

PROSPEROUS ERA JUST IN OFFING

Portland and Northwest Come Back Strong.

EYES OF WORLD ON CITY

Dawn of Tremendous Business Revival Seen.

ONWARD RUSH STARTED

1925 Fair Adds Impetus to Expenditure of Millions for New Industrial Enterprises.

BY W. H. WARREN.

Portland is on the eve of a mighty forward step, Oregon is coming into its own and the entire northwest looms as the most prosperous section in the United States. With a world's exposition of huge proportions scheduled for 1925, focusing the eyes of Christendom upon it, this city stands out pre-eminently as the one municipality with men of vision and courage sufficiently great to undertake such an Herculean task during the days when even the most optimistic of our financiers did not actually know what was coming out of the overcast industrial skies. But their faith has been justified and will be visualized during the coming four years.

While there is still much to be desired in the way of a clearing of problems incidental to full recovery from war-time difficulties and while unemployment is among the features which must be reckoned with, nevertheless, there is ample reason for a far more optimistic feeling on the part of the people of this section.

Timber Deal Inspires Optimism.

There is a much better feeling in lumber circles and that is one of the most significant things in this section of the country. Nothing is a longer time has done more to create a favorable impression in this regard than the closing of a deal last week whereby 27,000 acres in the Nehalem district, owned by the Oregon American Lumber company, was transferred to the Central Coke & Coal company of Kansas City, Mo., of which Charles Keith, one of the world's largest lumber operators, is president. The fact that Mr. Keith is an operator and not a speculator, is a significant feature of the deal. The consideration was \$7,000,000.

Immediately following the closing of the deal here, announcement was made that 500 men would be employed at once to work on completion of the United Railways line to the properties, significance of the fact that the purchasers will proceed at once to take out the big timber and cut it into lumber, and that will ultimately mean construction of very large mills at a big financial outlay by the company itself or in co-operation with some other contemplated plant.

Perfect Makes Progress.

In this connection it may be stated that the magnificent new projected plant of the Peninsula Lumber company, of which F. C. Knapp is president, is going ahead nicely. It is to be located just north of the present mill, which is about one-half the size of the proposed one. There will be an outlay of capital on this plant of approximately \$250,000. Mr. Knapp has always had the fullest faith in Oregon's future and has associated with him men of vast means who will stand with him in his projects to the limit.

There is no doubt in the world that the lumber business of this section is due for a revival on a very large scale, for it cannot be otherwise, considered from the viewpoint of necessity to be brought about by renewed business activity throughout the whole country and the rapid development of the west.

BOMB ROCKS CHICAGO DOWN-TOWN DISTRICT

EXPLOSION IS ATTRIBUTED TO LABOR TROUBLE.

Blast Breaks Hundreds of Windows in Business Section, but No One Is Injured.

CHICAGO, Aug. 28.—A bomb explosion in the Columbia theater shortly after midnight shook the entire business district. The theater was empty at the time, not yet having been reopened for the season. Several persons were reported, however, to have been injured by flying glass.

According to the police, the explosion was due to labor troubles. The explosion took place at 12:19 A. M. The bomb had been placed at the entrance to the stage door in an alley. The force of the blast shattered the heavy steel door and broke hundreds of surrounding windows. The interior of the theater itself was not damaged.

The Columbia theater is a burlesque house, on what is known as the Columbia "wheel." Recently it has been covered with "unfair" notices as a result, it was said, of trouble with the musicians' union. The headquarters of the Columbia "wheel" is in New York and it operates a chain of theaters in a score of cities, mostly in the east.

The theater is located in the heart of the business district and the sound of the blast attracted thousands to the scene. A special detail of police was called to clear the streets and aided firemen in keeping back the crowd.

After a hurried investigation it was announced that the bomb apparently was a steel cylinder, had contained black powder. Parts of the casing were found imbedded deep in the walls of surrounding buildings. The damage to the theater was not serious, the interior being untouched.

As a result of the explosion a guard of police was placed about the Columbia and several other theaters which have also been involved in labor disputes.

TAX BILL TO HAVE LEAD

Committee Decides to Put Measure Ahead of Tariff.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 27.—The senate finance committee decided today to put the tax bill ahead of the tariff. Consideration of the revenue measure will begin next Thursday, by which time hearings on the tariff already scheduled will have been concluded.

Chairman Pegrose announced that he has the hope of the committee to have the bill passed by the house ready for submission to the senate when it reconvenes September 21. He did not make known whether hearings on the tax question would be held.

He also announced that the hearings on the sugar schedule of the tariff measure would be indefinitely postponed.

GRAIN NOW COMING FAST

Records Broken in Movement of Wheat to Portland.

