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HARDING IS NOT SO WELL

Fire Hits Two Oregon Towns Hard

CHIEF WILL BE RUSHED BACK TO THE EAST

(By Associated Press) SAN FRANCISCO, July 30.—President Harding will be rushed back to Washington by special train just as soon as he recovers sufficiently to make the trip.

It may require two weeks for the chief executive to overcome the ptomaine poisoning which he encountered from eating crab meat a few days ago, according to members of the presidential party.

The above announcement was made today, and followed a cancellation last night of the entire California program after consultation had been held over the President by four physicians.

Complications developed yesterday due to the attack of ptomaine poisoning.

President is Quite Ill. SACRAMENTO, July 30.—President Harding spent a fairly comfortable night, getting some sleep, according to a bulletin issued at 11 a. m. today by Brigadier-General Sawyer, the personal physician of the chief executive, following a conference with two San Francisco physicians, Dr. Ray Lyman Wilbur, president of Stanford university, and Dr. Charles M. Cooper, a heart specialist.

His condition is acute and he has temporarily overstrained his Cardiovascular system by carrying on a speaking engagement while ill," the bulletin added.

It will be necessary to have complete rest during the "period of acute symptoms."

At 9 o'clock this morning the President's temperature was 101, pulse 118 and respiration 33.

Base Ball Results. In the American League (Cleveland 5, Boston 4; Cleveland 2, Boston; St. Louis 5, Philadelphia; St. Louis 4, Philadelphia 2.

In the National League—New York 4, Pittsburgh 3; Philadelphia 3, Cincinnati 1.

Portland, July 30.—Hard wheat was \$1.04 today and Western Red was ninety-four cents a bushel.

THREE TEAMS TIED FOR CHAMPIONSHIP

When Cove trimmed Baker's hat team yesterday by a score of 4 to 2 and sent the "Cotta" frolicking back to the home pasture with Dollar-Bill Elbie swinging the jar and the Baker boosters uttering guttural and sonorous tones instead of the joyous high-keyed roars which indicate success, the tie was cast for a baseball struggle between Cove, Baker and La Grande that will probably be the fiercest that any local leaguers will see this season.

Baker went to Cove yesterday determined to put an end to this rampant business and expected to return to the home of Williams Smith and the other baseball fans with the laurels.

Although no dinner had been ordered it was expected to be but a short piece of work for the girls to catch the telephone when the ninth inning showed Baker to be the victor and order the Greer Grange to serve a banquet for the Baker Colts who "had won the remnant."

But Cove's Cherry Pickers have been having some practice of late and the addition of Pitcher Blumenstein popped up the Cove to alarming degree. They knew they had old faithful Alexander on the bench if Blumenstein blew up, so they went into the game with no small amount of confidence. But the Blumenstein kid was not to blow up, he was set for the day. In the fourth inning the "Cotta" batted him to death for an instant when they grabbed four runs on him, but after that he took up his self a couple of holes and held his own for a famous match, while Cove hitched one more score to her six July ones already in the platter, making the total score 7 to 4 when the curtain went down.

Posbury, pitching for the Colts, was in very good form yesterday, and kept his head quite well. It was a case where things broke a little tough for Baker and Cove was ready to take advantage of every bit of percentage left in her favor.

Who's Who Now.

With the winning of yesterday's game Cove sent the pennant right up in mid-air with all three teams—Baker, La Grande and Cove—lying to rest in flight in each basket.

Just who's who and what's what in this league no one seems to know. In order to play off the tie between these towns just how should it be started? Who should play and when?

With full knowledge that the tie must be played off before any pennant decision can be rendered and the further belief that it will require most of the Sunday to do this little job and all will be lucky if the pennant decision is given before snow flies, all teams today are resting and waiting for the legal decision as to how to proceed.

GRANGE MEET SATURDAY IS RECORD ON

UNION, July 30.—(Special)—weight big Grange meeting Saturday at Union experiment station was the best event socially as well as from a farmers' standpoint that ever been held in this part of valley.

The grove at the state farm decorated as gayly as Director Yocum would dress his saddle for the annual stock show and morning was spent in getting acquainted and visiting the different fields of the experiment farm.

Dinner was served in the grove and it was a wonderful dinner, evidencing the horn of plenty to everyone.

After dinner the address of welcome was delivered by Howard Waterbaugh of the experiment station and a very fine response was given by J. A. Nice of the Wolf Creek Grange.

C. D. Huffman of La Grande delivered a talk on general ties and how the farmer is getting along.

George Palmiter, master of the state grange was present from Hood River, and delivered a Grange address which was filled with many good things in the way of information and advice.

