

CONFERENCE HELD TO DISCUSS SHIPS

Disposition of Government Merchant Fleet Proves Knotty Problem

WASHINGTON, Aug. 28.—Solution of the problem of disposing of the government's merchant fleet, confronting the administration as a result of the defeat of its shipping bill in the last congress, was sought today at a conference between the shipping board and American ship owners and managing operators. While the conference was in progress, it was learned at the White House that President Coolidge had asked for further information concerning the so-called Lasker-Farley operation plan. The president, it was said, plans to go deeply into the question before asking the attorney general for an opinion as to the proposal's legality.

Chairman Farley of the shipping board, at the close of an all-day session with the owners and operators, announced the board's alternative plan for government operation through subsidiary corporations under its control in the event no plan for private operations and ownership is found acceptable. Earlier the steamship owners had condemned government operation and re-submitted their recently rejected plan, while the managing operators also put forward a proposal. The chief difference between the two private ownership plans is in the expressed willingness of the operators to share with the government losses in the same proportion that they would share profits.

East Hill Road is Made Passable by Improvement

SILVERTON, Or., Aug. 28.—(Special to The Statesman.)—The paving of the east side of East hill is now being completed. This road, which was the only entrance to Silverton from a large farming district, has been next to impassable for several months. The farmers have continuously been complaining. Recently the Abiqua club, a farming community club, took the matter up and promised to raise a certain sum to assist with the paving if the Silverton Community club would

furnish the balance which property owners could not pay. The Community club responded, and work was begun at once. The completing of this road will leave but one bad entrance to the city, that of Liberty hill, over which the Waldo hill farmers travel.

PONY EXPRESS TO START ON FRIDAY

President Coolidge to Signal Beginning; 40 Riders to Participate

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 28.—President Calvin Coolidge on Aug. 31 will press the button that will signal the beginning of the pony express race from St. Joseph, Mo., to San Francisco, the committee in charge here was informed today. The first rider will be waiting at the telegraph office for the signal the same as the riders of the old express.

The finish of the race will be at the Tanforan race track here on the afternoon of Sunday, Sept. 9. The route in California will be through Lakeview, Placerville, Sacramento, Stockton, Livermore, Mission, San Jose, Mountain View, Palo Alto, Redwood City, Burlingame and San Bruno.

Fifty miles beyond St. Joseph after changing horses five times, the first rider will pass the message to a second, who will take it 60 miles with six changes of horses. The race will continue in that fashion with the exception that where the grades are steep the riders will change horses each mile. On the flat stretches they will change about every 10 miles.

The big object will be to break the record of the old riders of the sixties, who made the course in seven days and 21 hours of actual running time. It is intended, however, in this race, to have the riders held at each state line until daylight, if it happens to be dark when they arrive at such line so that they may pass through the principal cities during the day light hours. These cities will thus be enabled to hold big celebrations to mark the coming of the express riders. At least 247 horses and 40 riders will take part. The total distance is 2200 miles.

ALARM ANSWERED

SILVERTON, Or., Aug. 28.—(Special to The Statesman.)—The Silverton fire department responded to a call Tuesday morning coming from the Tegland slaughter yards south of Silverton in the Evergreen district. The wire which was in slashes was thought to be getting beyond control.

HORSEMAN HURT; NOT KNOWN HERE

William Byers, Reported Injured in Spokane, Eastern Oregon Man

SPOKANE, Wash., Aug. 28.—William Byers of Salem, Or., owner of the Byers high school and hippodrome horses, suffered a double fracture of his leg at the interstate fair grounds here today when "Mama," trick horse, fell over backward, crushing her rider. Byers was training the animal in her hind-leg walk, intended to entertain grandstand crowds at the coming fair when the horse fell.

William Byers, owner of the hippodrome horses, is not a Salem man but is from some place in eastern Oregon, according to Mrs. Ella Schultz-Wilson, assistant secretary of the Oregon state fair board. Mrs. Wilson stated last night that she thought Mr. Byers was from Union, Or., but was not positive. He has been in Salem at the fair on different occasions, but has never brought his hippodrome horses here. He is also owner, Mrs. Wilson says, of the Roman chariot horses seen at many of the fairs.

Gombel Yamamoto Named Premier for Japan

TOKIO, Aug. 28.—(By Associated Press.)—Count Gombel Yamamoto has been appointed premier of Japan to succeed the late Baron Kato who died last week. The appointment followed a summons to court by Prince Regent Hirohito who acted upon the advice of the genro, or elder statesman. The new premier is proceeding toward the formation of a cabinet which is expected to be completed soon.

