

SEVENTY-SECOND YEAR

SALEM, OREGON, THURSDAY MORNING, MARCH 1, 1923.

PRICE FIVE CENTS

FRENCH MAY TRY GERMAN MINE OWNERS

Hugo Stinnes and Others Are Held Liable to Trial by Court Martial—Refuse to Pay Tax.

CARS ENTERING RUHR ARE REQUISITIONED

Marks Seized Last Saturday for British Troops May Be Returned.

DUSSELDORF, Feb. 28.—(By The Associated Press)—By a decree issued by General DeGoutte today, Hugo Stinnes and other mine owners and directors are liable to trial by court martial with possible imprisonment and fines if they refuse to pay taxes on the coal production or if they oppose the French and Belgian efforts to wrest from them shipments of fuel on account of reparations.

General DeGoutte's order which provides against eventualities in becomes effective immediately, the struggle and also calls for the seizure of coal at the pit head in cases where the Germans refuse to pay the taxes and give the Franco-Belgian officials authority to refuse export licenses to any owners failing to comply with their demands.

The system of tax collection or assessments on coal is virtually the same as that of the German government, to which owners are supposed to pay an internal tax of 40 per cent upon all coal taken from the mines.

Since the occupation began the German owners have flatly refused to pay the tax.

In order to avoid trouble with neutral countries, the 40 per cent tax will not be imposed on shipments to Holland or Switzerland.

The requisition of motor cars by the French reached a stage of great activity today, the total taken numbering 250 with Dusseldorf as the center for command.

All cars in the Ruhr were stopped and taken over unless the occupants could show authority to use them.

The French gave receipts for every car, only granting permission to travel to those belonging in the occupied territory; all cars entering the Ruhr from unoccupied territory are requisitioned.

Cars are being offered for sale at the very lowest prices, while British officials are overwhelmed with requests that they use the cars of the Germans so as to insure their safety.

ESSEN, Feb. 28.—(By The Associated Press)—All the German police of Bochum and Herne, arrested today by the occupational forces have been transported away from their home towns.

The French today occupied police headquarters in Recklinghausen and arrested two officials. It is announced that the German police force will be dissolved.

The French raided a sitting of the directors of the Balcke machine works at Bochum and arrested 16 of the officials, including the general manager. The workers immediately struck, demanding the release of those arrested.

At Dusseldorf the French seized all the tobacco, cigarettes and supplies of two large cigarette factories when the directors refused to pay the excise duty to the occupying forces instead of the German government. The duty demanded from one of these firms amounts to 350,000,000 marks. Both the plants were closed.

THE WEATHER OREGON—Thursday fair, LOCAL WEATHER (Wednesday) Temperature, max., 61. Temperature, min., 32. River, 4.3 falling. Rainfall, none. Atmosphere, clear. Wind, north.

TREES MUST BE TRIMMED BOARD SAYS

City Park Officials Determined to Enforce Ordinances for City Beautiful.

There is a city ordinance providing that trees growing along the sidewalks must be kept properly and neatly trimmed up a distance of not less than eight feet above the ground, and it is necessary that this ordinance be enforced to allow the easy passing of pedestrians on the sidewalks.

This ordinance is called emphatically to the attention of Salem home owners by the city park board.

Property owners are especially urged by the board to make a special effort this year to keep their yards, lawns and vacant lots in first class condition so that Salem can maintain its reputation of being one of the most beautiful cities in the United States.

COMEDY TEAM IN LAWSUIT

Mr. Gallagher and Mr. Shean Said to Be Damaging Shubert Company.

NEW YORK, Feb. 27.—Edward F. Gallagher, of the famous vaudeville comedy team of Mr. Gallagher and Mr. Shean, "played" for more than three hours before a courtroom audience today and collected but one laugh.

That was when he answered "no—absolutely" to a question by his lawyer, and the attorney came back with the rest of the team's popular line, "positively, Mr. Gallagher."

The comedians are being sued by the Shubert Theatrical company, which alleges that they are so good that the Shuberts are being "irreparably damaged" by their appearance under Florenz Ziegfeld's roof, and asks that they be restrained from further alleged violations of a contract with the Shuberts.

