

An intimate view of Secretary of the Navy Denby by Louis Seibold will be a feature of the Sunday Journal next Sunday.

Portland and Vicinity—Sunday, fair; westerly winds. Oregon and Washington—Sunday, fair; moderate westerly winds.

PREMIER HAS PEACE OFFER FOR DE VALERA

Lloyd George Makes Public Letter in Which He Invites Irish Leader to Meet Him for Confab

Calls Him "Chosen Head of Great Majority"; Would "Explore to Utmost Possibilities of Peace"

By Ed L. Keen United Press Staff Correspondent London, June 25.—The British government tonight made the first official peace overtures to Eamonn de Valera, president of the Irish republic.

Premier Lloyd George made public a letter to De Valera, inviting him to a conference in London with Sir James Craig, premier of the new Ulster parliament, as the first step toward definite settlement of the Irish question.

Lloyd George's sensational peace offer was believed to be the culmination of lengthy subrosa interchanges, details of which were never proposed to meet the public. The fact that the premier made his letter public was taken to indicate that De Valera already has promised to accept the invitation.

The letter addressed Valera as "the chosen leader of a great majority in southern Ireland," and stated the purpose of the conference was "to explore to the utmost the possibility of a settlement."

SIMILAR LETTER TO CRAIG A similar letter was dispatched to Craig.

The greatest significance was attached to this move in semi-official quarters. It was pointed to as a not unexpected climax to a series of important incidents in the last week.

King George, in convoking the first home rule parliament in Belfast, pleaded for peace and urged the Irish people to "forgive and forget."

Then came the arrest of De Valera, under an assumed name. He is technically a fugitive from justice, as the result of his sensational escape from prison, preceding his flight to America.

Morris Brings Suit Against Etheridge On \$15,000 Claim

Fred S. Morris, one of the founders of the now defunct bond house of Morris Bros. Inc. filed suit in circuit court late Saturday against his successor as head of the firm, John L. Etheridge, who he claims owes him \$15,000 on two promissory notes.

Co-defendants in the suit are Stella M. Etheridge, wife of Etheridge; W. D. Whitcomb, receiver of the bond house, and Earl C. Bronaugh, trustee.

Morris and Etheridge were apparently the best of friends until their firm got into financial troubles. Morris now claims that Etheridge borrowed \$10,000 cash from him and never paid back a cent. All Morris has to show for it, he says, is a promissory note secured by some real estate in the city.

The other \$5,000 for which Morris is suing is alleged to be due as a balance on certain real estate sold to Etheridge. Notes were given in both cases, according to Morris' complaint, and these are backed by a mortgage on property held in Etheridge's name.

Whitcomb and Bronaugh are named as defendants because as receiver and trustee of the bankrupt firm they may claim some interest in the mortgaged property as assets.

Early Reparations Conference Urged

(By Universal Service) Paris, June 25.—England has sent a note to France suggesting an early conference of the finance ministers of England and France in London to regulate the remaining reparations questions.

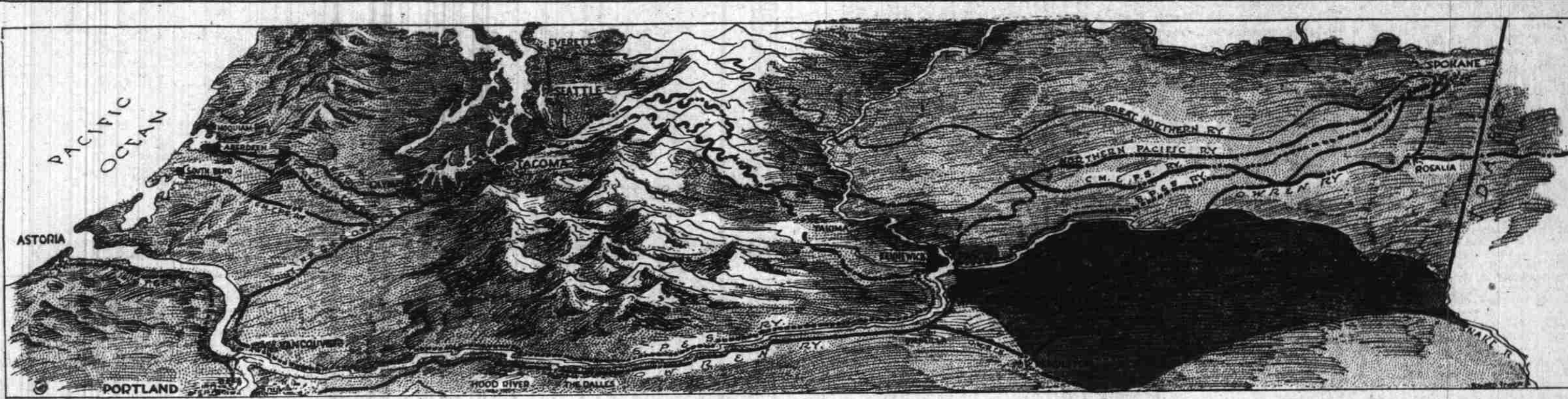
Governor Lauds Oregon Guard Troops Parade at Camp Lewis

