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AMERICA AGAIN HEARS FRANTIC CALLS FOR HELP

Thousands of Refugees at Mercy of Ruthless Turk; Oregon Woman Tells of Inferno of Smyrna.

"Never was a group of babies brought into the world under stranger or sadder surroundings," states Dr. Esther Lovejoy of Portland in a message just received by J. J. Handman, state director, Near East Relief. "I have just returned to Constantinople from a week in the inferno of Smyrna. I worked day and night directing the birth of hundreds of infants. Many were born on the planks of the wharves, the laboring mothers being protected from the panic-stricken crowd only by the thin white line of American salices. One baby was born while the young mother was standing in line unwilling to give up her place even for the birth of her first child.

"Turkish soldiers systematically rob the refugees, wrenching rings from women's fingers. The quiet of the night is disturbed by piercing cries from young women and girls who are being taken by Turkish soldiers. They desert from their crimes only when the searchlights from American warships are turned on them."

Six shiploads of food have been dispatched by Near East Relief for a population greater than Oregon's is homeless.

President Harding has appointed W. H. Hayes, National Chairman, and Archie Roosevelt, executive secretary of a campaign for funds for relief of the Smyrna sufferers who now number nearly one million. At least \$12,000,000 will be needed.

The Federal Council of the Churches of Christ, the Red Cross, the Knights of Columbus, Y. M. C. A., Y. W. C. A., Near East Relief, the Federation of Jewish Welfare Societies, all have joined in this life saving movement, designating the Near East Relief as the agency for doing the work.

Contributions which are most urgently needed should be sent to Near East Relief, 613 Stock Exchange Building, Portland.

UNIT PLAN WILL AFFORD SCHOOL FOR UNFORTUNATE CHILD

Many Children Compelled to Go Without Schooling Due to Inefficiency of Present System Says Goin.

Much is being said about the desirable qualities of the County Unit Plan which will be placed before the voters of Lincoln county at the coming state election for their approval or rejection. There are also a few who are opposed to the new system believing that it will work hardships on certain districts. County School Superintendent, Goin, is a 100 per cent supporter of the new system and believes that its adoption by the freeholders of the county will be a great boon to the children, giving them equal advantages in their effort to acquire an education.

The following is Mr. Goin's version of the county unit system:

This is what it guarantees, 1st, equal opportunity for the children, 2nd, equal taxation for the taxpayer. That is democracy in its purest form. The reasons alone it seems as though every voter in the county should vote YES on the County Unit Plan for taxation and administration.

Today there are a few districts with the old home-made seats in their school houses (yes, they are better than the ones I sat in thirty five or forty years ago but they are not as good as the pupils should have) and there are some districts with the very best seats in their houses and these seats and houses are not in use and have not been for several years and may never be used again or for some years at least. With the Unit Plan in operation these seats and other furniture could be put where they will be used during the time that school is in session.

There are at present about 25 pupils denied schooling, in this county. These parents pay their share of the school tax, but because they live across the section line or on the wrong side of the river the children cannot go to school though there is a school house within a mile and a half or nearer and in a good school for their neighbors children. This condition should not exist and it would not under this new plan. One mother wanted to send her child to school in a near-by district. The school house in her own district was too far away. The school board only asked \$12.00 per month tuition. In this school there is an excellent teacher and she has five small pupils to teach. "This extra pupil would make a better school for the five, for the best schools have more than five in attendance."

R. P. GOIN,
County School Supt.

SEES SERIES FREE



James P. Hon, a St. Louis salesman, was given a complete free trip to see the World Series games by Pres. Ben Johnson of the American League. Hon explained how Witt, a Yank player, was knocked unconscious in a final St. Louis game when in running he stepped on the neck of a pop bottle, which flew up, hitting him in the head.

