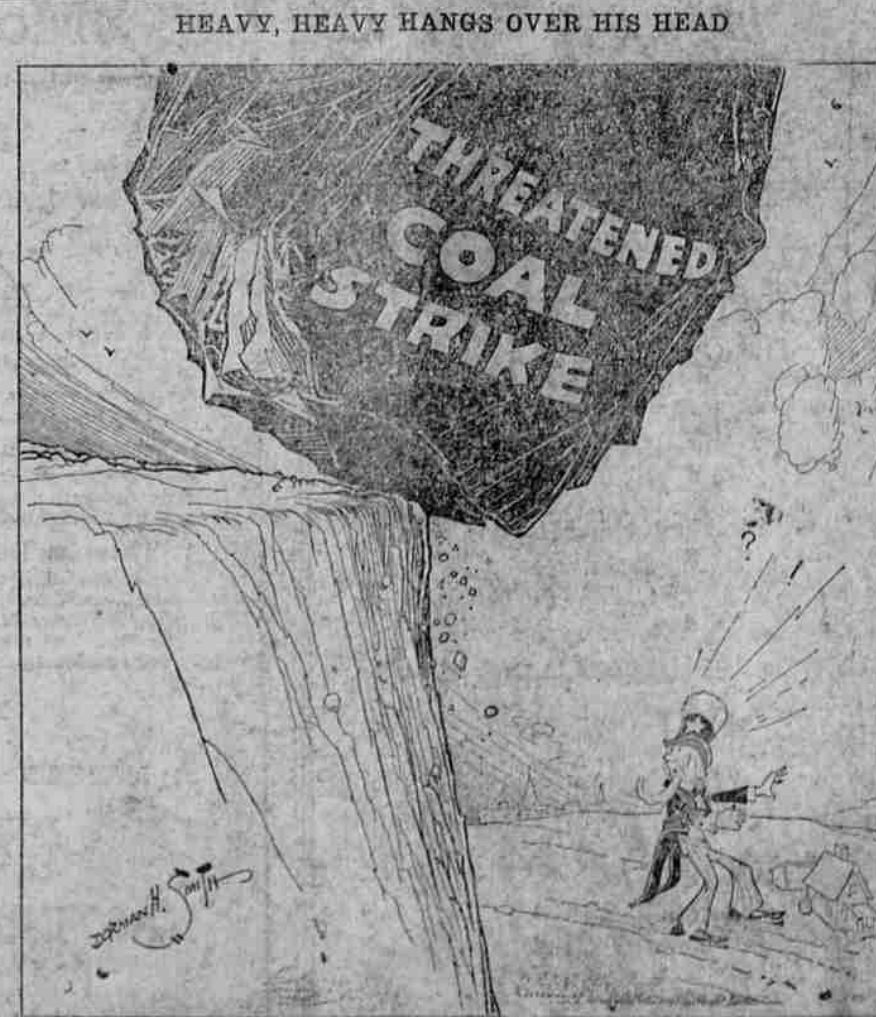
(By Associated Press)

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Feb. 28.—West Indian rum, part of it "good and old," played a part in the construction of a new University, according to the city historian. They have been among the early residents of the city for whom rum was a staple.

The last three million were used to build the school.

Tradition relates that at the laying of the corner stone, 1707 John, through a miracle, the ground beneath the stone was so hard that it could not be moved.

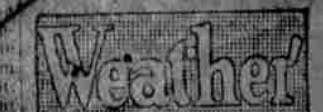
That what began as a joke, a long continued through the time of construction.



Deer Roped in Field by Lad Now Eats in Barn

Elk started getting so common in the field and started to hunt that very few people will even concede to listen to them—but here's one that beats any fish, bird and animal story heard in this vicinity for some time and not only is it a crockery but the very city of the story is established beyond a doubt. The evidence is turned to the fact that a deer was roped in the field and housed in Ed Hales' barn about six miles out of La Grande.

While hunting a load of hay through the fields on Hales' farm on Saturday morning, James Walker, a son of 15, summer, saw a deer and back deer in the field. James roped the deer, roped him and took him to the barn. It is said that he caught it in the night. The deer was a yearling and was about 100 lbs. in weight.



Tonight and Wednesday fair and cold. Thursday and Friday continued cold.