

REVIVAL OF ASSOCIATION ANNOUNCED

National Wheat Growers Association Is Re-Inaugurated.

NORTHWEST WHEAT MEN ASKED TO JOIN

Status of American Wheat Growers, Inc., Is Thrown In Doubt By New Plan.

(By Associated Press) KANSAS CITY, May 17.—The revival of the National Wheat Growers Association as a selling agency was announced here today by George R. Cutting, editor of the Wheat Growers Journal.

Plans for the erection of a regional selling office at Kansas City, Minneapolis and Duluth, Cutting said, were made at a meeting here Tuesday of the State Wheat Pool Officials representing Kansas, Nebraska, North Dakota and Minnesota.

The Northwest Wheat Growers Association is to be asked to join in the movement. At a meeting in Minneapolis Monday, Cutting declared that the new plan threw in doubt the status of the American Wheat Growers Association, Inc., in the proposed organization which was to be a national selling agency for all state wheat pools west of the Mississippi river.

DEATH CLAIMS MRS. A. J. FEIK

Mrs. Albert J. Feik, aged 34 years, died this morning at the termination of an extended illness at the family home at Mt. Glen. Despite her long standing illness her demise came as a sad shock to her many friends and to her relatives. Funeral services will be held tomorrow afternoon at two o'clock from the Bohnenkamp chapel. Interment will be in the L. D. S. cemetery.

Mrs. Feik is survived by her husband, Albert J. Feik, three children, Floyd, Ruby and Donna, three brothers, Fred and Joe Leak, of Mt. Glen, and Leonard Leak, of Utah, two sisters, Rachael M. Drake, and Edna M. Drake of West Jordan, Utah.

Russian Student Honored At Washington College

(By Associated Press) PULLMAN, Wash., May 17.—Of the four graduate students at Washington State college elected to Phi Kappa Phi, national honorary scholarship fraternity, Sergei Schelkunoff, a Russian, has perhaps the most unusual claim to the honor. Schelkunoff had been in America but 17 months, and in addition to having to learn the English language, he will receive his masters' and bachelor's degrees in mathematics in June. His marks are all A, the highest grade given.

The other three graduate students elected to Phi Kappa Phi are: Herbert Hunt, Corvallis, Ore.; Paul Gaiser and Gladys Powers, Pullman. Ten seniors were also elected: Loyd Caverly, Waterville; Mary Driscoll, Reardon; Lloyd Graves, Spokane; Paul Phillips, Cushman, Mont.; Virginia Shaw, Oregon City, Ore.; Alexander Sumbario, Seattle, and Lester Thornburg, Parker, Ind.

Selection is made from the top fourth of the graduating class and no more than 15 per cent of the eligibles is taken at one time.

OBSERVED HOSPITAL DAY
SPOKANE, Wash., May 17.—Hospital day, May 12, was homecoming day at the Deaconess hospital here. All children who were born at the institution were invited to return to appear in a group photograph as "alumni" of the institution. A prize to the oldest person born at the hospital and another to the family having the largest number of its members born there had been offered in announcements telling of the event.

STOLE \$20,000
WILSONVILLE, Ore., May 17.—Cashier Seely announced at a later hour that robbers, who robbed the bank here during the night, took \$4000 cash and \$16,000 securities.

Weather Forecast

Portland, May 17.—Generally cloudy tonight and tomorrow.

Oregon Interests Will Endorse Bert E. Haney For Shipping Board Job

(By Associated Press) PORTLAND, May 17.—Oregon business and political interests today agreed to endorse Bert E. Haney, former United States district attorney, for Chamberlain's shipping board position. Edgar W. Smith, who was also endorsed by the chamber of commerce, yesterday withdrew.

STREET NAME CHANGE SOUGHT

Petition Asks That Spruce Street Be Designated Hereafter As Victory Way.

Meeting one half hour earlier, the La Grande city commission convened last evening at seven o'clock in the city building with a full membership present.

A petition was received asking the commission to change the name of Spruce street to Victory Way. Considerable discussion followed and the matter was finally laid over for further consideration inasmuch as Victory Way also lies along several other streets and the changing of the name of Spruce street would involve other changes beyond doubt.

Official confirmation of the action of the public service commission in authorizing the construction of an overhead crossing at Ore Dell with the distribution of costs as follows: Union county 20 per cent; highway commission 20 per cent; and O-W, company 60 per cent was received and filed.

Creates Improvement District.

An improvement district, consisting of N avenue from Fourth street to Washington avenue, Spruce street from Washington to Adams avenue, Tenth street from Washington to M avenue, Ninth street from Washington to O avenue and Eighth street from M to Penn avenue, was created. Hard surfaced paving and other improvements will be laid. A resolution was passed creating the district and another resolution was passed accepting the plans and specifications and setting Wednesday evening, June 13, 1923, for the hearing of remonstrances.