What is coming from the interior to Portland is greater volume than ever before. In the week just ended receipts were 1,604,100 bushels, which breaks all records for this market. In the preceding week the receipts, then the largest on record, were 1,327,300 bushels. The arrivals for this week of last year were 429,400 bushels.

Since the beginning of the grain year Portland wheat receipts amount to 7,136,900 bushels. This is 4,100,200 bushels more than the combined receipts of Tacoma and Seattle in the same period.

CAMPERS HIT BY TORNADO

Children Blown Against Barbed- Wire Fence and Hurt.

DENTON, Tex., Aug. 27.—Two children of a party of campers were blown from their wagon against a barbed-wire fence and seriously injured by a tornado which swept the Navarro community, northeast of Denton, yesterday afternoon, according to word received here today.

Property damage was estimated at \$100,000.

GERMANY SHAKEN BY ASSASSINATION

Political Murder Is Held Blow at Nation.

PRICE RIOTS CAUSE FEAR

Demonstration by 40,000 Persons Held in Munich.

STORM SIGNALS SEEN

Erzberger's Friends Declare Death Carries Irony Because of Enmity to Chancellor Wirth.

BERLIN, Aug. 27.—(By the Associated Press.)—No single event in post-revolutionary Germany has unleashed partisan fury with such vehemence as the assassination of Matthias Erzberger, which is discussed in Berlin in degrees of passion that apparently know no restraint.

President Ebert has authorized the government to offer a reward of 100,000 marks for the apprehension of information leading to the arrest of the assassin of Erzberger.

Demonstrations in Munich against high prices and the alleged reactionary methods of the Bavarian authorities have added to the government's discontent.

Murder Held Political One.

The assassination of Herr Erzberger, which is viewed here as an abhorrent political murder, and the situation in Munich are regarded as having the aspects of storm signals, the results of which cannot be foretold at this hour.

The government has given public expression of its repugnance at the killing of the ex-vice-chancellor, who not only was a personal friend of Chancellor Wirth, but also was a close party colleague of the chancellor.

Herr Erzberger generally was counted as attached to the left wing of the clerical party, in opposition to ex-Chancellor Fehrenbach, Dr. Peter Spaun and other centrist veterans, who never disguised their political differences with Herr Erzberger.

Erzberger Threatens Wirth.

That the latter, in the event of his reappearance in politics in support of the present government, threat, by reason of the bitter political enmity to him in many quarters, to become a menace to Chancellor Wirth's administration, was commonly conceded.

Irony Seen in Murder.

Friends of the chancellor are quoted as privately commenting that the murder carries a certain irony in that it freed the chancellor of a menacing political incumbency.

The Bavarian officials, in more than apprehensive respect to the ramifications threatened in the Bavarian situation, which now is resolving itself into a final test of strength between Premier Kaas and his faithful chief of police, Poehner, on the one hand, and the labor elements on the other. In political circles here, however, it is considered that the Bavarian officials will have to work out their own salvation, as the central government in Berlin, for various reasons, has not felt it possible to come to their rescue. In this connection, moreover, political observers point out that Berlin and Munich governments have not given indications of over-attention for each other.

40,000 Take Part in Riots.

The demonstrations in Munich against high prices and alleged reactionary methods of the Bavarian authorities were participated in by 40,000 people. One man was killed and one wounded in the process of dispersing the demonstrators, which was effected by the police and soldiers without serious trouble.

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PRESIDENT'S STOOGES UNPOPULAR IN SENATE

SOLONS PUFF DILIGENTLY, BUT WITHOUT JOY.

Economical Tobacco Pleasing Only to Mr. Harding and Secretary Mellon of Pittsburg.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 27.—(Special.)—President Harding is facing a real revolt in the senate, more serious than peace with Germany or joining the league of nations. The row is brewing over the brand of White House cigars.

Senators who have gone to the White House to transact business or swap information in the tobacco smoke of the president's office have been coming out with a stogie stuck between their lips, puffing diligently.

Senator Sutherland of West Virginia went to the executive offices today to discuss the mine situation. He emerged with a crooked stogie and no sign of smoke. Standing on the steps he wasted a box of matches. "I don't seem to be able to light this cigar," the president gave me," he muttered regretfully.

Mr. Harding and Secretary Mellon, the multi-millionaire cabinet member, seem to have no difficulty with their economical form of using tobacco. Mr. Mellon is from Pittsburg.

FAIR WEATHER PREDICTED

Normal Temperature Forecast for Pacific Coast States.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 27.—Weather predictions for the week beginning Monday:

Rocky mountain and plateau regions and Pacific states—Generally fair and normal temperature.

