

ROUMANIA'S PLIGHT HELD WORST OF ALL

Vice, Oppression, Cruelty and Squalor General.

HUN MILITARISM OUTDONE

Seattle Man Who Has Just Returned From Balkans Tells of Chaotic Conditions.

SEATTLE, Wash., Nov. 25.—(Special.)—Tales of such indescribable vice, oppression, cruelty and squalor as never have come out of darkest Rumania are brought to Seattle by John Wachter of Seattle, who has just returned from a three-month visit to Rumania and Serbia.

Wachter went to Europe to bring back his wife's parents and Mrs. Matt Jung and Anna Jung, who were in desperate circumstances because of the chaotic condition of their country. They lived at Karacinafalva, near Delta, which was in Hungary before the war but which went to Rumania in the partition ordered by the peace conference.

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Rumania's government, he asserted, is more oppressive than was German militarism at its worst. Food is so high and wages so low, according to Wachter, that thousands are literally starving in the Balkan states.

A factory girl, he related, gets 25 cents a day, a carpenter 50 cents and a railroad conductor \$11 a month. In contrast to this sugar is sold at \$17.50 a pound, wheat carried 20 pounds and sugar with him and this, he said, was the first his wife's relatives had had in three years.

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MARJORIE WOOD GIVES THANKS THAT SHE HAS JOB THESE DAYS

Desert Woman in Chu Chin Chow Says Union of Actors Has Hurt Stage, but If She Is "Chased Off" She Can Earn Living as Expert Cook.

MARJORIE WOOD, the desert woman in Chu Chin Chow, thanks the gods that she is working. She doesn't particularly object to an extra hard day on Thanksgiving, because she's so glad she has something to do.



Marjorie Wood.

"So many actors these days are out of work," she said yesterday. "I don't believe in unionism for actors one bit. It has caused all the trouble in New York and managers are more careful now about putting on new plays, which is unfortunate, to say the least. There are thousands of them out of work and I certainly feel sorry for them. There is so little else they can do."

Could Cook for Living. Miss Wood has an accomplishment in reserve, however, which she likes to remember in case of a rainy day. "If I ever get 'chased off the stage,'" she says, "I can at least apply somewhere as a cook. I understand cooks at very rare. You see, my mother was married when she was 16 and she didn't know a blessed thing about cooking. She had to learn how to boil water.

"She went through acronia learning and she vowed that if she ever had a girl child she should be taught properly how to cook. I am that child, and so that is how I learned. If I ever have the good fortune to marry, I'm going to make some man a very good wife."

Personality Is Charismatic. Anyone would have found her irresistible as she looked up just then, this little person with the large eyes and curly dark hair and a personality which radiates fascination and charm.

"You ought to see me as I was yesterday when I took a walk about your city to see the sights," she laughed. "I have all the proper walking clothes, sweater, rubber suit, if necessary, and flat shoes and I have a fine time."

Miss Wood is enthusiastic about Portland. She was last here in "The Woman" about eight years ago. "It's perfectly wonderful the way in which your city has leaped up," she said. "Why, there were none of these high buildings about when I was here last."

Blameless Fellow. The Jungas had been small property owners and were in comfortable circumstances when the war broke out. This followed by a three-month stay in a woman of 29, had been working as a railroad section laborer for three years in a futile effort to make both ends meet.

With the exception of the oriental express train, service to the Balkans had been cut off entirely, Wachter said, and even this train is in such condition that an American road wouldn't use it for freight.

In spite of the fact that Wachter carried an American passport and letters from much high officials, as Secretary of State Colby, he was subjected everywhere to indignities, he declared.

But his greatest difficulty came in getting passports for his charges. "No passports for anybody," was the answer he met with everywhere and even the American consul at Bucharest, Edwin C. Kemp, was powerless to help him.

He finally went to a lawyer who told him that he could obtain the papers only by getting to bribery and he finally paid 7000 lira (about \$140 at the present low rate of exchange) for the papers.

More Difficulties Met. When he started to leave the country he met with difficulties again. There is a rule, he said, that forbids anyone to take more than \$100 out of Rumania, and he, of course, needed several times that sum to get back to Seattle with his three charges.

