

CIRCULATION	
Average for June, 1923:	
Sunday only	6003
Daily and Sunday	5402
Average for six months ending June 30, 1923:	
Sundays only	5974
Daily and Sunday	5492

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## HARDING REGAINS STRENGTH

### PLENTY CARS ARE ASSURED THIS SEASON

Crops in Pacific Northwest Will Not Suffer From Shortage Is Shown at Spokane Rail Hearing

### SURPLUS EQUIPMENT READY FOR HARVESTS

Fruit and Grain Will Be Moved Without Serious Delay Says Byram

SPOKANE, Wash., July 31.—Assurances that ample cars for the 1923 crop are available were given by railroads serving the Pacific northwest at a hearing today before Commissioner Clyde R. Hitchcock of the interstate commerce commission. The railroads were supported by M. J. Gormley of Washington, D. C., chairman of the car service division of the American railway association. Declaring that "a sudden rush of traffic might mean some car shortage, but it would not be serious," Mr. Gormley, who is regarded as America's highest authority on the car situation, said the situation for the whole country and particularly northwest, had never looked more favorable. Figures were introduced to show the railroads had received more equipment. Railroad officials blamed last year's shortage on the failure of eastern railroads to return empty cars as rapidly as in previous years and the shopmen's strike. Better service was promised for the coming season.

SEATTLE, July 31.—On Puget Sound for his vacation, H. E. Byram, president of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railroad expressed his confidence here today that a shortage of freight cars would not be felt in eastern Washington this season for the grain and fruit harvest. "The crops in the northwest will be the biggest in years," declared Mr. Byram, "and I am glad to say that we are in better shape to handle the crops than we have been for several years. We have already created a surplus of several thousand cars. For several months our line has been working with the object of getting as many cars as possible into the northwest by harvest time."

### DEPORTEE PARTY SLATED AUGUST 11

Special Train to Carry Undesirable Citizens to Start in Seattle.

WASHINGTON, July 31.—A party of deportees will start from Seattle August 11, beginning with 15 and increasing to about 75 by the time it reaches New York, the immigration bureau announcing today that deportees would be picked up at Portland, Or.; Spokane, Wash.; Fergus Falls, Minn.; St. Paul, Minn.; Chicago, Ill.; Cleveland, Ohio; Buffalo, N. Y.; and Rochester, N. Y. About 15 nationalities will be represented in the group which will include a number of aliens who have become insane within five years after landing in this country and some who have served prison terms.

**THE WEATHER**  
OREGON—Wednesday fair.  
LOCAL WEATHER (Tuesday)—Maximum temperature 74. Minimum temperature 56. Rainfall, none. River, minus 7. Atmosphere, quite cloudy. Wind, northwest.

### EIGHT OCEAN LINERS IN QUARANTINE RACE TO LAND IMMIGRANTS

Steamship "America" First Over Line After Midnight Hour is Passed—All Anxious to Dock and Discharge Passengers Before Quota for August is Filled—Other Ships Follow in Rapid Succession.

NEW YORK, Aug. 1.—Eight trans-atlantic liners entered in the race to land their immigrants before the various August quotas were filled flashed across the finish lines and into quarantine within four minutes, immediately after midnight eastern standard time, this morning.

### YIELD OF BEANS RECORD BREAKER

One Salem Plant Expects to Have 800 Women at Work in Few Days

Bean growers of Marion county face the best year in their history. The King's Products company expects to start work next week on the greatest crop of beans ever grown in the Willamette valley. Last year the company had a fine acreage contracted, but many an acre was not harvested. The dry weather simply ruined the bean prospect. The company did not have much more than a decent fraction of enough beans to supply its market demands. But this year the crops are phenomenal. Fields of beans have been inspected that are estimated to yield four tons of string beans to the acre—and a ton of beans is worth \$55 cash. Last year a field of irrigated beans at Stayton yielded four tons of Kentucky Wonder to the acre. This was held to be a phenomenal yield. It certainly was more than four times the average bean yield for last year, though the irrigation was not well done. But this year the average string bean yield is estimated to be close to 2½ or even all of 2½ tons to the acre without irrigation, and the best fields will go up to the four-ton mark. As the King's Products company has a clamorous market for all the beans it can handle, special preparations have been made for a record run. Three of the latest patent power snippers to take off the stem and blossom ends have been installed. One power cutter is mounted and another will be set up before the season opens, and the tables are being laid out for the women who work the surplus by hand. They expect the factory to be fairly flooded with beans, for 1000 tons of string beans, and 800 women workers and the men necessary to handle the stuff to and from the dehydrators will fill the big factory clear to the limit. No (Continued on page six)

