

AMERICAN LEGION MEN DEMAND RETRIAL OF HENRY ALBERS

PORTLAND, April 29.—Retrial of Henry Albers "immediately" was demanded Thursday by the executive committee of Portland post of the American Legion in a telegram sent Attorney-General Daugherty. The post's officers were called together hastily for a noon meeting, and the action taken was decisive.

The telegram, which bore the signature of T. H. Boyd, commander, was as follows:

"Portland, Or., post No. 1, American Legion, of 7000 members, voicing public sentiment here, opposed to freedom for Henry Albers, charged with violating espionage act. His release is reflection on government and insult to ex-service men and women and patriotic citizens. Demand instructions be issued to retry his immediately."

A resolution adopted by the meeting declared: "It is the sense of this meeting that if we do not get action within 30 days on the Albers case we will circulate a petition asking for the pardon of Dr. Marie Equi, local woman, who is now serving a sentence in a parallel case."

Whether or not the demand of the legionnaires can be met and the case retried was not known in Portland Thursday. United States Attorney Humphreys had received no word from Washington, D. C., in relation to the matter, and until he does it was not expected he would try for another conviction, although he has already stated his eagerness to do so. Failure to receive word Thursday was believed in some quarters to mean the case had been dismissed, thus putting an end to the whole business.

That the community is aroused over the Albers case and the general belief is that the ends of justice will not be served by allowing the rich miller to escape the law's punishment was the expressed belief of Elton Watkins prosecutor for the Oregon State Bar association.

Mr. Watkins said he knew Albers should have been convicted because he knew what the facts were, having worked as a member of the department of justice during the war in collecting evidence against him.

He suggested Thursday that Harrison G. Platt, president of the State Bar association, call a special session and that the attorneys of the state send a telegram to the United States supreme court offering the services of the bar of Oregon as amicus curiae to appear before it and ask that its recent order be withdrawn, that the case be reopened and that the bar of the state of Oregon be allowed to present the case in lieu of the department of justice. Mr. Watkins will try to get President Platt to act upon his suggestion and will explain his plan to him soon.

Friends of Dr. Marie Equi, Portland woman convicted under the espionage act and now serving a prison term at San Quentin, were aroused to a high pitch of hopefulness for her release by clemency in the Albers case.

Connecticut High Court Gives "Free Speech" Verdict

HARTFORD, Conn., April 29.—The right of "free speech" was upheld by the Connecticut supreme court Thursday in the case of McAllister Coleman of New York, charged with using a public square in Meriden for delivery of an oration without first getting a permit from police. In the court of common pleas Coleman was fined \$25, and appealed. The supreme court finds error in the lower court's judgment.

The supreme court holds that the overwhelming weight of authorities is that statutes and ordinances purporting to give officials absolute control of permission to speak are unconstitutional.

BOY STEALS RIDE ON TAIL OF AIRPLANE

OELWEIN, Ia., April 30.—John Meeley, 15-year-old Oelwein youth, caused his parents a great deal of worry through taking an uninvited trip in the clouds, hanging to the tail-piece of an airplane.

An aviator giving exhibition flights with two women as passengers made ready to take off. As the machine started to glide away Meeley ran and caught hold of a stabilizer and was off on the trip.

Having difficulty with his plane, the aviator noticed the youth and made a forced landing. Meeley said he enjoyed the trip.

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MOUNT HOOD IS ACTING QUEERLY SAY TRAVELERS

PORTLAND, June 30.—Scores of Portland residents early Friday evening reported what they believed to be either steam or white smoke rising from the peak of Mount Hood. The spectacle was first noticed at about 5:30 o'clock in the afternoon, and by 7 o'clock last night hundreds of persons had reported witnessing the apparent phenomenon.

Edward L. Wells, in charge of the government weather bureau, expressed the belief that the supposed eruption of Mount Hood was due to cloud effects on the snow capped mountain, or to a snow storm which might have been raging on the peak at the time.

He did not believe it was either smoke or steam rising from the mountain.

On many occasions in the past persons have seen what they believed to be smoke or heavy vapor issuing from the summit of Mount Hood, but it always has been held that cloud effects were responsible.

But never before have so many persons witnessed the spectacle as was presented from the peak of the mountain early Friday evening. By 8 o'clock persons in every part of the city had heard of the supposed eruption of Mt. Hood, or else had seen what appeared to be smoke or steam coming from the top of the mountain.