Camp Lewis, Wash., June 25.—Oregon guardmen paraded today in review before Governor Olcott and Colonel Robert H. Noble, U. S. A., of San Francisco, in charge of the National Guard in the Ninth training corps area. High praise was given the men by the reviewing party, which included Brigadier General Richard M. Blatchford, commanding the Fourth division and Camp Lewis; George B. Duncan, infantry, and Henry O. Todd, artillery, regular army.

Two hundred National Guard and regular army officers of this camp greeted Governor Olcott, who was the guest of honor, at a camp luncheon this afternoon. Governor Olcott referred to his Camp Lewis visit last year, when he became an active booster for National Guard interests, and compared the 900 men at camp then with the 1800 men training at 1921 camps.

He praised the officers for their accomplishment in bringing 80 per cent of the enlisted strength to camp.

AREA AFFECTED BY COLUMBIA BASIN RATE SCHEDULE WHICH IS OPERATIVE JULY 1



Heavily shaded region on the right is 4200 mile zone south of Snake river, which is given rate differential to Portland and Vancouver by interstate commerce commission decision.

Anglo-Jap Pact Facing Opposition

Situation Delicate, but It Is Known U. S. Attitude Is Shaping Decision.

By A. L. Bradford United Press Staff Correspondent Washington, June 25.—The United States is not pleased at a prospect of the renewal of the Anglo-Japanese alliance, it was understood here tonight.

The hope that has been held by high officials of the government that the United States be specifically exempted from the terms of the alliance seems to be developing toward opposition to a renewal of the pact in any form.

How the attitude of the American government toward the alliance will be made known to the world, if it ever is, is a matter of conjecture.

The study now being given by the British and Japanese governments to the question of renewal, is of such a nature and character that this government would find it difficult to make known its views upon the Far Eastern pact.

If the United States remains silent, a conclusion probably will be drawn that this country had no interest or concern in the alliance.

This is just the sort of impression that this government does not want to get abroad, it is stated authoritatively, as high officials here feel that this country is vitally concerned in the question of renewal of the alliance.

Accused Denies He Stole Airplane and Sent It to Oregon

Eugene, Ore., June 25.—A. W. Weaver of San Francisco, arrested here at the request of California authorities on a charge of stealing an airplane engine and shipping it to Oregon, from his cell in the Lane county jail denies such a charge.

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20 Reported Dead In Express Wreck

(By Universal Service) Paris, June 25.—Twenty persons are reported to have been killed and 38 persons injured when the Lille express was wrecked.

Mutilated Head of Man Is Discovered

Sacramento, Cal., June 25.—(U. S. A.) A letter written in Japanese was the only clue on which police could base a search for the slayer, which a murder mystery with which they were confronted this afternoon following the finding of the mutilated head of a man wrapped in an overcoat and concealed inside a suitcase. The suitcase with its gruesome contents was fished out of a slough near Elk Grove today by two fishermen.

The letter, addressed to a Japanese in Stockton, bore the date of February 18, 1921.

Instead of the increased interest in preparedness following the red lessons of the war we find that the country is being swept by a wave of insane pacifism that threatens to reduce our national defense to a sorry tragedy, said Colonel White.

