

VISCOUNT CHINDA



Viscount Chinda, Ambassador to the United States from Japan, who protested against passage of the Californian Alien land bill.

BIG PINE PLANT DESTROYED

Largest of Six Mills Consumed When Arc Spark Falls in Shavings

Baker.—The plant of the Baker White Pine Lumber company was totally destroyed by fire. The loss is estimated at from \$200,000 to \$250,000, fully covered by insurance.

The fire originated presumably from a spark from an arc in the shavings room, adjoining the boiler room. Engineer King was alone in the engine room. It was between shifts. He was badly injured. He stayed in the engine room to sound the whistle for the alarm after the fire gained headway.

The entire plant, including sawmill, a new dry kiln, the most modern in eastern Oregon, was burned. The mill was the largest, best equipped and most modern of the six large mills operating here.

Schooner Randolph Blown Ashore

Gold Beach.—The gasoline schooner Randolph, loaded with supplies for the Wedderburn cannery, is fast aground on the south spit of Rogue river. The engine refused to work just as the vessel was in the entrance of the river. A sail was hoisted in an attempt to make it through the breakers, but a heavy wind blew her upon the beach. The cargo is safe.

Acquitted Upon Charge of Libel

Portland.—Evidently not satisfied beyond a reasonable doubt that the Portland Daily News was malicious and untruthful when it called County Judge Cleeton and County Commissioner Lightner "plain robbers" last January, the jury in the libel case against the News, with Cleeton and Lightner as prosecuting witnesses, returned a verdict of "not guilty." The jury was out about six hours.

INFATUATED MAN KILLS

Mrs. Fisher, 22, Meets Untimely End; Husband Unable to Rescue Her.

Portland.—A bullet fired through her temple by an infatuated lover ended the life of Mrs. Neo Fisher, pretty and misquid, the tragic climax of an "affair" with the man, who then shot himself and fell dead across her body.

The man, E. W. Allen, a plumber, working for the Portland Heating company, had become crazed over her, a married woman. He rushed into the house at 308 Montgomery street, where she lived with her husband, dashed up the stairs and into her room.

For 20 minutes with the door barricaded, he kept her there holding off with threats of death any who should interfere with him. He fired three shots at her husband, Jess Fisher, who is working on the construction of a new fire station at Fourth and Montgomery streets, two blocks away, and had been summoned to save his wife.

Timber Held Real Estate

Hillsboro.—The injunction suit of Charles J. Cowanah, an Indian, to stop the operation of the Reese mill, 10 miles north of Hillsboro, was won by Cowanah. The mill stands on land sold by Cowanah, and on which he holds a mortgage for \$4200. His complaint in the case alleges that defendants will abandon the land after cutting the timber and that his security is impaired. Interest attaches to the case from the insanity charge brought against plaintiff by one of the operators of the mill. At the hearing he was declared sane and discharged.

Ida Kennedy did the talking for the trio. She and Lucy Quelette and Christina Pablo admitted altering money orders which their parents in Montana had sent them.

"We needed the extra money," she told the judge. "We knew it wasn't exactly right, but didn't think it was so very wrong."

BRIEF NEWS OF OREGON

Timely rains have fallen in Sherman and Gilliam counties and the crop outlook is regarded as very promising.

A new gold saving machine has been set up on the sands at Gold Beach. It will handle 150 tons in 20 hours. Those interested hope they have solved the separation problem.

The state engineer has approved applications of the Harney Valley Reclamation company to irrigate 54,000 acres. Four to six reservoirs will be required for storage purposes.

On the request of Senator Lane, the war department has ordered the sea-going dredge Chinook in commission as soon as possible, on account of the high water on the Columbia bar.

A full classification of the government land in the Metolus river valley has been started by the United States government, following the filings of many applications for homesteads in that territory.

The department of commerce has informed Senator Chamberlain that it has requested the treasury department to assign a revenue cutter to patrol the course for the Astoria Motorboat club regatta.

Ten striking linemen accused of engaging in a riot at Oswego have been bound over to the grand jury. One of them was shot in the groin and another hit with a hand axe by non-union men.

With practically no opposition, bonds have been voted at Klamath Falls to take up the outstanding warrant indebtedness. The city will be on a cash basis so soon as the bonds are sold.

A rancher from Illinois river walked out of the third story of the Gold Beach hotel while asleep, falling about 30 feet. He was picked up unconscious and badly shaken, but apparently not seriously injured.