According to persons who got a good view of the mountain before dusk, the smoke or steam appeared to pour out intermittently and then drift with the wind toward the north and west. At times it seemed as if the smoke would hover over the mountain, momentarily and then rise sharply before drifting with the wind.

A long-distance telephone message early last night from Homer Rodgers at Mount Hood lodge broussing the nervous Portlanders the reassuring news that there was "nothing to it."

Mr. Rodgers said the phenomenon was due to snow cloud effects.

COURT ALLOWS ITALIAN TWO WIVES IN OHIO

AKRON, Ohio, April 30.—An unusual ruling under which Giuseppe Sarnioli will be allowed to keep two wives was handed down by federal authorities when Sarnioli, accompanied by wife No. 1 with a 10-year-old boy and carrying a baby appeared at police headquarters Friday.

Sarnioli married Wife No. 1, Italy 11 years ago. Later he came to America. Three years ago he sent for her, but due to the war, heard nothing and presumed she was dead. Then he met a Pennsylvania widow who became No. 2, his common-law wife. Two children were born.

Last week Mrs. Sarnioli No. 1 and her son reached Akron on an immigrant train. Sarnioli hastened to the police with his troubles, his wives and children.

After an investigation federal authorities told Sarnioli to take his wives home and support them. The wives appeared friendly.

"I love them both. They love each other. We all love. I keep them all. They say so," said Sarnioli in broken English.

Members Estacada Family Celebrate Four Birthdays

ESTACADA, Or., April 30.—Four members of the Thomas Yocum family have birthdays in April and consequently celebrations of the anniversaries are combined in one gala day some time during the month. The occasion was celebrated last Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Yocum in Garfield. There were 16 present.

Those from out of town were their daughters, Mrs. J. B. Jones, her husband and daughter, and Mrs. J. L. Jones and son Will, all of Portland. The other members of the family are Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Yocum and children and Mr. and Mrs. Archie Yocum and little daughter, the youngest of the four. Her birthday was celebrated and she was the favored one, having a birthday cake with four candles. It was a happy reunion for the entire family.

NEVER SATISFIED

"I never knew a Winter like this," said a voice in a railway carriage, addressing the world in general.

"I have," said a cynical-looking man in one corner.

"You have? When?" came a surprised chorus from the passengers.

"Last Summer," said the cynic.

TIRE FACTORIES BEGIN WORKING FULL CREWS AT DETROIT PLANTS

AKRON, O., April 30.—The city of Akron, O., the rubber metropolis of the world so called because it produces 46 per cent of the world's output of rubber goods and 65 per cent of all tires manufactured annually, is rapidly returning to normal industrial conditions. The backbone of the slump, which hit Akron more than nine months ago, has been broken.

Rubber factories are beginning to re-employ and are increasing production substantially. With the announcement that the Firestone Tire & Rubber company will put on 2000 additional men on May 1, and with other rubber companies speeding up production in proportion, everything indicates a steady return to normal activity.

With automobile factories resuming operations, original equipment tire business is increasing. Firestone reports a big increase in original equipment orders for April, as compared with March. This company increased production on April 15, 50 per cent, from 10,000 tires daily to 15,000 tires daily, and will operate two daily eight-hour shifts. This places the company at more than 50 per cent of peak production—the highest mark reached in nine months. Firestone at its peak, last May, was making 25,000 tires daily.

The four big tire companies in Akron—Firestone, Goodrich, Goodyear and Miller—despite the tire industry slump, had, in 1920, total sales aggregating \$502,872,639, as compared with \$429,095,101 during 1919, an increase of \$73,777,538. Present statistics show that all Akron factories are working on an average of not less than 50 per cent of normal.

This means they are doing business at the rate of almost \$275,000,000 a year, a substantial business for any city to be doing under present conditions.

106 OLDS ARRIVE IN PORTLAND FOR STATE DISTRIBUTION

PORTLAND, April 30.—E. E. Cohen, head of the Oldsmobile company of Oregon, returned last night with the news that his trainload of Oldsmobiles had been started several days from the Olds factory at Lansing, Mich., and would arrive in Portland in all probability this week. He speeded up his return to be in time to help his brother Arnold attend to the unloading and the distribution of this record shipment.

In all there are twenty-eight carloads, consisting of 106 automobiles which belies the statement that the automobile business is dead. It disproves this statement more when it is known that a large portion of the train load is already sold. Part of the shipment will be diverted to several agencies in the eastern part of the state.