C. T. Dixon of Oswego talked on insurance, County Commissioner John Wells talked on highways and County Agent Avery discussed marketing in a most able manner.

Recitations and music interspersed the program and made the day pass most pleasantly. One of the outstanding numbers was the reading by Mrs. Adcock entitled the "Ranch Girl's Broken Love Dream." Her encore piece was "To the Men of America" which was equally as good as the first selection.

Promotes Airplane System

SHANGHAI, July 28. (AP)—The Szechuan and Great China Airways Company are two newly launched enterprises which have been promoted by James Stevin, an American airplane expert, who plans to establish a network of aerial service linking every important center in China to the coast of the year. Mr. Stevin said the first route to be opened this summer will be from Tientsin to Urumchi with regular flights carrying passengers, mail and express packages.

The project, Mr. Stevin says, is being carried out under agreements with the commercial aeronautical department of the Chinese government.

The Market.

PORTLAND, July 30.—Steers, cows were slow and weak today. Calves were a dollar higher, prime hogs were firm while pigs were a fraction lower. Sheep were steady with eggs and butter firm.

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which crossed yesterday, amounting \$441,733, a check today she Maurice Mandell, a Denver boy got all but a few dollars, according to stories by Leo P. Floyd, the secretary, and John Harrington, teller.



MORE PROMISES

(By Associated Press) LAUSANNE, July 29.—Turkey has undertaken to give some kind of assurance concerning equitable treatment of Christian populations in Turkey. Joseph C. Grew and Ismet Pasha devoted Sunday to a further discussion of the unsettled points of the Turco-American treaty, and Ismet's promise about the minority people in Turkey was one of the fruits of the Sabbath conversation.

On the remaining question, however, of the American claims for damages to property, Ismet, with his customary tenacity, declared that Turkey was entitled to know the nature and extent of the claims. He might accept arbitration as Mr. Grew advocated, he said, but it should be restricted to definite fields to be eventually determined.

Mr. Grew explained that the United States was in no position to say just what claims would be filed, they were probably not great in the aggregate, but the United States wanted the principle of just compensation established in the treaty. The day ended with hopes even on this question, with some signs that agreement may not be far distant.

OPPOSES ANY WHEAT PRICE GUARANTEE

Guaranty Trust Company Opposes Producers' Views on Big Problem.

ADMITS FARMERS' PLIGHT IS BAD

Big Financial Concern Clings to Orthodox Methods of Past Which Have Failed to Establish Justice to Producer.

(By Associated Press) NEW YORK, July 29. (Special)—The recent sharp decline in the price of wheat has frustrated and outstanding example of the hardships which lack of balance in the commodity price structure entails, states the current issue of "The Guaranty Survey," which has just been issued by the Guaranty Trust Company of New York. "In this instance, not only is the depression of the value of wheat a major factor in the general economic situation, but the discontent engendered is reflected in various schemes for relief which could only prove futile or mischievous," the "Survey" continues. "As is usually true in the face of such a dilemma as now confronts the wheat growers, there is a disposition to ignore the fundamental economic aspects of the difficulty and to strike out more or less blindly at imaginary causes."

What is needed in the framing of policies and measures of relief for the producers of wheat is a frank recognition of the conditions, which have made necessary a post-war readjustment of the producing activities of farmers, as well as of other producers in this country. Wheat growers are not alone in their submission to the vicissitudes of costs, prices and markets. To center their attack upon speculators, railroads, and the interstate is to ignore the basic causes of the present situation. No scheme for harassing the speculators, no resort to cheap credit, government price fixing and hoarding of the commodity (Continued to Page Five)

ELGIN GIRL IS DEAD AT MILTON

ELGIN, July 30. (Special)—The small daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Stubbfield was drowned at Milton yesterday while swimming.

Mr. and Mrs. Stubbfield have long been residents of Elgin until two weeks ago, when they moved to Milton.

MINAM RANCHER KILLED BY CAR

Machine Overturned at Pine Grove and W. K. Follette Fatally Injured.

ELGIN, July 29. (Special)—W. K. Follette, a rancher who lives at the head of Minam Hill near Elgin, suffered such severe injuries when his car overturned with him on it at Pine Grove yesterday that he did not regain consciousness, and died about 1 o'clock last evening.

He was found by Joe Bechtel, who saw at once that Follette's injuries were serious. Every attention was given but nothing seemed to help him and death followed.

Officials Inspect Road.

PENDLETON, Ore., July 29.—William Dole and W. H. Malone, members of the state highway commission, A. Klein, chief engineer, H. H. Dallock, division engineer, and members of the Umatilla county court, accompanied by a delegation of Pendleton and Umatilla men, made an inspection of the north and south road that connects Grant and Umatilla counties today.