RECORDS SHOW HOW CANDIDATE PIERCE LOVES 'THE' FARMER

G. O. P. Secretary Shows Facts How Mr. Pierce Sold Farms to Relatives, Who Borrowed Money Then Sold Them Back

Corvallis, Oct. 15.—For six weeks, C. E. Ingalls, secretary of the state republican organization has been with Walter M. Pierce, Jr. in a tour of the state and at headquarters at Portland in the effort to get republican moving along at the speed calculated to insure a triumph at the November election. While in Union county, Mr. Ingalls came in contact with certain information in reference to the Democratic candidate, and following this the facts touching upon Mr. Pierce's early activities financially were secured from the records. In a statement mailed from Portland yesterday, and also presented in detail in the Oregon Voter this week, those facts are given by Mr. Ingalls in his usually interesting way. Here is what he says:

(By C. E. INGALLS)

In his speech, at the recent Albany dinner, given in honor of newspapermen of Oregon, in an effort to interest them in the non-partisan candidate of the Democratic party, and which dinner was attended by representatives of three country papers outside of Albany, Mr. Pierce made this statement: "I came to this state forty years ago when I was a wandering boy. I have been in public life more than half the time and I have never willfully deceived anybody." Mr. Pierce seems still to be "wandering."

If Mr. Pierce's frequent deceptions have not been deliberate, then they must have been made through ignorance—as, for instance, his statement in the Voter's Pamphlet to the effect that the State Taxes for 1922 were fifteen million dollars. Mr. Pierce gets this statement from the Blue Book, as any one can verify but the Blue Book says that they are "two year" appropriations instead of "one year."

But this is not the only instance of Mr. Pierce's deception that is a matter of public record.

Candidate Pierce, in his barnstorming tour over the state of Oregon making political speeches at county fairs and everywhere else where his fluent flow of ambiguity would be permitted, has staked everything on his ability to make the farmers believe, like Dickens' famous character, that "he is their friend, not Ben." Dramatically, he tears tax receipts in two, indicating to the uninformed that that is what he would do with real taxes—were he elected governor. This pantomimic procedure would indicate that he believes his audience is deaf as well as dumb.

Mr. Pierce has been weeping copious tears over the situation of the farmer for many years without offering any remedy for conditions that tend to create the difficulty from which he suffers; but, on the other hand, he has had more to do with the raising and increasing taxes—by his legislative votes and by the introduction of foolish bills—than probably any other man in Oregon.

Among the things that Mr. Pierce has prated about to farmer audiences, but fails to mention when talking to a group of business men, is the dif-

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MISS THELMA FOWLER MEMBER OF SORORITY

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis, Oct. 18.—Thelma Fowler of Toledo has been pledged to the Delta Omega sorority. Miss Fowler, who is a sophomore in commerce, is a Waldo Hall girl. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Fowler of Toledo.

TAX CUT CLAIMS OF PIERCE MISLEADING SAYS B. M. ARMITAGE

When Cornered Democratic Candidate Admits Promised Cuts Could Only Apply to State Taxes Amounting to Only 17 Per Cent.

83 Per Cent of Lincoln County Taxes Comes From County Government Maintaining Schools, Roads, City, Etc.

Walter Pierce, democratic candidate for governor has succeeded in creating the impression that if elected he can cut taxes in two.

The claim that he can reduce taxes 50 per cent is simply a vote-catering extravagance upon which to ride into office. Let us see how much a governor has to do with Lincoln county taxes.

The total amount levied on Lincoln county property this year is \$428,568. Of this 83 per cent was levied by county and local authorities for schools, roads, city and town purposes, including the port tax of \$103,533.00. How could any governor cut this local part of the tax bill in two. Reduction of these local taxes is up to the voters in the local districts.

When cornered, Mr. Pierce admits his 50 per cent tax cut promise is intended to apply to state taxes only. Let us see how this works out on Lincoln county.