Cohen prophesies that there will be a shortage of standard makes of cars before many weeks; in fact, there is a shortage already with some of the makes. He says that the Olds factory is working on a 50 per cent basis at present and the only thing which is keeping it back in producing a greater quantity of cars is the fact that many of the material factories are unable to get back into production fast enough to supply the demand from all of the car makers. Normally, Cohen points out, production has been carried on during the slack winter season and car makers and the material men pile up a surplus in production to care for the peak load during the summer.

With all of the factories shut down on account of the uncertainty of the market, this surplus is nil and so the car manufacturers have to await their turn in getting units for the cars. The demand for cars all over the country is now greater than the supply and with this demand increasing it will be but a short time, Cohen predicts, before people who want immediate delivery on some of the standards makes of cars will be "out of luck."

SEASIDE-TILAMOOK HIGHWAY TO BE IN GOOD SHAPE SOON

SEASIDE, April 30.—The first cars coming through over the Seaside-Tilamook highway arrived here Saturday. Good progress is being made in rocking the bad stretch of road near the county line and with another week of good weather the highway will not only be passable but will be in good shape for tourist travel.

The grading of the Melville road, a portion of the Jetour to be used as the main highway between Seaside and Astoria is closed this summer, is three-fourths completed and within two weeks the planking of the road in its various bad places will be begun. An effort is also being made to keep the main highway open between the hours of 6 in the evening and 7 in the morning while actual construction work is going on.

ENGINE TROUBLES

Weakening of the springs which close the valves is a common cause of faulty engine operation. Whenever the valves are taken out the springs should be examined to see that they are all of the same length, or rather that all of the inlet set are of the same length and all of the exhaust set are the exhaust springs will probably be a little longer than the other. If one spring is shorter than the others in its set it should be stretched or else a meal plate must be put under its fellows.

PORTLAND, April 30.—Frank L. Miller, who drives out Velle Cars in Clackamas county and also in part owner of the Salem Velle company, was a Portland visitor last week at the D. C. Warren Motor Car company. Miller reports an improved interest in cars in his territory.

Gladstone to Have Paved Streets This Summer, Is Report

GLADSTONE, April 30.—Possibility that Portland avenue, running through the length of Gladstone, north and south, may be paved from Arlington street north to the head of the P. R. L. & P. tracks, near the Fern Ridge station, is held excellent.

Two years ago the city by a special levy raised \$2600, which is still intact, and secured pledges of an additional \$1500, considered still good, to be used toward this improvement. The city at the time was entitled to approximately \$5600 county road funds. The county clerk is said to have promised that this would be used to match what the city had, but the money was expended in paving the road along the Clackamas river, running east and west, duplicating for more than a block the pavement on East Arlington street to Portland avenue. Recent conferences with the court have resulted in an acknowledgement that Gladstone was not given a square deal and that, with the aid of the street committee, a plan for an eight foot hard surface pavement on either side of the P. R. L. & P. tracks is possible during the coming summer.

Southern Motor Company Completes Modern Addition

The Southern Motor Manufacturing Association, Ltd., Houston, Texas, has just completed another modern unit of its factories on its large plant site on the Houston Ship Channel.

The latest structure to be erected is a painting and trimming plant, which has just been occupied. The new building will afford ample space for the painting, trimming and upholstering of Ranger passenger cars, and in a manner more convenient for speeding up production, which is being increased according to a definite schedule.

The painting and trimming work heretofore has been done in Southern Motors plant No. 5, which is located in the City of Houston proper. With the completion of the new building on the plant site, just outside of the Houston city limits, Plant No. 5 is being devoted exclusively to the building of Ranger automobile bodies, including the construction of fenders, hoods, aprons, etc.

The new addition to the Ranger factories is an up-to-date building of steel and glass construction, 208 feet in length by 60 feet width, and equipped with the most modern machinery.

Lolo Pass May Be Connected with Loop Highway

HOOD RIVER, April 30.—W. R. Winans, pioneer of the Dee district, who has started a petition to the United States forest reserve and the Portland water board for construction of a highway over Lolo Pass, connecting Lost Lake with the Loop highway near Welches, has obtained more than 100 signatures.

Hood River had this proposed road up on a former occasion, but the Portland water board secured a quietus on it through congress, claiming that such a thoroughfare might result in pollution of the Bull Run water reserve.

Mr. Winans now claims that conclusive evidence that the road, which will be less than six miles long, in no way will endanger the Portland water supply. He further claims that the forest service will be keen to aid in building the road. Petitions for local signatures have been left at both the Hotel Oregon and Mt. Hood hotel here.

