

BURN FINGERS TO 'PROVE IT'

SPOKANE, Wash. (AP)—Passengers on the Great Northern railway train running between Marcus and Oroville, Wash., apparently are becoming more inclined to accept the explanation offered by members of the crew as to why the train is delayed after descending the 18 mile Mohon hill, in the opinion of Conductor J. E. Gelsy. He notes a general scarcity of "burned fingers" as compared to previous years.

The Mohon hill has a declivity of 2.5 per cent and it is necessary for both passenger and freight trains after descending the grade to stop for 10 and 15 minutes re-

spectively to allow the wheels and brake shoes to cool. Heretofore many passengers have suffered burned fingers when they refused to accept the reasons advanced for the delay.

"Passenger most always think we're trying to 'hid' them when we tell them the truth that we are forced to stop to allow the temperature of the wheels and brake shoes to drop," Mr. Gelsy said. "If I've seen one, I've seen one hundred 'burned thumbs' get scorched fingers and hands by jamming the digits against the wheels to see if they are hot."

It is believed that the foot of Mohon hill is the only place in the northwest where wheels must be allowed to cool before the train can proceed.

Tsingtao's New Chief Dismissed 147 Leaders

TSINGTAO, China (AP)—Governor Kao Kung-hung's "big stick" regime, which began recently with the dismissal of 147 department officials and advisers, gave promise of further interesting days in Tsingtao's usually placid existence. Having pacified the police, who were on the verge of mutiny because of three months arrears of pay, the new governor and his staff are on the alert for threatened counter attacks by the ousted ones.

The historic administration building, over which the flag of Germany, Japan and China have floated, never witnessed a more exciting day than that of the recent political house-cleaning. Governor Kao began operations at 8 a. m., an unheard of thing, and the dismissed employees left swearing all sorts of vengeance. The erstwhile director of general affairs, who was the ring leader in the salutes upon the public treasury, admitted to the new administration that there was not a copper to turn over and refused to surrender his records and files. He succeeded in slipping out of the city after having once been stopped by the police.

After the police had been paid their arrears of salary, the governor was astounded to receive word that the police chief had resigned. Investigation showing that he had been bribed by a wealthy Chinese, who had made a fortune in illicit opium trade, and who wanted to block any inquiry. The governor gave both men a limited time in which to remove themselves from his jurisdiction.

The sole survivor of the former administration is D. T. Liu, director of forestry and agriculture, an American trained specialist in his department.

British Prince Lands Job That Pays \$50 a Year

KINGS LYNN, Eng. (AP)—Prince Henry, the third son of King George, has got a job which carries with it the remuneration of \$50 a year. At a recent meeting of the town council here a letter was received from the prince who requested the appointment of lord high steward for the town.

By his acceptance of this office the prince will become the representative of the borough in the house of lords, when he is raised to the peerage in the near future.

Lynn is one of the oldest boroughs in England, its first charter of incorporation being granted by King John.

Irish Industry Declining

DUBLIN, (AP)—Miss Somers, the secretary of the Dublin Development association, in a paper read to the Dublin Publicity club drew a gloomy picture of the chances of industrial progress in Ireland.

During the Sinn Fein movement before the treaty the people took a strong interest in supporting Irish manufacturers and the trade boomed. Now, Miss Somers said, the people were broken in morale and their confidence in themselves shattered, and their present day attitude was one of cynicism and disillusion.

Drum Major

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'Tis Not Sweet With Nimble Feet to Dance Upon the Air



This remarkable news picture shows Roy Leont, one of the six men to be hanged at Anito, La., being taken from prison and started for the gallows. Note the tremor on hand to guard the prisoner, and the bare-foot boy peering curiously at right. Below, the last photographs to be taken of the six condemned men.

FRUIT YIELD FIGURES FALL

YAKIMA, Wash. (AP)—The 1924 fruit crop for Yakima and Kittitas counties is estimated at approximately 10,545 cars, reducing by 2700 cars a previous report and ranging about 60 per cent of the 1923 tonnage, according to a survey recently completed under direction of W. L. Close, district horticultural inspector. The cold weather during April and increased activities of the codling moth were advanced as reasons for the lowered estimate.

The apple crop will average about 5500 cars, it is estimated, with pears set at 1200 cars, pines at 120 cars and cherries and grapes placed at 100 cars each.

Five hundred cars of peaches are forecast for this year as against 1400 for 1923. Apple production is set at 25 cars, exceeding by 15 cars the 1923 output.

British Olympic Rifle Team Handicapped by Service Arm

LONDON (AP)—Four ex-service marksmen have been selected to represent Great Britain in the individual rifle competition at the Olympic Games June 27. The team members, selected after trial shoots at Blakes, are Captain E. H. Robinson, late of the Royal Air Force; Lieut. A. E. Martin, late of the Royal Army Service Corps; Sergeant A. E. Fulton, late of the queen's Westminsters; and H. Douglas, formerly with 6th North and Derby Regiment. All four have frequently won important rifle-shooting competitions.

The British riflemen feel that they will be handicapped at the Olympics by the wide range of arms and ammunition open to use by competitors, since all rifle shooting in this country has been regarded from the standpoint of military efficiency, and there are many target weapons more accurate in obtaining good "groupings" than are service rifles.

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group of railroad laborers on a small creek near the scene of construction of the new line of the Southern Pacific across the Cascades above Oakridge, and notices of location of placer claims were filed in the office of the county clerk here yesterday by Burton S. Hard, Lelloy Hard, Jean W. Hard and Frank A. Mills.

Another Venerable Monster Comes from Jensen, Utah

SALT LAKE CITY, (AP)—The perfect skeleton of a brontosaurus, said to be the first ever found which was not minus the skull, has been unearthed by University of Utah excavators in the region near Jensen, Utah, long famed for its fossil remains.

Professor F. J. Pack and Dr. Earl Douglas of the institution declare the brontosaurus was probably the largest animal which ever existed and they estimate the remains to be about 5,000,000 years old.

The brontosaurus was lizard-like in appearance with a long tail, back and neck. The weight of the creature is thought to have been about 20 tons, and it was about 100 feet long. The top of its back stood about 20 feet and the belly about

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12 feet from the ground. It is believed to have fed upon vegetable matter and to have lived partly in the water and partly on land.

Allen's Trial to Start

ASTORIA, Ore.—As a result of the decision of the state supreme

court sustaining the anti-alien fishing law, the trials of the four aliens recently arrested for fishing for salmon without licenses will be started next Thursday. The decision was awaited here with interest, as several hundred aliens reside in this district who have been fishing for years, but are now prevented from following that calling.

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