

RAILROAD LEASED BY MEDFORD MAN

Gagnon Takes Over Line Between Medford and Jacksonville From W. S. Barnum.

Medford, June 7.—The railroad between Medford and Jacksonville, which has been operated for several years by the Southern Oregon Traction company, and which was sold at public sale ordered by the circuit court, May 30, has been leased for a year by W. S. Barnum to J. T. Gagnon, the Medford lumber mill operator and box manufacturer, pending confirmation of the sale by the court.

The railroad and all its equipment is included in the lease, including two engines, two passenger coaches, 12 freight cars and the electric streetcar operated between Medford and Jacksonville. Gagnon said that he would improve the property, make a better streetcar service schedule and operate the road in connection with his logging and lumber operations and for hauling general freight. He will name it the Rogue River Valley railroad.

It is understood that Barnum bought the railroad property for \$45,000, while the amount of mortgage bonds and interest due him was \$65,000.

Bill Designed to Aid Home Building

Washington, June 7.—A bill to stimulate home building by creating a federal home loan board and home loan banks was introduced Friday by Senator Calder of New York. The bill seeks to permit building and loan associations to obtain long term bonds, issued by the home loan banks, against mortgages deposited. Senator Calder said the bill would make available \$2,000,000,000 held by loan associations for immediate building.

Permanent Service For Labor Sought

Washington, June 7.—Creation of a permanent United States employment service as part of the department of labor is provided for in a bill introduced today by Senator Kenyon, Iowa. The bill carries \$4,000,000 for the first year, the bulk of which would go to states maintaining employment agencies.

Dr. Matson to Talk On Tuberculosis

Clehalis, Wash., June 7.—Dr. Ralph Matson, a former Chehalis boy but now of Portland, recognized all over the United States as an authority on tuberculosis, will deliver an address Monday evening in the Central high school auditorium, preliminary to the membership drive to be held the latter part of next week by the Lewis county branch of the Antituberculosis league.

Mother Points Out Daughter and Young Man to Policeman

Discovered after a short search on the part of police officials, Lorene Brown, 15, daughter of Mrs. Laura Brown of Walla Walla, Wash., and a young man of 20, said to be Arthur Anderson, alias Jack Lewis, were arrested by Inspector Smith this morning at West Park and Washington streets. They will be held for an investigation into the age of Anderson or Lewis, who is thought to be 21, despite his alleged statement. He is held on charge of kidnapping and the girl is a witness.

The search for the pair was started with the arrival here of the girl's mother. While searching the city with Inspector Smith she saw the two on the street and caused their arrest. They were charged at first with stealing Mr. Brown's automobile, but this was found damaged and deserted. If the young man is found to be 21 years of age it is possible that a charge of violation of the Mann act will be placed against him.

Jewish People Are Not Mistreated in Poland Is Report

Washington, June 7.—(I. N. S.)—There have been no atrocities against Jews in Poland, Lithuania or Galicia.

This was the burden of a lengthy dispatch received by the state department this afternoon from Hugh C. Gibson, American minister at Warsaw. His source of information, Minister Gibson said, included newspaper reports, including the Jewish press; the American relief administration, whose representatives cover all parts of Poland; representatives of Jewish organizations, "who have talked freely with me on the situation," and various other sources.

Union Officials Tell Strikers to Go Back to Work

Seattle, June 7.—(U. P.)—The strike of more than 1000 shipyard workers in local shipyards will be ended as the result of action taken by the Boilermakers' and Shipbuilders' and Helpers' union No. 104 at a mass meeting here Friday night.

Riggers, plate hangers, burners, welders and drillers have been out on strike in several yards since Thursday, May 29.

The union, at its meeting Friday night notified the men who have walked out if they did not return to work by Monday, local 104 would see that other union men filled their places. There are 18,000 members in the boilermakers' union.

Esthonians Now 30 Miles From Capital

London, June 7.—(I. N. S.)—A Central News dispatch from Copenhagen says the Esthonians have reached Gatchina, 35 miles southwest of Petrograd.

COMMITTEE REPORTS NAT WOULD NOT HURT CHURCH FOUNDATION

City Council Loses Only Excuse Available for Revoking Permit For Swimming Tank.