Big Oil Fields in Mexico Giving Out Says U. S. Expert

MEXICO CITY, April 30.—The oil wells of Mexico will be exhausted by 1922 unless new supplies are discovered, according to a report just filed with the secretary of commerce and industry by Ralph Arnold, a noted geologist of the United States. It is asserted that in the United States the production has decreased to an alarming extent and that last year there was a deficit of 13,000 barrels.

Big Road Rally Planned at Coquille

NORTH BEND, Or., April 30.—The town of Coquille is to have a holiday and parade on April 29 in celebration to traffic of the North Bend, Marshfield and Coquille hard-surface highway. There will be a parade of floats from each of the Coos bay towns with prizes to be given for the best municipal and individual cars. The state highway commission and governor have been invited to attend.

Motorcycles Hang up World's Record at Los Angeles

World's records were broken Sunday at Los Angeles at the Beverly Hills race course when the Motorcycle Association of California staged a race for professional riders. Otto Walker won the five-mile race on a Harley; Jim Davis, on a Harley, was second, and Gene Walker, on an Indian third. The time was 2:53.45. Following is the time for the rest of the races: Ten-mile, 5:45.45; fifteen-mile, 8:36.25; twenty-mile, 11:25.15; twenty-five-mile, 14:21.45; fifty-mile, 20:49.45. In the consolation race Burns, on an Indian, was first; Ludlow, second, on Harley, and Hepburn, astride a Harley third.

BAR O FOREGON AGAINST HENRY ALBERS FREEDOM

PORTLAND, Or., May 2.—United States Senator Charles L. McNary was requested by telegram last night to appear before the United States supreme court as a representative of the Oregon State Bar association and move for an order staying the proceedings, setting aside the previous order and recalling the mandate in the case of the United States against Henry Albers.

He was also asked to request that the executive committee of the Bar association be granted the privilege of appearing as amicus curiae at the rehearing of the case.

The requests were contained in a telegram sent to the senator by the executive committee of the association. The telegram was signed by Harrison G. Platt, president; Albert B. Ridgway, secretary; Hugh Montgomery, E. O. Immel, Judge Fred W. Wilson, and Robert F. Maguire as members of the committee.

Besides this telegram another one was dispatched to H. M. Daugherty, attorney-general, explaining the request to the senator and asking him to join with the bar association in making the motion.

FIRE DESTROYS JAP STEAMER NEAR COAST

ASTORIA, Or., May 2.—The army transport Buford reported via North Head at 8 o'clock Monday night that everyone had left the Japanese steamer Tokuyo Maru and the crew and six passengers were on board the Buford. Five or six persons were believed to have been lost.

The steamer was still afloat, but had not sunk, there was said to be a possibility she might be saved. The Buford will stand by until morning and if the flames are extinguished will tow the craft into port. All the officers and crew were understood to be safe, but this is not certain.

FRENCH READY WITH TROOPS FOR GERMANY

PARIS, May 2.—Minister of War Barthou Monday night issued an order calling the class of 1919 to the colors, except men who have served in the orient and in Morocco and men belonging to the auxiliary services. Mobilization will be carried out by a letter sent to each man. When detachments have been formed they will be sent toward the Rhine.

BUILDINGS IN MOSIER JARRED BY EXPLOSION

MOSIER, Or., May 2.—Buildings in Mosier were damaged, windows of many homes broken, pictures jarred from the walls, machinery knocked out of plumb and door jambs torn off as the result of an explosion of the entire powder supply of the A. D. Kern company, Saturday. Incendiaries was suspected.

HENRY FORD LOSES HUGE SUM IN SUIT

WASHINGTON, May 2.—A verdict of \$600,000 rendered against the Ford Motor company in New York and in favor of the Hotel Woodward company will stand.

The supreme court Monday refused to review the case.

FARMERS LOSE WAR-TIME PRICE GAINS

The Department of Agriculture established by a recent annual investigation that the average price per head, all ages of cattle other than milk cows, was \$35.92 in 1917, \$44.22 in 1919 and \$31.41 in 1921. On January 1, of last year, the farm price was \$4.51 lower than that of 1917, some months before this country declared war. Swine on farms declined in the two years 1919 and 1920, 88 per cent of the gain in 1917 and 1918, and two-thirds of the decline was in 1920.

THE APPLE CROP

Apples apparently suffered, less from the freeze and frost which swept through the central portion of the country recently than was at first indicated. Reports from state agents to the Department of Agriculture, show definitely that the fruit surplus of the country was not materially affected.

