

COAL OPERATORS ARE BILKING CONSUMERS, COAL MAN DECLARES

Defense Council Committee Member Says Advantage Taken of War Conditions.

URGE WEST TO USE WOOD

G. M. Moderwell Insists Coal Men Entitled to Extraordinary Profits Now to Make Up Past Losses.

Government Offers Aid
 Washington, June 26.—(U. P.)—Low rates will be made on all timber available in the national forests, free fuel being given to those who will cut and haul it.

Washington, June 26.—(U. P.)—That American coal operators are bilking the consumers out of great sums of money daily under cover of "war conditions" was the statement in effect made to the senate interstate commerce committee today by C. M. Moderwell of Chicago, member of the coal committee of the council of national defense and until recently associated with the United Coal company of Illinois.
 "Don't you think coal companies are entitled to some extraordinary war profits to make up for previous losses?" Moderwell demanded of the committee.
 "We do not," retorted Senator Cummins.

Prices Have Been Doubled
 Moderwell declared that in Illinois the cost of producing coal has increased only about 50 cents a ton, while operators increased prices from \$2.50 to \$5 a ton, and from \$4.50 to \$5 a ton.
 He said operators are taking advantage of the demand by hoisting prices. He added all mines are producing about 60 per cent of capacity.
 The hearing before the committee today was on the Cummins and Pomerene bills, authorizing government price fixing on coal, railroad supplies and materials going into their production. Moderwell opposes the bill. To help combat the impending coal shortage, the forest service today announced a campaign to induce everyone to use wood wherever possible, especially in the west.

Selling Agreement Needed
 He said the coal producers would be able to reduce prices "if allowed to reach a selling agreement."
 Moderwell admitted many companies are selling coal at a 200 to 300 per cent profit, but said his company in southern Illinois had "only advanced the price to consumers at rates varying between 75 and 100 per cent over charges of a year ago."
 The great plea of the coal men will be for a chance to recoup their losses—or at least profits—of 15 years, he said.
 Moderwell, when asked what fixed price the coal companies are entitled to, said if he had a contract covering a term of years, fixing a 20 to 25 cents a ton profit on coal, he would be satisfied. He said, however, some companies will ask for \$1.00 a ton profit.

Exports Make Little Difference
 "Our national coal production is 600,000,000 tons a year," Pomerene interjected. "At \$1 a ton profit that would mean \$600,000,000 annual profits to the operators, or \$8 tax on every man, woman and child in the country." America's sales will not draw any significant tonnage in coal, it developed during the hearing. Moderwell said



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in the wholesome play—the most enjoyable of the week, called the

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Columbia

he understood France needs 6,000,000 tons a year; Italy 10,000,000 and Canada 4,000,000, a total of 20,000,000 tons. He said the 1917 production will equal 750,000,000 tons, or an increase of 150,000,000 over last year.

Government Lets Wagon Contracts

Contracts for 44,850 Army Transport Conveyances to Be Constructed at Cost Ranging From \$165 to \$188.81.
 Washington, June 26.—(U. P.)—Contracts for 44,850 army transport wagons for use with the new armies to be raised by case of the United States government were let today by Major General Henry G. Sharp, quartermaster general of the army. The military conveyances will cost the government from \$165 to \$188.81 each.

The Kentucky Wagon company of Louisville; John Deere Wagon company of Moline, Ill.; and the Studebaker corporation of South Bend, Ind., have the largest contracts. Each plant will furnish 2,200 wagons. The International Harvester company of Chicago is to furnish 5000.

Plot Evidence Given In Mrs. Mooney Case

San Francisco, June 26.—(P. N. S.)—The state today called the first of 50 witnesses in an effort to prove that Mrs. Rena Mooney, on trial for murder as a result of the preparedness day parade bomb explosion, was the "key" of an anarchist conspiracy that was nation wide and that had for its object the overthrow of the government by "direct action."
 The Mooney case took new dimensions today when District Attorney Fickert announced that he had received a telegram from United States Attorney Gaffney of Chicago, stating that correspondence and other memoranda bearing on the preparedness day parade explosion cases had been seized by federal authorities during recent raids on headquarters of Emma Goldman and Alexander Berkman. This material has been mailed to Fickert by the New York authorities.

FRENCH ATTACK AND CAPTURE TRENCHES ON EXTENDED FRONT

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highway were taken by the French in their great offensive drive of April, and because of the constant menace of further French advances, which were very close around Laon, the Germans have striven desperately to recapture them.