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The Weather. YESTERDAY'S—Maximum temperature, 78 degrees; minimum, 53 degrees. TODAY'S—Fair; northwesterly winds.

Domestic. Meal for 15 cents offered in New York. Swindle suspect's claim is disputed. Section 1, page 1.

Chicago's downtown district. Section 1, page 1.

Steadyship company accused of fraud. Section 1, page 1.

Captain W. R. Stearns Cordova says Canadian importer is afloat. Section 1, page 1.

Race for governor launched in Idaho. Section 1, page 1.

Exhibitors assure great Oregon state fair. Section 1, page 1.

Mr. Stubbs, alleged murderer, says police report quiet. Section 1, page 1.

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IMPORTER BELIEVED TO HAVE GONE DOWN

FLOATING LUMBER IS SIGHTED AT REPORTED LOCATION.

Steamer Canadian Winner Declares Doom of Disabled Freighter Apparently Is Spelled.

SEATTLE, Wash., Aug. 27.—Doom of the Canadian Merchant Marine freighter Canadian importer, disabled for more than a week, 623 miles southwest of the Columbia river light-ship, apparently was spelled by lumber floating about at her reported position, according to a radio message received here tonight from the steamer Canadian Winner, which had gone to the aid of the disabled vessel.

The Canadian Winner's message said: "Arrived at scene. Lumber scattered over surface of water. Think it part cargo Canadian importer. Our position latitude 39 degrees, 41 minutes north; longitude 137 degrees, 39 minutes west. Visibility poor. Moderate sea. Have been searching all day and will continue tonight."

The United States coast guard cutter Snohomish late tonight reported her position as 70 miles west of Seattle, and said she was speeding to the scene of the wreck, in the hope of picking up survivors.

ASTORIA, Or., Aug. 27.—(Special.)—What caused the disaster to the British steamer Canadian importer, which has been drifting helplessly at sea since Friday, August 19, is a mystery, which Captain C. V. Westlund, master of the Cordova, arriving today, is expected to solve.

MOB IS RIDDLED BY MACHINE GUNS

British India Is Made Military Area.

MADRAS, India, Aug. 27.—(By the Associated Press.)—The Malabar district of British India has been proclaimed a military area.

This action was taken because of the serious aspect which the rioting by the Mohals, or Mohammedan inhabitants of Arab descent, had assumed in the district.

During the last week there have been several cases of lootings and burnings. On Monday last Magistrate Batty, with an armed force, proceeded to Pattambi, where a mob of Mohals marching on the railway was encountered.

Machine Guns Used.

The mob came rushing on and machine guns were fired. It was believed the casualties must have been heavy, although the number is not known.

The police station at Charapalchary was burned during rioting by Mohammedan inhabitants.

Concentration of the necessary troops in the disturbed area of north India has been completed, said an official communique issued today, and those sections which have been occupied by the military were reported quiet.

The total number of military casualties since the outbreak were given as one officer killed and two of the ranks missing.

The steamer Nawab is expected to arrive at Calicut from Bombay Sunday with supplies.

LONDON, Aug. 27.—Owing to the serious character of the riots in the Malabar district of British India and the possibility of a general spread of the disorders, the Daily Telegraph today said it understands the government of India, with the concurrence of Edward Spencer Montagu, secretary of state for India, has decided to take action "against the prominent personages held responsible for the greater part of the recent troubles in India."

Patience Limit Held Reached.

It is felt, said the newspaper, that the limit of patience has been reached by the Indian government. It is understood, it adds, that the authorities are fully prepared for fresh efforts to quell disorders, should the preventive action now being taken not meet with success.

Just who the "prominent personages" alluded to in the foregoing may be is not clear. It seems possible, however, that leaders of the native Indian nationalistic movement, of whom Mahatma Gandhi is the chief, may be meant. The movement headed by Gandhi, however, is conducted along lines of avoidance of violence, the method advocated being that of non-co-operation with the British regime in India, or the virtual boycott of all things British within the Indian realm.

ERNAD TREASURY IS LOOTED

Prisoners Are Released; Moham- medan Faith Forced on Two.

CALICUT, British India, Aug. 27.—Rioters looted the treasury at Ernad (Concluded on Page 2, Column 1.)

MEAL FOR 15 CENTS OFFERED IN GOTHAM

FILL OF BEANS OR SPAGHETTI PROMISED CUSTOMERS.

CASUALTIES THOUGHT HEAVY

Attack on Railway Halted by Armed Force.

LOOTING IS REPORTED

Police Station at Charapalchary Is Burned During Rioting by Mohammed Inhabitants.

AIR ACROBAT SUCCUMBS

Which Mystifies Doctors.

