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ARMOUR DOES NOT COMMENT ON MERGER

Confers With Federal Government Officials But Tells Nothing.

EARLIER REPORTS WERE NOT OFFICIAL

Armour Confers with Secretary of Agriculture on the Situation in the Industry.

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, Nov. 15.—J. Ogden Armour, Chicago packer, today conferred with the federal government officials regarding the situation in the industry. Mr. Armour visited Secretary Wallace, of the department of agriculture, but neither discussed the conference or commented on the reports that the merger contemplated between Armour and Company and Wilson and Company or Armour and Company and Morris and Company.

The report of the contemplated merger recently reached the government officials from unofficial sources.

CHILE DEATH LIST MOUNTS

Reports Coming Fast Regarding Mammoth Disaster on Chilean Coast.

(By Associated Press.)

SANTIAGO, Chile, Nov. 15.—Each hour brings further details of the great disaster to Chile caused by the earthquake and tidal waves, each new report received from the provinces which suffered the full force of the convulsion, adds to the list of dead and the enormous damage already recorded.

Advices Tuesday afternoon from Valparaiso, in the province of Atacama, say that the total dead recovered thus far at that place number 1699, while the adjoining town of Puchuncavie is in complete ruins, the casualties not being known.

Casualty List Big

An official compilation by the ministry of the interior, based on reports received by that department earlier in the day, gave the number of dead in six towns at 810, and the injured 2410. These towns were Valparaiso, Colipue, Copiapi, Huesco, Chumal, and Puchuncavie. This compilation therefore did not take into account the hundreds of smaller places within the radius of the earthquake which are virtually shut off from communication because of the breakdown of the telegraph lines. Many thousands of persons are homeless.

Huge Shock Felt

Twelve hundred miles of the coast line felt in varying degrees the effect of the great tidal waves which followed the earth shocks, and for a large proportion of this distance, important towns and villages were inundated. Now, nearly four days after the disaster, thousands of families are wandering about the countryside, their distress is great, for they have little clothing and few supplies.

Again Tremors were felt, and other places and strange illuminations were observed Monday night over the sea off La Serena and at Copiapi.

Outbreak broke out Monday night in the town of Valparaiso, the chief sufferer from the earthquake, while reports of robberies and holdups came from other places.

The island Juan Fernandez, "Robinson Crusoe's island," 415 miles west of Valparaiso, did not feel the earthquake, according to wireless messages exchanged with Valparaiso.

PIERCE SPEAKS BEFORE GRANGE

Walter M. Pierce, governor-elect of Oregon, is to be one of the speakers at the homecoming meeting of Blue Mountain Grange on Saturday, Nov. 18. A number of members from other parts of the county are planning to attend and the committee is working to have all the members of the local grange present.

Two programs is to be furnished by the speakers and will include a program of entertaining features and a program of educational features. The evening session will be held in the morning and a dinner at noon and a program at the afternoon.

Walter M. Pierce Will Address La Grande Club

Members of the Wing, Fin and Fleetfoot club are already teasing their appetite in preparation for the clam feed to be held Monday evening in the basement of the Methodist church. The dinner has grown to be an annual affair and members are looking forward with eager anticipation for the time when they will be seated at the table.

One of the features of the evening will be an address by Governor-elect Walter M. Pierce of La Grande, who will address the members. His subject has not been announced by Mr.

AMERICA TO WATCH PEACE DEVELOPMENTS

Observers Will Confer With Allies and Present Government's Views on Matters of Interest.

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, Nov. 15.—Ambassador Child at Rome and Minister Grey at Bern will be the American observers at the Near Eastern conference at Lausanne, the state department announced Tuesday. Rear Admiral Bristol, high commissioner at Constantinople, will be named associate commissioner, as his other duties will not permit him to be in continuous attendance at the conference. Instructions under which the American group will act in presenting the viewpoint of the Washington government to the peace conference, but without taking part in the peace negotiations themselves, already are en route to Mr. Child as head of the group.

A number of secretaries, including Harry G. Dwight of the Near Eastern division of the state department, will be attached to the American representatives.

Department officials would not comment on the nature of the instructions under which the observers will act. The scope of the American participation in the proceedings at Lausanne, however, was quite clearly defined by Secretary Hughes in advance of receipt of the actual invitation.

