

SIXTY-NINTH YEAR

SALEM, OREGON, SUNDAY MORNING, SEPTEMBER 21, 1919.

FIRES CAUSE CONCERN IN CALIFORNIA

Seven Blazes Break Out, Burning Homes and Threatening Famous Muir Woods Many Still Beyond Control

STUDENTS OF STANFORD SAVE GIANT REDWOODS

6000 Acres in San Gabriel Canyon Near Los Angeles, Burned Over

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Sept. 20.—Seven fires of sufficient magnitude to cause concern to state and federal forestry officials in California were burning tonight and the embers of a blaze that had reduced to ashes many homes in Mill Valley, Marin county, and threatened to spread to the famous Muir Woods, still were smouldering.

Students from Leland Stanford Jr. University responded to a call from W. K. Drell, superintendent of California redwood park, who said the historic grove of redwoods in this Santa Cruz county park was endangered by a fire that had been burning for two weeks.

Two fires were reported in Nevada county, two in Placer county, and from El Dorado county came the report of a fire that had not yet spread to dangerous proportions.

In San Gabriel canyon, about 40 miles from Los Angeles, 6,000 acres of timber and brush land have been burned over, but this blaze was approaching complete control.

CORPUS CHRISTI WATER MENACED

CORPUS CHRISTI, Tex., Sept. 20.—Fears that the water supply of Corpus Christi might be impaired were expressed tonight when it was reported a rise of from ten to twenty feet was coming down the Nueces River, from which the water supply is obtained about 12 miles from here.

BABY TESTS AFFORD OPPORTUNITY CONGRESS OF MOTHERS IN CHARGE LOCAL PHYSICIANS GIVE SERVICES

A purpose more practical than the mere spirit of competition among proud parents and their babies is served by the eugenics tests which will take place at the state fair this week under the auspices of the Oregon congress of mothers. Whenever perfect or near perfect babies are discovered the persons in charge will be happy, but the main purpose served is to find the defects in the little ones so that their parents may have the information to serve as a basis in having the defects remedied. The tests will, for this reason, afford an opportunity for persons who are not financially able to have their

STEEL STRIKE IS CERTAIN MONDAY

Both Sides Claim Victory Impossible for Opposition Forces

CHICAGO, Sept. 20.—With the nation-wide strike of steel workers set for Monday, officials of the steel companies in the Chicago district were completing plans tonight to combat the strike, while the union leaders renewed their pledge that the strikers would not resort to violence.

Officials of the steel companies were reticent regarding their plans, but it was reported they were prepared to open despite the strike if enough local employes responded to the call already sent out.

NO SURVIVORS OF WRECK FOUND

Admiral Decker Inspects Spanish Steamer Lost on Florida Coast

KEY WEST, Fla., Sept. 20.—Inspection of the vessel lost between this port and Havana in the recent hurricane today convinced Rear Admiral Decker, commanding the naval steamer Valbanera, which carried 200 passengers and a crew of 88. No survivors have been found.

HUNT BROS. END RECORD PEAR YEAR

Packing Company Cans 925 Tons or 50,000 Cases of Fruit—Prices Run Up to \$80 or \$45 Higher in 1918

WEEKLY PAYROLL \$8000; WORKERS NUMBER 400

Practically All Shipments To Be Sold Domestically, Because of Market

With a record of 925 tons of fresh pears which are converted into 50,000 cases of packed product, the Hunt Brothers Packing company closed the biggest pear season in its history at noon yesterday. The season began about August 15 and throughout has been notable.

\$80 Paid for Bulk

The pears were purchased at prices ranging from \$65 to \$80 per ton, the bulk being at the latter figure. Prices last year were \$32 to \$37.30 per ton. All were Bartlett and most came from southern Oregon, the crop in the mid-Willemette valley being light.

The average daily pack was 2,000 bushel baskets of peeled fruit.

The pack this year was approximately 350 tons more than that of 1918.