Only 17 per cent of all Lincoln

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MERRY-GO-ROUND CLUB TO GIVE SILVER TEA

According to Mrs. Peter Frederick the Merry-Go-Round club will hold a "Silver Tea" in the Chamber of Commerce rooms all Saturday afternoon for the benefit of the Domestic Science department of the Toledo high school. All money over and above actual expenses will be turned to the science department for the purchase of needed supplies. The school board has furnished a modern equipped room for the teaching of domestic science but the money for purchasing of supplies was not provided for and the club is taking this means to provide same.

OREGON GLOW DAIRY NOW AT COOTER FARM

J. E. Cooter, former county agricultural agent for this county but now a purebred Jersey breeder, living on a modern farm in the Olalla, has purchased the Jersey herd owned by the Oregon Glow Dairy. This is said to be one of the finest herds in the county.

Ray L. Jenkins, former owner of the herd, has formed a partnership with Roy B. Burch insofar as bottling the milk, distributing and handling of accounts are concerned, while Mr. Cooter will handle the production end of the business. Their announcement appears in this issue of the Leader.

"CITY DADS" PASS STRICT ORDINANCE TO GOVERN WATER

New Ordinance Contains Sections Making it a Misdemeanor to Disobey Order; Printed in This Issue.

At its regular meeting held in the council chamber Monday evening the City Council passed an ordinance to govern the operation of the city's water system that, although stringent, will "deliver the goods" in making this department efficient not only in delivering a sufficient quantity for all purposes but also in keeping accounts paid to date.

Do not fail to read it. It appears in another column of this issue of the Leader. This ordinance embodies the rules that have been in effect since 1911 with considerable additions to meet the needs of our rapidly growing city.

Water Greatest Asset.

The life and commercial activity of any city depends upon its water system. Without it we are nothing, but with a supply of good water, a prosperous future is assured. The city has incurred a heavy indebtedness in an effort to make Toledo a commercial center and the present business activity confirms the good judgment of the present administration. Upon the shoulders of City Recorder R. R. Miller has been placed the responsibility of keeping an accurate record of all water conveyances. Every bill he fails to collect must be paid by the taxpayers, and he wishes the cooperation of every good citizen of Toledo in helping him make the project a success.

It will be well for you to familiarize yourself with the water ordinance and preserve it for future reference.

BANKERS ARE TOLD GRADUAL MARKETING AGRICULTURAL HOPE

Head of War Finance Corporation Points Out Necessity of Extended Crop Loans to A. B. A. Members.

Written Specially for
LINCOLN COUNTY LEADER
By Robert Fuller

New York, Oct. 15.—Bankers of the United States are wide awake to the importance of working out a more liberal platform for agricultural and live-stock financing. Already preliminary steps have been taken and a unity of action secured which experienced economists predict are the foundation stones to an era of unprecedented national prosperity.

Summed up, the American farmer played a stellar role in the annual convention of the American Bankers' association, held here this year and attended by 10,000 of its members. First, Eugene Meyer, Jr., Managing Director of the War Finance Corporation, put the issue squarely up to the bankers in his address, "Financing Agriculture." Then followed the principal fight of the convention over the branch bank issue. Here again agriculture came to the fore, as it was the small town banker, the farmer's banker, opposed the branch bank idea of the city bankers.

Farmers and the stock raisers may expect to see these developments.

Larger termed financing which will

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HILL STREET TO BE PAVED IMMEDIATELY

Waivers have been taken by the "city dads" to pave the west side of Hill street and work will start as soon as bids can be received and the contractor selected to perform the construction work. The pavement, according to the call for bids, which appears in this issue, will be of concrete formation. The east end of Hill street will also be paved as soon as same can be advertised and the ordinance runs its legal course, according to City Recorder Miller.

SATURDAY NIGHT DANCE APPEALS TO TOLEDOITES

The regular Saturday night dances that are now being conducted by H. C. Atkinson in the American Legion hall here are proving very popular with local people. Mr. Atkinson is very anxious that all people of the county feel at ease in attending these regular affairs as he guarantees that they will be run in a decent manner and that vulgarity will not be tolerated.