The comedians take the attitude, in the first place, that the Shuberts violated the contract, and, in the second place, that they aren't nearly so good as the Shuberts are trying to make them out, and the Shuberts really are not missing so much.

When Mr. Gallagher and Mr. Shean hurried off to work in a matinee, Mark Luescher, manager of the Hippodrome, was called to testify for them.

Declaring they were "far from unique," he enumerated a long list of teams, which, he said, were "far better known."

Andrew Tombs, partner of Will Rogers, testified that Gallagher and Shean could easily be replaced.

"Could you and Rogers do it?" he was asked.

"Yes," he said.

Rogers, who testified yesterday, admitted he was much better than either Gallagher or Shean, but declared solemnly that Tombs was "awful."

EX-HEAVYWEIGHT CHAMP BANKRUPT

Jim Jeffries, Once King of the Ring, Files Voluntary Petition.

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 28.—James J. Jeffries, formerly heavy-weight boxing champion of the world, today, through his attorneys, filed a voluntary petition in bankruptcy in the United States district court here.

ERA OF GOOD TIMES SEEN BY SURVEYS

Increases in Production of Commodities and Expansion of Enterprises Is Recorded.

EMPLOYMENT SHOWS CONTINUED INCREASE

Oregon Is Included in Building Areas Especially Noted by Reports.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28.—Evidence of a rising tide of prosperity was portrayed today by two different government branches whose surveys, though made for different purposes, registered practically identical conclusions.

The federal reserve board, making public its monthly report on finance and commerce, told of increases taking place in the production volume of commodities generally, expansion of enterprises and stiffening of prices of basic products while the department of labor, on the basis of responses of its employment agents in 37 states to official queries, reported decreased unemployment, heightening demand for labor in nearly all industrial centers and an impending labor shortage in many areas.

Reports Both Check The reserve board's account of heavier bank lending, increasing building operations, maximum railroad loadings of freight, particularly forestry products and expanding production in basic industries like steel and cotton weaving, checked completely with the labor department's findings.

Industrial employment continued to increase during February and shortages of both skilled and unskilled labor were reported by the textile and steel mills and in the anthracite mines. The board added, however, that there was still some unemployment west of the Mississippi river but, generally speaking, important wage increases were reported. Office workers, the board declared, have not been in such great demand.

In the labor department's summary, western agricultural states only, like Iowa, Kansas, Washington and Wyoming reported a surplus of any class of workers and then it included only casual and unskilled labor.

Increase in building operations was said to be taking up the labor supply nearly everywhere, Oregon being included in areas where activities were specially noted.

Silverton Man's Son Dies in South Dakota

SILVERTON, Or., Feb. 28.—(Special to The Statesman.)—N. N. Dignerness, a prominent Silverton business man, has received word that his son, Omar Dignerness, who has been attending school in Sioux Falls, S. D., is dead. Monday Mr. Dignerness got a letter from his daughter, who lives at Sioux Falls, that Omar was at the hospital suffering from tonsillitis. The message of his death arrived Tuesday. Besides his sister, Lella, in South Dakota, Omar has three sisters here. Miss Maurine Dignerness, Miss Eva Dignerness and Mable Dignerness. He also leaves two brothers, Halmer, who is in the east, and Knut, who is a junior at the University of Oregon.

The family is waiting for further messages before making funeral arrangements, as it is not definitely known whether the body can be sent west for burial, but it is thought that due to the disease this will be impossible.

RETURN INDICTMENTS

SEATTLE, Feb. 28.—Twenty open indictments for violation of the narcotic laws were returned by the federal grand jury at the close of its second day's investigation here today. Two secret indictments were returned and four no-true bills found.

BRIDGE COMPLETED

ANCHORAGE, Alaska, Feb. 28.—The bridge over the Tanana river at Nenana has been completed and formally turned over to the Alaska railroad company. It has a single steel span 700 feet long.

UNDERTAKERS WANT TUT IN EGYPT TOMBS

Mummies Have No Business in Museums, Should Be Hidden, Think Morticians.

