

NITRATE INDUSTRY IS NEGLECTED NEED

Capital Awaits Encouragement in Laws Permitting Power Development.

PRODUCT WAR NECESSITY

United States Produces None of Commodity Used in Explosives and Could Be Made Helpless in Event of Hostilities.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Oct. 28.—While the Department of Commerce, backed by the entire administration, is using every available means to encourage American capital to invest in the dyestuff industry, with a view to making the United States independent of foreign producers, no part of the Administration is showing concern over the nitrate industry, which commercially financially and in a military sense is far more important. The United States imports every pound of nitrate used in the manufacture of ammunition and imports most of its fertilizers as well.

Time and again advocates of a workable water power bill have attempted to impress on the Administration and Congress the fact that if the United States should become involved in war it would be forced to import all the nitrate necessary to the manufacture of explosives. An enemy country, to render the United States powerless, need only cut off its supply of water power. It is a notorious fact that the reserve supply of powder in this country is woefully small.

Nitrate Industry Possible. It has been repeatedly shown by experts that, with proper encouragement, a nitrate industry could be built up in the United States which could supply every pound of nitrate necessary to the manufacture of explosives and it likewise has been demonstrated that the United States, under a wise water power policy, could produce a few years cut off all importation of fertilizer from abroad.

With an inadequate Navy the United States could not, at the present time, protect vessels bringing nitrates to our ports, and yet all the nitrates imported, save those from Canada at Niagara Falls, have to come to the United States by sea and the Canadian supply would be cut off, were the United States at war with Great Britain.

Moreover, the nitrate plant at Niagara Falls is inadequate, in itself, to furnish the material necessary to the manufacture of explosives. It would require should it become involved in war.

Looking at the matter from a commercial standpoint, there is a very good reason for encouraging a nitrate industry in the United States, that for building up a dyestuff industry.

Dyestuffs Value Is Less. Statistics compiled by the Department of Commerce show that the value of various forms of nitrates imported into the United States is three times the value of dyes and dyestuffs. The value of nitrates for the past three years, give the value of imports as follows:

Table with 3 columns: Year (1913, 1914, 1915), Dyes and dyestuffs, Nitrates. Values range from \$1,091,000 to \$3,815,000.

On the other hand, no nitrates are manufactured here, although the discovery by the Interior Department is said to have solved the problem of extracting nitrates from alunite, which is found in the West in deposits in some of the Western States.

Capital Awaits Encouragement. With proper encouragement American capital stands ready to invest liberally in the nitrate business, especially in the West, a country that industry is built up, it would find a market not only for \$35,000,000 worth of nitrates, in various forms, now imported from other lands, but for an increased quantity that will be made necessary when the Government enters upon the program of preparedness, which involves the manufacture of vast quantities of ammunition, along with other things.

The present conservation policy of the Government drove to Niagara Falls, Canada, one American corporation which had intended to develop water power and manufacture nitrates in Alabama. It also disheartened other capitalists who have had dreams of building up a big nitrate business in the West, and our ships will be laden with the fruits of our factories, farms and forests.

Deep Impress Made on West. "Indeed, we should be happy, contented, grateful people. This exposition will have made its impression on the West for all time to come."

Many prominent persons from Portland were present, among them Charles R. Moore, Julius Meier, H. L. Pittcock and Senator S. B. Huston.

Mr. De Young presented Governor Withycombe with a box of jewels from the Tower of Jewels, in place of the customary bronze medal.



ROBERT FAY (RIGHT) AND DETECTIVE GEORGE BARBITZ, OF NEW YORK POLICE DEPARTMENT, WHO PICKED UP CLEW LEADING TO ARREST OF FAY AND WALTER L. SCHOLZ.

BOMB TRIAL TO WAIT

German Conspiracy Is to Be Traced to Source.

EXPLOSIVE'S USE FEARED

Government Plans Investigation to Determine Associates of Men Accused of Design to Destroy Allies' Supply Ships.

PICKFORD SHOW OPENS

"TRILBY" IS ATTRACTION AT REMODELED STAR THEATER.

NEW YORK, Oct. 30.—Although the cases of Robert Fay, the confessed German bomb plotter, and four other men charged with conspiracy to blow up steamers bearing supplies to the allies, probably will be taken before the Federal grand jury next Wednesday, United States District Attorney Marshall said today the Government would not hasten prosecutions.