Laon Regarded One of Bases

Laon is one of the base cities in the several times revamped Hindenburg line, and much further progress by French forces against it would mean the capture of the line, which would be a very close around Laon, the Germans have striven desperately to recapture them.

Aerial Battle Over Sea

London, June 26.—(U. P.)—Three British naval planes fought 10 Germans in an aerial battle over Roulers, shooting down in flames and probably destroying two others, an admiralty statement today declared.

The machines were patrolling the air. The Germans apparently were starting out for a raid. Notwithstanding the enemy's superior numbers, the British fighters entered into an immediate engagement. The fight continued 15 minutes.

British, Too, Advance Line

London, June 26.—(U. P.)—A British advance was made during the night in the Flandrian sector of the western front, and a number of German prisoners were captured, the war office announced today.

The Germans attempted a raid against the British trenches in the La Bassée sector, but it failed.

Germans Display Nervousness

With the British armies in the field June 25, the British grip on Lens, France's coal metropolis, tightened.

As this cable is dispatched British patrols have pushed forward toward Kort Court, a village just behind the Prussians. After Sunday's capture of Fosse (Ravine) and three German trenches west of Hill 65, the patrols today found the enemy had abandoned the hill as well as a number of trenches in that neighborhood south of the Souchez river. The British outposts were pushing farther.

Near Rebecqville Hill, almost in the suburbs of Lens itself, British are advancing eastward, driving the enemy ahead of them.

North of Lens, where yesterday and Saturday the British raided German lines incessantly, the army is extraordinarily nervous. Apparently they are expecting a British attack in force at any minute.

Berlin Reports on Battle

Berlin, Via London, June 26.—(U. P.)—"In spite of the severe losses which the enemy's storming waves suffered, he penetrated our line at several places northwest of Hurtelbe, today's war office statement asserted. "An immediate counter attack drove him out."

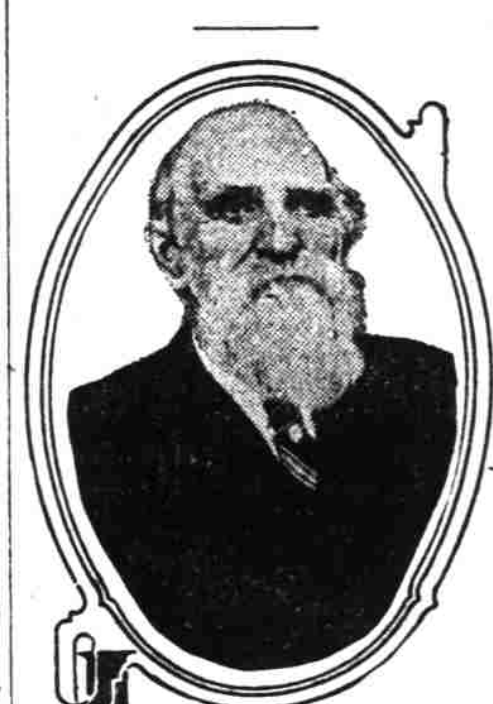
Laon County Doubles

Eugene, Or., June 26.—Laon county more than doubled its allotment of Red Cross funds in the big drive that ended Monday. The county was allotted \$19,000, but a total of \$39,943 was raised. Eugene alone raised \$20,084, which is \$34 more than twice the sum allotted to the city.

Every outside town and community except one that was allotted a certain sum to raise exceeded its quota, according to the report.

BENJ. SCHOLFIELD OF FOREST GROVE DIES AT AGE OF 77 YEARS

Was Well Known Pioneer; Leader in Educational Work and Civic Work.



Benj. Scholfield

Forest Grove, Or., June 26.—With the death of Benj. Scholfield, aged 77 years, at his home in Cornelius Sunday evening at 11 o'clock, passed one of the well known pioneers of Oregon. For 15 years he was president of the board of regents of the Oregon State Normal school at Monmouth, and, although a Republican, he was appointed by Governor Penney.

The school was in financial straits when Mr. Scholfield was appointed to the board, and through his influence the institution was put upon a safe basis.

For over 30 years he was associated with J. W. Shute of Hillsboro, and with him organized the First National bank in Washington county in 1889, and was vice president of the institution. His and his wife were charter members of the Hillsboro grange, and Mrs. Scholfield is the only surviving charter member.

Family Well Known

For over 20 years his brother, John Scholfield, was a member of the state supreme court in the state of Illinois, and Benj. Scholfield always proved himself a master mind in civic and educational affairs.