With a large number of ledgers, journals and others books in evidence, the grand jury began an investigation into the affairs of the Roseburg National bank. The bank suspended business about a year ago.

Referendum petitions against the workmen's compensation act, the county attorney bill and the sterilization bill have been presented at the secretary of state's office for filing, and the names are being checked.

Representatives of over 60 publishing firms have appeared during the past few months before the Oregon text book commission, which will meet at Salem for the purpose of adopting text books for the schools of the state.

It is announced at Marshfield that the Southern Pacific has issued orders for two more tunnels on the Willamette Pacific line between the Sluslaw and the Umpqua, thus disproving the rumors that the line was to come in by way of Drain.

Senator Chamberlain has written to Secretary Lane informing him that according to the statements of Engineer Hapson the estimated cost of \$100 per acre for the West Umatilla extension will be the outside cost of the project, and that the first unit could be completed for \$75 an acre.

In a natural amphitheater formed by sloping hillsides, with the grass-covered hollow at their base as a stage and the blue sky overhead as a ceiling, the students of the University of Oregon will this year present Henrik Ibsen's drama, "Peer Gynt," before the visitors to the commencement exercises.

The people of Gardiner, Scottsburg and Elkton have decided to incorporate the Port of Umpqua, by a majority of 89 votes. A bond issue will be floated for the purpose of building a jetty at the mouth of the Umpqua. The proposed port will have an assessed valuation of over \$4,000,000 and contains about 650 square miles.

Officials of Milwaukie have announced that the town will proceed at once to sell the water bonds of \$20,000 authorized at the recent special election and erect a new plant, refusing to purchase the two private plants at the prices the owners demand. The bonds run 20 years and bear five per cent interest.

Full negotiations have been concluded with an English syndicate through W. J. Wilsey for the sale of part of Major L. D. Kinney's Coos bay property for \$600,000, and a deal is pending for the purchase of the remainder for \$475,000, making a total million dollar sale. The minor portion of the Kinney property which has not been purchased has a questionable title according to the owner, and when this has been settled in the courts, the English people expect to purchase the balance.

J. C. La France, accused of substituting a dead body for himself to secure insurance money, was held to the grand jury in the municipal court at Portland. The Modern Woodmen of America are the plaintiffs in this case. June 18, 1912, La France disappeared from Portland, a body being found a few days later on the Clackamas river, which body was claimed by his wife and buried. The insurance companies took up the case and had him arrested four weeks ago at Bandon, Coos county.

NEWS FROM OUR NATIONAL CAPITAL

Democrats Plan to Crowd Tariff Bill by Holding All-Day Sessions.

Washington.—"Make the republicans work" is the slogan adopted by the democratic leaders of the senate in charge of tariff legislation who predict that the senate would vote on the bill by August 1.

Members of the finance committee said that the bill would be out of sub-committees by June 9; that the full committee's report should be ready for caucus by the following week and that the revised measures would be reported to the senate on June 23. Then it will be pursued vigorously until placed on its passage. Senator Hoke Smith, of Georgia, said that the senate should vote on the bill in the latter part of July.

"We will keep the republicans who want to discuss the bill working, and we will keep at work ourselves from the very beginning," he said. "We will meet in the senate every day at 10 o'clock in the morning and keep at work until 6 o'clock at night. That will prevent the opposition from delaying the bill by playing with it. We will tire the republicans out of playing."

Lobby Inquiry Started
The senate's investigation of the "Numerous and insidious lobby," which President Wilson charged was threatening the tariff bill, was begun Monday morning by a committee composed of Senators Overman (chairman), Walsh, Cummins, Reed and Nelson.

The investigation was conducted openly in the public hearing room of the judiciary committee in the senate office building, and members of the senate were called in alphabetical order.

President Wilson was sent a certified copy of the resolution authorizing the inquiry.

Report Attacks Hitchcock Regime
The postoffice department did not attain a condition of self-support during the administration of Postmaster-General Hitchcock, notwithstanding the widely-advertised announcement to that effect, although an apparent surplus was attained by unjustifiable methods of bookkeeping. The general morale and efficiency of the postal service were sacrificed to a ruthlessly enforced policy of false economy for the sole purpose of presenting a showing of self-maintenance; and after the attainment of this end, just before the inauguration of the new administration, the policy was reversed, according to a report addressed to Postmaster-General Burleson, and signed by Daniel C. Roper, Joseph Stewart, A. M. Dockery, James I. Blaklee and Merritt O. Chance, respectively first, second, third and fourth assistant postmasters general and chief clerk of the department.