Crown Willamette Company to Sell Food Products

The sale of food products by the Crown Willamette Paper Co. to its employees will be established at the West Linn and Camas plants, and arrangements have been made to carry a large stock of staple groceries and cured meats, which will be sold in case of a strike. The company will sell from its store to its employees at an advance of 10 per cent over the invoice price, figuring the advance will cover freight and cartage.

How to Put a Baby to Bed

J. P. McEvoy

When I was a young father I used to think that putting babies to bed was a simple proposition. You merely looked at them sternly (I thought) and said in a firm voice "Go to bed." Then they marched right off (I thought), crawled right in, pulled the covers up around them and went off to sleep immediately. That's the way they did it in the book I bought; "How to Train Children." Sometimes they hesitated a little, but if you looked at them sternly (it said so in the book) and kept the authoritative parental note in your voice they surrendered (in the book).

Well, I have grown older in years and wisdom and grace since then. I don't read that book anymore, either. I gave it to another Young Father whom I never did like anyway. My latest child is now at the Firm Voice Look After and every night he must be put to bed. It isn't any ordinary job. True there are four of us who collaborate, but it takes all of us working in shifts to do the trick. I have tried cajolery, bribery, trickery, force, reason, everything, in short but mayhem and he foils me with dexterity and ease.

Last night, though, I fooled him. It seems like a dream, now that I look back upon it. Maybe it WAS a dream. Maybe it didn't happen at all. I couldn't have. I'm sure. And yet, I believe it did. It was like this: "Son (I said) 'come over here and daddy will tell you a story.'"

(He came) "Once upon a time (I began) there was a little fairy, a little shoe button fairy, and what do you suppose he loved to do? He loved to unbutton Brother's Shoes. One-two-three (unbuttoning his shoes) four-five-six. And just as he finished unbuttoning Brother's shoes and taking them off (I take them off) he dropped them on the floor, one at a time, like this, BANG! BANG! And then another little fairy came along: 'Hello, Shoe-Button Fairy,' said the other little fairy. 'Hello Clothes-Button Fairy,' said the Shoe-Button Fairy, for that was the little stranger's name. 'What are you doing?' 'That's nothing, Brother's Shoes.' 'That's nothing, I can unbutton buttons, too' he said and then he started in: 'One-Two-Three-Four (here I take off his dress and waist, keeping perfect time) Five-Six-Seven-Eight—There. Now I'll run you a race in the nursery,' said the Clothes-Button Fairy. 'All right,' said the Shoe-Button Fairy, 'but how about Brother?' 'Let him catch us if he can,' said the Clothes-Button Fairy, so off they went, and Brother went right along with daddy right after them. (Here we stage a race to the nursery.) 'And right into Brother's bed they tumbled and closed their eyes, the Shoe-Button Fairy and the Clothes-Button Fairy, Brother and Daddy. And they keep them closed—and closed—and closed—and they all sang Three Blind Mice like this: Three Blind Mice (very slowly) Three Blind Mice—Three Blind Mice—See—How they run—see—how they run—(slower and slower) see—how they run—(and the first thing I knew the little dickens was asleep.)

That was last night. Will it work tonight? If it only would. But I have a fear—I have a fear—an old fear and a boding. No chance!"

STUDENT WINS FIRST PRIZE BY FINE ADDRESS

In the Clackamas County Oratorical contest, held between students of the county schools, Gordon Hannaford, of Oregon City, was awarded the gold medal for delivering the best address of the evening. Only three contestants were entered in the contest, which was held in the West Linn Union high school building. The judges in the contest were O. D. Eby, W. R. Kirk, Miss Buckley and Gillie L. Hedges. W. R. Kirk, of the Oregon City schools, presided. Hannaford won first place with an address entitled "Naval Competition." The judges deliberated three-quarters of an hour before the decision was rendered.

The other orators were Easter Noble, of Canby, on "Does Education Pay?"; Beulah Snidow, of West Linn, "Must Germany Pay?"; piano solos by Meta Higginbotham and Jack Hempstead; vocal solo, Mr. Sparks, of Canby, and O. A. Schultz, of Oregon City.

FISHMEN ON COLUMBIA ARE OUT ON STRIKE

ASTORIA, Or., May 2.—All fishing operations on the lower Columbia are at a standstill as the result of a strike, at the first since the big walkout in 1906. The spring fishing season opened at 6 o'clock last evening.