No damage will result to the foundation of the First Congregational church from the construction of a natatorium at Broadway and Main street, according to the report of Building Inspector Plummer and Engineers Randlett and Laugaard submitted to Commissioner Barber.

The report declares the soil is in condition to carry such a building as the natatorium and that tile sub-drains constructed in a gravel trench under the swimming tank will carry away any possible leakage that might be dangerous to the Congregational church.

The report of the committee leaves the council without valid excuse for revoking the permit granted builders of the natatorium and means, without doubt, that the protest of the church delegation will have been in vain. By mistake, the permit was issued for the natatorium without allowing members of the church to be heard. The council must have legal excuse to revoke the permit.

Streetcar Men in Detroit Insist on Increase in Fares

Detroit, Mich., June 7.—(I. N. S.)—A strike of street car motormen and conductors seemed to be a certainty this afternoon unless the Detroit United Railroads company recedes from its maximum demand of 5 cent fare with a penny for transfer by 8 p. m.

The street car workers will take a strike vote immediately on learning the decision of the company. The men are demanding increased wages and the mayor and city council have submitted to the street car company a proposition to raise the present 3 cent fare lines to a 5 cent fare, with universal transfers, in order to provide money to pay the increases asked, but the street car company rejected this offer and countered with the demand of the 1 cent extra for transfers.

President Places Bronze Wreath on Tomb of LaFayette

Paris, June 7.—(I. N. S.)—President Wilson this afternoon placed a bronze wreath at the tomb of LaFayette. It took the place of the wreath he placed there last December. The inscription on it reads: "To the great La Fayette from a fellow servant of democracy."

Early in the day the president sat for a portrait by Sir William Orpen.

Governor of Texas Orders Out Cavalry To Protect Border

Austin, Texas, June 7.—Governor Hobby of Texas Friday sent a request to the war department to call out two brigades of Texas cavalry for service on the border.

Need for state troops in guarding the border, Governor Hobby contended, was made pressing by recent Angelezo operations in the northern states of Mexico. Residents near the border are in constant fear of a Mexican raid on American soil.

Aside from the Angeles-Villa activities, the governor pointed out, there has been rapid increase in smuggling of ammunition into Mexico and petty crimes along the border. On report said American ammunition was being smuggled in airplanes. Recently a squad of rangers was sent to the border to assist rangers already there in suppressing the smugglers.

130 LISTED TO GET COLLEGE SHEEPSKINS IN DEPLETED CLASS

200 Who Might Have Graduated Left Studies in Course of World Conflict.

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis, June 7.—Candidates for graduation Tuesday at the college include 130 on the tentative list, according to figures from the office of H. M. Tennant, registrar. Of this number 21 come from the school of agriculture, 59 home economics, 6 commerce, 7 mining, 7 mechanical engineering, 2 logging engineering, 4 civil engineering, 1 chemical engineering, 2 industrial arts, 6 electrical engineering, 2 pharmacy, 1 music, 3 graduates in pharmacy, 4 pharmaceutical chemists. Official reports show that in 1916-17 as many as 149 withdrew from the class of 1919 and in 1917-18 as many as 61 withdrew, making a total of 200 students who might have been graduated.

The report shows that the number of students who withdrew from college for military reasons or to engage in some necessary industrial pursuit in 1916-17 was 672, divided as follows: Freshmen 220, sophomores 149, juniors 109, seniors 22, graduates 14, vocational and optional 82. In 1917-18 the total who withdrew for the same reasons was 262, divided as follows: Freshmen 92, sophomores 85, juniors 51, seniors 80, graduates 4, vocational and optional 50.

The complete program for commencement exercises at the college has been announced. Dr. Benjamin Ide Wheeler, president of the United States, will deliver the address; Dr. W. J. Kerr will confer degrees upon more than 100 students and will present the Clara H. Waldo prize; and the invocation will be offered by Dr. J. R. Bell, a former regent of the college. Music will be furnished by the college orchestra and Stuart McGuire, Portland vocalist.

