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TIDAL WAVE TAKES TOLL 400, KOREA

Large Number of Fishermen Missing When Tidal Wave Sweeps Korean Coast

THE LIST OF DEAD IS ONLY APPROXIMATE

Heavy Storm Accompanies Wave That Hits the Eastern Coast of Korea Causing Huge Losses.

(By Associated Press)
TOKIO, Apr. 14.—Four hundred persons, including a large number of fishermen, are missing as the result of a tidal wave and storm on the East coast of Korea.

Three Drowned
(By Associated Press)
LEWIS, Del., Apr. 14.—Three persons were drowned and two died of exposure as the result of the foundering of the tug Jupiter and two coal barges in a gale off the Delaware coast today.

BLUE MOUNTAIN ROAD STILL WET

After conducting an inspection of the road between Pendleton and La Grande, the State Highway Commission headquarters here announced today that providing the prevailing good weather continues, the road will be passable to motor driven vehicles by April 20, permitting them to go through under their own power.

A couple of weeks ago it was expected that the road would be opened at a sooner date, but due to slow work in the drying of the muddy roads it was found that it would take a somewhat longer time before the roads would be in such a condition to permit a car to go through without resorting to help in getting through several places in a stretch of road, a little over five miles in length, that is now the only block on the Old Oregon Trail over the Blue mountains.

J. C. PENNEY STORES CELEBRATING NATAL ANNIVERSARY TODAY

Today, April 14, 1923, is the 21st birthday anniversary of the founding of the first J. C. Penney company store. Since that time, in 1902, the progress of the company has been remarkable. In 1909 the company had extended to seven stores, seven more years saw it expand to 71 stores and now, there are 371 department stores under the name of J. C. Penney and company in 29 states of the United States of America.

"April 14th, 1923—our birthday anniversary! Naturally, we look back with pride and ahead with confidence," was the remark of J. A. Tedford, manager of the local branch of the chain stores.

BANKERS ACQUITTED

BOISE, Apr. 14.—E. Carlisle, former president of the First National bank of Burley, which closed its doors November 19, 1921; Arnold E. Smith, cashier, and Richard D. Watertown, assistant cashier, who have been on trial here in the federal court since Monday on charges of misapplication of funds and the making of false entries, preferred by the government, were pronounced not guilty by a jury Friday afternoon.

SNOW IN THE EAST

WASHINGTON, Apr. 14.—Snow storms hit Philadelphia and Baltimore today. Snow is also reported in Iowa, Minnesota and South Dakota.

Solons to Be Guests at Livestock Show Supper

Senator Bruce Dennis, of La Grande, and Representative Hunter, of Island City have both accepted an invitation from the Union Commercial Association of Union county to be present at a joint meeting and celebration commemorating the passage by the legislature of the appropriation for premiums for the Annual Union Live Stock show.

The meeting is to be on the evening of April 18, and in addition to the two Union county solons, Senator Henry Taylor, of Pendleton, will also be present.

Important Meeting.
UNION, Apr. 14. (Special).—Next

"Desire For Excitement" Reason Given By Fire Bug For Incendiarism

(By Associated Press)
OREGON CITY, Apr. 14.—Vernie Bishop, 22, was arrested last night suspected of being responsible for more than a score of fires in Oregon City and vicinity, which have done more than \$200,000 damage. He confessed today after an all night grilling by the district attorney and the sheriff, saying that he had set the fire which destroyed the bank of Oregon City last September, and also had attempted to burn the Grande Theatre here March 9, according to District Attorney Levy Stipp.

When asked why he set the fires the district attorney declared that Bishop answered at first "pure cussedness." He amplified this later by declaring he wanted a "little excitement" and wanted to "see the fire trucks turn out."

Bishop came here about two years ago from Raymond, Washington.

TWO ARRESTED IN MOONSHINE RAID FRIDAY

Norman and Harold Haller In Clutches of Law Forces; 50 to 60 Gallon Still is Discovered.

One of the largest whiskey stills discovered this year was confiscated, along with mash and products, yesterday afternoon by Sheriff Lee Warner and deputies, when the Haller ranch at Lyons Hill, near Telocast, was raided. Norman and Harold Haller were arrested and are facing a charge of the manufacture of liquor illegally.