"Fay's associations, his purchases of explosives, experiments with bombs and his sources of financial aid, together with his previous standing in Germany," Mr. Marshall said, "are to be made the subject of minute inquiry."

"Fay's arrest, after he had been watched for weeks, was ordered because it was feared he was on the verge of making use of the bombs which he had prepared," said Mr. Marshall, "but now that we have him in custody the Government will deliberately continue to investigate all the ramifications of the plotting, if there were any ramifications."

So far we have no evidence to show that Fay acted on other than his own responsibility."

BAN ON IN WASHINGTON

Sheriff Announces Intention to Enforce Sunday Closing.

HILLSBORO, Or., Oct. 30.—(Special.)—Sheriff J. E. Reeves this week notified all grocery stores, confectioneries, cigar stores, garages and all business houses not excepted by the statute, to close their doors tomorrow. "The notice was given after the sheriff had received several letters of complaint and

OLD-TIME RESIDENT OF PORTLAND PASSES AWAY

Alphonse Lenoir, for the past 25 years a resident of Portland, died at his home, 364 Fourteenth street, Saturday morning after a lingering illness.

Mr. Lenoir was born at Vitcy Le Francois, Champagne, France, March 5, 1842. Brought up in the center of the wine industry of France, Mr. Lenoir at one time was superintendent of the winery on the ranch of "Lucky" Baldwin at San Gabriel. After coming to Portland Mr. Lenoir engaged in the family liquor business, but retired ten years ago.

Mr. Lenoir leaves a widow, Louise Lenoir and two children, Rene Lenoir, of the engineering department, the C. W. R. & N., and Mrs. Suzanne Miller, wife of Henry Miller, of the French Bakery Co.

MR. COLT EXPLAINS TALK

Realty Men Not Referred to Particularly in Business Address.

"In laying down the rule before the Realty Board Friday that people should mind their own business instead of running around with chips on their shoulders, I did not refer particularly to real estate men more to any class, so far as public affairs are concerned," said C. C. Colt, president of the Portland Chamber of Commerce, last night.

CANAL RATE IS MODIFIED

Garrison Suspends Classification Pending Investigation.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 30.—Secretary Garrison temporarily suspended today classified freight rates on the Panama Railroad, which steamship companies asserted would force them to abandon service between the Atlantic and Pacific coasts until the Canal is reopened.

9 SPIES EXECUTED

German Uncover Plot to Dynamite Railways.

WOMEN SENT TO PRISON

Espionage System Declared to Have Been Widespread, Having Been Under Direction of Wife of French Army Officer.

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LONDON, Oct. 30.—Nine persons who were convicted October 26 of espionage in Belgium were executed yesterday, according to the Amsterdam correspondent of Reuter Telegram Company, who says this information was received in an official telegram from Berlin.

Ten other persons, including three women, were sentenced to penal servitude. The correspondent's dispatch follows:

"An official telegram from Berlin says that in the last few days two additional important espionage cases have been detected in Belgium and Northern France. In Belgium 21 persons have been arrested."

"It is alleged that after having confined their energies for some months to obtaining news by espionage and sending it to France by way of Holland, they became bolder in September, planning to dynamite railways and buildings, besides assisting persons of military age to escape from Belgium to France. Among those arrested are four women, the principal charge against them being that they were endangering the safety of the German army."

"The espionage system reported to have been discovered in France is alleged to have been managed by the wife of a French army officer. It is charged that she received her instructions direct from the French military authorities."

"Other Women Under Arrest. Two other women are also under arrest, and, according to Berlin, the extent to which the system of espionage is organized is indicated by the fact that the arrested persons figure

MILWAUKEE PARENTS ARE SEEKING WANDERING SON

Dominick Fellal, formerly a resident of South Milwaukee, is said to have been of their 17-year-old son, who has been missing from his home for more than two months.

Dominick is said to have been of a roving disposition and never contented with the sort of work that was outlined for him. He was given several heads of cattle by friends of his family in the endeavor to get him to stay at home and "settle down," but the friends' efforts proved unavailing.