Bell Found Not Guilty of White Slave Allegation

A verdict of not guilty was returned Friday afternoon by the jury in United States district court in the case of H. Bell, charged with violating the Mann white slave act. Bell was alleged to have aided in the transportation of Mrs. Gladys Story from Spokane to Portland for immoral purposes.

According to the evidence, Bell furnished the money for Mrs. Story's ticket, and dictated and signed a telegram, which was written by the girl's father, requesting her to come, and informing her that provisions had been made for her railroad fare.

In his charge to the jury, Federal Judge Bean resolved the issue to the intention of Bell at the time he sent the telegram. The defending attorney claimed that no proof had been introduced that could prove that there was any intent for immoral relations at the time the telegram was sent.

COLLEGE TO HONOR MEMORY OF MEN WHO DIED IN WAR

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis, June 7.—The list of 62 gold star men whose names will be honored at the special memorial service at the college next Monday includes 11 Portlanders.

The Portlanders are: George B. Barrett, William Hansen, Clifford Harris, John George Kelly, Arthur Roland Knouff, Theodore Eugene Lewton, William Harold Morrow, Robert Nicholas Walpole, Douglas H. Warner, C. M. Wilcox, Richard K. Wilmot. Others are Arlo Cecil Armstrong, Corvallis; Earl E. Blackden, Ashland, Cal.; Ruel M. Bond, Corvallis; Verne C. Branland, Colton, Cal.; Ray Ross Bravinder, Sierra Nevada, Cal.; Samuel L. Canevascini, Norval, Cal.; Ernest E. Paeschke, Junction City; Walter A. Phillips, Weymouth, Mass.; Owen H. Johnson, Quincy, Or.; Donald Kellogg, Hoquiam, Wash.; Harold H. Linderman, Alhambria, Cal.; Ralph E. Linn, Meridian, Idaho; Paul Lorenz, Grants Pass; Julian T. Lowe, Nyssa; W. Maxfield Macpherson, Pasadena, Cal.; C. B. Maynard, Alexander J. Mills, Clatsop, B. C.; John F. Morse, San Francisco, Cal.; Clair Edgar Myers, Pendleton; Eric W. Neale, Nelson, B. C.; Albert B. Oldham, Bakersfield, Cal.; Ernest E. Paeschke, Junction City; Walter A. Phillips, Weymouth, Mass.; Maurice A. Reid, Fresno, Cal.; Albert R. Roy, George F. Sanders, The Dalles; Bert L. Stiel, Clement Summers, Ashland; Frank W. Thomas, Salt Lake City, Utah; Jacob Van Hine, Corvallis; George Gordon Watts, Corvallis; Harold Wilson, Maynard Young, Collins, Wash.

OREGON DAIRYMEN WILL DISCUSS MARKET METHODS

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis, June 7.—A series of dairy meetings will be held in Coos county June 12, 13 and 14. Dairymen from all parts of the state will gather to discuss dairy products and cooperative methods of marketing with a view to benefiting the producer and consumer.

The schedule for meetings is as follows: Marshfield, June 12; Bend, June 13; Norway, June 14. Big men from over the state will speak at these conventions and include J. D. Mickle, state dairy and food commissioner, Salem; Alma D. Katz, president of the Oregon Dairymen's league, Portland; A. E. Westcott, president of the Oregon Dairymen's association, Portland; and Professor P. M. Brandt, secretary of the Oregon Dairymen's association, Corvallis.

J. L. Smith, county agent in charge of arrangements for the series of meetings, asks all visitors to come by automobile and bring along fishing rods and "bear" guns.

PORTLAND BOY IS ELECTED HEAD OF COMMERCIAL CLUB

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis, June 7.—In the election of commercial club officers for next year no candidate won by more than 15 votes.

Those elected were George Powell of Portland, president; Margarite Turner of Corvallis, vice president; Frances Maginnis of Corvallis, secretary; Ernest Abbott of Ashland, treasurer; B. F. Schumacher of Portland, sergeant-at-arms.

Carl Long of Oakland, Or., was chosen editor of the Commercial Print, a publication issued semi-annually by the students of the school of commerce.

