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POLICE ARREST BARNACLE CREW

Counterfeiting Charge Against Men Who Sailed on Romantic Trip in "Gold Craft"

MEN SHOW FIGHT

Complete Counterfeiting Outfit Found by Secret Service Men Aboard Barnacle

SHIP LEFT HERE MARCH 21

at Desperate Struggle—Men Arrested are Syd Wilson, Frank Harris, David Poste, All Well Known on Coos Bay.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 15.—Three men giving their names as Syd Wilson, owner; David Poste and Frank Harris, were arrested aboard the sloop Barnacle of Coos Bay, here today by United States operatives held on a charge of counterfeiting. The vessel arrived here from Coos Bay March 26. A complete counterfeiting outfit was found and the men put up a desperate struggle before being overpowered.

News of the arrest of the owners and crew of the Barnacle on a counterfeiting charge will come as a startling surprise here where they are all well known.

Syd Wilson was a former bar tender at the Chandler Hotel bar and her saloons here and in North Bend. David Poste claimed to have been a newspaper man, but spent several months black sand mining in Mexico. Poste also tried to interest the Marshfield Chamber of Commerce in a scheme to commission Barnacle as an advertising idea for its voyage as a gold-hunting ship on the coasts of Mexico and Central America that there never was a whispee of suspicion that everything was not as represented.

The day after the Barnacle sailed, however, it was reported that several movable objects disappeared from the bay simultaneously with their leaving.

An anchor was lost from the Seaside collier when it was in the bay. The Barnacle went down the bay, it is said, in the night. The craft, 36 feet long and six feet wide, was built on Pony Island by the men, David Poste asked the Chamber of Commerce for \$75 a month to advertise Coos Bay on its trip. This was refused. The men sailed on a trial trip and took several citizens with them down the bay. It is known they asked two or three men to join in with them.

DECISION PLEASES

JUDGE COKE'S DECISION SUSTAINED IN TAX CASE

Decision of Judge Coke in the court this week in the Sumner court which will cause the owners Oregon Land Co. to pay out \$149,000 into the coffers of the county treasury for two years was a welcome news to Judge Coke who returned last evening from Gold Beach where he conducted a term of the equity court. The suit when brought before Judge Coke under the administration of Sheriff Gage, sought to return the county from selling any of the company's lands for taxes, pending the outcome of litigation between the United States and itself. He was denied by Judge Coke, despite the fact the officials of the county brought the money into court, claiming the willingness to pay as soon as definite word was received as to their title to the lands involved.

His decision Judge Coke then rendered. The deposit of the amount due taxes does not in our opinion strengthen the plaintiff's case and, while brief and argument of the county, have failed to convince us that any holding is incorrect." Hamden and Hollister, of North Bend, presented the company and District Attorney Lilljeqvist appeared for the county.

One day was necessary in the beach for court work. Judge Hamden found the county roads in very good condition. The road there, he says, is well adapted to stand up under heavy traffic and where the roads have been recently laid out they are in good condition.

JOHN BUNNY IS ILL

FAMOUS MOVIE ACTOR IS AT DEATH'S DOOR

Man Who Has Made Millions Laugh Goes Down Into the Valley of the Shadow

NEW YORK, April 15.—John Bunny, whose face is known to millions of movie picture devotees, is at death's door today with a complication of kidney and heart ailments. He has been ill for three weeks.

BRITISH LOSSES BIG

TOTAL CASUALTIES NEARLY 140,000 TO APRIL 11.

Under Secretary of War Makes Official Announcement in House of Commons Today

LONDON, April 15.—Total British casualties in the war from the beginning of hostilities up to April 11 is 139,347, according to an announcement in the House of Commons this afternoon by Under Secretary of War Tennant.

IMMIGRATION HERE

COMMISSIONER GENERAL IS TO MAKE INVESTIGATION

Will Make Extended Tour of Washington, Oregon and California At Once.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 15.—To get first hand information of immigration problems, Commissioner General of Immigration Caminetti left today for an extended tour of Washington, Oregon and California. He is also looking into a plan for aiding the unemployed through the use of government land.