City Manager Hayes reported that the city was going ahead with the installing of water mains from C to E avenue along Sixth street, stating that the crews had begun actual work. He was authorized also to connect water mains in the vicinity of Washington and N avenue.

Superintendent A. C. Hampton, of the La Grande high school, appeared before the commission and suggested that the city police the public school grounds. The commission further suggested that lights be installed to light the dark corners at schoolhouses.

Several other minor matters were attended to before adjournment.

Sensational Rumors Say Greeks and Turks Are On The Verge of a War

LONDON, May 17.—Sensational rumors are current of possible hostilities between Greece and Turkey, as the outcome of the reparations dispute at Lausanne, and a Central News dispatch from Constantinople says a secret meeting is reported to have been held at British general headquarters, to consider eventualities.

No confirmation of this rumor however, is obtainable in official circles in London. Reuter's Athens correspondent says the newspapers there state that the Greek delegation has been instructed to leave Lausanne should a plenary meeting of the Near East conference pronounce in favor of payment of indemnities by Greece.

According to the Athens correspondent of the Times, referring to these rumors, Colonel Plastiras, one of the leading authorities, in an interview voiced a denial, saying that Greece's intentions were entirely pacific.

START FIGHT ON TOBACCO

WASHINGTON, May 17.—Intensive drives against all forms of tobacco have been inaugurated in all parts of the country, with the avowed object of "burying tobacco in the same grave with John Barleycorn." Jesse A. Bloch of Wheeling, W. Va., president of the Tobacco Merchants' Association of the United States, told the 400 members of the association who met here Wednesday.

BURGLED ROB BANK

(By Associated Press) WILSONVILLE, Ore., May 17.—Burglars last night entered the Farmers bank here, burned their way into the vault with an acetylene torch, and escaped. Officials discovered the robbery this morning but were unable to estimate the loss.

FREIGHTER SINKS

(By Associated Press) SEATTLE, Wash., May 17.—Lifted by a high tide from the rock sound the Unatilla Reef where she was recently stranded, the freighter Lake Gebhart drifted to sea and sank, according to advices today.

ALVA ADAMS TO SUCCEED NICHOLSON

(By Associated Press) DENVER, May 17.—Alva H. Adams, of Pueblo, was appointed today by Governor William E. Sweet as United States senator, succeeding the late Samuel D. Nicholson, Republican, who died in April.

Adams is a Democrat, an attorney, and ranked as a conservative. He is a son of Alva Adams, three times governor of Colorado.

Governor Sweet ignored the recommendations of Ex-President Wilson, William G. McAdoo and William J. Bryan in making his appointment.

Wilson urged Huston Thompson, a member of the federal trade commission, while McAdoo asked Governor Sweet to appoint Morrison Shafroth, the son of Ex-Senator Shafroth.

WILL APPEAL SUGAR CASE

Department of Justice Requests Early Hearing By Supreme Court of Sugar Injunction Proceedings.

(By Associated Press) WASHINGTON, May 17.—A hearing by the Supreme Court of the government's appeal in the sugar case is to be requested by the department of justice at the "earliest day convenient to the court."

The department's motion to be presented Monday, will declare injunction proceedings against the New York Sugar Exchange, and presents questions vital to the welfare of the American public.

The court must decide the motion will say, whether under existing statutes the government has power to protect the public against artificial fluctuation prices of necessities of life occasioned by purely speculative operations.

THOMAS FRIES DIED EARLY THIS MORNING

Friends of Thomas Fries, aged 71 years, were shocked today to hear of his demise, which occurred at three o'clock this morning. He is survived by one brother, Harry Fries, of Summerville. Funeral services will be held Saturday morning at ten o'clock at the Catholic church under the direction of Reynolds and Zimmerman funeral service parlors.

TO SEEK RELEASE

(By Associated Press) WASHINGTON, May 17.—The state department was advised that the Chinese government representatives are to start today to begin negotiations for the release of the Szechow bandits' captives.

Reunited After 25 Years



Edwin Rice Patterson, 23, of Brockton, Mass., and his mother, Mrs. Nellie Hallows, of Oakdale, Mass., reunited after a search of 25 years. They had not seen each other since 1897, when the family was disbanded.

Accident Proves Fatal To Horse, Rider Unhurt

THE PARK, May 17.—Fred Lay, 18, son of Joseph Lay of The Park, was injured recently while attempting to tame a "broncho."

By some mishap the rider let go of the reins, whereupon the horse tore madly through an orchard, becoming tangled in a barbed wire fence. Both horse and rider were cut, the horse so severely as to cause death from a hemorrhage at the throat. The rider's leg was gashed six stitches being found necessary by medical authorities, to close the wound.

The accident occurred at Big Creek, when young Lay was leaving Bob Wauker's place on his way home.