10 Cent Rides Prove Profitable in Seattle

SEATTLE, Wash., Aug. 28.—Seattle's municipal street car system, which last spring under a 5-cent fare had a deficit running from 2,000 to \$5,000 a day, made a profit of \$13,015.22 in July, clear of all charges and expenditures, accountants of the railway department of the city government announced tonight.

Falling off in the number of passengers carried with the current fare of 10 cents with three rides for a quarter was much less than expected. In July 8,240,675 passengers were carried, only

654,490 fewer than in May when the 5 cent fare was in effect. Receipts in May were \$373,770.48 and in July \$543,591.93. Passengers in July 1923, outnumbered those in July, 1922 by 8,312.

Vernonia Forest Fire Burns Along Railway

PORTLAND, Or., Aug. 28.—Meager reports received here today from Vernonia and adjacent points indicated that a large forest fire was making considerable headway along the Spokane, Portland & Seattle railway tracks near Vernonia. Fire also was reported at the Inman-Poulsen logging camp between Vernonia and Elsie and a stage driver arriving at Astoria from Nehalem said he saw refugees from the blaze near Elsie flying into Vernonia. With wires down presumably because of the blaze, it was impossible to obtain accurate reports upon the extent of the fire.

Veterans of Foreign Wars Meet in Norfolk

NORFOLK, Va., Aug. 20.—A three-cornered fight for the national headquarters occupied the attention today of the 24th annual encampment of the Veterans of Foreign Wars here, Detroit making a late bid against Kansas City and Minneapolis.

The national council of administration has recommended that the offices be moved from New York to Kansas, Kas., and vote will be taken tomorrow.

Election of officers will be held Thursday. The Ku Klux Klan and any other organizations whose members appear in the presence of the American flag with faces masked were condemned as un-American, in a resolution presented. More than 100 resolutions have been offered.

Bandit Hordes Capture Town; Kidnap 100 Persons

SHANGHAI, Aug. 29.—(By the Associated Press.)—Dispatches from Kaileng, province of Honan, report that bandit hordes attacked and captured the town of Menhien in the western part of the province, Monday. The invaders, it was stated, looted the shops and wealthy residences and kidnapped approximately 100 persons, including teachers, pupils and a town magistrate.

BARROWS TO AFRICA

NEW YORK, Aug. 28.—Colonel David P. Barrows, former president of the University of California, sailed today to live for more than a year among the negroes of Senegalese and Sudanese in West French Africa.

TOMMY GIBBONS TO VISIT SALEM

Famous Boxer to Appear at Local Theater in Musical and Athletic Show

Tommy Gibbons, world's heavyweight who will be at the Grand theater Labor day with his vaudeville show of six acts, and who is the only man ever able to stay the limit with Jack Dempsey since he became champion, has agreed to take on Bill Hunt for three rounds at the 7 o'clock show Labor day. Manager Arthur Hille selected this performance for the bout as it will be the only one that reserved seats will be sold for, and due to the many requests he has had for reserved seats, this arrangement was decided on in order to take care of those who were anxious to send in mail orders.

The matinee at 2:30 p. m. and the 9 o'clock show at night will be sold general admission. Tickets will go on sale Saturday at the Grand theater and the box office will be open until the show closes.

BIBLE STUDY PLAN VETOED BY DIRECTORS

(Continued from page 1.) The Garfield school, though it is so manifestly impossible to heat the churches and get the children out in time during the winter as to be no chance at all. The religious instruction school must be considered as irrevocably dead for the present.

The board voted to reject all bids for the remodeling of the old high school gymnasium, and to retain the gym as it is for the junior high schools to use. They have no gyms of their own, and have heretofore used the high school hall on Saturdays and odd times, inconvenient for everybody.

Call Bond Sale The present machine shop, south of the main high school building, is to be enlarged by adding another 50 feet in length. To take care of the growing needs of the mechanics department.

A bond sale of \$30,000 is called for, to take care of the building bills already in sight for this year. The bids for these bonds will be opened at the next meeting of the board.

Three new teachers were elected: Floyd C. Wooten, for the junior high school, at a salary of \$120 a month, and Myrtle Hintze and Mabel Green Manella, at \$110 each, for the grades.

Earthquake Recorded in Arizona and Washington

TUCSON, Ariz., Aug. 28.—An earthquake starting about 4 p. m. today and lasting for nearly an hour was recorded on the seismograph of the United States magnetic observatory northeast of Tucson, according to A. J. Ludy, observer in charge of the observatory. The distance of the disturbance from the local observatory could not be determined as the record sheets will not be removed from the seismograph until Wednesday morning.

Earthquake Felt in East WASHINGTON, Aug. 28.—Earth tremors of marked severity were recorded from 6:22 to 7:50 o'clock tonight on the Georgetown university seismograph. Father Tondorf, director of the observatory, estimated the center of the disturbance at 5600 miles from Washington, apparently north.

