

# CRISIS NEXT WINTER IS GREATLY FEARED

## Shipbuilders Hold Conference in Mayor's Office.

### BOWLES BLAMES WILSON

President of Northwest Steel Company Predicts 20,000 to 50,000 Men Out of Work in October.

Prediction that shipbuilding in Portland will end in October, throwing between 20,000 and 50,000 persons out of employment was made yesterday by Joseph H. Bowles, president of the Northwest Steel company, at a conference of shipbuilders held in Mayor Baker's office.

The present plight of the shipbuilders resulting from cancellation of government contracts, with positive rates issued making it impossible for them to accept foreign contracts, directly due, Mr. Bowles stated, to "one autocratic man now in France—President Wilson."

The tapering off of shipbuilding, Mr. Bowles predicted, would begin in June, and by October 15 all the work in the Northwest Steel company's yards will have been completed. The work, he also stated, in the Columbia Shipbuilding corporation would end about the same time, with a possibility of work in the Standifer shipyards in Vancouver continuing until the first of the next year.

With shipbuilding at an end and virtually no industry to absorb the unemployed, Portland will face a critical condition next winter, Mr. Bowles stated. Other coast cities will likewise suffer, he thought, and a serious unemployment situation would also exist in various parts of the country, but the peak of the unemployment will fall upon Portland, Mr. Bowles asserted, because Portland has but little in the way of industries with which to alleviate the condition.

### Blame Placed on President.

For all that has already happened to the shipbuilding industry since the signing of the armistice and for all that is likely to occur in the future, President Wilson's policy is blamed by Mr. Bowles. The president, he said, refused to move a finger, and from those who are presumed to have direct knowledge of President Wilson's views in this regard, Mr. Bowles stated he gleaned that nothing would be done in connection with shipbuilding by the nation's chief executive until after peace has been declared.

Mr. Bowles proved to be the principal speaker at the conference called by Mayor Baker to attempt to pave the way for either continuation of the shipbuilding industry in Portland or, failing in this, to begin the well-rehearsed toward a substitute industry of the magnitude which would be capable of employing the thousands now employed building ships and in the auxiliary shops.

### Norwegian Has Grievance.

To prove that the government has not dealt fairly with foreign governments, Mr. Bowles produced a letter received by him from P. Kleppe, a shipowner and operator of Bergen, Norway. In this letter Mr. Bergen states that until the government accounts to him for several ships which were confiscated during the course of construction in Portland he will refuse to deal with American shipbuilders for future contracts.

### Gun Explodes; Eye is Gone

#### Southern Oregon Miner, in House, Hit; Boy, Outside, Uninjured.

ROSEBURG, Or., April 21.—(Special).—Probably fatally injured from a fragment of the breach of an exploding rifle, Joe Campbell, aged 61, a miner of the Coffee Creek district, 50 miles southeast of Roseburg, was rushed here by auto last night and given surgical aid. The accident occurred when Charlie Holmes, aged 18, Campbell's assistant in placer mining, placed a loaded shell in an old rifle and fired at a mark.

The gun exploded, knocking the boy down, but not injuring him, and a piece of steel about three inches in length was blown through the window and struck the miner beneath the right eye, destroying the sight, lodging in the roof of the mouth.

### Runaway Accident Proves Fatal.

SALEM, Or., April 21.—(Special).—Benjamin P. Brennan, 42, died last night at a local hospital from injuries sustained in a runaway accident at Mesham last Thursday. Both legs were fractured, one so badly that amputation was necessary. He also suffered from internal injuries.

King George has traveled more widely than any other king who ever occupied the British throne.

### Western State League Formed.

Immediate steps to formulate a league of western states to work out a plan of presenting the situation to the proper authorities at the proper time will be taken by Mayor Baker as a possible means of preventing an end to the shipbuilding industry on the coast this fall, he said.

"We face a serious situation," said the mayor, "and also find that our hands are tied, as far as any action at this time is concerned, with President Wilson in France and congress not in session. I believe, however, that with representatives from all of the western states acting in one unit, something can be accomplished which will mean the perpetuation of the shipbuilding industry. The people of Oregon must support the reconstruction programme of state, counties and cities in order to aid somewhat in handling the unemployment situation next winter."

### William C. Allen is Sued

#### Wife of Owner of Service Station Alleges Cruelty in Action.

William C. Allen, owner of the Willard service station, Sixth and Bar-

side streets, is sued for divorce by Mrs. Edith Allen in an action filed in the circuit court yesterday. Mrs. Allen alleges cruelty, asserting that the ill-treatment first began in January, 1918, when her husband called her vile names, choked and threatened to kill her, at their home, 1418 Knowles avenue.

In February, 1918, Mr. Allen accused his wife of "trading" and chasing after other men, she alleges, and threw a sugar bowl at her. In March, 1918, she asserts he struck her, pulled her hair and threw her to the floor.

Mrs. Allen asks alimony of \$100 a month, saying that her husband's business amounted to \$50,000 last year and that he can well afford it.