The raid was made late in the afternoon. The still, of about 50 or 60 gallons, 3 barrels of corn mash, and one half gallon of liquor being found.

Norman and Harold Haller will be given a hearing probably this afternoon or Monday before County Judge U. G. Couch.

Mrs. Ray Duncan Speaks At Methodist "Pleasant Hour" Service Sunday

Mrs. Ray Duncan, who has been heard with great pleasure and profit by many gatherings in the Grande Ronde valley will be one of the speakers in the Pleasant Hour service at the Methodist church Sunday evening. Mrs. Duncan, whose home is at Cove, is considered one of the most interesting speakers in this section of the country. Her theme will be "The Home." She ought to be heard by fathers and mothers, sons and daughters alike. She will have a message.

Other talks and a special musical program by some of our leading vocalists will help to make this service one of great beauty and helpfulness. Mr. Couch, the pastor, wishes to be understood that an extra invitation is extended to that part of the La Grande public not identified with any of the churches. These Pleasant Hour services are free from partisanship and sectarianism and are made as attractive as it is possible by soulful song and good fellowship.

MARRIAGE CONFIRMED

(By Associated Press)
CHICAGO, Apr. 14.—Confirmation of the marriage of Mathilde McCormick and Major Max Oser in London Thursday was given today by the bride's father, Harold F. McCormick.

NOW A RADIO CHURCH

SAN FRANCISCO, Apr. 14.—The Radio Church of America with headquarters in San Francisco, was incorporated today to disseminate the gospel by radio wherever branches for broadcasting are available.

Ad Club Meet

Consideration of several business matters will mark the Tuesday noonday session of the Union County Ad club. The meeting will be held in the K. of P. hall and dinner will be served by the South Methodist ladies. Elmer Stoddard will preside as chairman.

Wednesday evening is the date set for the principal meeting of the stock show committees, as this is the time when out of town members and others interested will be entertained at a six o'clock supper and at a meeting to follow.

Invitations have been sent out to the members of the state legislature from Union and adjoining counties and to many other notables in Eastern Oregon, and a gala time is expected.

The principal purpose of the meeting is to show Union's appreciation for the interest shown by our senators and representatives in the Union show.

HARDING TO PUT END TO CABINET ROW

WASHINGTON, Apr. 14.—President Harding's plan for realignment of various government bureaus which heretofore has been the center of a row among high officials of the interior and agriculture departments, was endorsed without reservation Friday night Secretary Work of the interior in his first public address outlining department policies since he succeeded Secretary Fall.

Without mentioning the reported disagreement between Mr. Fall and Secretary Wallace of the agriculture department as to which should have jurisdiction over the forest service, Secretary Work declared the regrouping worked out by the president had his hearty approval and promised that he would co-operate with the agriculture secretary in putting it into effect.

Outlines Views.
"When the president speaks for the department of the interior, as he does in this instance," said Doctor Work, "it is my pleasure to subscribe to his views. The interior department and the department of agriculture are units of a great government, not miniature governments in themselves, and therefore both departments are obligated to contribute through mutual co-operation to the successful administration of the government as a whole."

Secretary Work's address was delivered before a meeting of agriculture department employees and was the first public utterance by any cabinet officer regarding the forest service dispute which preceded Mr. Fall's retirement from the cabinet. The new secretary did not refer specifically to his predecessor, but throughout his speech he emphasized his view that nothing was to be gained by over-jealousy as to department authority.

BULLETINS

STATEWIDE STRIKE MAY 1ST
(By Associated Press)
PORTLAND, Apr. 14.—A statewide strike of all the members of the Industrial Workers of the World in Oregon is planned for May 1st, according to reports given at a meeting here today of the state executive committee of the American Legion.

CONFERENCE TAKES ACTION.
(By Associated Press)
OMAHA, Apr. 14.—The fourth annual educational conference protesting the proposal of church connection with the question of freedom of religious thought today went on record as opposed to a "narrow position which ignores the fruits of scientific research."

LIVESTOCK MARKET

PORTLAND, Apr. 14.—Livestock was steady today, eggs unsettled with weak undertone; butter weak, suffering a decline of three cents, effective Monday was the announcement.

