

BUMPER CROPS NOW OUTLOOK IN OREGON

Reports to Department of Agriculture Are Optimistic.

McNARY'S HANDS UPHELD

Support of Communities From Eugene to Klamath Falls on Nation Cut-Off Gratifies Senator.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Wash-

ington, April 20.—Oregon is on the way to bumper crops of every variety, in the opinion of the department of agriculture. This optimism is based on the most recent report of the field agents for the bureau of crop estimates in Oregon which says Oregon conditions:

"No rainfall since March 11, hence soil is in excellent condition for cultivation. Considerable spring seeding during the last ten days. Deep snow in the mountain regions, assuring normal supply of water for stock and irrigation. Temperature slightly above normal with much sunshine and some drying wind."

Senator McNary is gratified at the manner in which the communities from Eugene to Klamath Falls are putting themselves behind his efforts to obtain from the railroad administration an allotment of the necessary capital to complete the Natron cutoff of the Southern Pacific railroad. He has experienced some difficulty in securing the needed information with reference to the advantages in grade on this route for heavy freight traffic, also as to whether there has been any work done on the uncompleted link either in the way of grading or constructing bridges.

Uncle Sam is looking for somebody to be postmaster at Bank, Or., and accordingly has ordered a civil service examination at Hillsboro May 21. The office pays a salary of \$1000.

Thomas W. Thornburgh has been appointed postmaster at Opel City, Jefferson county, Oregon, to succeed Ida Van Tassel resigned, and unless the proper persons are named within the next three weeks the postoffice at both Seneca and Monkland, Or., will be discontinued. Edward I. Southworth resigned as postmaster at Seneca recently and Mildred Mortensen retired at Monkland, and the outlook for filling their places is reported as gloomy.

Former Adjutant-General Charles F. Beebe of Oregon has been in Washington the last few days making a firsthand study of the United States military system. He was escorted by Colonel Cobell through every division of the war department and was very cordially received. He is invited to visit long with General J. M. Carter, chief of the bureau of militia affairs, and General Kerr, acting adjutant-general.

Under the stock-raising homestead law, designations for March included 374,646 acres in Washington and 83,494 in Idaho. Designations on a very large scale are expected to be made soon in Wheeler and Harney counties, Oregon.

The postoffice department is planning the establishment of a mail water route on the Snake river from Lewiston to Pittsburg Landing, Idaho. The postmaster at Lewiston has been called on to report the number of landings and the possible number of families to be served on the route, which is to be 30 miles in length.

Senator Chamberlain during his recent speaking trip to New York spent a day inspecting Camp Dix and Camp Merritt. He was met at New York by General Shanks, who escorted him through both of the camps.

VALUABLE JEWELRY GIVEN

RED CROSS SHOP TO SELL ARTICLES TODAY.

Gresham Farmer Makes Unique Gift of Half Case of Eggs; Others to Follow Example.

Taking advantage of the present craze for old-fashioned jewelry, several anonymous friends of the American Red Cross shop, 79-73 Third street, have presented to the store a number of pieces of valuable jewelry. These pieces will go on sale this morning.

In this connection Mrs. G. T. Trommald, director of the shop, suggested that all donors in making purchases should make a present of some article not badly wanted. Especially at this time does the shop appeal for old jewelry, either whole or damaged; metal ware, such as battered silver articles, coffee percolators, either electrically operated or not, and similar articles for the home.

An unusual gift to the shop last week was made by a Gresham farmer, who brought a half-case of fresh eggs. "These eggs were laid on Sunday," he said, "and I have decided to give all our Sunday eggs to the Red Cross."

Mrs. Trommald asks that other farmers follow the example and suggests that eggs, canned goods or other country produce not requiring immediate sale be shipped to the shop by freight or express.

The Red Cross shop is run virtually without cost. All proceeds are donated to the American Red Cross. Members of the Red Cross donate their services in operating the shop.

CENSORSHIP EXPOSE ROILS

CHARGES ARE MADE AGAINST BRITISH METHODS.

Sensation in Conference Circles in Paris Is Created by Publication of Story.

BY JAMES M. TUOHY.
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PARIS, April 20.—(Special Cable.)—The disclosure of the scandalous circumstances under which Premier Lloyd George suppressed an important dispatch to the World and The Oregonian, revealing the terms of reparations to be demanded, has caused a sensation in conference circles. This is revealed in a dispatch from New York to the Paris edition of the London Daily Mail.

