

AMERICAN KILLED BY GERMAN GUARD

Attempt to Escape From Wesel Prison Reported.

AID IN REVOLT CHARGED

Paul R. de Mott of Paterson, N. J., Under Sentence of Death. Press Criticizes Action.

BERLIN, April 13.—An official announcement made last night in the case of Paul R. de Mott of Paterson, N. J., said to have been an American citizen, who was killed recently at Wesel, near the Ruhr region, stated that he was shot dead while attempting to escape from military arrest.

De Mott, who was 22 years of age, was taken prisoner by government troops near Dislakon, southeast of Wesel, early last week charged with being in possession of arms and aiding in the rebellion.

The killing of De Mott, shot recently at Wesel, was caustically commented upon today by the Independent Socialist newspaper, Die Freiheit. It described the incident as a case of "murder by the military, who obviously were afraid the higher court would annul the death sentence."

Reports stated that De Mott had been shot dead by a sentry while trying to escape from the prison at Wesel, where he was being held under death sentence, the cause for which was not stated. An investigation was ordered by the foreign office immediately upon receipt of the report.

LONDON, April 12.—Verbal assurances given by the French government in answering the sixth note of Great Britain relative to the occupation of German cities by the French were discussed by the cabinet council today. They were expected to be followed by a formal note which would mean a satisfactory solution of the difficulty.

France was said to have recognized that opposition to its action was based rather upon the maintenance of an important principle than upon the merits of the immediate question involved.

SUITOR SHOTS WIDOW

WILLIAM MERCER KILLS SELF; WOMAN MAY DIE.

Mrs. Irene Styles, Vineland, N. J., Waiting for Trolley, Shot Through Head.

VINELAND, N. J., April 13.—(Special.)—William Mercer made an attempt to murder Mrs. Irene Styles yesterday morning about 8 o'clock when she was waiting for the trolley at the Main and Magnolia road station. The passengers at the depot did not notice any trouble until they heard the crack of a pistol. Then the screams of the woman were heard while several more shots were fired.

Mercer started on a run for the woods about a half mile to the westward, while he hid his smoking pistol in his pocket. No one had the presence of mind to stop him and he was allowed to get away.

Mrs. Styles was carried to the home of her father, Henry E. Boyd. She was bleeding profusely and Dr. George Cunningham was sent for. After a superficial examination he took the injured woman to the Vineland hospital. Inquiry among the excited people revealed the fact that Mercer was an inmate of the Boyd home. He came from Wheeling, W. Va., with the family in June, 1919, and did considerable of the work about the place.

He became enamored of Mrs. Styles. Of late the man became jealous, but why it could not be learned, except that some other man had paid attention to Mrs. Styles in a suspicious way. Mercer was trying to exact some promise from her when he flew into a rage and fired at her. Mr. Styles is a widow, 39 years old, and Mercer is 28.

This afternoon at 4 o'clock the body of Mercer was found in the woods a mile from the scene of his crime. He had shot himself, the bullet going through his head entering at the right ear and coming out at the left eye, exactly as he shot the woman. Mrs. Styles still lives but no hopes are held for her recovery.

THE DALLES AIDS DRIVE

Third of \$4500 Needed to Open Y. W. C. A. Already Donated.

THE DALLES, Or., April 13.—(Special.)—With more than one-third of the desired \$4,500 fund already pledged, teams of Y. W. C. A. solicitors took the field this morning at 9 o'clock in a drive to establish a Y. W. C. A. headquarters in this city.

Speakers addressed theater audiences here tonight, and the young women's club and community center has been manifest for many months.

COLONEL NEWPORT DEAD

Father of Hermiston Was Oregon Reclamation Pioneer.

BENDLETON, Or., April 13.—(Special.)—Colonel George Greeley Newport, veteran railroad builder, contractor and irrigationist, father of the town of Hermiston, was found dead

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OREGON SENATOR ROUSED

CHAMBERLAIN RAPS FOES OF RIVER IMPROVEMENTS.

Senator Protests Against Proposed Developments in This State. Bring Prompt Response.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, April 13.—Criticisms made by Senator Smead of Utah and Thomas of Colorado of provisions in the pending rivers and harbors bill for certain Tillamook bay and the Tualatin river in Oregon, brought Senator Chamberlain to the defense of Oregon's river and harbor improvements in a senate speech this afternoon.

It was charged by the senators that the improvement of many of the rivers and harbors of the country had proved of no practical benefit because their improvement in many cases had developed no additional commerce. Senator Chamberlain replied that the opening of rivers and harbors so far as the northwest was concerned had been effective in holding down railroad freight rates. He said:

"Along some portion of the Columbia river there has been somewhat of a falling off in the freight carried on the river, and yet construction of two canals on the Columbia river has been instrumental in saving to the producers of the inland Empire more money than would be necessary to pay for the comparatively small expenditure of the government a hundred times."