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### THIRTY INDICTED FOR OIL SWINDLE

Dr. Frederick A. Cook and Others Found Guilty of Misuse of Mails

LOS ANGELES, July 31.—Nearly 30 individuals including Dr. Frederick A. Cook, and two others were indicted by a grand jury here today on charges of misuse of the mails in connection with alleged oil swindles in Texas, chiefly at Fort Worth and vicinity. The corporations named in the indictment were the Revere oil company and the Oil Operators trust, both operating in and out of Fort Worth. All of the defendants are said to be in Texas and according to officers will be required to give bonds for their appearance for trial. Where the hearings will be held has not been decided.

### HEAVENS OPEN DURING STORM AT RICHMOND

Over Seven Inches of Rain Recorded; Lowland Flooded; One Man Missing

RICHMOND, Va., Extensive damage was caused by a cloud-burst and electrical storm here last night during which the weather bureau reported 7.2 inches of rain. Scores of persons were rendered homeless, stores and residences manufacturing plants in the low lying sections were flooded and much damage was done to buildings by the water which reached a depth of several feet in front of the Union station. One man is missing and estimates of the damage range from \$250,000 to \$500,000.

### UNDERWOOD HURLS CHAPEAU IN RING

Senior Alabama Senator Compromises Position By Speech in South

MONTGOMERY, Ala., July 31.—Oscar W. Underwood, senior senator from Alabama, minority leader in the upper house of the congress and appointee of President Harding as representative of the United States in the disarmament conference at Washington, virtually cast his hat in the ring for the Democratic nomination for president in a speech to the Alabama legislature here today. Senator Underwood came to Montgomery as the guest of the legislature to respond to the resolution adopted recently by that body endorsing him as a candidate for democratic nomination for the presidency.

### Misappropriation Charge Is Faced By Postmistress

PORTLAND, July 31.—Miss Fay Slack, postmistress at Hildobrand, Or., for two years, was today arrested on a charge of misappropriating \$832 of postoffice funds, according to announcement by Assistant United States Attorney Bynson. She was liberated on bail.

### Administration Accomplishments Released by President Harding

United States in the permanent court of international justice as the next major step to be taken. "With becoming dignity we have maintained our rights; we have yielded willingly to the right of others, and we dwell in cherished and unthreatened peace," he declared, after enumerating the achievements of the last two and a half years, including the conclusion of peace with Germany, Austria and Hungary, the arms conference and the British debt settlement. International Questions Two pending international questions were discussed by the chief executive. With respect to one—the recognition of Russia—he declared, "international good faith forbids any sort of sanction of the bolshevist policy." The other question concerned relations with Mexico, and in discussing it, Mr. Harding said he earnestly hoped the American commission now in Mexico City would achieve "definite and favorable results." Having in the past two and a half years, as he said, "strengthened our friendly relationships and done much to promote peace in the world," the United States he maintained, should now do its part to bring the blessings of peace and absence of fear of war to the other nations of the world. Urges World Court "Nations ought no more need resort to force in the settlement of their disputes or differences than do men in this enlightened day," he asserted. "Out of this conviction, out of my belief in a penitent world craving for the agencies of peace, out of the inevitable presidential contact with the World War's havoc and devastation and the measureless sorrow which attended and has followed, I would be insensible to duty, and

### HARDING PAID HIGH TRIBUTE OVER COUNTRY

Western People Do Not Realize Importance of Trip to Them Says Former Illinois U. S. Senator