Weekly Payroll \$8,000

The weekly payroll of the plant which employed 400 workers for the season averaged \$8,000. All work is done on the piece basis, the workers choosing their own time and hours.

Practically all the pears will be sold domestically as foreign trade in light due to the low rate of exchange which makes purchases unprofitable for British and other European buyers.

Conclusion of the season was celebrated with a luncheon of all the employees at the plant.

MOULD NOW THREATENS

Excellent Tonnage Results From Methods Used on Jerman Ranch

Gathering hops is still going forward in a number of the large yards. Little unrest among picking crews is heard of now. Those not satisfied with the wages paid, have returned to their homes.

In several of the yards the exodus of pickers has reduced the force to about one-third of the number that could be used. It is doubted whether all the hops can be gathered by those who are still on the job before mould and the hop cooties will head them off and make unmarketable much of the crop still on the vines. Mould has already shown up in spots in the yards.

Yield Is Surprising

The yield in some instances proved to be much larger than was expected. In other cases the returns were a disappointment. On an average it

MURDERER'S WIFE HELD ON CHARGE TRAGEDY BEGINS IN FLIRTATION JUDGE RECOMMENDS JOINT CHARGE

SAN FRANCISCO, Calif., Sept. 20.—A charge of murder was preferred today against Mrs. Alice Woodcock, whose husband, Edgar Woodcock, shot and killed Edward C. Kelly, employe of a local newspaper, Thursday night.

The charge against Mrs. Woodcock was made by Captain of Detectives Duncan Matheson, on instructions from Police Judge T. I. Fitzpatrick, before whom Woodcock was taken today for instructions as to his rights.

Woodcock shot Kelly, the police said, after Mrs. Woodcock accused Kelly of having endeavored to start a flirtation with her.

After hearing the story of witnesses of the shooting, Judge Fitzpatrick said: "I recommend that Mrs. Woodcock be charged with the murder. She is equally culpable with her husband as the evidence shows she conspired to bring about the flirtation which resulted in Kelly's death."

It was refused to Edgar Woodcock before her marriage was Miss Alice Harris of Tacoma, Wash.

WILSON WINDS UP WEEK FULL OF ADDRESSES

Thousands at Monster Meeting Shriek Approval of Statements

LOS ANGELES GOES WILD

Ten-Mile Parade Through Business Section Proves Triumph

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 20.—President Wilson completed his week of speech-making on the Pacific coast tonight with a monster mass meeting here at which thousands shrieked approval of his plea for early ratification of the peace treaty.

Parade Is Triumph

Welcome to the city by a crowd which densely packed the downtown section, the president was cheered during the day. Along the line of a ten-mile parade he rode in a din of applause and later at a public dinner cheered his declarations that the treaty should and would be accepted.

Thousands Turned Away

When he entered the auditorium for his night speech he was cheered for more than two minutes by a crowd estimated by the police at six thousand. The hall was jammed and outside were thousands who could not get in. Some have been waiting since early morning for the doors to open.

DEMOCRATS CHALLENGE G.O.P. CLAIM

Assertion Denied That Enough Pledges Are Secured to Assure Passage of Johnson Amendment on Vote

LODGE GROUPS REST ON EVE OF BATTLE

Both Sides Expect Help from Group Holding for Mild Reservations

WASHINGTON, Sept. 20.—Democratic leaders in the senate challenged today a claim of republican opponents of the league of nations covenant that enough pledges had been obtained to secure adoption of Senator Johnson's amendment designed to equalize British and American voting power in the league assembly. While they expressed supreme confidence and predicted at least 50 votes against the amendment—enough to defeat it—these senators finally got in touch with Vice President Marshall insisting that he return in time for the first real test vote on the treaty, expected next week.

Republicans Wait Battle

The senate was not in session and Chairman Lodge of the foreign relations committee was not at his office during the day, and republicans say they had rested on their oars, waiting for the contest Monday.

"Mild" reservationists, some of whom claimed to hold the balance of power, were active conferring and counting noses to see how many of their number would vote against the Johnson amendment. Some of their claims ran as high as eight.