A request that the route be inspected by the highway commission was recently made by men who are seeking to promote state, federal and county co-operation to get a through road to Burns on the south in Harney county. The attitude of the commission will be sounded by Umatilla county men when the body meets in Portland July 30.

Fighting in China.

AMOY, CHINA, July 29.—Two gunboats of the Peking government steamed into the harbor today, and opened fire on the fort, which resisted with belching guns.

TENTH BOAT TO SEE TROUBLES

VANCOUVER, July 30.—The tug Tyee of Seattle is on a reef today in the fog in the strait of Juan de Fuca, making the tenth vessel in trouble in these waters during the past four days.

SEATTLE, July 30.—The tug Tyee arrived at Port Townsend this morning. Shipping men here believe it was the Halibut schooner Tyee which Vancouver reported on the rocks in the straits.

ORGANIZE FOR PROTECTION

Senator Brookhart Tells Why "Bloc" Are Necessary in These Modern Times.

(By Associated Press) MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., July 30.—Inequality of our economic system have forced the different groups like the farm bloc, labor bloc, the soldiers' bloc and mothers' bloc to consider their interests collectively and these groups now are forming their own problems in the business circles. Senator Brookhart, United States senator from Iowa, asserted in an address here Sunday.

Senator Brookhart spoke at the annual picnic of the Trades and Labor assembly.

The groups have reached the common conclusion that their interests are identical. Mr. Brookhart said. They now assert that they have been kept apart and at enmity by the great combinations of wealth which have thrived in profits and ruled in politics by keeping these groups of common people at each others' throats."

He continued, "They all believe in the spirit, the practice and the great cooperation and under this banner they are united today, he said.

Question of Unrest.

"The question of unrest is the most engrossing in the state, national and international fields," said Mr. Brookhart. "It is said more often than anything else that we are in a great state of unrest. This is the thing most often said by the orator, the writer and the common man on the street. Civilization has reached a turning point. It is universal prediction that great changes are impending."

"While this is true in general terms there are few who point to any specific cause or suggest any concrete remedy. As for myself, I think there is no advantage in criticizing an old system or method until a better one is suggested. There is no progress and no advancement in tearing down the old building unless the material and workmen are at hand for the construction of a better one."

"Based on these ideas, I have attempted to reason out the causes of this unrest and to suggest a remedy that would displace it. The old generalities of the politicians that represent all the people in fiction and distortion and written nothing. These inequalities have forced the different groups like the farm bloc, labor bloc, the soldiers' bloc and the mothers' bloc to consider their own interests collectively and each from its own standpoint."

German to be Executed.

DUESSELDORF, July 30.—German newspapers report that Major Zornack and Lieutenant Keller and Knuth, all former policemen in Essen, have been sentenced to death by a French court martial at Werdun for espionage. The three men are said to have been found guilty of operating a dictograph near a French officers' villa on the outside of Essen.

HEAVY LOSSES EXPERIENCED AT ST. HELENS

THE DALLES, July 30.—Two blocks burned at Arlington, Oregon, between 3 and 5 o'clock this morning, according to reports received here.

The Hood River fire department responded to the call for help. The Dalles department was preparing to send aid when word was received at 3 o'clock that the fire was under control.

The Grand hotel, a pool hall and several residences were among the buildings burned.

St. Helens Has Fire

ST. HELENS, July 30.—Loss of about \$125,000 was caused by a fire which early today destroyed the St. Helens Tin and Timber company mill on Sawyers Island, and wiped out one of the ways and one shed of the St. Helens Shipping Company.

The mill, which had been running double shift, shut down Friday night.

About 11 o'clock last night the watchman discovered fire in the center of the mill which soon burned beyond control.

Loss on the mill is \$30,000. Three hundred thousand feet of cut lumber was also burned. The shipyard loss is between five and ten thousand dollars.

ARLINGTON, July 30.—Fire early today swept the business district of this city. The fire started from an unknown cause at the Arlington hotel, formerly known as the Grand hotel.

It swept one block of buildings on Main street, jumped the thoroughfare and destroyed another block of shops and stores.

The estimated loss is \$75,000 to \$85,000.