"In this day and generation, when there is congestion of railroad transportation and it is physically impossible to get from some quarters of the country to the markets, we ought to stimulate and encourage the improvement of these rivers and harbors, no matter how small the traffic may be on them temporarily."

"Take this situation in Oregon. We have contributed fifty-fifty with the government for nearly every improvement we have ever had. In other words, the people of Oregon have created port commissions at the city of Portland, at Nehalem, at Astoria, at Tillamook, at Newport, at Coquille Bay and other places, and they have levied taxes upon themselves equal to appropriations made by congress. Small communities meet the government appropriation every time and have contributed dollar for dollar when they have asked the government for appropriations."

"In other words, the people have shown, by levying on themselves high rates of taxation, the confidence that they have in the development of their own country. It is hardly fair, from my viewpoint, that they should be asked to do it, because the traffic that goes down the Columbia river from Oregon harbors is not only national in importance, but international."

"The wheat that goes down the Columbia river goes to Liverpool, and our lumber goes to the markets of the world. Oregon is contributing money for a benefit that comes to the United States by reason of increased international commerce."

DOCTOR BEQUEATHS BRAIN

ANATOMIST OPERATES ON BODY OF DEAD FRIEND.

Will and Agreement Gives Corpse of Dr. Joseph Sims to Dr. E. A. Spitzka.

NEW YORK, April 13.—(Special.)—Dr. Edward Anthony Spitzka, a well-known anatomist, Monday removed the brain of Dr. Joseph Sims, who died at the Hotel Empire Sunday. This was in accordance with a provision of the will of Dr. Sims and an agreement with Dr. Spitzka when the latter was a demonstrator at the College of Physicians and Surgeons 17 years ago.

"Dr. Sims believed in the scientific study of the brain and that he could aid science by giving his body for research," said Dr. Spitzka yesterday. "He was in accord with the theory that the brain is of intellectual matter and that those of men of lesser intelligence and he wanted science to have his brain to advance its work in this field."

"Seventeen years ago Dr. Sims told me he would give his body to the College of Physicians and Surgeons and asked me to use it in my work. He also provided that when he was at the point of death, I was to be summoned immediately so I could remove his body."

Dr. Sims lectured extensively here and abroad. While in London, met Charles Darwin, Professor Huxley, Sir Charles Lyell, Herbert Spencer and all the leading scientists of the day. He was 86 years old.

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WASHINGTON, April 13.—St. Louis, fourth city of the country in 1910, had a population of 729,000 January 1 this year, and showed an increase of 25.71, or 12.5 per cent over ten years ago. The rate of growth during the last ten years was the smallest of any decade since the founding of the city, and the increase in number was smaller than in any decade since that ending in 1880, when the rate of increase was 12.8 per cent.

Whether St. Louis or Boston will rank as the country's fourth largest city as a result of the 1920 census added interest to the announcement today of St. Louis' population. Boston's population has not yet been made public.

Boston May Go Ahead. St. Louis ranked fourth in 1910. Since 1910 Boston has annexed the town of Hyde Park, having a population in 1910 of 15,507.

St. Louis and Boston were the only cities within the 500,000 class in 1910. Cleveland, Baltimore and Pittsburgh, ranking sixth, seventh and eighth, were the only cities within the 500,000 class. A change in their ranking for 1920 is not improbable, and Detroit, Buffalo and San Francisco, ranking ninth, tenth and 11th, the only cities within the 100,000 class, may advance into different rank. The population of none of these has been announced.

Census figures announced today follow: St. Louis—729,000; increase, 25.71, or 12.5 per cent. Perth Amboy, N. J.—41,707; increase, 98.8, or 29.8 per cent. Cleveland, Pa.—15,603; increase, 25.6, or 17 per cent. Massillon, O.—17,423; increase, 35.4, or 25.8 per cent. Chillicothe, O.—15,831; increase, 132.2, or 9.1 per cent. Vinita, Okla. (revised)—5010; increase, 92.8, or 22.7 per cent. Watertown, N. Y.—31,253; increase, 43.3, or 17 per cent. Galesburg, Ill.—23,755; increase, 16.9, or 7.7 per cent. Charleston, W. Va.—39,608; increase, 16.5, or 7.2 per cent. Plattsburg Shows Decrease. West Hoboken, N. J., 40,068, increase 46.6 or 13.2 per cent. Duquesne, Pa., 19,011, increase 32.84 or 20.9 per cent. Bellaire, O., 15,061, increase 21.5 or 15.3 per cent. Martins Ferry, O., 11,634, increase 25.01 or 27.4 per cent. Tamaqua, Pa., 12,363, increase 29.01 or 20.7 per cent. Williamsport, Pa., 36,198, increase 43.8 or 13.6 per cent. East Liverpool, O., 21,411, increase 19.24 or 8 per cent. Denison, Tex., 17,055, increase 54.3 or 25.2 per cent. Flatbush, N. Y., 19,909, decrease 2.9 or 2.1 per cent. Rahway, N. Y., 11,042, increase 17.05 or 15.3 per cent. McKeesport, Pa., 16,713, increase 20.11 or 12.7 per cent. Salem, O., 10,908, increase 13.62 or 15.2 per cent. Bristol, Va.—Tenn., 14,776, increase 13.91 or 10.3 per cent. Aiken, S. C., 4105, increase 1.92 or 4.9 per cent. Lebanon, Tenn., 408 increase 44.25 or 11.6 per cent. Swissvale, Pa., 10,998, increase 35.27 or 47.8 per cent.