President Harding Is Invited to Attend Old Oregon Trail Pageant

Babe, Born Dead, Given Life By An Injection of Adrenalin, Lusty Infant

NEW YORK, Apr. 14.—An infant supposedly born dead, was "brought to life" by the injection into its heart of several drops of adrenalin last Monday, officials of the Brownsville and East New York hospital of Brooklyn announced Friday.

The child, son of Mrs. Rose Serwin, was, according to hospital authorities, apparently dead at birth. A careful examination, however, indicated a very faint heart action. Adrenalin was used, and the effect was instantaneous, it was said. A few minutes later a lusty infant was presented to Mrs. Serwin.

AUTOMOBILE ROW IS BUSY; SALES ACTIVE

The firm of Smith & Freese, agents for Hupmobiles in Union and Wallowa counties, are gratified with the volume of business transacted up to the present, and report that another shipment of Hups will arrive in La Grande Monday. The shipment consists of two cars, and will include roadsters, coupes, sedans and standard touring cars. The firm reports many inquiries and a decided interest in the new Hupmobiles.

One whole family converted to the excellent qualities of the Buick is the report emanating from the La Grande agency this week. S. O. Voorhies, in charge of the agency, delivered three Buick four to members of the same family today, one car going to a father and one each to two son-in-laws. "Buicks are still moving at a rapid rate," said Mr. Voorhies, "and we are putting forth every effort to meet the demand."

Ford Representative Here.
Charles Dempster, special representative of the Ford Motor Co., and in charge of the district between the Dalles and the Idaho line, is making La Grande his headquarters. Although Dempster has maintained his headquarters at Portland in the past, the increased volume of business in the Eastern Oregon district has made it necessary for him to establish headquarters here, for the time being, at least.

Ford Shipment On Way
The Perkins Motor Co. reports that a shipment of 21 Fords has left Seattle for La Grande and is expected to arrive here any day. "We are exerting every effort to meet the unusual demand for Fords and the shipment en route will aid us greatly in supplying back orders," said Mr. Perkins. The company has promised us 45 Fords for shipment during May.

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THE KILL-JOY



To Consolidate Foreign Trade Boards and Offer Lines and Ships For Sale

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, Apr. 14.—A decision was reached by President Harding and members of the shipping board today to proceed to the consolidation of the boards of foreign trade lines and then offer for their lines and ships for sale under the authorization of the merchant marine act, conditional on suitable guaranty of maintaining the service.

POWER PLANT TO BE BUILT AT BAKER NOW

New Plant Will Eliminate Danger of Power Shortage As Was Experienced This Year.

BAKER, Apr. 14.—The Eastern Oregon Light and Power company is determined that there will be no recurrence of the power shortage experienced during the past winter. Sometime ago Manager J. P. Lottridge announced the company would expend \$100,000 during 1923 in the expansion of its plant capacity. Particulars of the expansion were not announced at the time as it was deemed best to await the action of the directors of the company on the proposal.

Mr. Lottridge has been in Milwaukee two weeks in conference with the directors, and wired the local office yesterday that the proposal to build a large steam plant in Baker has been decided upon. The new plant will have a capacity of 1500 horse power, and means an investment of approximately \$100,000. Contracts have been entered into with the Baker White Pine Lumber company for 30,000 cords of fuel. The fuel will be the waste material and slabs of the mill, being known about the mill as "mill fuel."

Construction will be started soon after the return of Mr. Lottridge from the east. It is expected the plant will be completed about the first of October.

One good feature of the installation of a large steam plant in Baker is the assurance of ample power for Baker in case of trouble with the distant plants, through the breaking of reservoirs, power lines being put out of commission or other emergencies that may occur. The company also has plans under consideration for a reserve plant for La Grande to care for emergencies that may arise in that locality. This is a development of the future of which it is yet too early to make an official announcement.

GIRLS PRESENT APRIL ANTIKS

Annual A. G. S. Presentation Was Very Successful; Enjoyed a Large Attendance.

Friday the Thirteenth may have been an unlucky day for many, but not so with the Associated Girl Students who last night presented their annual "April Antiks" in the high school auditorium. The crowd began assembling long before the time for the curtain and it was found necessary to reserve a block of balcony seats in order to take care of the large attendance.