NEW BUILDING CONSTRUCTION TO BE HALTED

(By Associated Press) NEW YORK, May 17.—A recommendation that all new building construction be deferred for a few months to relieve a "serious situation throughout the country," was contained in a resolution adopted Wednesday by representatives of virtually every branch of the building industry from various states, who met to discuss the situation at the home of Franklin D. Roosevelt.

Calling a halt to new construction, it was declared, would bring down "steeply mounting costs" in the industry. It was urged, however, that projects under course of construction be carried to completion.

PRESBYTERIANS TO OPEN ASSEMBLY

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., May 17.—Presbyterians of America will open their one hundred thirty-fifth general assembly Thursday with the final session of their retiring moderator, the Rev. Calvin C. Hays, and the election of his successor.

Obregon's Methods of Handling Recognition Question Are Endorsed

(By Associated Press) MEXICO CITY, May 17.—Overwhelming endorsement of President Obregon's method of handling the question of recognition by the United States was given by the chamber of deputies today. A resolution expressing confidence in the executive carried 131 to 9.

I. W. W. STRIKE BELIEVED OVER

Official Confirmation Lacking; Lumbering Industry Reports Men Returning to Work.

Although official confirmation is lacking, it is generally understood that the I. W. W. strike in Eastern Oregon has been called off.

According to information received today from several lumbering companies of Union county, the strikers are returning to their work practically en masse. Similar conditions are said to exist in Willowa county, also. That the strike has been called off is apparently evident. Picketing of camps has been stopped, workers are returning, and the camps are now running as before the strike with plenty of labor.

FUNERAL HELD IN AFTERNOON

Funeral services over the late C. L. Thorne, who passed on in Portland May 14, will be held tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock from the Christian church. Interment, under the direction of the Reynolds and Zimmerman funeral service parlors, will be in the Masonic cemetery.

The deceased was 56 years of age and had been connected with the grocery mercantile business in La Grande for the past 23 years, during which time he has made his home here. At the time of his demise he was proprietor of the Thorne Grocery on Fir street.

Mr. Thorne was born in Jamestown, Kansas, where he spent his early childhood. He wed Miss Winnie Lantry May 12, 1889, in Tacoma, Washington, coming to La Grande several years later. To that union were born two daughters, one of whom is deceased.

Mr. Thorne is survived by one daughter, Mrs. William Keefe, of La Grande, and two grandchildren. His brother, Danner Thorne, passed on in Toledo, Oregon, May 7. The deceased was one of La Grande's highly esteemed and respected citizens and his departure leaves a sorrowful host of friends. He was a member of the I. O. O. F. and Rebekah lodge here.

Collins Is Re-Elected President of Round-Up

PENDLETON, May 17.—Henry W. Collins was re-elected president of the Pendleton Round-Up at a meeting of the board of directors last evening. Other officers re-elected were: George C. Baer, business manager; R. E. Chlopek, treasurer; and Charles H. Marsh, secretary. The directorate committee consists of Earl T. Fulton, parade; Lawrence Prater, 25 and 42; Chauncey Bishop, Indians; Ben Tatom, accommodations; S. P. Thompson, livestock; Guy Wyck, competitive events; Fred Earl, non-competitive events.

WHEAT QUOTATIONS

(By Associated Press) PORTLAND, May 17.—Hard White \$1.33; Northern Spring \$1.17; Hard Winter \$1.16.

Great Strides Toward Peace Is Noted By Charles Hughes

WASHINGTON, May 17.—America has "every assurance of abiding peace," so far as our relations with other peoples are concerned, Secretary Hughes said Wednesday night in an address before the National Conference of Social Work.

"The clouds which two years ago darkened the Far Eastern sky have been dissipated," he said, "and to the disappointment of those who make bitterness the test of patriotism, we have been able to associate the great powers of the Pacific in a friendly accord supported by mutual confidence, while at the same time we have carefully preserved the sound American tradition of freedom from alliance and the principle of equality of opportunity."

Mr. Hughes said this had been accomplished by achieving "disarmament of thought" and that the Washington arms conference "had managed scrap distrust as well as the vessels of war," and to end wasteful competition "which spelled not security but suspicion."

Progress Toward Peace.

"Today, notwithstanding the gravity of unsettled issues," he continued, "we find throughout the world ample reason for encouragement in the earnest efforts to remove the economic evils following the great war in the exhibition of enhanced industrial capacity in the swift repair of damaged areas, in the extraordinary extent of recovery despite all difficulties."

"So great has been the progress that it is not too much to say that the whole aspect of affairs would instantly change if only means could be found to dispel the fear and apprehension which is the barrier to accord and to give sound basis for the confidence which we desire."

The secretary of state said it was clear that essential conditions of peace "are not to be found in artificial arrangements," but that it was "the disposition of peoples that counts."