CHURCH MEN VISIT PASCO

Ministers in Charge of Interchurch Movement Make Stop.

PASCO, Wash., April 13.—(Special.)—Dr. William S. Beard of New York, who is in charge of the inter-church movement in several of the western states, and Dr. C. H. Harrison, also of New York, who is assisting Dr. Beard, and Dr. L. O. Baird of Seattle, superintendent of Congregational churches in this state, were visitors at the local Congregational church Sunday morning.

In the afternoon a conference of members of the local church was held with Dr. Baird, when matters of interest to the church were discussed. The local Congregational church is enjoying prosperity, according to reports.

CITY HALL IS ADVOCATED

Merchants' Association Proposes Expenditure of \$40,000.

HOOD RIVER, Or., April 13.—(Special.)—The Hood River Merchants' association last night endorsed a bond issue of \$40,000 to be submitted to the voters in May. This action was taken after an address by Mayor E. L. Scobee, who declared an absolute necessity the proposed construction of a city hall, containing facilities for visiting motorists and quarters for a motor truck fire engine, which the city plans to buy.

The new merchants' organization also appointed a committee to work with the city council in effecting civic improvements and the advancement of all public enterprises.

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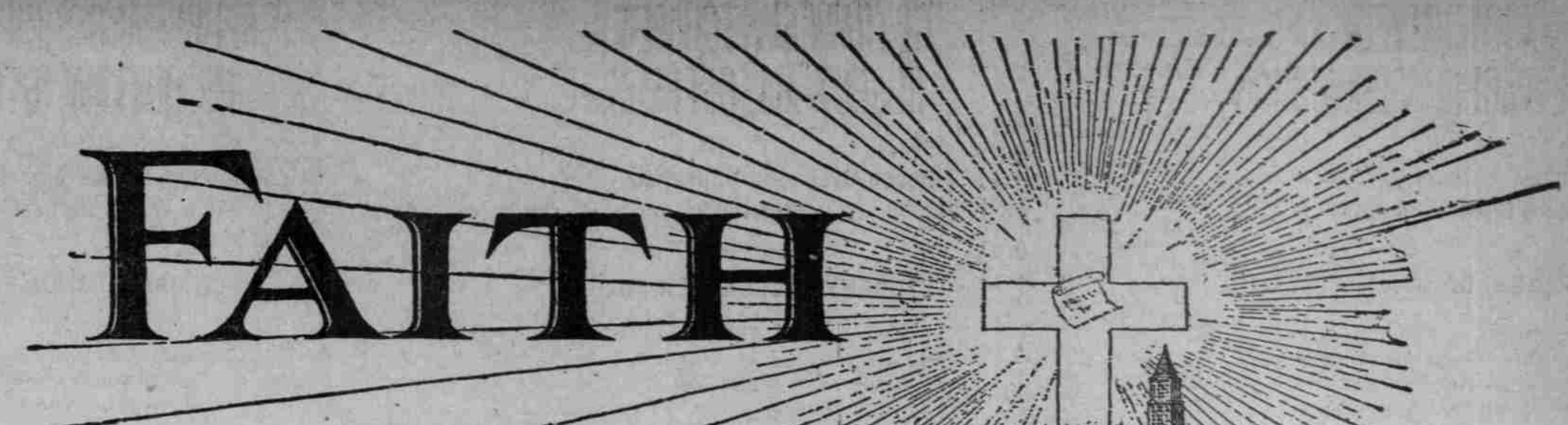
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Good Old Fashioned Faith - That's What The World Needs Most

WHAT is the cure for the world's present troubles—for unrest and envy and covetousness and fear? Legislation? Industrial compromises? Political readjustments? We've tried them all, and they do not satisfy. We're hungry and thirsty for Faith.

"The world needs a genuine religious revival," cabled the London financial editor of the New York Evening Post recently. And he added: "This is the view of hard-headed business men."

