

MERCHANT MARINE REVIVAL PLEADED

Mr. Humphrey Says Taft Is Vehement Supporter of Ship Fight.

SCORE FOREIGN COMBINES

Lawmaker in Address Before Manufacturers Declares President Is "Heart and Soul" for Re-Establishment of Shipping.

NEW YORK, March 15.—President Taft told me last night, I believe, said Representative Humphrey, of Seattle, Wash., tonight, "to tell you that he is heart and soul with the National Manufacturers' Association in its fight to establish an American merchant marine."

"On the Atlantic Ocean the management of this trade beyond our shores, in English, French, German, Italian, Spanish, and other lines, is sympathetic with them works Herr Ballin, of Germany. It might be well to remember that this same Ballin came to this country a few years ago when legislation was pending to assist our merchant marine and gave out an elaborate statement advising the people against such action."

"When that legislation was defeated the representatives of these combinations met in Europe with Herr Ballin as their guiding genius and celebrated that defeat by raising freight rates between the ports of the United States and Europe 50 per cent."

NIGHTMARE BREAKS ANKLE

Oregon Man Dreams of "Black Hand," Jumps Through Window.

ASTORIA, Or., March 15.—(Special.)—George Porter, an employe of the Kelley Lumber Company at Warrenton, is in the hospital suffering from a compound fracture of the left leg near the ankle, the direct result of a dream that was in the nature of a nightmare.

RUNAWAY WIFE IS FOUND

Both She and "Other Man" Arrested in Their Home.

Edward Gibson, a steward on the steamer Pomona, and Mrs. Ottilie Klein, a bride of a year who is alleged to have deserted her husband at The Dalles a month ago, were arrested by Detective Sergeants Craddock and Mallett at midnight last night. Neither was able to furnish \$500 in bail to get her out of jail.

TAGGART WINNER IN SUIT

Indiana Jury Returns Verdict Favorable to Defendant.

PAOLI, Ind., March 15.—The state court here today rendered its verdict in the case of the French Lick Springs Hotel Company last yesterday when a jury in the Circuit Court returned a verdict for the defendants.

HOOD RIVER SALES BOOM

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characterized by remarkable activity here today. Both town and orchard property was involved, the sales aggregating many thousands of dollars.

Through the agency of J. H. Heilbroner & Co., C. W. Peck, of Minneapolis, bought a 20-acre East Side orchard for which he paid \$16,000. A corner lot at Fourth street and Cascade avenue, 100x100 feet, belonging to E. J. Young, was sold to the drug firm of Kier & Cass.

Associated with some Indiana people, Mr. Heilbroner personally bought property at the corner of third and Cascade avenue belonging to E. B. Clarke, of Portland, and adjoining lots, 190x200 feet in all. It is said that a new brick block will occupy a portion of this space soon.

For D. M. Jackson, G. D. Culbertson & Co., sold 40 acres of orchard land on the East Side to Rev. G. R. Turk, of Toronto, Can., who will go into fruit raising.

TAFT BANISHES FEARS

PROCLAMATION ON CENSUS QUIETS PEOPLE OF LAND.

President Calls on Citizens to Aid in Gathering Statistics Which Will Be Safely Guarded.

WASHINGTON, March 15.—In a proclamation issued today by President Taft he endeavors to make the gathering of the thirteenth decennial census statistics as easy as possible by urging everybody throughout the land to answer promptly, completely and accurately all inquiries addressed to them by the enumerators or other employees who will be engaged in taking the census.

The proclamation is issued for the purpose of removing fears from the minds of some people that information which they may give will be used to their personal or business detriment. Against any such abuse the government has thrown the strongest safeguards. In part the proclamation reads: "The sole purpose of the census is to secure general statistical information regarding the population and resources of the country, and replies are required from individuals only in order to permit the compilation of such general statistics. The census has nothing to do with taxation, with Army or Navy service, with the compilation of school attendance, with the regulation of immigration, or with the enforcement of any National State or local law or ordinance, nor can any person be harmed in any way by furnishing the information required."