"The ties that were formed at the front and in training camps in the bitter experiences of war are being strengthened by our associations in camp. Those ties should be made stronger and stronger for it seems that it remains for us to keep alive the national defense in these reactionary days"

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BIG VICTORY FOR GOMPERS

Reelected President of Labor Federation by Majority of 12,698 Over John L. Lewis.

By Mildred Morris Denver, June 25.—(U. N. S.)—Samuel Gompers, labor's 71-year-old general, stands triumphant tonight.

The forty-first annual convention of the A. F. of L. before adjourning today, crowned him leader of the American labor movement for the fortieth time.

In the most sensational and bitter contest the federation has ever had, it reelected him president over John L. Lewis, head of the United Mineworkers of America, by a majority of 12,698.

The vote was: Gompers, 25,922; Lewis, 13,224.

The election was a complete victory for the "Old Guard." It marked the first serious attempt to wrest control of the federation from the old regime.

William Randolph Hearst and the Lewis action in calling off the coal miners.

Sheriff Finds Two Bars Severed From Lane County Jail

Eugene, Ore., June 25.—What is believed to have been a well executed plan for a wholesale jail break was stopped here this afternoon when Sheriff Stickle discovered two bars sawed from a window in the county jail and the outside screen for the window sawed almost in two.

Eleven men are in prison. A thorough search disclosed a hacksaw, bright and sharp, that had been used in the operation.

Filipino Banker Is Arrested on Charge Of Practicing Fraud

Manila, P. I., June 25.—General Venado Concepcion, former president of the Philippine National bank, was today arrested on a charge of violating the anti-borrowing law by borrowing from their own bank by directors.

W. T. Nolting, insular auditor, swore to a charge that Concepcion had borrowed \$750,000 from the bank, covering up the loan by means of a third party. Nolting charged that the bank had loaned \$750,000 to the Binal Bagan Sugar estate, which in turn had loaned the same amount the same day to Concepcion and P. C. Whitaker, who purchased Palma Sugar Central stock. Whitaker will be the main witness, it is stated.

Countess Sentenced As Cocaine Addict

Paris, June 25.—The Countess de Pastrance de Montbrun has been sentenced to six months imprisonment for using cocaine. Mlle Marie Malgras, an actress, caught in the same raid has been sentenced to four months.

Columbia Basin Rate Schedule Effective July 1 Means New Deal

Portland, Vancouver and Points in 4200-Square Mile Zone South of Snake River at Last to Get Just Recognition in Freight Tariffs Along Line Long Urged by The Journal

By Marshall N. Dana Copyright, 1921, by The Journal Washington, June 25.—President Harding has found it necessary to apply the executive accelerator to congress. He has been reluctant to follow in the footsteps of other presidents who drove congress with a firm hand, and he has resented the suggestion that he should dictate to both houses.

But, after a lapse of two months and a half, it has become apparent that the extra session of congress will be fruitless unless the executive forgoes his oft-expressed ideas about complete separation of the functions of the executive and legislative branches of the government and accepts the role of party leader which made it possible for Presidents Roosevelt and Wilson to get results in congress, and which President Taft subsequently admitted that he, too, had done.

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The preferential will likewise be reflected in the increased business handled at the head of navigation on the Columbia. Grain receipts, milling, wholesaling, industry, distribution and transshipments will all feel the stimulus. The valley railroads will be benefited.

All this comes about directly through recognition of the water grade. Its economies are translated from argument into benefit through the instrumentality of the federal commerce commission.

The department of public works of Washington has under date of June 21 issued an order deferring for 90 days, pending hearing before it, the effective date of the interstate commerce commission's order in the Columbia basin case, insofar as the order affects Washington intrastate rates. As the authority of the federal commission has been established by law as superior to that of state commissions, it is not believed that the order of the Washington state body will materially affect the situation and it is believed that the railroads will obey the interstate commerce commission.

Back of the act is an even more fundamental fact. An aspect finally has been taken from the people, as occurred by legislative order on the Willamette. Had the Columbia been privately controlled the water grade could never have been used, as a plea by the public for a lowering of rates. Had it been privately owned, selfish interests would doubtless have recognized and exploited its value long ago in a way the people might have done—but which they still may do.