NEW YORK, Feb. 28.—The Associated Undertakers of Greater New York today rose to protest against exhumation of Tutankhamun.

Meeting to consider the activities of Egyptologists, the undertakers decided that the dead should be honored even 3000 years after burial.

"The mummies in our museums have no business being there," declared Frank E. Campbell, head of the organization. "They should be restored to the tombs from which they were removed."

JURY LIST COMPLETED

Total of 367 Names Listed; New Panel to Be Drawn Within Few Days.

The county court has completed the list of jurors who are scheduled to serve during the year 1923, according to information released from the county clerk's office yesterday. The list includes 367 names, 31 of which will be drawn not less than ten days or more than 20 days before the third Monday in March.

Of those listed, 105, or almost one-third, list their occupation as farmers. Merchants follow second with 14. Women number 162, however those drawn are privileged to refuse service if they so desire.

The grand jury which will meet March 14th, is composed of members of the January term of court and is as follows: George L. Putnam, foreman, Othmo J. Berg, Milton Hoyser, Irvin Magee, Sarah L. Hobson, August Lindholm and Joseph A. Bernard.

It is expected that the next jury panel, to be drawn from the 1923 list, will be selected within the next few days. The 1923 jury list follows:

- W. K. Winslow, farmer. Chas. E. Colvin, farmer. Emma B. Condit, housewife. Gilbert Dooker, farmer. David P. Eastburn, farmer. Mary B. Hein, housewife. M. D. Leaba, farmer. Wm. Krans, farmer. Miriam Miller, housewife. Clio M. Ottaway, housewife. Lizzie M. Will, housewife. William Wiley, shoemaker. Nellie Riddell, housewife. Fred W. Etahman, lumberman. Brocks Wm. A. Munper, farmer. Britt Aspinwall, farmer. Geo. Ferrell, farmer. Alida H. Yastger, housewife. Mary C. Boynton, housewife. Emma H. Jones, housewife. Butteville Everett A. M. Cone, farmer. Fred W. Stahlman, lumberman. Champeog W. E. McKay, farmer. Ed. G. Pihst, farmer. Marie C. Geatin, housewife. Bertha Jette, housewife. Chemawa Alma V. Henderson, housewife. Elizabeth P. Jones, housewife. Anna Claggett, housewife. Guy H. Smith, farmer. Elia Evans, housewife.

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CASE OF DALLAS BOY IS UP TODAY

Final Decision as to Disposition of Don Sieforth to Be Made.

SPOKANE, Feb. 28.—Final decision and disposition of Don Sieforth, age 17, of Dallas, Or., who was found tonight by a coroner's jury to have accidentally shot and killed his pal, Napoleon Post, age 18, also of Dallas, last Monday will be made by the prosecuting attorney tomorrow morning. Sieforth has been held in jail since he confessed to the shooting. According to his story the two boys had run away from home, and bought the gun here in Spokane after seeing some ducks during the trip, and considering the chance of shooting some of them.

It is thought likely that the boy will be placed in the custody of an older brother for return to the Oregon state school from which he is on parole.

CIGARETTE LAW MAY BE GIVEN CHANGE

Freak Legislation in Utah Due for Material Revision, According to Bill.

SALT LAKE CITY, Feb. 28.—It now seems probable that Utah's drastic anti-cigarette law will be modified and that the sale of cigarettes will be legalized. The Standish bill, proposing repeal of the present law has been recommended to the senate public affairs committee where it will be re-vamped in accordance with an agreement between the extremists and moderates of the legislature. This bill, providing for licensing the sale of cigarettes under restrictions as to minors, will be the basis of the new law.

MALE VAMPIRE IS PICTURED

Broker Broke Up Home and Tricked Her Out of Money, Says Mrs. Saludes.

NEW YORK, Feb. 28.—Mrs. Paulette Saludes—small, chic and French—today painted for the jury trying her on a charge of murder; the picture of a male vampire and then labelled the sketch Oscar Martellier, the broker whom she shot in the Williams street office last October.

Taking the stand in her own defense, she declared that Martellier had won her away from her husband, tricked her out of her money and then carried on affairs with other women.

