

BANK IS ROBBED AS CITIZENS FIGHT FIRE

Unmasked Men Get \$14,500 at Plains, Mont.

LOSS IN CHICAGO HEAVY

Outlaws Who Looted 19 Deposits Boxes in Vault Obtain \$224,000—Guards Are Bound.

MISSOULA, Mont., Aug. 29.—While residents of the town of Plains, Mont., northwest of here in Sanders county, fought a fire in the W. B. Russell lumber yard, believed to be of incendiary origin, two unmasked men entered the First National bank there today and escaped with \$14,500 in currency and \$600 in liberty bonds, according to a telephone message received here.

The fire was extinguished after a few thousand feet of lumber had been burned.

CHICAGO, Aug. 29.—Robbers who last night looted 19 deposit boxes in a depository company's vaults in the Masonic temple obtained \$224,000, it was announced today. The loss is covered by insurance.

Four handbills bound the outer and inner guards of the vaults, which remain open 24 hours a day, and proceeded to work by a list which apparently carried the numbers of selected boxes, leading police to believe the robbery an "inside job." The two guards are being detained.

Morris Lipschultz, a newsboy, reported he lost \$11,300 in cash and jewelry valued at \$900.

ENID, Okla., Aug. 29.—The Garber State bank of Barber, here, was robbed this afternoon by two unmasked men, who escaped with \$2500.

WORTHINGTON TO TESTIFY

Alleged "Master Mind" in Robbery May Turn State's Evidence.

CHICAGO, Aug. 29.—That John W. Worthington, alleged "master mind" of a band of mail and bank robbers, whose loot totaled \$6,000,000, and associate of Charles W. French in many of his \$50,000,000 schemes, may turn state's evidence was indicated today when Worthington asked permission to appear in court when French is arraigned.

The American Rubber company, one of the \$2,000,000 concerns organized by French and of which Rudolph E. Kohn, another of the alleged "awindler" members, is president, was thrown into bankruptcy today on petition of a third member of the French syndicate, A. A. Stralzin of Milwaukee.

LOGGERS LINED UP, ROBBED

Money Thrown Into Corner of Shack Is Overlooked.

NEWPORT, Wash., Aug. 29.—Two robbers who broke into the office of a Sunday game of cards in the Cook shack at Somers Brook logging camp 12 miles west of Usk, Wash., last night, lined up a score of loggers and escaped with \$200 in money, \$100 in checks and a flour sack full of provisions.

One player threw \$215 into a corner and another dropped \$230 on the floor, and this the robbers overlooked.

NIPPON PREMIER UNEASY

Concern Over Question of Disarmament Indicated.

TOKIO, Aug. 29.—(By the Associated Press).—Premier Hara and Field Marshal Prince Yamagata, one of the elder statesmen, had a lengthy conversation yesterday, which newspapers here understood to have been entirely devoted to the Washington conference on disarmament and far eastern questions. It was looked upon as indicating the Field Marshal Yamagata, who has been informally named as a member of the mission to Washington, is still influential in the empire and aroused considerable speculation.

Several newspapers declared that Premier Hara has been disturbed by

the alleged insistence of the general staff that the Japanese army must be maintained at a strength of 21 divisions and that therefore he sought the counsel of the field marshal as a leader of the militarist element.

DR. MORROW WILL RETIRE

Physician to Leave Profession for Livestock and Politics.

Dr. J. W. Morrow, after more than a quarter of a century of active practice in Portland, will retire from his profession tomorrow. The doctor plans to identify himself with the Great Northwestern Livestock Loan company and to continue to keep an eye on democratic politics.

Dr. Morrow is now democratic national committeeman for Oregon, and in that capacity expects to go east soon to attend a meeting of the committee which the national chairman is preparing to call so that the committee can take stock of what the republican administration is doing. It is part of the programme of Dr. Morrow to make a tour of India, Ceylon and the far east during the coming winter, devoting about a month to India and a fortnight each to Japan, China, the Philippines and way points.

INJURIES MAY BE FATAL

Youth of Albany Riding Motorcycle Collides With Auto.

EUGENE, Or., Aug. 29.—(Special.)—Injuries which may prove fatal were sustained by Walter Matney, 22, of Albany when the motorcycle he was riding collided with a small automobile on the west side highway a mile south of Monroe, Benton county, Sunday night about 8 o'clock. Matney was brought to Mercy hospital in Eugene late last night and is in a serious condition, according to attending physicians.

Myrtle Smith of Belle Fontaine, one of the occupants of the car, sustained severe injuries. F. S. Malcolm of Monroe was bruised.

MIDDLE WEST BUYS SPUDS

About 2000 Carloads Purchased in Yakima Valley.

SEATTLE, Wash., Aug. 29.—Approximately 2000 carloads of Yakima valley potatoes have been purchased by buyers from Minnesota, Wisconsin and Illinois, it was stated here today according to Mr. Merritt of St. Paul, general agent of the refrigerator service of the Northern Pacific railroad. The purchases total approximately 32,000 tons and Yakima valley growers received from \$30 to \$31.50 a ton, Merritt said.