Dominick is described as being undersized but intelligent and polite. Any information of his whereabouts should be communicated to C. James Ivey, Milwaukee, Dominick's father says that he will not be responsible for any bills that his son incurs.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE MEETING

Members meeting of the Chamber of Commerce, Monday, 8 P. M., Presentation of the Astoria rate case.—Adv.

FARM SYSTEM IS OUTLINED

Klamath Agriculturist Urges Elimination of "Losing" Cows.

RELIEF PROMISED POLAND

Americans to Act if Consent of Allies Is Obtained.

CHARTER MEETING CALLED

Oregon City Mayor Summons Electors to Consider Measure.

NEW-WAY WONDER FOR CORNS, "GETS-IT"

The Big Surprise for Corn Owners. It's Sure, Simple, Safe, Quick.

Listen to the wee story of "Gets-It," the world's greatest corn remedy. It's a short story—only about two feet.—"Mary had a little 'Gets-It,' and corns upon her toe; and every time she put on 'Gets-It,' the corn was sure to go." Mary, like thousands of others, used to be a heroine, suffering martyrdom by using painful, irritating salves, sticky tape, toe-harnesses, blood-bringing razors and calluses, warts and bunions.

In it Use "Gets-It" applied in 2 seconds. Easy, simple, new way—just rub it on. It never fails. You can wear smaller shoes now. You don't have to limp around any more, or walk on the side of your shoes to try to get away from your corns. You can get it before you use "Gets-It," that the corn or callus is going away. For corns, calluses, warts and bunions.

"Gets-It" is sold by all druggists, 25c a bottle, or sent direct by E. Lawrence & Co., Chicago. Sold in Portland by The Owl Drug Co., 21 stores on the Pacific Coast.

PORTLAND ASTONISHED BY SIMPLE MIXTURE

Portland people are astonished at the INSTANT action of simple buckthorn bark, glycerine, etc., as mixed in Alder-Ika. ONE SPOONFUL removes such surprising foul matter as worms almost ANY CASE constipation, sour stomach or gas. Because Alder-Ika acts on BOTH lower and upper bowel, a few doses often relieve or prevent appendicitis. A short treatment helps chronic stomach trouble. The Huntley Drug Company, Fourth and Washington.

ANNOUNCEMENT

A CARLOAD OF BEAUTIFUL KNABE PIANOS Including Uprights, Grands and Players, and Will Be on Display, Beginning Monday, Nov. 1, at the Warehouses of THE REED-FRENCH PIANO MFG. CO., Teath and Stark Sts.

PARENTS SHOULD KNOW THIS SPLENDID REMEDY

Simple Laxative Compound Helps to Correct Constipation in Children.

With all children there are times when the bowels fail to act naturally and it becomes necessary for the parents to administer a remedy. Cathartics and purgatives should never be used as these agents afford only temporary relief while their violent action shocks the system unduly. Mrs. Iva F. Gaff, 517 10th st., Washington, D. C., says that her little girl, Marie, had been subject to constipation, and that she found Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin the best remedy because of its mildness, and now always keeps a bottle of it in the house.

Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin is a compound of simple laxative herbs, free from opiates or narcotic drugs of any kind, and is an ideal remedy for children because of its mild action and positive effect. Its use tends to strengthen the impaired bowel action and restore normal regularity. It is important that parents should know of a dependable remedy with no unpleasant after effects, griping or strain.

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a business manager system of municipal government, such as is in use at La Grande.

E. D. BALDWIN POLK GUEST

Secretary of Republican Committee Pleas With Prospects.

DALLAS, Or., Oct. 30.—(Special.)—Edward D. Baldwin, secretary of the Republican state central committee, was in Dallas today as a guest of Walter L. Toole, Jr., state committeeman.

Mr. Baldwin said he found conditions here very favorable and from his investigation feels that next year Polk County would roll up more than its usual majority for the National ticket. Polk County is, in line with other sections of the state visited by him, indicative of a general movement throughout the state to return to the party of prosperity. Mr. Baldwin will leave soon for Washington, D. C.

County Pays \$489,756 to State.

County Treasurer Lewis yesterday made his final payment to the state of Multnomah County's share of the state tax. He sent a check for \$489,756.14. This is exclusive of \$31,250, which Mr. Lewis was restrained by court order from turning over. It goes to pay interest on the Interstate bridge bonds.

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