To say that the "April Antiks" exceeded preceding performances would not be untruthful in any way. All present enjoyed the skits, musical numbers and brief dramas that went to make up the program and both the members of the A. G. S. and those of the faculty that aided them to be so well commented upon their successful evening.

Several numbers on the evening's program deserved special mention. Among them were Reveries, fourteen girls taking part; the Argentine Tango, by Ruth Smith and Inez Hughes; A Visit to King Tut, representative of the town-life of the Egyptian.

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REVEAL PLOT TO STRIKE AT LONDON

Scotland Yard Unearths Documents Indicating Extensive Plans.

ASSASSINATION OF OFFICIALS PLANNED

Irish Republicans Involved In Huge Plot to Attack London in Many Ways

(By Associated Press)
LONDON, Apr. 14.—Documents revealing plots involving the destruction of life and property are reported to have come into the possession of Scotland Yard as a result of last night's raid on the residences of resorts of Irishmen and Irishwomen suspected of being Republican supporters.

Among the plans reported revealed were plots to attack London's lighting and power sources, underground power stations, efforts to release Irish prisoners, from London prisons, and projected attempts on the lives of high police officials.

De Valera Escapes

(By Associated Press)
LONDON, Apr. 14.—De Valera apparently eluded the Free State troops in the Tipperary mountains, says a Dublin dispatch. The whole district is being combed by troops aided by airplane observers.

Stack Captured

(By Associated Press)
DUBLIN, Apr. 14.—Irish Free State troops today captured Austin Stack, former Republican minister of home affairs. He was hiding in a ditch in the mountains near Clonmel.

CLEAN-UP WEEK IS APRIL 16-22

Citizens of La Grande Are Requested to Aid Officials in Cleaning Up the City.

Police Chief Clint Haynes and the Public Health Nurse, Miss Juliet Plittaker announced today that official clean-up week would begin in La Grande Monday morning, April 16 and would continue for either one or two weeks, dependent upon what time is necessary to conclude the clean-up work.

In brief, the plan is to have every citizen and property-holder in La Grande to clean-up his premises and deposit the rubbish, etc., at a convenient place where a wagon, furnished by the city, will haul the rubbish away.

Spring is here and due to the good weather, the authorities decided to hold the clean-up week one week earlier than usual thus having the city brightened up early, ready to greet the tourist traffic which will soon wind its way over the Old Oregon Trail.

Hearty co-operation is requested of the citizens in aiding in the cleaning up of their premises.

RECEIVER ASKED FOR IDAHO BRANCH OF WHEAT GROWERS

POCATELLO, Ida, Apr. 14.—Alleging that funds received from the sale of wheat by the South Idaho branch of the Idaho Wheat Growers' association have been used for the purchase of warehouses and for warehouse operations to such an extent that the organization will be unable to make settlement with its members, the Northwest Wheat Growers' Association of Portland and Minneapolis filed a complaint in the district court at Pocatello Friday morning and asked for a receiver to take charge of the affairs of the South Idaho organization.

Many Arrests Made by Police; Blotter Is Busy

No bill has been noticed in the activities of the police department in their efforts to apprehend violators of the law in La Grande.

Last evening Everett Cornelison, arrested a few days ago on a charge of the sale of liquor, pleaded guilty to the charge and was fined \$50 and sentenced to 30 days in jail by police judge R. J. Kitchen.

Italian Arrested.
Another liquor arrest was made last evening when an Italian, whose name was unpronounceable and was written on the blotter "John Doe," was apprehended at his home, living in the section house near the branch line tracks, and taken on the charge of the manufacture of wine. He was released this morning.

\$100 bail and will be tried Monday.
Motor Cop Working.
The motorcycle policeman, who has been attached to the city force, is continuing his work of rounding up traffic violators and added several more to his string of arrests last night and this morning.

J. A. Small, of Baker, was arrested this morning for speeding and gave \$5 bail.
W. A. Zurbick, arrested on the charge of cutting corners, was fined \$5.
Harold Crumpton was also fined \$5 for cutting corners.
Luther Turner gave \$5 bail for leaving his motor running.
August J. Stange was arrested on the charge of speeding.