The Paris edition of the New York Herald publishes an interview with Herbert Bayard Swope, one of the World's staff correspondents here, to-

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WOMAN SEES BOLSHIEVISM

Y. W. C. A. WORKER RETURNS FROM RUSSIA.

Conditions Livable Despite Anarchy. High Prices Is Largest Drawback.

After two years spent among the women of Russia who have received their first peep into western civilization, Miss Elizabeth Boyce, director of the Y. W. C. A. in Russia, has returned to America to remain for a year. She spent Saturday at the home of her uncle, H. G. Colton, 635 Market street, and left last evening for San Francisco.

Miss Boyce arrived in Russia shortly after the downfall of the old regime. Through labyrinths of chaos and revolution she was able, by sheer energy and pluck, to thread her way to the women of the peasantry and of the industrial centers, to whom she brought the surcease of American recreation and the stimulus of education.

"There was hardly a time when we were not facing a serious food shortage," said Miss Boyce yesterday. "We could only hold out for foodstuffs there were in sight which would tide us over when supplies were cut off. At one time we paid as much as \$50 for six loaves of bread. The variety of food was scant and the quality poor. It was such a disappointment when America sent such quantities of white flour to the Russians, had never eaten white bread, and how they would have enjoyed the substitutes that the American people were trying so valiantly to fill."

Miss Boyce first opened her headquarters in Petrograd. During the German invasion a portion of the house in which she was living was commandeered by German officers and she was able only by clever strategy to make her way to Moscow and to safety.

"For the last three years of the revolution, Petrograd and Moscow were fairly well ordered," said Miss Boyce. "Schools were kept open, we attended the opera many times and generally came and went as we pleased."

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JAPAN'S MOVE IS DISLIKED

LONDON DAILY NEWS SAYS CHINA SOUGHT AS VASSAL.

Surrender of Shantung Vital to Peace, Declares Editorial in English Newspaper.

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LONDON, April 20.—(Special Cable.)—The seizure of Shantung by the Japanese forms the text of a vigorous editorial in the Daily News which points out that the future not only of the far east but of the whole world is at stake.

"Today," says the Daily News, "Japan is in a practical sense not only a Chinese and potentially of much more. Unless the peace conference can right this colossal wrong, the Chinese will fall like ripe fruit into the hands of the Japanese to be exploited, developed, militarized by that engaging people."

"Is this thing to happen? If it does, it needs no great effort of imagination to see to what goal it leads. It will mean the closing of the vast resources and inexhaustible markets of the far east to the European and American world."

"China belongs to the Chinese, Japan has no more right in Shantung than we have. She must go. If self-determination has any sanctity at all and the peace conference has any authority at all, this matter must be settled with uncompromising resolution. China demands the evacuation of Shantung and abrogation of the 21 points (in China's treaty with Japan). This is China's minimum demand, and its concession is the capital duty of the conference. Failure here would mean failure in everything."

AUTO OVERTURNS; 2 HURT

Boy and Girl Seriously Injured When Machine Goes Into Ditch.

EUGENE, Or., April 20.—(Special.)—Margaret Farrington, 11, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Farrington of this city, was seriously injured, and John Walker, 17, suffered severe cuts and bruises, last Saturday night when an automobile in which they were riding overturned on the Pacific highway, near Santa Clara, four miles below Eugene. Two other occupants of the car, a boy and girl, escaped with slight bruises.

Young Walker, who was driving, attempted to turn out for another car, but was going at such speed that he lost control and the machine went into the ditch. Other persons passing in an automobile took the injured persons to the hospital in Eugene, where it was found that Miss Farrington had suffered an injury at the base of the brain. Her condition was improved today, although physicians say her condition is serious. Walker was badly cut about the head and face.

POULTRY RAISING STUDIED

Demonstration Farms in Southern Oregon Making Progress.

OREGON AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE, Corvallis, April 20.—(Special.)—That favorable progress is being made by the poultry demonstration farms in southern Oregon is reported by Professor C. S. Brewster in charge for the poultry department of the college. Some of these farms are now established in different poultry districts of the state for the purpose of determining the cost of poultry and egg production, and the best methods of growing poultry under the various conditions.