### SYMPATHETIC MESSAGES RECEIVED FROM FRIENDS

Private Individuals and Organizations Grieved Over His Illness

LOS ANGELES, July 31.—President Harding's visit to the west has been of more importance to citizens of the district than perhaps they realize, it was declared here today by J. Hamilton Lewis, formerly United States senator from Illinois. "On this visit," said Mr. Lewis, "the president has become acquainted with the people and the conditions here, and he is in a better position to judge of their requirements in order to make progress than he was before. These people here have won a friend in him, a friend who will do more for them in the way of bringing about favorable legislation than congress has done for some time. He is a man who will not permit political considerations to stand in the way of asking any action he is convinced is for the betterment of any part of the country." "I have known him for many years and I have always had the highest admiration for him. He is thoroughly broad-minded, and his sympathetic and kindly nature cannot fail to make a deep impression on anybody with whom he comes in contact. I have differed with him on questions coming up for debate on the floor of the senate, but nothing ever has come up to mar the deep feeling of respect and friendship I have always felt for him."

### GERMAN WRECK DEATH TOLL IS ESTIMATED 100

Engineer of Fast Express Fails to See Signal and Crashes Into Another Train at Kreinsen

### 44 BODIES RECOVERED FOLLOWING COLLISION

Many of Rescued Suffered Horribly Before Extricated From Ruins

BERLIN, July 31.—(By the Associated Press.)—A great disaster occurred at the junction of the Hanover and Cassel line, today, caused by a collision between the Hamburg-Munich express and a train standing at the station. Up to 4 o'clock 44 bodies had been recovered from the wreckage and the estimated number of killed is 100, while 34 injured are being cared for in the hospital at Goettingen. Identification of the killed is extremely difficult and in some cases impossible, owing to their mangled condition. The collision is attributed to the inability of the driver of the express to see the signals because of grit which had been blown into his eyes. The crash was terrific and most of the cars were scattered and piled on top of one another. Those who were instantly killed suffered the happiest fate, for many others were crushed in the wreckage and endured agonies before the end came. Many of those rescued also suffered prolonged tortures before they were extricated.

### Mrs. Harding Is Mapping Out Fall Social Season

SAN FRANCISCO, July 31.—Mrs. Warren G. Harding is so optimistic regarding the president's condition that she is already planning for the fall social season at the White House, according to an old friend. Mrs. Harding said, according to Mrs. Godfrey, that the program of social activities which was curtailed during her illness last fall, is to be renewed.

### CAREER OF STERLING MAN IS ENDED WITH DEATH OF B. F. LOONEY, PIONEER

Funeral services were held at Jefferson yesterday for Benjamin F. Looney, 81 years old, pioneer of 1842, who died here Sunday. Rev. H. H. Miles, pastor of the Jefferson Methodist church, conducted the service and interment was in the Jefferson cemetery. Benjamin F. Looney was born in Bates county, Missouri, June 7, 1842; his parents being Jesse and Ruby (Bond) Looney, both natives of the southern states, the former's birth having occurred near Knoxville, Tenn., and the latter in Kentucky near Covington, and their marriage was in Alabama in 1827. Related to President Jesse Looney was a cousin of Andrew Johnson, who succeeded Lincoln as president of the United States. It follows that Benjamin F. Looney was a second cousin to the former president. Jesse Looney's father left him cattle and negro slaves, but he was opposed to slavery and it was his decision to rear his family in free territory that brought the emigration to Oregon. Mrs. Looney, mother of Benjamin, was descended from Revolutionary stock, and was related to George Walton, first governor of Georgia and one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence and of the Articles of Confederation. Future Governor in Party The journey across the plains to Oregon was in 1843. In the party were Mr. and Mrs. Looney, their family of six children, John P. Gaines, later governor of Oregon, Daniel Waldo and the Applegates. The party was well-equipped for the long and arduous

### WAR PENSIONS ARE GIVEN TO TEN MILLIONS

List Headed By Great Britain Followed Closely By Germany and France

GENEVA, July 31.—The number of casualties by the World War who are drawing pensions is estimated at 10,000,000 in a report communicated by the international labor bureau to a conference of experts being held to study methods of placing all the men at work. Germany has 1,537,000 pensioned men; Australia 76,000; Austria 164,000; Belgium 50,000; Canada 45,000; the United States 157,000; Finland 10,000; France 1,500,000; Great Britain 1,170,000; Italy 800,000; Poland 320,000; Rumania 100,000; Jugo Slavia 164,000; Russia 77,000; Czechoslovakia 236,000; and New Zealand 20,000.

