

STEFANSSON UPSETS THEORIES ON ARCTIC

Many of Polar Region's Terrors Dispelled.

FOOD AND FUEL FOUND

Cold on Icy Trails of North Is Declared Not Very Serious.

Weather last night gave a fitting atmosphere for Vilhjalmur Stefansson, arctic explorer, when he spoke of the icy trails of the north to a Portland audience of 400 at the Auditorium. Stefansson was introduced to his audience by Mayor Baker and they were in a mood to receive the story he told of the frozen north, which in his words, lost much of its terror and was presented in an entirely different aspect than that so usually accepted, as a land of terrible cold that freezes the marrow in man's bones.

There last night and lots of other friends, packing Lincoln high school, gathered to hear the arctic explorer speak of his recent trip to the arctic. Charles Haun, slapstick comedian and entertainer, drew loud applause and a mixed bouquet as a "tramp abroad." The "masked dancer" in an exquisite costume of red and white, the Lincoln crowd, charmed all. Solly Marshall alone, named her as Dorothy Hall and drew the box of candy offered for the one who recognized the arctic explorer. The entertainment will be used for the purchase of books for the history department of the school.

LABOR RAPS RED CROSS

GOTHAM FEDERATION VOTES TO IGNORE APPEAL.

Delegates Decide to Withhold Support Until Organization "Does Its Duty by Ireland." NEW YORK, Nov. 12.—The Central Federated union tonight voted unanimously to ignore an appeal for aid from the American Red Cross after John Sullivan, treasurer and other speakers had urged the delegates to withhold their support until the organization "does its duty by Ireland." A letter from Miss Elizabeth A. Cullen, assistant director of the Red Cross, describing its membership enrollment campaign and asking the support of the 350,000 men represented by the union, was hissed. Letters received by delegates from friends in Ireland telling of conditions there were read to the delegates, who thereupon voted against extending assistance to the Red Cross. Ernest Bohm, secretary of the union, expressed his opinion that a movement to withhold support of labor from the American Red Cross would become a national wide and would continue until the organization sent medical supplies and food to Ireland. Sullivan stirred the gathering when he said: "I think it is the sentiment of this body as well as the sentiment generally among the 350,000 or more men in the city of New York that shall be extended to the Red Cross until that organization does its duty by Ireland. We have read reports of how they have aided the distressed people of Czechoslovakia and the starving inhabitants of Upper Silesia, but we have not read a line about their aiding the wounded and sick in Ireland." Sullivan declared that a survey made by himself and other labor leaders among union men here as regards their sentiment for the organization "leads us to believe that the workman in much disappointed in the Red Cross."

LEADERS IN GOTHAM LABOR WAR QUZZED

Solution of Wall Street Explosion Mystery Sought.

BLOW-UP AIM SUGGESTED

Union Chiefs Tell of Rivalry of Organizations—World Theory to Be Fully Tried Out.

NEW YORK, Nov. 12.—Official investigation of the "solution" of the Wall street explosion September 16, put forth by the New York Evening World yesterday, was begun today by District Attorney Swann with the examination of men mentioned as prominent in the labor "war" attributed by the paper as having furnished the motive for the crime. William Zarako, president of Houseworkers union, No. 25, which the newspaper charged had been subjected to "tyranny" at the hands of the rival organization of Robert V. Brindell, president of the Building Trades council, and Albert A. Volk, head of a company which had the demolition contract on the New York stock exchange annex, underwent lengthy examination. Individual laboring men, "possibly inside the union" or sympathizers, the paper declared, were responsible for the explosion as a reprisal against "Brindell workers" employed by Volk. Explosion Aim Suggested. Much of Volk's statement to the district attorney was devoted to what he said was his own "theory" of the explosion "that it was done to hurt or frighten some men" and to the statement alleged to have been made by Raymond Clark, former foreman for Volk, that a man reported to him immediately after the explosion that it was his horse that had been killed. Clark, the newspaper asserted, was a member of the Zarako union. Volk said that his "theory" is that the explosion was caused by some individual "who wanted to create an impression on the inception of the strike which was called by the Zarako union." He said he understood there was publication of a notice to strike on Wednesday, the day before the explosion. None of Zarako's men "as such," he asserted, were in his employ but many had joined Brindell's union, "some of them at his instance."

FOUR STILL CAPTURED

WASHINGTON COUNTY OFFICIALS SEIZE MOONSHINE.

Liquor Laws.

Four Portland Men Held on Charges of Violating

Washington county lost prestige as a moonshiners' resort yesterday, with the arrest of four Portland men and seizure of four stills, 600 gallons of mash, 25 gallons of moonshine and 550 pound boxes of raisins. The men were Milan Marovich, Joe Tomach, John Plecas and Milo Grubic. Sheriff Alexander of Washington county, assisted by a squad of revenue officers, obtained information leading to the arrests early in the week. Although the stills were found in different places, it is the opinion of the officers that all were working together, in an effort to supply a demand from certain Portland "soft-drink vendors." In a cabin near Beaverton, Grubic and Tomach were found. At the same place the officers seized one 50-gallon still, two 12-gallon stills, 300 gallons of mash and 15 gallons of finished moonshine. The four men were taken in a car, which was loaded with 660 pounds of raisins and 1200 empty pint bottles. Further investigation developed another rendezvous, near Orenco, from which was taken a 20-gallon still, 300 gallons of mash and ten gallons of whisky. The four men are being held in the county jail at Hillsboro pending government action.