It is expected that later a survey will be made of the poultry industry in Oregon, with the records of the demonstration farms as some of the reliable data.

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Still adhering to his refusal to tell anything of his antecedents, R. J. Darby, 25, who said a robber had shot him twice during an attempted holdup near St. Johns Saturday, died yesterday at the Good Samaritan hospital. Darby lived at the Arlington hotel, at Sixth and Flinders streets, where he registered on April 3 from San Francisco.

Mr. Darby appeared at the home of W. L. Hogan, 1719 Chautauque street, about 2 P. M. Saturday, with two bullet wounds in his body. He was in an hysterical condition, and told a story of having been shot by a man who had taken him to the woods near Willis boulevard and Washburn streets to show him some lots.

The wounded man said he had met the supposed dealer in a newspaper advertisement, which inspectors Snow and Tackaberry have identified as one run in The Oregonian April 5, asked for a young man with a \$100 liberty bond to take a position selling lots for a wage of \$50 a week.

Advertisement is Identified.

Mr. Darby said he wrote an answer to the advertisement in an answer to a telephone call met the advertiser in the Y. M. C. A. lobby. The two journeyed to St. Johns by street car, according to Darby, and during the trip the stranger, who had introduced himself as Mr. Coy, asked if Mr. Darby had the bond with him. Mr. Darby replied that he had it. Teaching him the way to the street, the pair descended and walked to the woods. Mr. Darby said he was in front of his companion, when without warning the stranger shot him in his back. Darby disarmed the robber, he said, and fled through the woods to the Hogan residence.

Darby refused to tell police where he had lived before coming to Portland, saying he did not wish his family to know of his whereabouts. He maintained the same attitude at the hospital, and went to the operating table to have the bullets removed without telling the nurse whom to call when he died. He died during the operation.

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By searching baggage in Mr. Darby's room in the Arlington hotel the police obtained pictures of army scenes, and one of a cavalry sergeant, which is believed to be that of Mr. Darby himself.

One picture of a girl was marked, "From your loving wife." Several snapshots of the same girl showed her carrying a baby. In his suitcase the officials found a letter of recommendation written by E. H. Read of Philadelphia, Pa., on Racquet club stationery, saying that R. J. Dickens had worked six months for him as chauffeur and was a worthy man.

THREE WOMEN HEAR SHOTS

Inspectors Craddock and Patrolmen Goodall and Schwan Investigate Shooting.

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DIRECTOR-GENERAL AND PARTY COMING FROM SEATTLE.

Visitors Tomorrow Will Be Guests of Portland Chamber of Commerce at Noon Luncheon.

Walker D. Hines, director-general of railroads, with a party of railroad administration officials is due to arrive in Portland on a special train between 10 and 11 o'clock tonight, coming from Seattle. The special is scheduled to leave Seattle between 3 and 4 o'clock this afternoon. The party will leave here tomorrow afternoon about 3 or 4 o'clock.

To join the touring rail chiefs Hal Holden, regional director of the central western district, will arrive in Portland on his private car attached to the O. W. & N. train No. 5, due at 12:30 P. M. today. Mr. Holden's assistant, R. W. Greer, arrived yesterday.

In Seattle Director-General Hines addressed the railroad officials at a special conference. No gathering of the kind has been arranged for here, but the chief will meet the various representatives of his administration informally. Tomorrow noon he will be the guest, with members of his party, of the Chamber of Commerce at a luncheon in his honor. Business men of the city have been invited to attend.

R. H. Aishton, regional director in the northern district, which embraces rates of the northwest, is a member of the visiting party. In this section special significance attaches to the presence of H. B. Spencer, director of the purchasing railroad.