Fire Does \$25 Damage

Engine No. 29 responded to a call from 461 Bidwell street about noon today, and extinguished a small fire on the roof of F. L. Roberts' home. It is reported that the fire began from sparks from a defective fuse. The damage has been estimated at about \$25.

AUTOS DEMOLISHED IN ROAD COLLISION BUT NO ONE IS HURT

Ashland Man Meets With Second Accident in Two Months, Driving New Machine.

Ashland, June 7.—Ross Small of Ashland, returning from Medford in a newly purchased automobile Tuesday evening ran into a "bug" driven by Al Clements at Phoenix. Both cars were demolished, but the occupants escaped with slight scratches. This is the second automobile accident Small has experienced in two months.

DOMESTIC SCIENCE STUDENTS HOLD CONTEST AND EXHIBITS

Ashland, June 7.—The domestic science department of the junior and senior high schools gave an exhibit of the year's work in the sewing department. Voile dresses and embroidered blouses, together with gingham house dresses and cook aprons were shown.

A bread making contest was held, the winners being Florence Masters, first prize; Marie Porter, second; Claudia Klum, third; Elizabeth Lennox, fourth. The judges were Mrs. V. Carter, Mrs. J. P. Dodge and Mrs. J. H. McGee.

Fifty Are Graduated

Ashland, June 7.—The Rev. C. A. Edwards delivered the sermon to the class of 50 high school seniors, who were graduated Thursday evening. The Methodist choir furnished music. The Rev. J. S. Brett of the Congregational church and the Rev. C. F. Koehler assisted in the service. A party for the class was given Tuesday evening at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Herrin.

Tramps Are Old Men

Ashland, June 7.—Along with the summer tourists comes the annual migration of hobos through Ashland. This year it is noticeable that most all tramps are old men, with no desire to work in orchards or fields.

Site for Mason Home Ojreit

Ashland, June 7.—Frank J. Miller, Albany, of the committee to select the site for the proposed Masonic home to be built in Oregon, was in Ashland looking over offered sites this week.

Soldiers Urged to Use Lynch Law in Suppressing Reds

Oakland, Cal., June 7.—An appeal to all men who have worn the United States uniform, throughout the United States and on foreign soil, to combat the I. W. W., anarchist and Bolshevik terrorists, even to the extent of bringing into play the lynch law and the vigilance committee methods of 1849 and 1850, was issued Friday by the executive committee of the local post of the American legion.

Major John L. Davis has been asked to call a mass meeting, so that, as in Winnipeg, the menace to labor, homes, churches and industry shall be wiped out once and for ever.

Veterans of foreign wars, Spanish-American war veterans and members of the G. A. R. have expressed themselves as anxious to join a movement which has a nation wide scope.

Workers on Strike Seek Compromise

Los Angeles, June 7.—A committee representing the 6900 striking employees of the Los Angeles Shipbuilding & Drydock company Friday conferred with Mayor Woodman and proposed a settlement of the strike on a compromise basis. He will meet with Fred L. Baker, president of the company, at San Pedro, tomorrow, when a settlement of the strike may be arranged.

Mrs. Cole, Formerly Of Eugene, Is Dead

Spokane, June 7.—Mrs. Lula Cole, a native of Eugene, Or., and widow of former Sheriff C. A. Cole, died Thursday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. E. N. Campbell, 3210 Monroe street. Mrs. Cole came to Spokane from Oregon in 1887. She was born in Eugene, 57 years ago. She leaves two daughters, Mrs. Campbell and Mrs. E. A. Borden of Twin Falls, Idaho, and a son, Charles A. Cole, who is with the Hoy-Mason company. She was a past grand matron of the Rebekah lodge. The funeral was held Friday.

Professor Lewis Visits Orchards

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis, June 7.—C. I. Lewis, chief in horticulture, has returned from a three days' trip among the Willamette valley fruit farms with students in horticulture. The itinerary included stops at Dallas, Sheridan, McMinnville, Newberg, Salem and the surrounding country. Orchards of all classes of fruit in the valley were inspected with a view to determining various production factors. The Pheasant and jelly factory at Salem, considered one of the most modern of its kind in the country, was visited.