It has been said by many who have attended that affairs that the music is of an excellent variety.

EPISCOPAL CHURCH TO HOLD SERVICES OCT. 29

Services will be held in Toledo, Sunday evening, October 29, at the Episcopal church with Arch Deacon Black in charge of the services. The services will start at 8 p. m. and the public is cordially invited to attend.

WOODBURN MAN SAYS TOLEDO HAS BRIGHT FUTURE IN PROSPECT

Warns that Finishing of Highway Will Bring in "Flock" of Tourists and Toledo Should Prepare for Them.

B. F. Hall of Woodburn, Oregon, was a Toledo visitor Wednesday, Mr. and Mrs. Hall are spending a few weeks at Newport. Mr. Hall is champion horse-shoe pitcher of the state having won this honor at the recent pitching contests held at the state fair in Salem. While here he visited the Pacific Spruce mill and gave it a thorough "once over" and he proclaims it to be the finest equipped mill in the entire northwest. He ought to know something about it as he is a real pioneer of Oregon and knows something about saw mills. He says Toledo is one of the coming towns of the state and welcomes the time when the Corvallis-Toledo highway will be completely finished. He says that Toledo will be a regular stopping place for the tourist when the road is finished and he warned that he had better get busy and get a tourist park fixed up.

Mr. Hall spends much time at Newport every year and says he expects to be a frequent visitor to this county in the future. We had a considerable talk with him and the only fault we found was when our conversation drifted into politics and we found him to be a follower of the mule.

Mr. Hall is an old friend of County Judge James.

If you believe in democracy vote YES on the County Unit Plan November 7.

Tells Bankers Rural Needs.



Eugene Meyer, Jr., manager of the War Finance Corp., told ten thousand national bankers at New York last week that our Federal Reserves system should be built up to properly care for agricultural and live stock needs.

EXPERTS JUSTIFY INCREASED RATES FOR PHONE COST

Public Service Commission Postpones Pacific Telephone Rate Hearing Until Oct. 26; Will Prepare Data.

Portland, Oct. 18.—After a one-day stand the public service commission adjourned the Pacific Telephone rate hearing for 15 days, or until October 26 at 10 o'clock in the morning, in order to give the company 10 days more time to prepare and submit data asked of it, and H. M. Esterly and the commission's experts 15 days in which to consider and digest what was offered.

But before the commission took its adjournment two developments, starting the principals in the case, relieved the mathematical tedium of the day—the testimony of Alexander Young and J. P. Newell, given in behalf of the telephone company.

Both Young and Newell have long been associated with the state government, the city of Portland and the public service commission at different times and during prior consideration of the telephone rate cases. Newell, in particular had much to do with the formulation of the previous rate decision. Both went upon the witness stand and gave their testimony as an accountant and distinguished consulting engineer to the effect that the accounts, records and accounting system of the company were above reproach, while Newell contended that the rate increases given the company heretofore were not adequate in his opinion.

Costs Held Reasonable.

Young said he had not found the operating costs of the company to be excessive, but on the other hand the company was continually trying to keep these charges down. Nor would it be possible to judge accounts, Young contended, under the accounting standard set by the interstate commerce commission, and that any attempt to divert charges from one account to the other would "constitute a collusion from the president down to the office boy."

Newell testified along the same line. He said that, in his judgment, the first increase in rates had not been adequate nor the second increase excessive. He insisted that the telephone company could not go back to the old schedule of rates and carry on its obligations of extension and service and pay expenses. He insisted that the return earned by the company under the increase was not a fair return because it saved the company less than the cost of money in the market. The company could not have financed any development work had it been standing alone, he contended.

Witnesses Cross-Examined.

Both Young and Newell were cross-examined by E. M. Counin, who dwelt a good deal on the fact that Newell had been paid \$50 a day for his services rendered to the public service commission, and that Young had acquired some of the information upon which he now based his testimony favorable to the company while in the employ of the commission or the city.