SHAVES EXPENSES

WEED OUT UNNECESSARY WITNESSES IS PLAN

L. A. Lilljeqvist Sets Stage for Circuit Court. Clay Church Sues for \$5,491 for Injuries

A general boiling down of testimony and thereby of witnesses has been going on here today since the appearance in the city of District Attorney Lilljeqvist. With 29 or more criminal cases on the docket for consideration, each one involving from three to six witnesses, a move is now under way to ascertain as much as possible ahead of time a idea of what each witness knows, this to result in cutting from the expense list those who would be of little value in the cases.

With this list prepared the district attorney put in a busy day and will probably be here tomorrow. He says that the stage is all set for the "big show." The criminal docket of this term will be heavier than any docket in years.

INLAND TEACHERS MEET

Two Thousand Pedagogues of the Northwest in Attendance—Mothers' Congress in Session

SPOKANE, April 15.—The Seventeenth annual meeting of the Inland Empire Teachers' Association met here today with 2000 teachers from Oregon, Idaho, Washington and Montana in attendance. The fifth annual convention of the Washington Branch of the National Congress of Mothers and Parent Teachers' Association also began.

NEW HEAD OF LATTER DAY SAINTS

Frederick Smith Succeeds His Father as Director of Large Religious Organization.

LAMONI, Iowa, April 15.—Frederick M. Smith was elected president of the reorganized church of Latter Day Saints, to succeed his father, the late Joseph Smith, according to an announcement today.

MORE THAN CENTURY OLD

Patrick Lloyd is Dead in New Brunswick at the Age of 108 Years

CHATHAM, New Brunswick, April 15.—Patrick Lloyd is dead at Millbank, near here in his 108th year. He was born at Limerick, Ireland, on St. Patrick's Day, 1808.

FRENCH CLAIM TO BE VICTORS

Official Statement Says Heavy Artillery Wrecked German Trenches

PARIS, April 15.—The official statement this afternoon says: "Near La Holselle our heavy artillery completely wrecked the German trenches. In the Argonne near Fontaine Aux Charles a local engagement took place from trench to trench in which we gained an advantage. Our ascendancy over the Germans at this point is becoming more and more pronounced.

GAIN ASCENDANCY

Claim to be Masters of the Principal German Trenches in the Argonne

LE PETRE FOREST ADVANCE

Say They Have Maintained Previous Gains and Stopped Counter Attack by Machine Guns—Further Advance.

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"An extension of our front at Allywood was maintained against a counter attack. Our progress rendered us masters of the principal German trench and to the north of this trench we also gained ground 400 yards long by 100 deep.

In the Le Pretre-forest we maintained our gains yesterday and stopped a counter attack by machine guns.

"In Alsace, north of La Lauche, we advanced 1500 yards toward Schneiften-Heitkopf.

NOTHING DOING

BERLIN, April 15.—(Wireless to Sayville.)—The official statement today says: "Between the Meuse and Moselle Rivers there was nothing of importance transpired more than isolated engagements. French attacks near Marcheville, in and around the Le Pretre forest, north-east of Manoviller and south of Hartmanns-Wellerkopf, failed. In the East the situation is unchanged."

DUTCH TRAWLERS ARE SEIZED BY GERMANS

Four Fishing Vessels Captured and Taken Into Cuxhaven by German Warships

MUIDEN, The Netherlands, April 15.—Local owners of a steam trawling fleet have been notified that four of their trawlers flying the flag of Holland were seized by German warships and taken into Cuxhaven.

HURRY WAR SUPPLIES

Important Committee Organized in Great Britain to Speed up the Ammunition Orders

LONDON, April 15.—An important committee under the chairmanship of David Lloyd George to organize and speed up the supply munitions of war was completed today.

ANOTHER ZEPPELIN RAID ON ENGLAND

German Airship Makes Extensive Flight Over Northeastern Coast—Not Much Damage

LONDON, April 15.—England experienced another Zeppelin raid last night when a German airship made an extensive flight over the northeastern coast in an attempt to damage shipbuilding works along the River Tyne. With the exception of negligible damage to property and slight injury to two civilians, the attack was fruitless.

HAVE LINES UNDER SUBMARINE IN HONOLULU

Work of Raising F4 Will be Completed Soon—No Holes are Visible in Vessel

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 15.—Rear Admiral Moore, at Honolulu, summarized yesterday the operations to raise the wrecked submarine sent this cablegram to the navy department: "Diver Nelson reports line under stern F4 but that forward line is foul of conning tower. This line will be shifted. Superstructure appears to be caved in but saw no holes. Examination complete."