Josephine Keramidas, in a suit for divorce, alleges that she married Gunt Keramidas in Portland August 8, 1918, under coercion, being threatened with a term in jail if she did not wed. Last November he gave her a black eye, she charges, and last March knocked her down, threatening to kill her. Alimony is asked. Helen M. Spitznogle filed suit against Ernest L. Spitznogle, alleging cruelty, and asking alimony of \$50 a month. Juris E. Record filed suit against Leo J. Record, alleging cruelty.

### ELSNER WILL IS UNIQUE

#### TRIED AND TRUE FRIEND GETS 14 LOTS IN COUNTY.

#### Wishes Regarding Cremation Carried Out—\$25 Left to Brother, Reason Being Estrangement.

"To my friends and fellow travelers. I leave my loving good will and my unfulfilled ideals toward the upliftment of man's consciousness to the realization of the oneness of being; also, my conviction that earthly possessions serve their highest purpose if only considered as a loan," reads the unique will of the late Jean Elsner, filed in the office of the county clerk yesterday.

Miss Elsner died in Portland about two weeks ago, at the age of 27. Her will was dated January 25, 1919.

"My remains are to be cremated," continues the document, "after the body has been kept intact for not less than 24 hours, and my ashes are to be strewn to the winds over ocean, lake or river, absolutely without ostentation."

"To the rarest of my friends, Dr. Signmund Waldhoff of Cincinnati, O., four lots in Fulton Park were bequeathed one lot each.

In the original will \$25 is left a brother, Julius Elsner. In a codicil drawn up and signed March 23, 1919, it is explained that the reason for this is that brother and sister had been estranged for 50 years and that she did not know his address.

To save court costs and contention, the deceased had decided all real property disposed of in her will to the beneficiaries before death, giving the deeds in escrow to Carl Sommer, 247 Fifth street, to be recorded after death.

Miss Elsner came to Portland about 10 years ago from Honolulu, according to her attorney, T. G. Thornton, and had been in ill health for a long while.

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### TWO DEFENSES PLEADED

#### ATTORNEY STATES CASE FOR ALLEGED MURDERER.

Prosecution contends Sam Roll was in Jealous Rage but Not Victim of Insanity.

Two defenses, one of insanity and the other of unwritten law, are pleaded by Morris Goldstein, attorney for Sam Roll, on trial for murder before Circuit Judge Gatens. The jury was sequestered and opening statements made yesterday. The prosecution will begin its case today.

Though no one saw the actual killing, and Roll has made no admission of guilt to the authorities, his attorney does not deny that his client shot and killed pretty Betty Taug at the home of her former husband, Hans Taug, February 14, 1919. He does contend that the act was perpetrated during an attack of temporary insanity and invokes the unwritten law.

The prosecution contends that Roll was in a jealous rage but not necessarily insane, and that the unwritten law has no place in the trial. Betty Taug had married Roll illegally within the six months' limit of her divorce from Hans Taug and the state maintains that Roll cannot allege that his wife was untrue to her marriage vows to him as their marriage was known

by him to be void at the time of the shooting.

When Roll married Mrs. Taug before the legal time limit after her divorce had expired, Taug notified the authorities and the pair were arrested in Tacoma and brought to Portland on a statutory charge.

Some evidence was placed before the police that the day before the murder, Roll forced Mrs. Taug to come to his home on Marshall street, holding her prisoner there from 10 A. M. to 9 P. M. demanding at the point of a gun that she consent to remarry him. Nothing has been brought up about this alleged occurrence yet at the trial.

On the day of the murder, though he admitted shooting himself in an attempt at suicide, Roll refused to say that he had killed the woman. Two chambers of his revolver contained empty shells.

Roll's questionnaire is supposed to show that he had a wife and child in Serbia. He was drafted but was held at Camp Lewis only two weeks.

Roll's true name is said to be Sabirin Radich, though he has always been known in Portland as Sam Roll.

### POLICE SEEK AUTO THIEVES

#### Circulars Sent Out Describing Men Who Injured Girl.

Police yesterday sent out circulars describing the two men who attempted to steal an automobile owned by William Cornfoot from the Westminster Presbyterian church last week and threw Miss Elizabeth Cornfoot, his daughter, from the running board and injured her severely when she tried to stop them.

The circular says the two have stolen several automobiles recently. One is described as 28 years old, five feet nine inches tall and wearing a green cap and a green suit, with cuffs on the trousers. The other is described as five feet seven inches tall, with dark hair and a full, rosy face. He wore a dark cap and a dark suit.

### LONG BEACH MAN MISSING

#### California Leaves Papers With Wife at Roseburg and Search is On.

ROSEBURG, Or., April 21.—(Special).—Deserting his wife here Thursday, L. L. Schaffer, aged 56, who arrived in Roseburg from Long Beach, Cal. Tuesday, has disappeared from sight and all efforts to locate the man have so far failed. The sheriff's office was interested in the search today. The

couple were married three or four years ago, and came here with view of locating.

According to Mrs. Schaffer there has been no family trouble, and she is at a loss to account for a motive for the desertion, unless he may have become infatuated with some woman unknown to her. Schaffer carried a valuable watch and had only about \$15 in money with him. His naturalization papers and other valuables were left with his wife, and starting out to visit a mill, where he expected to get employment, Schaffer has not been heard from since.

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