During the early afternoon session N. Wigton, rate engineer for the company, submitted exhibits showing the earnings of the company. During 1921, when 10 months under the new rate, he showed that the total revenue of the Oregon properties amounted to \$5,043,463, while the expenses were \$4,718,852, giving a net revenue of \$324,611, or a net return of 1.88 per cent on a rate base of \$17,313,104.

When the case is resumed on October 26, the company will have presented all of the data called for by the commission and the hearing will then be carried on to a conclusion.

LARGE COAST PORTS FAVOR DREDGING OF SMALLER CHANNELS

Chambers of Commerce and Other Commercial Bodies of Large Coast Cities See Business Advantages of Opening Up Water Routes.

Large Cities of the western coast are waking up to the realization that it is necessary to give encouragement to the deepening of channels of all harbors along the coast, according to a statement by C. D. Johnson, president of the Pacific Spruce Corporation, at a meeting held in Toledo last part of the week, at which several leading businessmen and others interested in the deepening of the Yaquina river were present for the purpose of formulating plans to offer to various Chambers of Commerce and especially the Portland commercial body for assistance in getting the Yaquina bay appropriation put through congress.

W. K. Patterson was selected to gather information relative to shipping operations on the Yaquina river and any information that can be given him will be gladly received.

It is planned to draft resolutions asking the chambers of Commerce of each city to appoint committees for the purpose of formulating plans to get in touch with the commercial bodies of Portland, San Francisco, Los Angeles and Tacoma as, it is declared, the aid and influence of these commercial bodies can be secured for the project.

The estimate cost of dredging the Yaquina river by U. S. engineers in the past has been \$570,000. This would provide a 16-foot channel 200 feet wide from Yaquina to Toledo. One-half of this sum will be used in removing the rock formation at Craig and "Rocky Point."

The necessity for opening the channel in order that sea-going ships can come into this port is beyond a doubt a most vital one and if this fact can be proven to the proper government authorities there is little doubt but that the appropriation will be made.

The Pacific Spruce Co., Lincoln county's greatest manufacturing concern and operators of one of the finest mills in the northwest, is seriously handicapped in disposing of their lumber output due to the fact that they are now compelled to barge the lumber to Yaquina and there load it onto the ocean freighters. This extra handling of the output of the mill compels the expenditure of huge sums of money that would be dispensed with if the channel was opened.

The dredging of the Yaquina river has been under consideration for a considerable number of years and, it is believed by those interested, that now is the opportune time for the people of Lincoln county to make their wants known as the completion of this project will mean great strides not only for Toledo but Lincoln county as a whole.

Those present at the meeting were C. D. Johnson, president of the Pacific Spruce corporation; F. W. Stevens, general manager of the spruce mill; Dean Johnson, assistant manager and Ernest Johnson, secretary-treasurer of the Pacific Spruce; C. E. Handman, Peter Frederick, W. K. Patterson, Guy Roberts, G. B. McCluskey, and A. T. Peterson. Attempts were made to get in touch with several other men interested in the project but without avail.

DO YOU INTEND TO VOTE ANY SPECIAL LEVIES FOR ROADS?

All Meetings to Vote Special Road District Tax Must Be Held in November According to New Law.

There are no doubt many districts in Lincoln county that anticipate voting special road district levies for the coming year. However, according to the new law, this will be impossible unless the meeting to vote such levy is held in the month of November, thus giving time to circulate petitions to the county court, obtain the required order, post notices calling the meeting of legal voters, etc., according to Judge James of the Lincoln County court.

Therefore, according to the judge, road districts anticipating voting money for road building purposes should get busy and make application to county clerk for blank petition forms in order that the meetings can be held next month.

DR. KELLOGG WILL RESUME HIS PRACTICE IN TOLEDO

Dr. Kellogg, the well known eye specialist, reports his health enough improved to again resume his Toledo practice, and will be at the Lincoln Rooms November 2, 3, 4. Don't forget the dates and come early.