BRITISH BOAT SUNK

STEAMER PTARMIGAN GOES DOWN IN NORTH SEA

German Submarine Gets Another Victim—Half of Crew Lost When Vessel Sinks

LONDON, April 15.—The British steamer Ptarmigan was torpedoed and sunk by German submarines near the North Hinder Lightship in the North Sea. Eleven sailors of a crew of 22 men were saved.

JAPS SAY IT IS "PREPOSTEROUS"

Japanese Embassy Makes Official Denial of Turtle Bay Report

ARE NOT IN MEXICO

Declare No Intention to Locate Naval Base on the West Coast

AUTHORIZES STATEMENT

Whole Story is Characterized as "Preposterous" by Official Authorized to Make Public Denial of the Report.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 15.—An official authorized by the Japanese Embassy today characterized as "preposterous" reports that a naval base has been established at Turtle Bay, Lower California. It was declared that there never had been any intention on the part of the Japanese government to locate a naval base or occupy any territory on the west coast of Mexico.

The operations of Japanese warships in Turtle Bay embassy officials said, was solely for the purpose of salvaging the stranded cruiser or Amman. It was stated that while detailed reports from the scene had not been received, landing on the shore of the bay was probably found necessary in connection with the salvage work. Of the reports that a naval base had been established the embassy statement said:

"It is more than absurd, it is preposterous. There had never been any intention on the part of the Japanese government to locate a naval base or occupy any territory on the West Coast of Mexico."

MRS. T. ROOSEVELT UNDERGOES OPERATION

Wife of Ex-President Successfully Operated on at Roosevelt Hospital Today.

NEW YORK, April 15.—Mrs. Theodore Roosevelt was operated on in Roosevelt Hospital last night. While the nature of her ailment was not disclosed, it was stated that the operation was successful.

STEAMER MINNESOTA IS BEING LIGHTERED

Cargo Transferred from Vessel Gone Aground in Inland Sea of Japan.

SEATTLE, April 15.—A cable from the captain of the Great Northern steamship Minnesota, which is aground in the inland sea of Japan, says the cargo is being lighterized. An examination shows the ship's bottom to have been pierced under hold No. 1.

OBREGON'S ARMY BEING SURROUNDED AT CELAYA

Villa-Zapata Troops Throwing a Curtain Around the Carranza Forces

EL PASO, April 15.—Official reports that the Obregon army at Celaya is being surrounded by the Villa-Zapata troops is confirmed today by private advices from the south. While Villa is again attacking Celaya from the north, General Angeles has arrived with a large amount of artillery to assault the Carranza positions from the east and General Hernandez, with 10,000 men has arrived from the south.

Natives of Peru use a boat made entirely of reeds and straw, even the sail consisting of straw matting.

8 LIVES LOST AND BIG DAMAGE

Lyman Reservoir Breaks in Arizona With Disastrous Results

SNOW THAW CAUSE

Sudden Melting of the Snow Flooded Little Colorado River, Breaking Dam

\$400,000 PROPERTY LOSS

Dam Furnished Water to Irrigate 30,000 Acres of Land—Grandchildren of Legislator Drowned.

HOLBROOK, Arizona, April 15.—Lyman Reservoir, which impounds the water of the Little Colorado River, 12 miles south of St. Johns, Apache County, broke shortly before midnight, drowning eight persons.

A reservoir at Hunt, in the path of the flood, and if the dam there gives way, Woodruff, 12 miles southeast of Holbrook, will be in danger.

The persons drowned at Lyman were living directly below the dam, which collapsed as did a smaller dam ten years ago. At St. Johns today the flood reached a depth of three feet in some places, although no great damage was reported.

ESTIMATED DAMAGE \$400,000

PHOENIX, April 15.—Dispatches telling of the breaking of the Lyman reservoir dam estimated that damage so far had been done in the flooded area of \$400,000. The reservoir furnished water to irrigate 30,000 acres. Three of the eight persons drowned at the dam were grandchildren of Mrs. Rachael Berry, one of the two women members of the State Legislature.

CAUSED BY THAW.

HOLBROOK, April 15.—The disaster at the Lyman reservoir dam was caused by a thaw of snow in the White Mountains, which flooded the Little Colorado River and the huge volume of water overwhelmed the dam.