WOMEN MAKE PROTEST

REFUSE TO TESTIFY AT PUBLIC INVESTIGATION.

Fearing Prosecution by Spokane Bluecoats, Leaders of Woman's Club Reply to Council.

SPOKANE, Wash., March 15.—(Special.)—The committee appointed to investigate conditions at the City Jail holds secret sessions and unless the committee is increased to five members, giving representation to the German societies and the labor unions, neither these two organizations nor the Woman's Club will appear to give testimony before the committee. Moreover, the Council committee will be directly ignored and an independent secret investigation will be made by the three organizations, which have combined their forces to fight for the three jail marionettes.

PAULHAN TO RETURN HOME

Tiring of Treatment in America, Frenchman Packs His Aeroplane.

NEW YORK, March 15.—Louis Paulhan, the French aviator, did not make a flight today. The wind was high, but more to the point, he is said to be dissatisfied with the treatment accorded him in America and wants to go back to France.

ROOSEVELT NAMES DATE

Young Teddy's Marriage Day Is Set by ex-President as June 16.

NEW YORK, March 15.—It became known yesterday that the date for the wedding of Theodore Roosevelt, Jr., and Miss Eleanor B. Alexander has been fixed for June 16.

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MAN KILLS FAMILY, SELF, BURNS HOUSE

Idaho Farm Is Scene of Hideous Tragedy—Confession Made in Advance.

CANNOT BEAR TO DIE ALONE

Murdering Wife and Two Daughters, Takes Money, Papers, Confession to Neighbor, Returns, Fires House, Cuts Throat.

FILED, Idaho, March 15.—Teleford Theoni early this morning brutally crushed the skulls of his wife and two daughters, walked a mile to the residence of a neighbor, deposited a strong box containing money, life insurance papers, property deeds and a confession addressed to the Coroner, returned to his home, freed his horses so they could feed themselves, entered the house, set fire to it in several places, cut his own throat and lay down to die.

Neighbors discovered the fire about 4 o'clock, but all efforts to save the house failed. Search of the ruins later revealed the charred and almost unrecognizable bodies of the wife and two daughters. The skulls of the wife and daughters had been crushed with the pick from which the handle had been removed. The pick, covered with the victims' blood, was found in the yard.

The first rumors of the tragedy were that burglars had committed the murder and, in attempting to conceal their crime, burned the house.

In his confession Theoni said he was weary of life and yet could not bear to leave this world without taking his entire family with him. He had been dependent, he explained, over his inability to sleep regularly.

CUNNINGHAM TELLS AGAIN

Second Testimony in Coal-Land Hearing Differs From First.

CLEVELAND, O., March 15.—For the second time during the inquiry into the Alaska coal claims here, Clarence Cunningham, by whose name the claims are known, was forced today by the Federal attorneys to admit that he had made incorrect statements in documents which he had signed.

The first occasion occurred earlier in the hearing, when Mr. Cunningham had sworn, in an affidavit, that he had had sworn, in regard to the interests of the Guggenheims in the claims was incorrect. At the time he said the affidavits had been drawn up by Louis R. Glavis, and that he had taken the word of the ex-Government land agent for the statements contained in it.

HAY TO WORK FOR PEACE

Attempt Made to Harmonize Warring State Officials.

OLYMPIA, Wash., March 15.—(Special.)—A conference to determine the proper procedure to be followed in the event of a conflict between the State Board of Control, will be held here tomorrow at the direction of Governor McGowan.

DANCEHALL DUO ARRESTED

Chief Cox Charges Two With Violating City Ordinance.

The arrest of D. W. Robinson, 224 Columbia street, and Jacob Narod last night on the charge of conducting a place for the purpose of selling and serving liquor in violation of a city ordinance, marks the first occurrence of its kind since Chief of Police Cox took office.