"He had worked me like a business proposition, as he told me he had worked his wife and other women," asserted the little French woman.

During her testimony Mrs. Saludes said that Martellier, a friend of her husband's had induced him to get aboard on a business venture, and then poisoned her mind against Saludes referring to him as a "thief." Finally, she said, he had moved into her home and promised to marry her as soon as both of

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SHIP MEASURE MEETS DEATH IN CONGRESS

Adoption of Motion to Lay Bill Aside Passes Senate and End Comes; No Progress Made.

FILLED MILK BILL USED AS SUBSTITUTE

No Attempt to Be Made to Secure Consideration at Next Meeting.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28.—The administration shipping bill died today just a year to the day after it was born.

On February 28, 1922, President Harding, appearing at a joint session of congress, urged enactment of legislation designed to build up an American merchant marine through government aid, and identical bills embodying the views of the administration was introduced in the senate and house today. The bill then introduced after having passed the house in the meantime, met its death in the senate through adoption of a motion to lay it aside.

The end of the legislation leaves the administration where it was a year ago in dealing with the three billion dollar investment in war-built ships.

Future plans under consideration are to be announced soon after congress adjourns Sunday.

End Is Quiet The death of the shipping bill came quietly.

Senator Ladd, Republican, North Dakota, moved it be laid aside in favor of the filled milk bill, and the motion was carried 63 to 7, with the Republican leaders voting with the majority.

The action was taken to mean the end of such legislation for years to come, for President Harding has let it be known that the administration plans no attempts to obtain consideration for the bill at the next regular session of congress.

The filled milk bill, which prohibits the shipment in state com-

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WILHELM TO LOSE WIFE FOR TIME

Princess Hermine to Visit Corfu—Kaiser Would Take Up Old Residence.

BERLIN, Feb. 28.—(By The Associated Press.)—Princess Hermine, the former German emperress's wife, plans to go to Corfu in the spring for a long visit and will reside in Wilhelm's former castle Achilleion, according to a report printed in the Berliner Zeitung Ammitag.

This has given rise to the rumor, says the paper that the former emperor also intends to establish his residence there, owing to the heavy expenses involved in keeping up his household at Doorn but it declares that apparently there is no possibility he will be allowed to move.

EX-WIFE TO BE MARRIED

New York Art Dealer Named in Marriage License Issued to Couple.

NEW YORK, Feb. 28.—A marriage license was issued today to Harry Arthur Lee, 30, New York art dealer and Mrs. Nora Mary McMullen Mellon, divorced wife of Andrew W. Mellon of Pittsburgh, secretary of the treasury.

Mrs. Mellon could not be reached at her apartment, 340 Park avenue, but servants said they had been informed the marriage would not take place until after this week.

The Mellon divorce proceedings became an international question, following their separation in 1909 and was brought before parliament in England on several occasions. Mr. Mellon obtained a divorce in Pittsburgh in 1912. They were married in 1900.

Appealed to King Mrs. Mellon, before her marriage was Nora Mary McMullen, daughter of one of the founders of the Guinness Brewing company of Dublin, Ireland. When Mr. Mellon instituted divorce proceedings against her, she appealed to King George and parliament; al-

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PIERCE VETOES BILL CREATING NEW JUDGSHIP

Governor Declares Additional Jurist Not Necessary in Multnomah County at This Time.

SIGNATURE ATTACHED TO NEW FISH CODE

Upton and Kubli Hasten to Salem to Sign Names on Final Legal Day.

Governor Pierce has vetoed the veto ax upon the bill to create an additional circuit judgeship in Multnomah county. The measure was introduced by a number of the Multnomah delegation, both of the senate and the house, and originally provided for three additional judgeships. The governor states that he vetoes the measure entirely in the interests of economy.

Retrenchment Demanded "At the recent general election held in the state," says the veto message, "the electorate registered a demand for retrenchment and economy and it does not appear to me that in view of all the circumstances and in view of other legislation enacted by the recent legislature, that an additional judge is an absolute necessity in the fourth judicial district at this time. Especially is this true in view of the fact that in many other judicial districts there are able jurists whose time cannot be entirely occupied. In one judicial district in this state the federal census for 1920 gave a population of only 3991, and still this small county has a circuit judge. The judicial work of that county can occupy only a small part of his time."