The value of the Columbia as public property need not be restricted to a lowering of rail rates. If organization by the people can only prove to be as effective and canny as organization of the people. It belongs to the people. (Concluded on Page Twelve, Column Five)

BATHER IS KILLED BY LIGHTNING BOLT

Thousands Are Panic Stricken at Chicago Resort; Another Bather Seriously Hurt.

Chicago, June 25.—(U. P.)—Thousands of bathers were thrown into a panic late today when lightning struck a tree at a public bathing beach, killing one bather and seriously injuring another. Robert Collins died of burns upon the way to the hospital and it is stated that Frank Fish, Forreston, Ill., may die.

George M. Cohan Retires From Stage Because of Unions

New York, June 25.—"I ask you to believe that I am being forced out," George M. Cohan said in a curtain speech tonight when the curtain dropped upon the first act of "The Tavern." It was Cohan's final appearance on Broadway, where he has been actor, singer, dancer, producer and playwright for 25 years. He is retiring because of closed shop demands of the Actors' Equity association.

Cohan's associates of the stage marked his retirement with a great demonstration. At the end of the first act there were 10 minutes of applause, during which Cohan appeared with various members of the cast. He finally walked out by himself to bid a formal farewell to the profession.

Cohan estimated his loss in not participating in the coming season will be not less than \$1,000,000.

HARDING PRODS HIS CONGRESS

Executive Is Worried as Time Passes Without Signs of Results Being Obtained.

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YANKS TO POINT WAY TO NORMALCY

Industrial Chiefs Will Present Big Program to London Meeting of Business Men.

Washington, June 25.—(U. P.)—American business men, it was announced tonight, will make the effort to lead the world back to commercial normalcy.

Backed by Charles M. Schwab and a group of big business men, American delegates to the International Chamber of Commerce in London next week will entertain by the British government, distribution, communication and restoration of the war devastated districts.

Eleven nations will take part in the conference of the international chamber, which was established as a result of the international finance conference at Atlantic City in 1919, called by the American chamber.

In addition to the United States, the participating nations are: Great Britain, France, Italy, Belgium, Denmark, Sweden, Greece, Holland, Poland and Czechoslovakia.

Two hundred delegates from the United States and other countries will be entertained by the British government, according to cables reports of the conference. A. C. Bedford, head of the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey, is one of the vice presidents of the international chamber.

According to James H. Fahay, director of the international chamber, the London meeting is a calling together of the world's best minds in the fields of banking and general business, to determine what can be done "to hurry the process of world reconstruction."

Ship Listed As Missing Is Located

Monongahela, San Francisco to Manila, Guided in Circles by Insane Captain.

San Francisco, June 25.—(U. P.) Listed as missing for over six months, the ship Monongahela, which left Manila for this port December 3 of last year, has put into a small cove near Manila, according to word received here today.

The crew of the vessel, composed largely of cadets from this country and long since given up for lost by their friends and relatives, tell a strange tale of an aimless voyage in the China sea. For more than 107 days, according to the account in a letter from one of the men, the vessel was directed on a wandering course about the China sea under the orders of the captain, whom all hands believed to have gone insane.

Unable to explain the unaccountable actions of the ship, the crew was for a long time persuaded that they were homeward bound, but as the voyage was prolonged they became convinced that they were roving endlessly in circles. No explanation is given as to how the vessel was brought into port.

Secretary of the Navy Denby, who administered the public rebuke to the admiral, had declined to discuss the terms of the settlement with the admiral.

This news of the stipulations made by the secretary prior to closing the incident with the public repimand has fully explained the "I'm sorry" interview which he publicly admitted the official announcement in his case.

That "I'm sorry" attitude represented a complete reversal of the speech-making admiral's attitude.

Burglars Loot Open Safe, Getting \$500

Astoria, June 25.—Burglars entered the rear door of the soda-drink parlor of John Eckman at Hammond Friday night and plundered the safe of \$750 in cash. A bartender had placed the money in the safe, leaving for Eckman to lock on his return. The proprietor found the safe open, the money gone and the back door forced when he came back after a short absence.