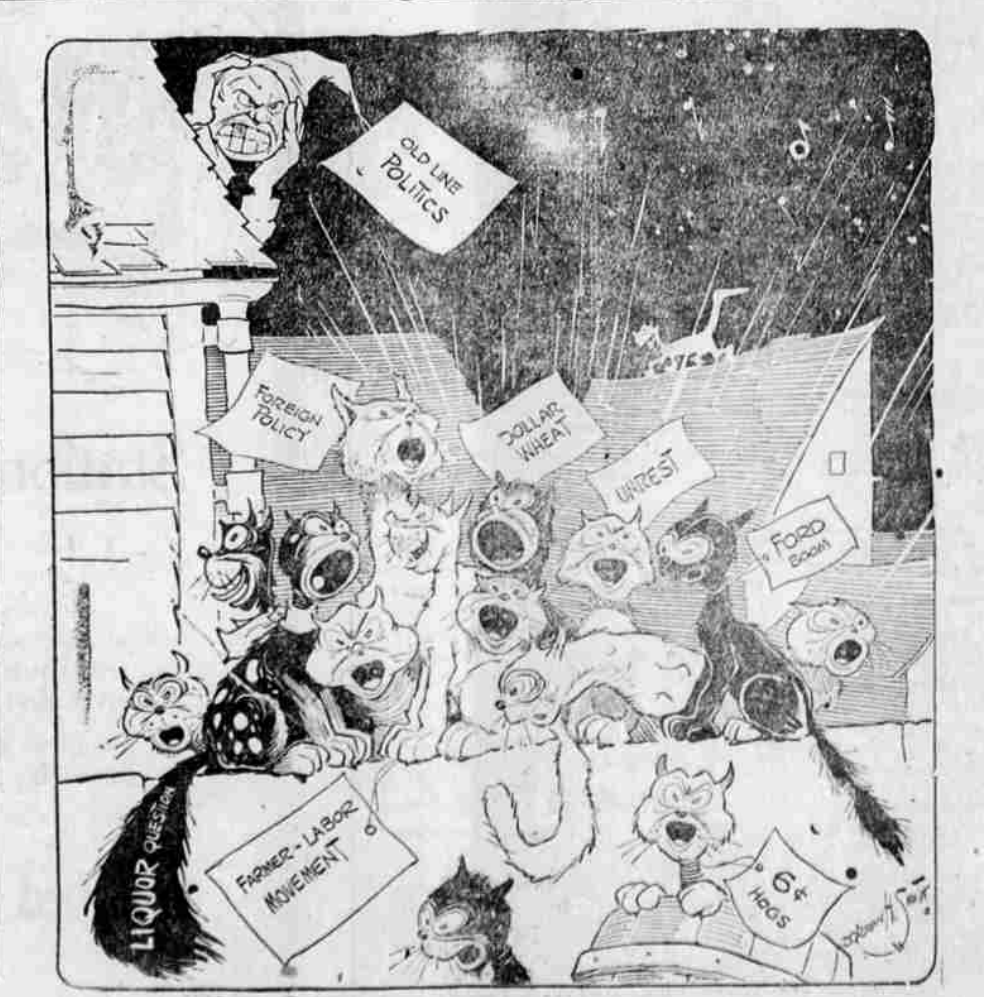
TO DISCUSS CURB ON SUPREME COURT

(By Associated Press) MINNEAPOLIS, July 30.—Proposals to curb the power of the United States supreme court in the matter of declaring acts of congress unconstitutional by a majority vote, are expected to be one of the important questions before the annual convention here of the American Bar association, August 29-31, according to John J. Hill, secretary of the convention arrangements committee.

An elaborate array of legal talent in the United States, England, France, South America and Canada will participate in the sessions, Mr. Hill said, the foreign representatives being chosen. Lord Birkenhead, Lord Chancellor and one of Great Britain's ablest legal minds, will deliver one of the principal addresses. Present and former members of the supreme court have prominent places on the program. Chief Justice Taft, as chairman of the Committee on Judicial Ethics, will read his report August 30.

Among other nationally-known personalities to attend will be John W. Davis, former ambassador to Great Britain, and president of the American Bar association; Ellhu Root, former secretary of state and president of the Council of the American Law Institute; Charles S. Whitman, former governor of New York; George W. Wickard, former U. S. attorney general, and William Draper Lewis, secretary of the American Law Institute.

OFT ON A STILLY KNIGHT



EARLY FIRE TODAY DESTROYS BAKERY

The Real Loaf Bakery at 2803 Oak street and the residence occupied by the owner of the bakery, Emil Heesechen, were destroyed by fire early this morning.

At about 2 o'clock this morning Mr. Heesechen made a fire in the bakery furnaces and left the door open. In some manner the bakery building caught fire and soon the flames spread to the residence which was alongside the bakery.

The fire department responded to the first alarm but when it got on the ground firemen found they had no water play close enough to reach the property with the hose. Finally, the firemen, seeing the hopelessness of attempting to save the building, carried out the furniture. The buildings were completely destroyed. Insurance amounting to \$5000 was carried on the property.

Weather Forecast

Portland, July 30.—Fair, continuing warmer tonight and Tuesday.