Benj. Scholfield was born June 20, 1840, and with his father started on the long trail to the Golden West from the old home at Martinsville, March 14, 1857. They outfitted in Missouri and made the trip by ox team, arriving at Salina, Salina county, Cal., November 14 of the same year.

In February of 1858 they came to Oregon and settled in Washington county and purchased the place now known as the Zina Wood property, in Hillsboro. During the summer of 1862 he mined in the Powder river mines, this state, and from the gold he obtained he had a wedding ring made for his bride-to-be, Miss Sarah Vilena Hall, whom he married on the William McLin donation land claim, one mile east of Cornelius.

Was on School Board

For 11 years Mr. and Mrs. Scholfield lived in Hillsboro, and at North Plains for three years, and in October, 1877, the family moved back to the old homestead where they were married, where they lived until 1896, when they moved to Forest Grove. Mr. Scholfield was a member of the school board and was actively interested in all movements for the public good. In 1902 the family returned to Cornelius.

Mr. and Mrs. Scholfield celebrated their golden wedding at the old home east of Cornelius in 1913, and the affair was gloriously suggestive of the pioneer days. For hundreds of miles from Forest Grove old trail-blazers to witness the rewedding of the couple they had seen united 50 years before. In the audience were many prominent people of the Northwest. Mr. Scholfield was dressed in a buckskin suit with a red sash and red tie, and the bride was gowned in a replica of the dress she was married first in.

School in Cabin

While a resident of Hillsboro Mr. Scholfield moved a little log cabin school east of the city by ox team to the city of Hillsboro. This was their first school, and he was a member of the board of directors when the first frame building was erected there.

The funeral will be held at 2 o'clock Wednesday at the Methodist church in Cornelius, of which denomination Mr. Scholfield had been a member since 1888. Rev. Mr. Crozier and Rev. Mr. Blair of Portland will conduct the services. Interment will be in the Masonic cemetery near Hillsboro, which Mr. Scholfield helped lay out.

The widow, 15 grandchildren, six great-grandchildren and the following children survive: Mrs. T. S. Cornelius, wife of Judge Cornelius of Astoria; Mrs. W. A. Goodin, residing at the old home near Cornelius; Mrs. E. J. Ward and William T. Scholfield, Staff, Mont.; Mrs. A. E. Yoder of Portland. Two children died—Sarah Henrietta and Mrs. O. A. Cook.

All the children were at the bedside when the end came. They were also present at the celebration of their father's seventy-seventh birthday, on June 20.

RED CROSS HAS OVER MILLION FROM OREGON

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make up any deficiencies below Portland's \$400,000 mark will likely be called upon in view of the steady increase in the grand total. Campaign Manager Robert Strong stated today that it now seems certain the amounts, which have been pledged to make up possible deficiencies, will not be needed.

Overhead expenses of the campaign are about \$2000.

Those who gave pledges Monday night which assured the raising of \$400,000 net in Portland are Meier & Frank, who pledged \$1000; those pledging \$700 are Ben Soling, W. B. Ayer, L. Allen Lewis, Fleischer, Mayer & Co., Ladd & Tilton, F. S. Doernbecher, Guy Talbot, H. L. Pittcock, R. S. Farrell and A. H. Devers. John Latta promised \$125.

The following assumed obligations of \$100 each: William D. Wheelwright, A. M. Churchill, Victor Johnson, J. W. Ganong, Ira F. Powers, W. J. Burns, C. F. Adams, Sherman Hall, C. Henri Labbe, Multnomah hotel, J. W. Casey, J. L. Finley, E. C. Newberg, William F. Woodward, C. C. Colt, A. Feldenheimer, Rodney Gilman and Portland newsmen.

All of the above named pledges are made in addition to the donations of the several persons and firms which have been previously announced.

Newsboys Exceed Estimates
 Portland newsboys have responded to the extent of \$524. This exceeds the goal which had been set by them.

At the luncheon Friday, Campaign Manager Robert Strong presented Lloyed Clark, Boy Scout, a pair of cuff buttons in recognition of his faithful work at headquarters. His services were donated. Mrs. W. P. Strandberg was thanked for the good work which she has accomplished on the publicity committee. Miss R. G. Burrow, one of the headquarters clerks, was highly commended.

figures are from the first reports that came in, and as some of the subscription money is still out the amount may even go as high as \$4000, instead of the required \$2000.

Douglas Hopes for \$15,000

Roseburg, Or., June 26.—The Red Cross subscriptions in Douglas county passed the \$12,000 mark Monday afternoon, or more than \$500 over the allotment for this county. The committee believes that when all reports are in subscriptions will total nearly \$15,000.