On Again, Off Again, Thomas Director to "Junket" Again

School Director George B. Thomas, who is about to take his seventh occasional pleasure trip to Washington and way points, already has spent in similar junketing upwards of \$4300 of the school district's money—enough to buy a portable of two-ton truck.

Thomas commenced his peregrinations in November, 1918, when he went back to Pittsburgh "and other cities" ostensibly for the benefit of the school district.

This first flight was made for the modest sum of \$400 flat, which total was not entered in the record without some little controversy, however, and was financed at by estimating the mileage of the railroad fare, from the Portland end of the line, plus \$8 a day for general and contingent expenses.

FRATERNAL MEET ON WAY In June, 1919, Director Thomas again packed his trunk for the purpose of purchasing machinery for the Benson Polytechnic school. He bought the machinery all right, quantities of it, but the saving to the district is still an open question in the minds of those who have paid attention to school management, because of the fact that government-owned machinery was then selling, by governmental fiat, at standardized prices.

HE DIDN'T SAVE ANYTHING He did not save any money for the district, though his March trip cost the taxpayers \$525.50, his May trip \$509.35 and his November trip \$422.50, a merry crescendo of mounting expense neatly figured down to the cent.

In March of 1921 Director Thomas packed his trunk for the sixth time, he bid himself eastward. Again his official destination was the national capitol, this trip cost the taxpayers \$314.

It was not until 1920, however, that Director Thomas really started the habit, for during that year he made the trip, one in March, one in May and one in November.

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SALT LAKE STAR WINS GOLF TITLE

George Von Elm, 20 Years Old, Defeats Veteran, H. Chandler Egan, in Best Match Seen Here

Beautiful Mashie Drive to 36th Green and 2 Remarkable Putts Were His Deciding Strokes.

WINNERS IN MAJOR EVENTS Northwest Championship George Von Elm, Salt Lake, defeated H. Chandler Egan, Waverley, 1 up.

First Flight Ercel Kay, Portland Golf club, defeated Jack Straight, Waverley, 6 up and 4.

Handicap Championship W. A. Pettigrove, Portland Golf club, defeated W. J. Roope, Portland Golf club, 5 up and 4.

Women's Championship Miss Phoebe Nell Tidmarsh, Seattle Golf club, defeated Mrs. Fred Jackson, Jefferson Park, Seattle, 4 up and 2.

First Flight Mrs. Peter Kerr, Waverley, defeated Mrs. Thomas Kerr, Waverley, 3 up and 2.

By George Berts Playing within himself in a gruelling 36-hole match and never once losing his nerve, George Von Elm, the 20-year-old sensation of Salt Lake, Utah, captured the Pacific Northwest Golf association championship this Saturday, defeating H. Chandler Egan of Waverley Country club, holder of the title, 1 up.

The match was a fitting climax to the greatest tournament in the history of the royal and ancient game on the Pacific coast. A beautiful mashie drive to the thirty-sixth green after he topped his second shot and two remarkable putts were the deciding strokes of the match.

MAKES BRILLIANT PLAY Turning 1 down on the twenty-seventh hole, the Utahian battled harder than ever. Although he was not pressing his game, he succeeded in squaring the match on the thirty-fourth green when he sank a 9-foot putt for a three.

The thirty-fifth hole was halved with four, and after both had driven down the middle on their last tee shot, Von Elm topped his second, while Egan continued straight. On his third, Von Elm made probably the greatest shot of the tournament, 260-yard brassie, which was hole high about 12 feet from the pin. He made a wonderful approach putt and the ball rolled about three feet past the cup.

WINS TITLE He holed his next putt, a difficult one, considering that he had to put uphill. No sooner had the ball hit the bottom of the cup, when Egan, who was squatted down, jumped to his feet and congratulated his youthful conqueror. Egan roundly applauded the newly crowned champion.

The match can be described as the most wonderful golf victory ever won on the Pacific coast and the hardest fought match ever lost.

This was the greatest professional analysis of the match by a number of professionals, who watched every move of the veteran and the youngster from tee to green.

Through the largest and most colorful of Von Elm, who is a University of Utah freshman and a former caddy on the links of the Salt Lake Country club.

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Photographs of winners and runners-up in golf tournament on Page Eight of Section Two.