N. C. MARIS ON FARM BOARD

Portland Succeeds Frank Lee, New Sheep Commissioner Named.

SALEM, Or., March 15.—(Special.)—Governor Benson today appointed N. C. Maris, of Portland, to the State Board of Agriculture to succeed Frank Lee, also of Portland, whose term has just expired.

CENTRAL BANK

We solicit your patronage, and, to make our service general, make no restrictions as to amounts necessary to open check or savings accounts.

MERCHANTS SAVINGS & TRUST COMPANY

Corner Sixth and Washington Streets

NEW JOBS EASILY MADE

BOURNE LETS "GOLD-BRICK TWINS" DO HIS WORK.

Land Office District Made by Chamberlain and Ellis—Senior Senator Wants Patronage.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, March 15.—Senator Chamberlain and Representative Ellis have jointly secured the passage of a bill which will place in the hands of the senior Senator two nice Federal jobs, paying \$3000 a year, and he has never so much in his hand to help Chamberlain. Reference is made to the bill recently passed creating a new land district in Southeastern Oregon, with a land office at Vale.

Early in the session Senator Chamberlain and Representative Ellis simultaneously introduced the bill, which was introduced by Senator Bourne. The Senate bill was first considered, and through the efforts of Senator Chamberlain, was favorably reported, in regard to the passage of the bill, the time Senator Bourne showed not the slightest interest in it; he did nothing whatever to help along the bill. When it went to the House, Representative Ellis had it reported, and when it came up, made an argument in its behalf, and secured its final passage. He, like Chamberlain, secured no assistance from the senior Senator.

The bill has become a law. Senator Bourne has begun to sit up and take notice. He has discovered that the law authorizes the appointment of a register and a surveyor for the new land district, and in a few years, if not immediately, both offices will pay the maximum salary of \$3000. Hence, he is still hunting for two of "the faithful" to reward with this unexpected patronage. It seems, at this time, as if neither of the men who secured the bill toward ending the syndicate strike, among the new officers, and neither will be unless the President steps in and asks them for suggestions.

CONFEDERATE BILL GIFT

Father Kept It for Years, Bridegroom Arranged After Spending It.

NEW YORK, March 15.—When John Kitren, of Jersey City, was married last week his father handed to him a \$100 bank note.

NO SETTLEMENT REACHED

When the conference was ended Mr. Earle said no plan of settlement was discussed even tentatively, but the difficulty of a settlement was gone over.

COUPLE WED 100 YEARS

Hungarian People Break All Known Matrimonial Records.

VIENNA, March 12.—From the little village of Leonfeld, Hungary, comes the account of a recent ceremony, which probably has no parallel in written history. Ten days ago Anton Scharfmarer and his wife, Marie, celebrated the hundredth anniversary of their marriage, and of their 200 known descendants, more than half came together for the occasion.

LASHES BITTERS

KIDNEY & BLIVER. A PLEASANT LAXATIVE NOT INTOXICATING.

RYAN & O'BRIEN 50--55--60 FROM DUBLIN HE IS IN TOWN LOOK FOR RYAN, 7 FEET 7 INCHES

CONFERENCE HELD; NAUGHT IS GAINED. First Step Is Taken Towards Settling Trouble in Philadelphia.

WIFE BATHES IN WHISKY. Restaurant-Keeper in Court Explains Large Supply of Liquor.

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ELOPING RUNS IN FAMILY. Pittsburgh Woman Advises Son to Follow Hereditary Custom.

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A Most Delicious Vanilla Sauce. Boil one cupful of cream with one tablespoonful of sugar; while hot, stir in the yolks of three eggs and then add one teaspoonful of Burnett's Vanilla. Serve hot.

BURNETT'S VANILLA. will convince you of its superiority over ordinary kinds. Insist on getting the one bottle.

Clothes are almost human! Their lives can be shortened by abuse the same as ours.

With ordinary soap, the constant rubbing of clothes over a rigid washboard wears and tears the life out of them.