Washington Passes Mark

Hillsboro, Or., June 26.—Committees for the east half of Washington county Monday reported \$7381 as the result of the Red Cross drive. There are yet several smaller towns to hear from, and the grand total may reach \$8000. The quota for this territory was set at \$6000.

Union County Gives \$26,000

La Grande, Or., June 26.—The final count of Red Cross subscriptions for Union county shows a total of \$26,189.19. The total for La Grande and the surrounding country is \$20,092.19. Union gave over \$2000, Elgin over \$2000, Cove \$1150.

Milton Country Ahead

Milton, Or., June 26.—With the last day's reports set to be reported, Milton and its district have raised \$3000, exceeding the amount allotted by the Red Cross by \$1000. Freewater, Ferndale and Fruitvale have raised \$2000, and will also raise about \$1000 over their allotment.

Central Washington, \$86,500

North Yakima, Wash., June 26.—The reported subscription resulting from the Red Cross drive in the four counties of Kittitas, Yakima, Benton and Klickitat, as announced by Manager Robert Strong, makes a total of \$86,500. But the manager predicts that when the grand totals are finally made the district will go beyond \$90,000. The quota set for this district by the state managers was \$62,000.

Lewis County Reports

Chehalis, Wash., June 26.—Lewis county's Red Cross allotment of \$20,000 has been swelled to \$38,000, according to reports made this morning by G. B. Coffman, manager of District F, comprising six southwest Washington counties. He reports the district reported \$165,000, as against an allotment of \$33,000. Every county over-subscribed. Chehalis, with an allotment of \$8000, reports in \$16,000.

Grays Harbor Liberal

Aberdeen, Wash., June 26.—Ninety thousand dollars will be the contribution of this district, comprising Grays Harbor, Thurston and Mason counties, to the Red Cross fund. Of this amount Grays Harbor county contributed \$55,000 or \$10,000 less than the quota for the entire district. Aberdeen's contribution is expected to reach \$27,500, \$5500 more than the city allotment.

Klickitat Will Over Subscribe

Blickleton, Wash., June 26.—The Red Cross apportionment for five districts comprising eastern Klickitat county are \$1000, and Bickleton precinct \$450. Bickleton precinct Friday evening reported \$1200 and subscriptions still coming in. All precincts will over subscribe.

Woodburn Passes Quota

Woodburn, Or., June 26.—The Red Cross campaign headquarters closed here Monday night, having met the required amount of \$4000. This action subscribed as follows: Woodburn \$2939, Gervias \$1000, Hubbard \$369; total, \$4308.

Willapa Harbor Has \$15,000

Raymond, Wash., June 26.—At the close of the Red Cross week Pacific county has subscribed \$15,000, which is \$4000 more than its allotment. Of this amount Raymond and the Willapa valley subscribed \$10,000.

Kalama Does Share

Kalama, Wash., June 26.—The total amount subscribed for the Red Cross fund during the drive that ended Monday night with a big public gathering was \$3408.10. The amount apportioned to Kalama and the immediate vicinity was but \$1500. Of the amount subscribed, over \$1600 is already in the hands of the treasurer.

Chehalis Districts Report

Chehalis, Wash., June 26.—Monday afternoon the Red Cross committees closed their campaign with a meeting of all committees at headquarters and a luncheon at the Lewis Sweet Shop. The outside precincts of the Chehalis district have reported \$16,000, but by the committees yet, but will be finished by today.

Shoshone County Shines

Wallace, Idaho, June 26.—(I. N. S.)—Shoshone county has subscribed more than \$55,500 to the Red Cross fund. All the reports have not yet been made. The allotment was \$50,000 from a population of 20,000.

Baker and Grant Ahead

Baker, Or., June 26.—While the local Red Cross campaign closed at noon Monday, committee reports from Baker and Grant counties will not be received before Tuesday night. With an allotment of \$20,000, the district Monday night has reported \$23,412. Campaign Manager Harmon anticipates \$2500 more, when all reports are in. The district may possibly reach \$40,000. Grant county, allotted \$5000, has reported over \$6000.

Benton Has \$2500 Over

Corvallis, Or., June 26.—Benton county has over-subscribed its \$10,000 quota for the Red Cross fund by \$2500, and it may run larger as soon as the full returns are in, according to the statement of the local committee Monday night.

Eczema Wash

A teach of D. D. D. to say eczema sore or itching eruption and you'll be able to rest and sleep easy more. Think—just a wash in it worth trying. Get a trial bottle today. 50c. 90c and \$1.50. Your money back if the first bottle does not relieve you.

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