15 DEAD IN DETROIT

AWFUL DEATH TOLL RESULT OF INEXPERIENCE

Student Motorist Makes Mistake That Results in Collision—Many Killed

DETROIT, April 15.—To inexperience of a student motorist is charged the death of 15 persons, 11 of them, women, who were killed last night in a collision between a street car and a freight train on the tracks of the Detroit, Toledo and Tronton railroad here. Twenty-seven are injured, three seriously.

BIG DAM IS READY

ROOSEVELT RESERVOIR IN ARIZONA IS FULL

High Water Celebration Will Be Held Tomorrow in Honor of the Big Event

GLOBE, Ariz., April 15.—Water is running over the spillways of the great Roosevelt dam for the first time since the project was started, under the administration of Theodore Roosevelt.

This means a three-year supply stored up for the farmers of the Salt River irrigation project, and a High Water celebration will be held tomorrow at the dam, forty miles north of here.

The program includes a barbecue, music, dancing and sports.

Hundreds of automobiles from this district and Phoenix left tonight for Roosevelt, the occupants intending to start celebrating as soon as they arrived.

About 1,500,000 cubic feet of water is stored in the lake behind the dam and the surface of the reservoir laps the 225 foot mark on the masonry wall.

JOFFRE PREDICTS QUICK END TO WAR IN VICTORY

French Commander in Chief Expresses Belief During Visit to Belgian Headquarters.

PARIS, April 15.—General Joffre has predicted a speedy termination of the war in victory for the Allies, according to a dispatch from Dunquerque published today in the Keltair. The dispatch is as follows: "Gen. Joffre, the French commander in chief, in the course of

BOLD SILK ROBBERY

AUTO BANDITS HOLD UP TRAIN AND ESCAPE.

Load \$50,000 Worth of Silk on Auto Trucks and Make Successful Get-Away

BUFFALO, April 15.—Twelve robbers held up the New York Central fast freight train at San Born this morning, stripped several cars of bolted silk valued at \$50,000 and sped away in auto trucks upon which they loaded the goods.

They uncoupled the engine, ran it a short distance down the track and put the crew under guard. Engineer Goss escaped the guard and running a fusillade of shots reached the engine in safety. He made a record run of eight miles and gave the alarm.

WHAT'S THIS? FISHERMEN HAVE NO RIGHTS?

Washington Court Rules that Fishing is Only a Privilege Granted By the State.

OLYMPIA, April 15.—In sustaining the state's denunciation in a case brought on behalf of gill net fishermen to prevent going into effect of the new fish code as affecting that branch of the industry, the Thurston County Superior Court ruled today that the fishermen possess, not the right to fish, but a privilege only as granted by the state. The court held also that the question of the policy of law was something the courts have nothing to do with, but the Legislature only.

DEER KILLERS FINED

BRIDGE MEN FIGHT CASE IN COQUILLE COURT, LOSE

Game Warden Thomas Issues Subpoenas to Force Neighbors to Divulge Evidence; Is Successful

In 29 cases of deer killing out of season, but one has been disputed by the men implicated and the two men concerned this time have been found guilty and heavily fined, according to Game Warden Thomas, before Judge Stanley, in Coquille, yesterday, Jack Wayne and Charles Murphy, of Bridge, were found guilty of killing a deer and received a fine of \$100 a piece, \$60 of which was rescinded in each case during good behavior.

Neighbors that in the past have been used to telling the game warden they have seen nothing wrong, when approached for information, will hereafter face a new series of tactics.

Five men from Bridge were served with subpoenas, brought to the witness stand and there forced to answer the questions of District Attorney Lilljeqvist.

"They hated to do it," said the Game Warden today. "It was like pulling eye teeth, but it's a great system. I know from experience now that it will work."

Telling of the deer killing before a group in his store at Bridge implicated Charles Murphy, he told of how a dog was put on the deer's track and chased the animal into the river where it swam about with the dog on its back and Jack Wayne on the bank, afraid to shoot, for fear of killing the dog. It was then that Henry Bryant, an old man, was secured to row Wayne into the stream where after a lively chase the throat of the deer was cut.

The animal was brought ashore and skinned by J. G. Hauser, an employee, in Murphy's barn.

Both men pleaded not guilty. Murphy declared that he did not kill the deer. He was fined, said Mr. Thomas, because he went out with Wayne and was a party in the act. Witnesses were brought to the stand, and under the rapid fire of questions from the district attorney, forced to tell what they knew.