Hot weather in the middle west during the growing season caused heavy damage to that section's potatoes, the railroad man declared.

HIGH COURT ADJOURNS

Oregon Justices Extend Vacation Season to September 12.

SALEM, Or., Aug. 29.—(Special.)—The Oregon supreme court, following a special session here today, tonight adjourned to September 12. The court had originally planned to reconvene next Thursday, following the summer vacation, but today decided to extend the recreation period until later in the month.

This action was due, it was said, to the fact that one of two of the justices only recently completed a number of opinions which remained on their desks when adjournment for the summer vacation was taken August 1.

Fraud Affiliations Disavowed.

WINNIPEG, Aug. 29.—Operators of the \$50,000,000 "awindler" trust, arrested in Chicago, have no connection with the Great West Bank of Canada, Winnipeg and Regina, it was stated here today by Arthur Bannister, director of the General Bond corporation, which is promoting the bank.

Pigeon Breaks World Record.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 29.—A pigeon which carried a message from Mayor Thompson of Chicago to President Harding in 16 hours actual flying time for the 614½ miles broke a world's record, the department of agriculture announced today.

Fraternal Congress Meets.

CHICAGO, Aug. 29.—Nearly 4000 delegates from many parts of the United States were here today for the opening of the annual convention of the National Fraternal Congress of America.

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CONGRESS SORELY IN NEED OF REST

Hopeless Snarl Held Near Before Adjournment.

HUGHES BUSY ON ARMS

Hoover Is Tackling Problem of Russian Relief and Work of Administration.

BY MARK SULLIVAN.

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WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 29.—(Special.)—Washington hardly misses congress. For the month of the recess congress was close to a hopeless snarl, due, as many legislative activities which proceed in the absence of the legislative branch of the government is impressive.

Senate Committee Busy.

The only important part of congress left in Washington is the senate finance commission, holding hearings for a part of the week on tariff and for a part of the week on taxation. The hesitating uncertainty is whether the tariff or taxation should be disposed of first is a reflection of the lack of sureness on their minds which marks the republican leaders in the house.

The house especially is weak, not only in leadership but in average personnel. There is no need before the country more important than to build up the quality of the lower house of congress in the elections of next year.

Arms Conference Arranged.

Secretary Hughes turns from the completion of the German treaty to arranging the details of the conference for limitation of armaments. In the preparation, the chief thing now is banking up of the "agenda," a European term with which Americans must become familiar. It means the list of subjects to be taken up. In the present case it means, with equal emphasis, consideration of the topics to be avoided.

What is going on now and what will continue for several weeks is correspondence between our state department and the other powers covering suggestions.

The pressure to extend the list of questions is great and comes not merely from the powers concerned, but from other nations and other interests. Some time before the conference opens Secretary Hughes will make up a formal agenda.

Russian Relief Big Task.

Secretary Hughes, among the multitude of activities, is putting the chief emphasis this week on Russian relief. This is a huge task. The extension of the relief is by no means all of it. For that, Mr. Hoover already has an organization, which merely needs to be enlarged in its personnel. The collecting of more money from the public will probably be a little more difficult than collecting the money for central European relief a year ago.

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far the American people would like to see the management of our charity in the hands of Americans only.

On the other hand, from the European point of view, it involves problems which will demand from Mr. Hoover high qualities of wisdom and tact.

Speech May Be Keynote.

The speech is expected to be a keynote of the policy of his own department and also of some aspect of administration policy. Mr. Daugherty has achieved a high place in Washington opinion, at the time of his appointment, being chief of the most "political" choice in the cabinet. He has turned out to be that member who turns the coldest eye on representatives.

Senators and other partisans are trying to get political friends into Daugherty's department. Mr. Daugherty's resistance to the politicians is no less painful through being done with a manner of humorous gallantry. In the selection of federal judges Mr. Daugherty's recommendations have set forward rules of merit rigidly, and in the personnel of his own office here in Washington he has built up with Assistant General Solicitor General Peck and with William J. Burns as head of the secret service and many other appointments, a force of the highest ability and utterly non-political in character.

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in Yamhill county for a number of years.

CHANNEL SWIMMERS' GOAL

Four Men Preparing for Hitherto Unaccomplished Feat.

LONDON, Aug. 29.—Omer Perrault, formerly of Montreal, has arrived at Calais and intends to attempt to swim the English channel early in September. Henry Sullivan of Lowell, Mass., who failed last week, will soon try again to accomplish the feat, while Tiraboschi, the Italian swimmer, is also in training for the same goal. James Wolfe has been training for two months for his 22d attempt to conquer the channel.

Naval Officer Tried.

BOSTON, Aug. 29.—Charges against Lieutenant George Marvell, U. S. N., of conduct prejudicial to good order and naval discipline, based on his alleged refusal to make a trip from New London to Hampton Roads and return as commander of the O-4, were tried before a general court-martial at the navy-yard here today.

H. P. Davison Leaves Hospital.

NEW YORK, Aug. 29.—Henry P. Davison of J. P. Morgan & Co., on whom an operation was performed at a hospital here August 4, had progressed so far in his convalescence today that he left the hospital and went on his yacht to his Long Island country home.

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