The understanding among the lumber manufacturers is that Mr. Spencer will consider the embargo on the

STRIKE BALLOT IS ORDERED

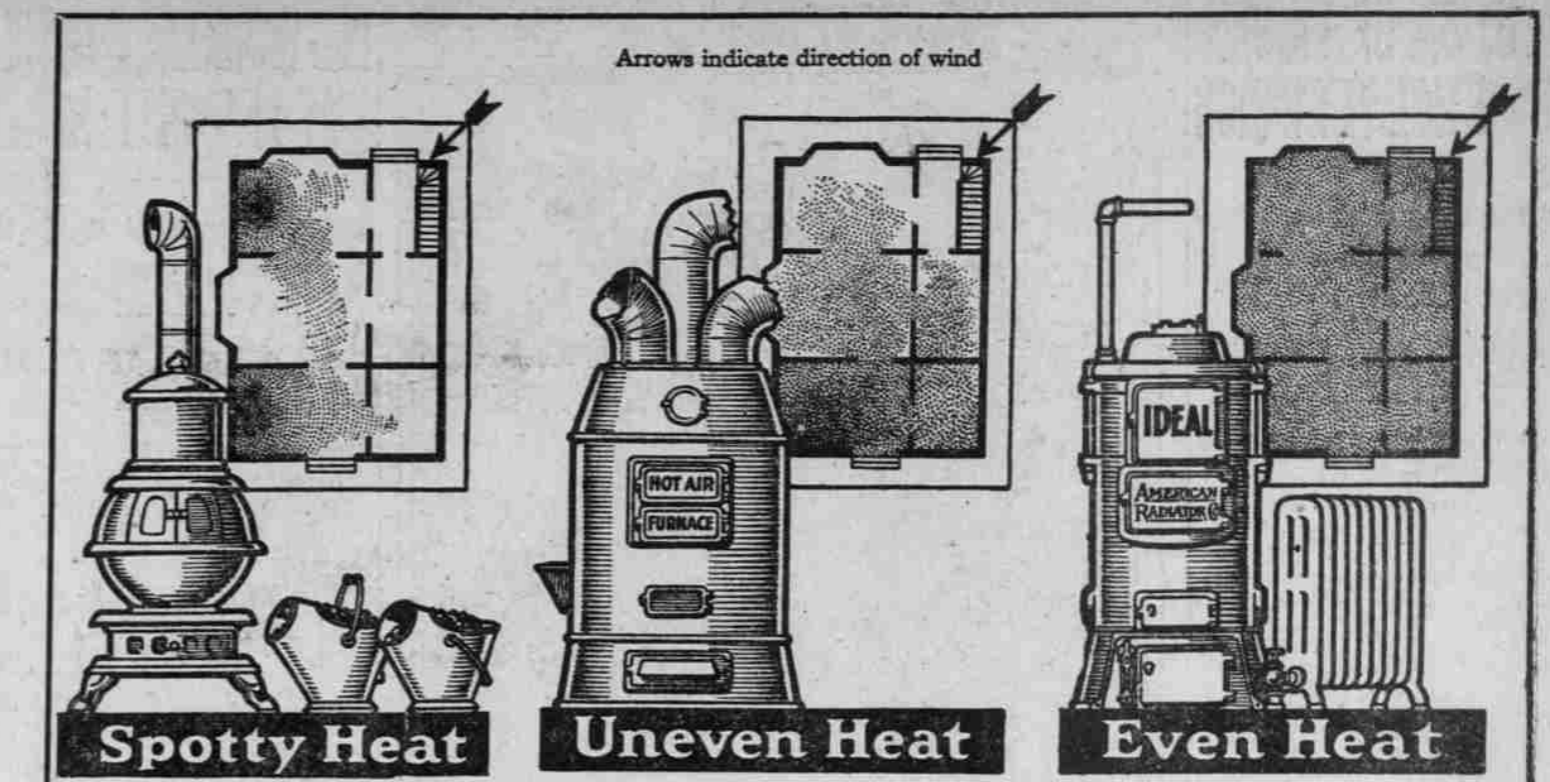
Labor Unions to Determine Action in Mooney Case.

CHICAGO, April 20.—Following executive meeting held last night to adopt an attitude in regard to the proposed general strike next July in an attempt to free Thomas J. Mooney, imprisoned in California for life after conviction for murder in connection with the San Francisco dynamite parade bomb explosion in 1916, the Chicago Federation of Labor today directed all unions affiliated with it to take a referendum on the strike.

Special ballots, it was announced, would be forwarded by the International Workers' Defense league at San Francisco.

Mother Hears From Son.

The \$634 ambulance company of the 21st sanitary train reached New York yesterday and was assigned to Camp Upton, according to a telegram received by Mrs. L. Frohman. Stolwyn apartments, from Sergeant Hans Frohman, her son.



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