What business men are now proclaiming the churches have always proclaimed. You must touch the spirits of men if you are to change their lives: only to the extent of their faith in each other can they work together. All remedies are makeshifts except the Golden Rule.

Thirty denominations, knowing the need to be too great for any one denomination to meet alone, are cooperating in a nationwide campaign.

It is a campaign for deepening the spiritual forces of men; for enlisting their hearts, and their pocket-books too. And every man and woman who loves America will be glad of a chance to help.

For the hope of America is Democracy and the Founder of Democracy was the Founder of the Church. It was He who first called men sons of God, and so made all men brothers.

Not as employers and employees, not as members of parties or sects, but as sons of God and brothers all let us work out our problems together.

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Henry Lammie, Chairman, Gen. Council, Interchurch World Movement

The only real and permanent solution of the vexing problems which seem more acute than ever since the end of the World War is the application of the Golden Rule.



Joseph Daniels, Secretary of the Navy



W. B. Weaver, Secretary of Labor

For our own sakes, for our children's sakes, for the nation's sake, let us business men get behind the cause and aid their preachers. Let us from this very day give them more time, money and thought, for upon them the value of all we own ultimately depends!

The Choice Prizes of Life Are Won By the Healthy and Strong

The weak, soft, flabby-muscled—those who are deficient in vigor and vital force—have ever had to suffer the humiliation of being ruthlessly shoved aside by their stronger rivals. A clear, ruddy complexion; bright eyes; hardened muscles; and a well knit-together body of elastic step and sway, constitute a trump card in any game—whether of love or business.



If you feel that you are out of class, lacking the stamina to stand up and claim your own, don't delay another day in commencing to take



It will restore the confidence you need to combat the ever-opposing forces of social and business life; it will give you the heart and spirit to do and the courage to challenge the world to your right to a place in the Sun, because it will rebuild your physical strength and mental power to a state of perfect health, strengthening your run-down system with better nourishment because of its great aid to digestion. LYKO is a refreshing appetizer and an exceptional general tonic in those subnormal conditions of the physical and nervous systems, such as muscular and mental fatigue, nervous exhaustion, general weakness and debility following a protracted illness or the result of a wasting disease. It truly Nature's first assistant as a restorative agent—a really remarkable reconstructive. All druggists have it. Get a bottle today and begin at once to feel and look better.

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Hood's Sarsaparilla Makes Food Taste Good. Creates an appetite, aids digestion, purifies the blood, promotes assimilation so as to secure full nutritive value of food, and to give strength to the whole system. Nearly 50 years' phenomenal sales tell the story of the remarkable merit and success of Hood's Sarsaparilla. It is just the medicine you need this season.

HOUSER INQUIRY DELAYED. Committee Charged With Probe Appears Little Interested. OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, April 13.—The special subcommittee of the senate committee on manufacturers recently appointed to investigate charges of a Spokane federal grand jury against Max H. Houser, northwest administrator for the United States grain corporation, is manifesting no interest in the task ahead. Senator Reed of Missouri, author of the resolution of investigation, has returned to Washington, but three other members of the committee are still away. At the office of Senator Gronna of North Dakota, chairman of the subcommittee, it was learned that he has no plans for a trip to the Pacific northwest will be made until the full subcommittee can be assembled. Phone your want ads to The Oregonian, Main 7076, A 5025.

"Self-Serve Stores" In the West and South are many "Self-Serve Stores" or grocerias. In stores of this type a woman waits on herself, taking down from the shelves the goods wanted and, after paying as she leaves, carries the groceries home. There is no clerk, no salesman, and no one to "push the goods." Here, left to itself, the public always chooses advertised brands. Others can't compete without the aid of personal salesmanship. People want advertised goods. Each year an increasing percentage of dealers recognizes that there is little profit in argument and instead, quickly sell what the people want. Commercially, the public is Court of Final Appeal. The national advertiser pleads his case direct. Butterick—Publisher The Delineator (\$2.50 a Year) Everybody's Magazine (\$2.75 a Year) The Designer (\$1.50 a Year)

Earl & Wilson Collars & Shirts. SINCE it costs no more to have the style and refinement of Earl & Wilson quality, why not have it? Beautify the Complexion IN TEN DAYS. Woman Finds Remedy Worth Fabulous Fortune. "I wouldn't take a million dollars for the good May's Wonderful Remedy has done for me. I have finished the course and can say I am entirely cured of very severe indigestion, bloating and colic attacks I suffered from for many years." It is a simple, harmless preparation that removes the catarrhal mucus from the intestinal tract and allays the inflammation which causes practically all stomach, liver and intestinal ailments, including appendicitis. One dose will cough or money refunded. At all druggists.—Adv.

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