PROTOCOL WILL BE APPROVED

(By Associated Press.)

SANTIAGO, Chile, Nov. 15.—The protocol with Peru was adopted by the Chamber last night without reservations and now it returns to the senate. The senate is not expected to insist upon former reservations to the Washington agreement. It is understood that several senators who voted for reservations are not likely to do so again.

SEES THE WORLD DRY SOME DAY

(By Associated Press.)

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 15.—Delegates to the eleventh world convention of the Women's Christian Temperance Union expressed confidence today that international prohibition would be achieved not many years hence. Delegates from Scotland and Germany brought messages to the convention that even these countries generally regarded as firmly opposed to dry legislation, soon might prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquors.

BANDITS SENT TO HOOD RIVER

(By Associated Press.)

PORTLAND, Nov. 15.—Ernest Crabtree and Wayne Dimmick, alleged bandits, who were arrested late yesterday, will be sent to Hood River for trial because the first clue leading eventually to their arrest came from that city.

LAND SET ASIDE.

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, Nov. 15.—Under orders from Washington, D. C., a large section of land in Kane County, Utah, surrounding Johnson's canyon which is noted for its hieroglyphs left by the Indians, has been closed to settlers. The order states that the land will not be opened until such time as an investigation can be made to determine the value of the inscriptions as historic landmarks.

EMRICK WILL BE TRIED ON FRAUDULENCY

(By Associated Press.)

PORTLAND, Nov. 15.—Circuit Judge Stapleton today overruled demurrers on the indictments against W. H. Emrick, chairman of the counting board of precinct 211 in the May primaries charging Emrick with fraud. The decision means that Emrick will be tried on the charge of election fraud.

REVEREND GUNN GOES TO NAMPA

Episcopalian Pastor, Who Has Been in La Grande Two Years, Accepts Call from Nampa Church.

Reverend Joseph W. Gunn, who has been pastor of the Episcopal church in La Grande for the past two years, has received and accepted a call from Nampa, Idaho, and is leaving today by auto, accompanied by Mrs. Gunn and his family. Rev. Gunn's leaving is a loss to the community which is widely felt and his many friends wish him success in his new location. His daughter will enter the College of Idaho in a few days and will complete her course in that institution.

SCHAFFER AND HOPPE LEAD

(By Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, Nov. 15.—Only one American suffered defeat in the international billiard tournament. Welker Cochran, of the American players, was defeated by Conté, the French wizard, by the score of 500 to 376. Willie Hoppe, world's champion for seventeen years until dethroned by Jacob Schaffer, Jr., won easily from Edward Horomans, 500 to 177 and Shafer, in a luck luster contest with Erich Hagenbacher, of Germany, 500 to 228. Conté holds the high run to date with 141.

LIVESTOCK MARKETS

PORTLAND, Nov. 15.—Cattle are steady; hogs steady, back to \$9.75 top prime light, \$9.25 and \$9.75; lambs are a quarter higher, coat mountain lambs \$10.50 to \$12.00; eggs selling three cents higher, selling price 5; and 56 cents; butter is steady.

IT WENT TO HIS HEAD



Bishop Remington's Sermon Is Exceptional

A sermon that is classed as being exceptional was delivered at the Episcopal Church Sunday evening by the Right Reverend William P. Remington, Bishop of the Eastern Oregon diocese of the Episcopal church. His sermon was a most inspirational address, according to those who were fortunate enough to hear it. Bishop Remington took as his text part of the Psalm of ascents, contained in Psalm 121:1; I will lift up mine eyes unto the mountains from whence shall my help come.

He divided his address into three parts, first, the period of recuperation; second, the atmosphere surrounding the individual, and third, the presence of God, of joyous religion.

Special Quotations

"Our spiritual lives must be a per-

BANDITS KIDNAP U. S. PREACHER, CONDITIONS BAD

(By Associated Press.)

PEKING, China, Nov. 15.—Rhar Berg-Brook, of Minneapolis, the American missionary of the Lutheran church, and his son have been kidnapped by bandits in the Roman province, according to reports received from Hainkow today. Altogether eight foreigners, including two Americans are now being held in captivity.