Joseph Hill Meets Need "The Joseph bill, which was senate bill No. 77, passed both houses and has been signed. Under its terms additional judges will be available for work in Multnomah county; an extra per diem is paid to them by the county of Multnomah and their expenses are paid. I believe it will be possible under this law to have at least three extra judges in Multnomah county practically all the time to help care for the congested docket. Everyone should at this time, do everything possible to keep down the expenses of the state government to the end that the mounting costs of state government shall not confiscate property interests through the form of taxation."

Fish Code Signed Governor Pierce yesterday signed house bill No. 387, which appropriated \$36,000 for payment of salaries and expenses of the master fish warden, deputy fish wardens and the master fish warden's department.

He also signed house bill 374, which appropriates a total of \$80,000 for payment of the expenses of investigation and experimentation of the Oregon Agricultural college experiment station.

Approval Reluctant In approving the fish warden's appropriation the governor apparently has done so reluctantly, and says that he does so because of an agreement with the former administration "which seems to imply that the expenses of the master fish warden shall be paid from the public treasury."

"I do not believe," the governor adds, "that the general property of this state should be taxed for the protection of any industry. A promise and agreement has been made by the fish commission that they will make no further demands upon the public treasury for maintenance of fish hatcheries or for expenses of the master fish warden."

Bigger Cut Desired In his statement relative to the college experimental service the governor says he thinks the ways and means committee should have made a bigger cut than it did, but that the items are so interwoven that he has to approve the bill.

The governor vetoed Representative Carlin's house bill No. 284, which proposed to amend the law relating to road taxes. In his veto message the governor declares the bill is entirely in the interests of the incorpor-

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SCHOOL BOARD MAKES KNOWN TO VOTERS CONDITIONS THAT CALL FOR ISSUE OF \$500,000 BONDS

While the Salem school board did not initiate the present campaign for an extended, permanent school-building program starting with a call for \$500,000 in bonds, the board stands unitedly back of the movement. The campaign started from the Chamber of Commerce, as one of the recommendations of a special committee that went exhaustively into the activities that should be most helpful to the city.

At its meeting Tuesday night, the school board issued a comprehensive statement on the school situation, signed by all five members, setting forth the conditions at each of the nine city schoolhouses. The statement speaks so strongly of conditions as they are proven to exist, that it is presented in full as follows as the board issued it:

"In view of the many and varied questions that are being asked regarding the position of the Salem school board on the \$500,000 bond issue to be voted upon by the voters of school district No. 24 on the 12th day of March, we, the members of said school board deem it advisable to make the following statement regarding our position and attitude towards said matter.

Building Imperative "We have appreciated for some time that some kind of a building program was absolutely necessary. In fact we have had special committees investigating the matter for at least a year. Conditions have been becoming more and more crowded and intolerable. At Washington Junior high we have been compelled to build a temporary structure for the two grades remaining at that location. The capacity of the old building is still overtaxed; it is an old, disabled fire trap, crowded clear beyond its limits; ventilation is poor and within the last two years the building was condemned by the city health officer, and the situation at that place has been

Many Women Are Counted Among Friends; Slaying Still Mystery. NEW YORK, Feb. 28.—The process of unfolding the mystery surrounding the slaying of Fred Schneider, wealthy contractor, led the authorities today into details of the gay life he led at his Bronx apartment and his palatial camp at Glen Cairn, in the Adirondacks and revealed that he counted many beautiful women among his friends.

In the meantime Mrs. Anna Buzzi, the woman with whom he lived for seven years, and who was held as a material witness, instituted habeas corpus proceedings for her release from jail. The proceeding was argued in the Bronx county court and decision reserved until tomorrow.

"Judge McGinn was a man of lovable disposition, and always sought the right. In his passing I feel a deep personal loss."

M'GINN MOURNED BY MR. PIERCE

Governor Tells of Pleasant Hours Spent With Late Portland Jurist.