It cost him a "fee" of about \$40 to have this regulation waived, but this official permit was snatched from him from being robbed by officials at the Rumanian border.

Conditions in all the countries he visited were bad, Wachter said, but it was only in the Balkans that indignities were heaped upon him. In Italy, Switzerland and Austria, he said, he met with courteous treatment everywhere—although in Vienna the people are so hungry that he was almost mobbed when he was recognized as an American.

It happened to have some food with him and he gave this and 100 crowns to a man to guide him across the city.

Political conditions are chaotic in the Balkans, Wachter declared. Hundreds of families "freed" from Hungarian rule by the presentation of their homes to Rumania, have refused to live under the Rumanian government and have been deported, he asserted.

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RATE REVISION IS URGED

DISCRIMINATION CHARGED BY TILLAMOOK SHIPPERS.

Movement is on Foot to Apply to Interstate Commerce Body at Washington.

TILLAMOOK, Or., Nov. 25.—(Special.)—As Tillamook county does not have common point rates, similar to Astoria and other cities in Oregon, a movement is on foot to apply to the interstate commerce commission at Washington.

The timber and dairy interests have discussed the matter informally, but action was taken when Carl Haberlack, secretary of the Tillamook County Cream association, appeared before the county court. The city was represented by Mayor-elect Moulton, A. H. Harris and F. W. Talbot, George Watt, of the Brighton Mills company, and F. C. Baker and R. E. Miller, the chamber of commerce. Haberlack pointed out that Tillamook was discriminated against to the amount of \$200 per car, between certain points, and to eliminate this the timber owners, sawmill men, dairy association, business men, with the assistance of the county court and municipal cities in the county intend to have this discrimination removed by a detourment to the lumber, dairying and other interests of the county. The initiative will have to be taken by the chamber of commerce, and that body will have the backing of all interests in the county.

STORE INTRUDER TRAPPED Phone Cord Attached to Sliding Door Effects Capture.

HOQUIAM, Wash., Nov. 25.—(Special.)—An ingenious arrangement of a telephone cord attached to the receiver and a sliding door in the hardware store of A. V. LeClerc resulted in the capture yesterday of Fritz Klee, who gave his address as Tacoma, according to local police.

LeClerc's store is divided near the center by a partition in which is a sliding door. At night the door is closed. He attached the telephone cord to the handle of the door, so that anyone opening it would pull the receiver off the hook. He arranged with the telephone company to call him every five minutes at 10 o'clock. Klee, the police say, admitted he pulled open the door and heard the receiver fall. The telephone girl remembered instructions and called the police. Klee was trapped.

FAIR ELECTION DEC. 6 Tillamook Wants New Grounds at Fairview.

TILLAMOOK, Or., Nov. 25.—(Special.)—A special election is called for December 6 to vote on the question of purchasing a new fair grounds, as the present fair grounds are on leased property and the buildings are in such a dilapidated condition that it is a waste of money to attempt to repair them.

The election is called for the purpose of giving the county court power to purchase suitable land at Fairview, which was bought by a number of citizens for fair grounds purposes. It was the intention to hold the election at the general election but, owing to several petitions not being filed in time the county court could not call an election, or there were not sufficient names on the petitions filed.

Dealers Report Turkey Shortage. ALBANY, Or., Nov. 25.—(Special.)—Turkey were scarce on the local market this year. Dealers here say they did not have enough birds to supply the demand. During the past few days turkeys have sold here at prices varying from 45 to 55 cents.

SUGAR CROP 573,000 TONS. HONOLULU, T. H., Nov. 25.—(Special.)—Preliminary estimates received from various plantations by the sugar factors show that next year's sugar crop, if it runs true to the estimates, will be approximately 31,000 tons greater than the crop of this year.

The educational committee of the synod of Oregon also has been called to meet in connection with the trustees' meeting.

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and carried her to safety. At Fourteenth and Washington streets a woman and two children in the rear of a building were cut off by fire originating under a stairway, and, with the aid of a policeman, Chief Dillane succeeded in carrying all three persons down the stairway before the passage was completely enveloped by the flames.

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