The cause of the strike is the demand made by the fishermen for 16 cents a pound for chinooks, while the packers are offering 3 cents. A few fishermen had placed their gear in the water, but a fleet of union patrol boats which cruised all sections of the harbor notified the fishermen that a strike was on and everyone took to his net and came ashore. No traps are being used and none of the seines are in operation, although several were prepared for beginning operations much earlier than customary.

PAPER MILL MEN ON STRIKE FOR INCREASE

BUFFALO, N. Y., May 2.—Monday four paper mills at Niagara Falls making newsprint, were closed, their 579 employees being on strike, demanding a wage increase of 10 per cent. The companies want to cut their pay 30 per cent.

ACCUSED OF PERJURY

Sam Maddox was arrested in this city yesterday on a warrant from McMinnville, charging him with perjury. He was taken back to Yamhill county by Sheriff T. G. Ferguson of that section.

CALIFORNIA MAN HERE TO SECURE GUERNSEY HERD

Dr. Rosenberger has arrived in Clackamas county from California for the purpose of purchasing 50 head of Guernsey grade cattle for the Adhor Stock Farm of California, and so far has been successful in getting a large number of head of some of the best grade stock in the county. C. T. Gilbertson & Son have offered for sale twelve of their best grade Guernseys. This stock farm is at Shaw, Oregon, about twelve miles from Salem. Together with a herd from that farm and others secured in Marion and Clackamas counties and other parts of the state, Dr. Rosenberger no doubt will be able to secure the required number of blooded cattle.

Clackamas county was well represented at the Guernsey cattle sale held in Portland a few days ago and among the Guernsey breeders attending were C. B. Sprague, of Logan; Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Penny, of Springfield; James Shipley and son, of Springfield; Clyde Ringo, of Clackamas; Ernest Berger and George Hoffstetter, of Clarks; Mr. and Mrs. M. O. Rose, Mr. and Mrs. John Hughes and sons, Kenneth and Francis, Mr. and Mrs. A. Carlson and sons, Willie and Herbert, W. H. Brown and children, Ray and Ruby, all of Redland; John Gaffney and son, Filmore, of Maple Lane.

Mr. Gaffney purchased a yearling heifer at the sale, paying \$455.00. Wilsonville was represented by H. S. Beckman, Charles Wagner, George Spangle, F. H. Spangle and Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Clutter.

The average sale price was \$535, and the highest price paid for a Guernsey was \$1125, purchased by Mr. Niles of Grants Pass. Another animal, a 11-year-old cow, was purchased by Balkin & Riggs, of Battle Ground, Wash., bringing \$1000. Another sold for \$1000 and the Oregon Agricultural college purchased a two-year-old animal for \$575.

The herd consisted of 50 head of the finest Guernseys that have been brought from the east for some time, and the Guernsey breeders of Clackamas county are delighted over the added stock in the state.

There are about 70 Guernsey breeders in Clackamas county, who are arranging for a big meeting to be held during May, which will probably be held on the last Saturday of that month. Mrs. A. I. Hughes, of Redland is assisting in arranging for the convention. Mr. and Mrs. Hughes are the owners of 18 head of registered Guernseys, many of them famous prize winners.

Fast Fleet of Fruit Vessels May Become Possibility

A fleet of fast fruit carrying vessels to ply on regular schedule between Pacific and Atlantic points, became a possibility Friday with the announcement that apple growers of the northwest and the citrus industry of California will combine their tonnage for future negotiations with steamship companies.

Cooperation between the two industries was affected by C. S. Whitcomb, vice president of the California Fruit Growers exchange, who has just concluded a trip of two weeks through the northwest. Plans for a water schedule through the canal on products of Pacific coast industries that have been brought to the verge of ruin by excessive rail freight rates were developed by Whitcomb during conferences with growers' organizations of Yakima, Wenatchee, Seattle, and Portland.

As the initial step towards effecting the plan, the Yakima valley growers, through the Yakima Commercial club have pledged 2000 carloads of apples to be combined with the citrus fruit shipments from California, it was announced by the California Fruit Growers' exchange, upon the return of Whitcomb. The apple and citrus seasons dovetail perfectly and under the combined industries plan a stream of regular fruit cargoes will be afforded the steamship lines throughout the year.

BOOK SHOWER THIS WEEK FOR SICK CHILDREN

A drive is to be made for children's books for the children of the state tuberculosis hospital, who are barred from the privilege of taking books out of the public library, and a book shower is now being planned. Those who have books they desire to donate towards the good cause may leave them at the office of the county school superintendent's office in the court house, and they will be shipped to the hospital. The drive commenced Monday May 2, and will continue for the remainder of the week.

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