Single Taxer Holds Giving Land to Men Would Be Mistake

Washington, June 7.—Outright gift by the government of land to returning soldiers was opposed today by former Representative William Kent of California, member of the tariff commission, and by Western Starr and Carl Braunin of the Farmers' National Single Tax league, appearing before the house public lands committee which is holding hearings on the soldiers' land settlement bill.

"Such a plan will lead to speculation and landlordism," Kent argued.

The better plan, he said, would be for the government to retain title and give the settler a perpetual lease. Under this plan there would be no temptation for him to sell at a profit to large land or cattle companies or speculators.

Publicity Big Need Of Latin Republics

Washington, June 7.—The press as a means of promoting friendly relations and bettering pan-American trade was discussed from various phases by speakers at Friday's session of the second pan-American commercial convention for him to sell at a profit to large land or cattle companies or speculators.

Speakers told of the needs for further publicity in regard to Latin-American affairs in order to build up pan-American trade. The conference ended tonight with a reception and banquet party by the governing board of the Pan-American union.

INSANE MAN TRIES TO DIE BY HANGING

Gives Self Up and Jail, Then Is Balked in Two Attempts to Take His Own Life.

Grants Pass, June 7.—Thomas Loveall, insane man who at his own request was locked up in the county jail on June 3, tried twice in one night to commit suicide. The only other inmates of the jail is Roy Cox.

Loveall made his first attempt at self-destruction Thursday evening just before dark. The man wore out in the corridor, when Loveall stepped back into a cell. Tearing his red bandana into strips, he plaited it and made a short rope. Presently Cox was attracted by a shuffling sound. He turned and saw Loveall hanging by his neck in the cell. Cox cut the improvised rope from the man's neck.

Friday morning at about 4 o'clock Cox was awakened by a scraping sound, and rising, saw Loveall making a second attempt at suicide. He had taken a light cotton blanket and rolled it up tightly, which made a fair rope for the purpose. His feet, which were scarcely touching the floor, were scraping and kicking about. Cox again cut the rope.

S. & H. Green Stamps for cash. Holman Fuel Co., Main 252, A-3523, Blockwood, short slabwood, Rock Springs and Utah coal; sawdust.—Adv.

None of 14 Points Violated in Treaty, Declares President

Paris, June 7.—(U. P.)—The Matin today stated that when President Wilson learned the details of the German counter proposals, he said: "I conscientiously believe our draft of the treaty violates none of my principles. If I felt otherwise I should not hesitate to admit it and would rectify the error. The treaty we have made entirely conforms with the 14 points."

Oblivion Approaches U.S. News Committee

Washington, June 7.—The committee on public information will cease to function on June 15, and on July 1 will go out of existence entirely. Orders have been issued to those connected with the foreign service of the committee to start for home not later than the former date.

Youth Is Taken Here On Seattle Charge

Harry Cornell, 21 years old, was arrested Friday in the Tourist hotel by Inspectors Hill and Morris upon telegraphic information from Seattle. The telegram states that he is wanted on a charge of contributing to the delinquency of a minor.

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NEW SHOW TODAY

Adapted From **THE MALEFACTOR**

THE TEST OF HONOR

THE CRUISING POWER OF SOLITARY THOUGHT.

The woman said she loved him and he, like a fool, innocently caused her husband's death. Then, in a crowded court room, she denied him, said she hardly knew him.

UNQUESTIONABLY THE STRONGEST PORTRAYAL EVER ENACTED BY MR. BARRYMORE

LIBERTY BELL
DIRECTION OF JENSEN-VON HERBERG
"LIBERTY CORNER"

IN A NEW AND WONDERFULLY DIFFERENT SORT OF A BILL HART STORY, AS

"The Night Watchman"

WHO SHOOTS THE DATE OUT OF A DIME IN MID-AIR—FIGHTS A TOUGH GANG OF CROOKS—AND BEATS 'EM. WE KNOW HE WILL SUIT YOU TO A "T."

MACK SENNETT'S NEWEST COMEDY "LOVE'S FALSE FACES"

NEW SHOW TODAY!

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