THE DALLES, Or., Aug. 27.—(Special.)—After having defied death thousands of times in acrobatic stunts so daring that motion-picture companies filmed them for exhibition all over the world, Douglas D. Clark last night died in The Dalles from a mysterious malady which local doctors were unable to diagnose.

The disease that caused Clark's death is new to local doctors, according to Dr. A. B. Stone, who, with two other physicians, treated the case. Death was brought about by paralysis of the vocal chords and throat muscles, accompanied by a swelling which filled the throat and brought about strangulation, according to Dr. Stone. Clark was also known on the Pacific coast as the "human fly" because of his ability to scale city skyscrapers with but meager footholds. He is survived by his father, W. H. Clark, of Chico, Cal.

GIRL HELD AS PATRICIDE

Suspect and Mother Are Accused of Murder at Home.

BEARDSTOWN, Ky., Aug. 27.—A warrant was issued here today for the arrest of Allie Nolan Vance, 14-year-old daughter of Charles Vance, who was shot and killed in his bed at the Vance home near here August 18.

A coroner's jury held the girl and her mother "culpable of the act." No warrant, the authorities said, had been issued for Mrs. Vance, whose status, it was announced, would be determined later. The girl was not placed in jail, but is in the custody of a guard.

The girl and her mother testified at the inquest that just previous to the shooting Mrs. Vance, who was the father of the girl, had been talking to her because she persisted in receiving the attentions of a young man to whom Vance objected.

MRS. HAWLEY ARRESTED

Complainant in Sensational Divorce Case Booked as Traffic Violator.

Mrs. Marjorie Hawley of Oregon City, best known in connection with her sensational suit for divorce last winter, was last night cited to appear before Municipal Judge Rosman tomorrow to answer charges of driving through the city with glaring headlights.

She was arrested at 10 o'clock by Speed Officer Pierre of the traffic department at the corner of East Twentieth and Division streets. Disarray crossed her face when the officer stopped her car.

"Oh, please keep it out of the papers. I don't want any notoriety," she said.

BRITISH ATTITUDE ON ERIN HARDENS

Negotiations Are Now at Critical Stage.

PRESS ANALYZES SITUATION

Time Declared at Hand to Get Down to Business.

VALERA'S STAND VAGUE

English Meet Difficultly in Trying to Find Just What Repub- lican Leader Means.

LONDON, Aug. 27.—(By the Associated Press.)—The Irish negotiations now have reached the critical stage in the British view, as mirrored by the great majority of newspapers, including those previous supporters of home rule and those advanced liberal newspaper such as the Daily News and the Manchester Guardian, which in the past have gone almost as far as the Sinn Fein.

They think the Sinn Fein declarations of general principles have gone far enough and that the time has come for dropping declarations of principles and getting down to the business of arranging terms, if the Sinn Fein proposes to negotiate the proposals which the government offered to set forth in detail in Prime Minister Lloyd George's first letter.

Valera Expected to Act.

The general belief expressed is that Eamon de Valera, the Irish republican leader, having said all that is necessary to assure Irishmen of the Sinn Fein's theoretical standpoint, will do this.

The British find it difficult to analyze Mr. de Valera's exact position from whatever light his latest note throws upon it. There is the belief, or at least the hope, that the policy of the Irish republican cabinet will be, while constantly affirming Ireland's claim to independence, to negotiate at the same time terms for dominion status under the new watchword of "consent of the governed"—in other words, that, while clinging to the assertion of the inherent right to independence, the cabinet will "consent" to accept dominion status, bargaining in the last ditch for the nearest possible approach to independence.

Referendum Is Hoped.

It is hoped here that the final solution may rest upon a referendum of the Irish people. The New Statesman, which is the most solid organ of the labor movement and a consistent and well-informed friend of Ireland, has asserted that four-fifths of the Irish people would vote for acceptance of the British terms. Every observer in Ireland, it said, agrees that the people are tired to death of guerrilla fighting and are finding rare enjoyment of freedom to live their normal lives which the truth has given them.

If the Irish republican cabinet eventually refuses the British terms, a referendum of the British people probably will follow in the form of the British government resorting to a general election to give the country a chance to reject or confirm the government's policy.

Sentiment Is Hardening.

Judging from the newspapers again, there is a distinct hardening of British sentiment in the direction of coercing the Irish with more force than hitherto has been used. British sentiment, they declare, would approve this, based on the feeling that the government has offered every generous concession and that the acceptance of Ireland could not possibly be permitted.

Ulster apparently is giving no help to a compromise and Mr. De Valera (Concluded on Page 3, Column 1.)

NEWS EVENTS OF WEEK ARE PORTRAYED BY CARTOONIST PERRY.