Both Claim Neutrals

Both sides were expecting help from this group, but there was no certainty as to how the majority might line up. Democratic leaders, in predicting fifty votes against the Johnson amendment, out of a total of 96, counted on the support of many of this group, in view of the general belief that five demands would be found with the republicans in the lineup on the amendment fight.

Senator Hitchcock said today that every effort would be made to hasten consideration of the treaty because of the "insistent demands" of many of the people for final settlement. There was no indication, however, as to how soon a vote might be called for on the Johnson amendment.

HOSPITAL BURNS; PATIENTS SAFE

Military Infirmary at Vancouver, B. C. Wiped Out By Flames

VANCOUVER, B. C., Sept. 20.—Shaughnessy military hospital was practically destroyed by fire at noon today. The loss in property was heavy, but not a person suffered the slightest personal injury.

SHONTZ DIES AT NEW YORK HOME 1 A. M. TODAY

NEW YORK, Sept. 21.—Theodore P. Shontz, president of the Interborough Rapid Transit company, died at his home in Park Avenue at one o'clock this morning.

GOVERNMENT READY TO PROCEED WITH ANTI-TRUST CASES; MANY LARGE CORPORATIONS DEFENDANTS

WASHINGTON, Sept. 20.—The government is ready to proceed with all anti-trust cases pending in the supreme court. They will be argued during the term beginning October 6, unless some of the defendants obtain a continuance. Rumors that many of the cases, held in abeyance during the war, would be dropped, are without foundation, it was also authoritatively learned.

Coal Cases First

The anthracite coal cases against the Lehigh Valley and Reading companies will be called first and will be followed by the case against the United States Steel corporation.

The remaining cases will be scattered over a period of weeks and the action against the Quaker Oats company probably will not be heard until the first of the year.

Southern Pacific on List

Arguments also will be heard in the Eastman Kodak company, Associated Bill Posters and Distributors of the United States and Canada, American Can company and the Southern Pacific cases.

CANUT ROUNDUP WINNER OUTLAW IS CONQUERED 15 RIDE IN SEMI-FINALS

PENDELTON, Or., Sept. 20.—Yakima Canutt, champion of the 1917 roundup, repeated today by winning the championship of the 1919 roundup on the closing day. Canutt won his victory today on Nonage, an outlaw horse from Canada, which had never before been successfully ridden. Happy Burmeister was declared winner of second place and Ray Bell of third. Fifteen cowboys competed in the semi-finals.

The cowgirl champions are: Lorena Trickey, first, riding Spider; Ruth Roach, on Bearcat, second; Eloise Hastings, on Rawlins Kid, third.

THE HUNS IN BUSINESS

Some Salem profiteers in business who do not advertise gave written testimony in the recent arbitration of the wage scales of printers and pressmen to the effect that the retail cost of articles of necessity have doubled, or more than doubled, in Salem.

In those stores, perhaps they have.

But this is not true in the cases of the stores that advertise—and thus help to pay the higher wages of printers and pressmen, which the profiteers who keep in the dark refuse to help to pay.

The buying public will serve its own immediate interests by patronizing those merchants who place all their cards on the table—who advertise.

And indirectly they will serve their city, by aiding in building up Salem institutions which employ labor at high wage scales.

The Salem business men who refuse to advertise in Salem newspapers do not any more deserve the patronage of Salem people than do the Portland business men.

BIGGEST STATE FAIR WILL OPEN TOMORROW

Late Governor Withycombe, Who Championed Oregon Industries, Honored in First Night's Program

ALL DEPARTMENTS BEAT FORMER YEARS

Government Comes With Attractive Displays—Racing Card High Class

SPECIAL STATE FAIR DAYS

Monday—Governor Withycombe and Soldiers' Day.

Tuesday—Woman's and Dairymen's day.

Wednesday—Salem day.

Thursday—Portland and Wilks' day.