### CONTRACTS GIVEN BY HIGHWAY BODY

Widening of Pavement and Graveling of Additional Roads Approved

PORTLAND, July 31.—The contract for widening and repaving the road between La Grande and Island City, Oregon, two miles, was awarded today by the state highway commission to the Warren Construction company on its bid of \$48,584. The pavement will be widened from 16 to 18 feet. Other awards were as follows: Graveling the Albany-Corvallis road, 5.63 miles; Metzger and Johnson, \$18,820. Graveling Hayden Creek-Keno section, Ashland-Klamath Falls highway, 12.38 miles, W. Milder, \$55,025. Grading and graveling fraction of a mile in city of Lakeview Lake county court, \$2,997. Graveling .64 miles Cottage Grove Pacific highway, H. W. Oliver, \$3,072.

### LOGGING CAMP BURNED

MISSOULA, Mont., July 31.—Two logging camps were burned up today in a forest fire which got beyond control in the Marble Creek region in Northern Idaho. It had jumped from a fire of 200 acres last night to one of more than 1000 acres tonight and is still burning.

### IMPROVEMENT BEING SHOWN BY PRESIDENT

Enjoys First Natural Sleep Since Taken Ill; Nourishment Is Taken By Patient, Sawyer Says

### HARDING IS RESIGNED TO CHANGE IN PROGRAM

Abandonment of California Trip Disappointing to Chief Executive

PRESIDENTIAL HEADQUARTERS, Palace Hotel, San Francisco, July 31.—(By Associated Press)—President Harding was sleeping peacefully shortly after 11 o'clock tonight, and a bulletin at 11:20 by Brigadier General Charles E. Sawyer, his physician, said that the chief executive "was resting comfortably."

### PRESIDENTIAL HEADQUARTERS, Palace Hotel, San Francisco, July 31.—(By Associated Press)—President Harding is gaining in his fight against illness.

His personal physician, Brigadier General Charles E. Sawyer in an informal statement issued at 9:10 p. m., said his patient was "doing well," and had just had the best and most natural sleep since his illness began. General Sawyer's statement was given newspaper men who met him in the corridor as he started out for a walk, his first moment of recreation since Sunday when the president was brought to San Francisco now admittedly a very ill man. "I am taking my first vacation," said the general as he and Mrs. Sawyer, both smiling, started for the elevator. The general's demeanor was a marked contrast to the serious expression he wore when he met newspaper men 12 hours before. Improvement had been shown in the president's pulse, temperature and respiration and also in his eliminative faculties. The latter, the general said, was a highly favorable symptom. Cough is Dissipated The president's temperature at 9 o'clock was 99 3-5 degrees; pulse 118, the lowest it has been since he was taken ill; respiration 36, a decrease of eight from the last previous report. The president's cough has been dissipated, the general said, adding that this also was a very favorable indication. The executive had not coughed for six hours and there had been no expectoration of any character in that time.

### Eats Sparingly

The president, on awakening from his sleep, which lasted for about one hour, asked for nourishment and was given a glass of milk. The president's diet at present consists of two eggs a day, fruit juices to relieve thirst whenever desired, a glass of milk every two hours and for breakfast toast and sometimes an egg. The "eggnogs," the doctor explained, laughingly, were homeopathic eggs shaken up with milk. General Sawyer said the president continued cheerful and interested with interest in the reading of "everything in the papers," even accounts of his illness. "They read him everything," he said. "It does not seem to hurt him."

### No Night Conferences

"The president is resigned now to the abandonment of his California program," the general went on "although, as I have said before, no disappointment that could have come to him could have been greater." This resignation and determination to make the best of the difficulties besetting him, the general indicated, were powerful factors aiding toward his patient's recovery. There will be no further conferences of physicians attending the president until tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock, it was an-

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