FUNERAL TO BE ON THURSDAY

Remains of Wilson H. Allstott Will Find Their Last Resting Place; Services at Bohnenkamp Chapel.

The funeral services of Wilson H. Allstott, who passed on yesterday, will be held Thursday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from the Bohnenkamp chapel. His remains will lie in state at the chapel until the time for the funeral services.

Wilson H. Allstott was born in Prairieville, Indiana, on July 17, 1857, and in 1886 was married to Tillie M. Laudon. They came west in 1890 and settled in La Grande a year later where he has since resided. During most of his life spent in La Grande he has been employed on the D-W.

Mr. Allstott is survived by his wife and four sons, Andrew, Dan, Ray and Clifford, and one sister, Mrs. Julia D. Malcolm, of La Harpe, Kansas.

THE WEATHER

PORTLAND, Nov. 15.—Thursday fair except for rain in the north-west portion.

ELECTING NEW PARLIAMENT FOR ENGLAND

Millions of Voters at the Polls in Great Britain Today.

RESULTS HELD UNCERTAINTY

Fourth Parliament Chosen Under the Reign of King George V—No Eleventh Hour Developments.

(By Associated Press.)

LONDON, Nov. 15.—The electorate of Great Britain swarmed the polls by millions today in England, Scotland, Wales and Ulster to elect the fourth parliament in the reign of King George V. No eleventh hour development lessened the uncertainty of results.

PRESBYTERIANS TO HOLD BAZAAR

Two Day Event This Week Promises to Be One of the Leading Features in Local Church Work.

Extraordinary arrangements have been made by the ladies of the Presbyterian church for their two day bazaar which will be given on Friday and Saturday. According to those who are in close touch with preliminary work the event of the public and tempt purchases on every hand, for the collections of bazaar includes almost everything useful and pretty as well. From dainty fancy work to the sturdy things needed in the home the list has grown until housing facilities have been enlarged.

One of the features is the "White Elephant Booth." When Harlan imported the white elephant from Spain claiming it was an animal worshiped by the natives he attracted considerable attention, and he also established that saying when one has something they don't want that one has a "white elephant." The booth by that name at the bazaar is to contain everything that could be gathered from homes no longer needing certain articles. In other words when there was a "white elephant" around the home the Presbyterian ladies immediately ordered it sent to the booth by that title in the bazaar. It will be worth seeing and will also contain many things that, while they may have been white elephants in one home will be very handy in another.

The proceeds of this bazaar will go towards the fund for a new Presbyterian church in La Grande.

PORTLAND LADY IS KILLED BY AUTO

Mrs. Emily Jones, 25, a widow, died at St. Vincent's hospital at 10 o'clock this morning as a result of a fractured skull suffered when she was run down last Thursday night at 19th and Alder streets by an automobile driven by Sidney U. Carriker, No. 666 Plunder street, states a Portland daily.

Mrs. Jones, whose residence was at No. 103 1/2 12th street, was crossing at the end of Alder street from the south to the north side of the street.

According to the evidence, both she and Carriker, the latter driving west, became confused and dodged back and forth. The front end of the machine struck Mrs. Jones but the rear end buried her to the pavement.

After finishing an investigation started after the accident, police today decided Carriker to be blameless on account of the west street and the victim's confusion. No charges will be entered against him.

Mrs. Jones' son was in La Grande for some time and was employed as an interne in the Grande Ronde hospital.

MURDER CASE BEFORE JURY

(By Associated Press.)

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 15.—The case of Mrs. Clara Phillips, charged with the murder of Mrs. Alberta Truesome Meadows with a hammer here last July, went to the jury this morning at 10:55 o'clock.

NOTICE JUDGE RETURNS AFTER LONG SERVICE

(By Associated Press.)

TACOMA, Wash., Nov. 15.—Judge J. M. Luck who founded one of the first juvenile courts in the land here in 1907, shortly before Judge Ben Lindsey established his famous court in Denver, will soon retire after a lifetime in the public service.

The veteran judge, who is almost 60 years of age, once was mayor of Tacoma. After holding federal and state positions in Indiana before coming west.

VISITED IN SPokane

Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Wright returned to their home in La Grande this morning after spending two weeks in Spokane, Wash., visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Parker. Mrs. Parker is Mr. Wright's sister. They report a very enjoyable visit.