Friday—Willamette Valley and Grange day.

Saturday—Manufacturer's and Good Roads day.

In announcing the special days and that all is in readiness for the 58th Annual Oregon state fair, which opens tomorrow, A. H. Lea, secretary of the state fair board, declares that the fair this year will be the greatest and best state exposition ever held in the west.

"All the departments will have more and better exhibits than ever before in the history of the fair," said Secretary Lea, "and the fair as a whole will easily surpass all previous shows. More than 20 counties will be represented by agricultural exhibits, and the livestock show will be both greater and better than any in the past. The agricultural display of the giant government exhibit will be a special feature in the agricultural department. It will be accompanied by expert demonstrators and lecturers, and will be exceptionally educational. There will be an

Golf Elimination Matches Scheduled to Start Today

The first elimination matches for the annual fall golf tournament are scheduled to be played at the Illihee Country club links, beginning at 9 o'clock this morning. These will be handicap matches with the present numbers of players participating will be unusually large and the interest being manifested in the tournament is relative intense.

JOHNSON ENDS SPEAKING TRIP

Three Addresses in Twin Cities in Day Conclude Treaty Tour

MINNEAPOLIS, Sept. 20.—With three addresses in the Twin Cities today, Senator Hiram W. Johnson concluded his speaking trip through the middlewest opposing the ratification of the league of nations covenant in its present form. At one time he was one of the best known residents of Oregon.

LEGION CAUSES NELSON'S REMOVAL FROM Y. M. C. A. BOARD OF ASTORIA

Former Pilot Commissioner Fails to Meet Demands of Veterans

ASTORIA, Ore., Sept. 20.—The board of directors of the Astoria Y. M. C. A. today requested Thomas Nelson to resign as a member of that board, as a result of a demand made by Clatsop post, American legion, following Nelson's refusal to discharge Hannes Huttala, an alien enemy in the employ of the Union Fishermen's Co-Operative Packing company, of which Nelson is manager.

Is Given Chance

At a recent meeting of the Y. M. C. A. board, a resolution was adopted directing the secretary to ask for Nelson's resignation in case he did not effect a settlement of the controversy with the legion before today. Today the legion notified the Y. M. C. A. that no settlement had been reached. The request upon Nelson followed. He reserved his decision. Nelson was notified by Governor Olcott that he would be removed from the state pilot commission, of which he is a member, for a similar reason to that given by the Y. M. C. A. board.

IRISH PAPERS CLOSED MANY SINN FEIN ORGANS

DUBLIN, Sept. 20.—The five leading Sinn Fein organs and transport workers newspapers, as well as several provincial weeklies were suppressed today by the police because they had published advertisements for the so-called Irish republican loan. Where newspapers operated their own plants the raiders rendered the presses unworkable.

Barnes Cash Store
THE BARNES PROPRIETOR

FAIR WEEK

Visitors

Can turn their odd moments to profitable use at this store. Here is high grade merchandise at money-saving prices, that will surprise most people not living near Salem.

Wool Suitings:
Many new pieces of elegant Serges, Poplins and Tricotines in navy, brown, plum, taupe, and heather mixtures. These are 54 to 58 inches wide, strictly all wool fabrics from one of the best mills in America. The price per yard, from... \$3.25 to \$5.45

Manish Suitings:
For a fine Tailored Suit, these beautiful hand finished materials will surely please. They are pure wool of the best long fiber, in brown and black or blue and green mixtures—56 inches wide, yard... \$6.00

Chiffon Velvets:
Excellent quality and beautiful finish that should bring more money and does bring more in many places. Copen blue, bottle green, taupe—42 inches wide at yard... \$7.65

Velvets for Millinery Purposes Are Extensively Used and We Are Selling Large Quantities of Them. Look to Your Needs Now. Wide Range of Light and Dark Shades.

Store Closed All Day Wednesday—Salem Day

5c yd. A Dozen Bolts of Red Bunting. **5c yd.** Suitable for Decorating Purposes.