Mr. Thomas declares that in the past he has gone to neighborhoods where rumors have been rife of wrong doing only to find that no one would "peach" on the guilty parties. The securing of evidence through subpoenas he believes will result in a more vigorous prosecution of poachers.

Appoints Deputies.

Deputies are being appointed over the county by Mr. Thomas for the purpose of issuing fishing licenses, a fact, he believes, that will give no one an excuse for disregarding the law. Those already given licensing power are Gus Brown, Wagner, time keeper at Camp 5, and W. A. Roselle, of Bridge.

The game warden expects soon to go into the Ten Mile country where he will appoint further deputies.

Two reports are sent in to the government monthly on migratory birds, when they come and go, what species are seen, when they mate and on what they are feeding. It is on one of these reports that Mr. Thomas is now busy though he states he has more than 10 complaints now awaiting his investigations.

a visit to the Belgian headquarters to decorate certain Belgian officers with the insignia of the Legion of Honor, told King Albert and Premier De Broqueville that the war soon would come to an end, to the advantage of the Allies."

HALT INVASION OF HUNGARY

Germans Claim Failure of the Russians Attempt in Carpathian Mountains

ADVANCE STOPPED

Russians However Say They Hold Ground and Making Slight Progress

RUSSIANS ARE REPULSED

German Official Statement Says Efforts to Break Austrian Line Has Not Succeeded—Counter Attack by Austrians Falls

LONDON, April 15.—The failure of the Russian attempt to invade Hungary was announced today by the German war office. Although Petrograd reports concede no such reverses, they indicate that the Russian advance has been brought virtually to a halt. The Russian war office says "slight progress" was made near the Uzsok pass and a counter attack at Kozlowa by the Austro-German forces failed. Berlin announces that the Russians were repulsed with large losses at Kozlowa. Four attacks by the French mentioned in a Berlin statement today, and all are said to have resulted in failure. Paris, however, asserts in the Alilly wood a small section of ground was won and in Alsace an advance of nearly a mile was made.

GERMANS DENY RUSSIAN REPORT

BERLIN, April 15.—(Wireless to Sayville.)—The war office report on the situation in the Carpathians says: "The Russian attempt with the army that was before Przemysl to force an invasion of Hungary resulted in failure. Endeavors to get through Lupkow and East Dukla Passes were not successful and the Russian attacks at Sactropko and Palsorbeuburg have definitely come to an end. The Russians are consequently attacking further to the East, but here also they were repulsed near Kozowa with heavy losses. The attacking strength of the Russians has visibly lessened."

TO START IN SOON

SIMPSON MILLS TO RESUME OPERATIONS

Edgar Simpson Will Arrive Today On Nann Smith—New Manager Coming From North

Edgar Simpson will arrive on the Nann Smith from San Francisco this afternoon to meet Mr. Arlley, the new manager of the Simpson interests on Coos Bay, who is coming from the north. He will go over the business situation and assist in the preparation for the early resumption of work in the North Bend mills.

Mr. Simpson announced before leaving San Francisco that he expected to have the porter mill in operation within thirty days.

JOBBER COMING

SAN FRANCISCO DELEGATION IS COMING TO COOS BAY

House Representatives of Wholesalers Will Make Junket to This Section Soon

Don Gardner, who has just returned from an extended visit in San Francisco, says that the jobbing houses of that city are planning to send a delegation to Coos Bay at an early date.

The matter has been considered for some time, but it has now been definitely decided that the trip will be made soon. They expect to cover territory in the Willamette Valley and come in along the line of the new railway, via Eugene and Mapleton, and will probably return by way of Eureka.

Mr. Gardner has been appointed to his former territory, handling the Coos Bay territory exclusively for his house and the main line territory will be covered by another man.

NORTHERN PACIFIC BOAT STARTS FOR FLAVEL

Hill Liner Leaves on First Voyage for Her Home Dock at Great Northern Headquarters

SAN FRANCISCO, April 15.—The steamer Northern Pacific, of the Great Northern Pacific Steamship Company, a sister ship of the Great Northern, sailed today on her maiden voyage between San Francisco and Flavel, Oregon. Louis W. Hill, president of the Great Northern Railway, and his family, are passengers.