SUPPORT PLEDGED GULE

CANDIDATE FOR SPEAKER SHIP MARSHALING FORCES.

All but Three King County Delegates Give Word to Washington State Legislator.

SEATTLE, Wash., Nov. 12.—(Special)—With the active support of 14 probably 15 of the 17 members of the King county delegation to the next state house of representatives pledged to him, E. H. Gule has begun an aggressive campaign for the speakership.

LIFE JOBS MAY BE LOST

POSTMASTERS ARE IN DANGER OF REPUBLICAN UPEHEVAL.

Plan to Revoke Executive Order Placing Officials Under Civil Service Has Been Proposed.

THE OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Nov. 12.—Postmasters of the first, second and third classes, who were placed under the civil service rules by executive order of President Wilson, in April, 1917, may not be secure in the life jobs they anticipated. There is a well-organized movement to urge upon President-elect Harding that he revoke this order. The problem promises to be a serious one and will involve a delicate matter of politics for the Harding administration.

DRUG-SELLING IS ILLEGAL

DRUGGISTS CALLED UPON TO WATCH PRESCRIPTIONS.

Prosecution to Follow Continued Sale of Narcotics to Habitual Users.

SEATTLE, Wash., Nov. 12.—Recent ruling of the United States circuit court of appeals, received here today by William T. Books, chief of division for the bureau of internal revenue, makes the sale of narcotics for any other purpose than to alleviate suffering as a medicine unlawful, even though the purchaser presents a prescription.

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BAND MEMBERS MEET

MUSICIANS OF FAMOUS OLD ORGANIZATION DINE.

Memories of Early Portland Veterans Recalled at Session of Veteran Bandsmen. Memories of the days of long ago were revived last night when 41 men, none of whom really looked old and all of whom at one time or another were active in the famed Dodge-Whitney band or its successor, the Marine band of Portland, still later known as the First Regiment band, met in annual session at a banquet at 123 Fourth street and reviewed briefly the years of their associations together. Ralph W. Hoyt, who was the band's first leader, presided at the banquet and, after reminiscences had occupied considerable time he and the other officers of the organization were unanimously re-elected. In addition to Mr. Hoyt, these include George Fox, vice-president; F. A. Seiberling, vice-president and Virgil Coomer, secretary-treasurer. Captain Henry Jackson was elected to a new office, that of historian. The banquet brought together men now engaged in many walks of life from various parts of the state. In their turn, nearly all present arose and related one or more incidents in the long career of the band in the days when it was Portland's proudest aggregation of musicians and its fame extended up and down the whole coast. It was this outfit which staged the first Sunday concert in what was then City park, with Virgil Coomer as its leader, and those were the boys who led all of the parades through the streets of Portland and headed every military pageant and furnished the inspiration for many a brilliant festival occasion when the city was considerably younger than now. The banquet was arranged by a committee consisting of Mr. Hoyt, Mr. Coomer, Captain Hockeney, F. Collins, J. W. Alstock, Mr. Seiberling and George Fox.

SEARCH FOR BODY FAILS

BOY SAYS FATHER KILLED HIS STEPMOTHER.

Abandoned Well Fails to Verify Charge That Body Was Buried in It. LANGDON, N. H., Nov. 12.—An all-day search by county authorities failed today to disclose any trace of the body of Mrs. William B. Whitney, which her 15-year-old stepson, John Whitney, is alleged to have said he saw his father bury in a well four years ago. The well in the Whitney barnyard, which had been filled in, was dug out in the presence of Sheriff Barton. The sheriff said that tomorrow he would superintend the search of another abandoned well. Although the boy has refused to make a detailed statement, county officials are proceeding with the investigation on the basis of the story which they were informed he told neighbors. Mrs. Whitney was last seen on the night of June 26, 1916, when she and her husband attended a lecture in Alstead, nearby. Whitney told his friends that she had gone to visit relatives in Ohio, but the relatives said she had not arrived. Whitney himself disappeared October 30 last. Shortly afterward bankruptcy petitions were filed against him and charges were made that he had duplicated mortgages on his home.

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STUDENTS STAGE FOLLIES

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GIRL WIFE SEEKS DEATH

Mother of Young Woman Frustrates Attempt at Suicide.

Mrs. Mildred Foster, 19, attempted suicide last night by taking several tablets of bicarbonate of mercury, which she placed in a portion of cake. Her plans were frustrated by her mother, who returned to the home at 545 Webster street, found out what her daughter had done, and called the police. The woman had written a note to her mother, stating that she would be with her in spirit if not in body. The reason for the demonstration, a disagreement with her husband, who lives in Seattle.

HOUSE EXPELS MEMBER

Ex-Postmaster-General of Australia Accused of Disloyalty.

MELBOURNE, Australia, Nov. 12.—Mr. Mason, labor member of the house of representatives and ex-postmaster-general of Australia, has been expelled from the house on motion of the premier, who charged disloyal utterances as the reason for the deed. Half of the late Lord Mayor MacSwiney of Cork.