Settlers Must Pay Operation Costs
The recent decision of the United States supreme court in the case of Swigert vs. Baker settles for all time the right of the secretary of the interior, through the reclamation service to impose and collect annually from settlers on government irrigation projects the pro-rata cost of maintenance and operation of projects from the time water is turned into the canals up to the time the projects are turned over to the settlers completed.

On many projects there has been discontent because the government has been requiring the settlers to pay the maintenance and operation charge, which usually ranges from 50 cents to \$1 an acre a year. The lower court decided in favor of the government and was reversed by the United States circuit court of appeals at San Francisco, but now is sustained by the supreme court.

National Capital Brevities
The president is reported to have agreed with Senators Williams and Simmons that raw materials and their products in the agricultural schedule should be equalized in the tariff bill. The progressives have been allowed representation on all the house committees except rivers and harbors and agriculture. They are given a total of 28 assignments.

The seventeenth amendment to the constitution of the United States became effective when Secretary Bryan formally proclaimed that direct election of United States senators is now the law of the land.

The appointment of Alexander H. Stephens to be general superintendent of the railway mail service, vice Theodore Ingalls, was announced by Postmaster General Burleson.

Secretary Bryan and Sir Cecil Spring-Rice, the British ambassador, signed a renewal for five years of the general arbitration treaty between the United States and Great Britain.

JUNE WHITE DAYS

OUR Annual White Carnival opened strong, and, as usual, we had many happy surprises in store for our many customers, who took advantage of the opening days. However, there are enough of the good things to help many more to solve the problem of supplying your needs for the smallest outlay of cash

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MAINE TO ENFORCE ANTI-LIQUOR LAWS

Portland, Me.—What promises to be the most effective enforcement of the liquor law in all Maine's 60 years of prohibition is now well under way after many years of political football with the prohibitory laws. The people of Maine are demanding state-wide enforcement. With the administration of Governor Haines the situation has taken a new turn. Violations of the law in the cities of Maine has become flagrant. Illicit liquor sellers had fitted up steel-ceilinged, tiled-floor emporiums with as complete stocks as could be found in license cities. The slogan now of the law abiding is:

Governor Haines has caused to be removed several sheriffs in whose communities the liquor traffic has long been openly conducted, and he has issued his ultimatum, which, in effect, is that he will have removed from office promptly, even though it becomes necessary to call a special session of the legislature, any sheriff who permits liquor selling.

STRAWBERRY SHORTCAKE!

Friday evening at 6:30 p. m. the ladies of the Unitarian church will give a supper with strawberry shortcake attachment and entertainment. The program will consist of a reading by Edward Hill, instrumental quartet, Mrs. W. B. McGuire, Dr. Sharp, Joe Johnson and Mr. Wetmore; a concert solo by Mr. Wetmore; dialogue by Tessie Newby and Paul Stetton. Admission free.

Stranahan & Clarke have moved into their new warehouse west of the Union on Railroad street, where they are now filling all orders.

True-to-Name Nursery has opened an office in town on corner opposite from Oregon Hotel and samples of trees can be seen in tree yard adjoining office. Mr. Galligan will be at the office Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays.

RIVER HIGHEST IN SEVERAL SEASONS

The river is now higher than it has been since five years ago and nearly as high as in 1894. It has been rising rapidly and steadily during the past week and now registers about 36 feet. The river steamers transferred their dock to the position opposite the station Thursday and have since been docking there. It is said that there is still much snow in the mountains and that the river may rise still further on account of the several days of hot weather. The temperature has varied between 80 and 85. Sunday was the warmest day of the year so far.

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Unitarian Church
Services at the Unitarian church Sunday will be as follows. At 11 o'clock the subject will be "Authority in Religion—the Reason." At the evening service at 8 o'clock (notice change of hour) Mrs. Huxley will read a story by Annie Hamilton Donnell. Dr. Sharp and Mr. Newman will play a violin duet. The rest of the musical program will be announced later.

Christian Science
Christian Science services are held in the Reading Room, Room 2, Davidson Building, Sunday at 11 a. m. Subject, "God, the Only Cause and Creator." Sunday School at 10 a. m. Wednesday meeting at 8 p. m. The reading room is open daily from 2 to 5 p. m.

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