Former Baseball Player Makes Break From Jail

TACOMA, Aug. 28.—J. H. Herald, 38, a prisoner at the McNeil Island federal penitentiary, escaped from the prison this afternoon, according to meager information received here. All telephone lines leading to the island are out of commission and it is the belief of peace officers here that the man severed the wires before leaving the island. This is the second escape from the prison within three weeks.

Herald is a former Los Angeles baseball player and was serving a five-year term for violation of the motor vehicle act. He was working with a crew of woodchoppers at the time of the escape. Taking advantage of the fact that the guards were unarmed, he dived into the brush and disappeared.

To know how good a cigarette really can be made you must try a



MOVIE GOSSIP

BLIGH
Rudolph Valentino and Dorothy Dalton in "Moran of the Lady Letty"

LIBERTY
"Divorce."

OREGON
"Alice Adams."

Lemons, chewing gum and lemon drops, in large quantities, were on the shopping menu of Dorothy Dalton, featured player in George Melford's Paramount picture, "Moran of the Lady Letty," showing today at the Bligh theater, when she was making preparations for a day's work in the exterior scenes taken at sea on a sailing vessel near San Francisco.

Miss Dalton is a good sailor, sometimes—but when the big four-master had put out to sea through the Golden Gate the day previous, without any ballast in her hold and ran into a "continous run of heavy ground swells, the consequent conduct of the boat was too severe a test for the stomach of even a good sailor, the actress contended, and preparedness was her motto on all such succeeding expeditions.

Rudolph Valentino, who was seen in "The Sheik," plays opposite Miss Dalton. The supporting company is excellent.

Gloria Swanson, called the "best dressed woman on the screen," believes in simplicity in her everyday dress.

During the preparations of some of the Parisian gowns which she wears in "Bluebeard's Eighth Wife," a Sam Wood production for Paramount which will be shown at the Oregon theater Saturday, Miss Swanson was persuaded to compare the clothes of the screen to the clothes she wears at home and in her social life.

"Clothes of the screen are nearly always extreme," said Miss Swanson. "This is because they are a prophecy of styles that are to come and, being imaginative, must be exaggerated."

My tastes for clothes which I wear when not engaged before the camera are very simple. My gowns are rich and luxurious, for like most women, I love wonderful clothes. But they are not extreme. Simplicity, to my way of thinking, is the basis of proper dress.

However, luxurious material will not always film luxuriantly, and oft-times looks cheap when flashed on the screen. Therefore, they must be emphasized, either by the addition of beaded overdresses or garments that are somewhat extreme."

TO DAY
BLIGH
DOROTHY DALTON
IN
"MORAN OF THE LADY LETTY"
WITH
Rudolph Valentino
THEATRE

Miss Swanson absolutely carries out her thoughts in dressing. Her wardrobe at home would be heaven for any woman. Yet, despite its profuseness, it is one of simplicity. It is an example of perfect taste and careful choosing.

When Hamlet gave his famous "Advice to the Players," a certain actor named Russell Simpson was not among those present. The Los Angeles moving picture colony has established actors' standards of its own but none so unique and interesting as that of this same Russell Simpson, and very few are as profitable.

Mr. Simpson is known to the followers of the shimmering drama as a rugged type of actor who always comes out first best—in other words, he is a hero. In his latest picture, "Out of the Dust," for instance, he creates an ideal of the Frederic Remington type of frontiersman. He leads the United States regulars in hairbreadth battles, plays a sympathetic husband and father with equal grace and finally he winds up the performance by handing the husky villain a hand-to-hand bashing such as the all-seeing cameraman seldom gets a chance to witness: in the name of realism for this scene, both Mr. Simpson and his adversary resorted to arnica and bandages after the fray.

For this performance the Russell Simpson bank account is increased by several thousand dollars because the Simpson professional standing demands a high price. The hero, after finishing his picture in Hollywood then removes his make-up and costume and there now emerges from the John P. McCarthy studio Russell Simpson, president of the Overseas Phonograph Accessories corporation.

He goes down town and when he enters the office of the concern the clerks, stenographers and office boys greet him with a cheery "Good morning, boss." It may even be late in the afternoon when he arrives, but they all know that whatever time it may be, their employer is going to put in a good stiff day.

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Italian Premier Demands Reparation for Lives Lost

LONDON, Aug. 28.—A dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph reveals that Premier Mussolini has instructed the Italian minister at Athens to demand from the Greek government the fullest reparation and a prompt apology for the assassination of the members of the Italian boundary mission. The premier also requested the apprehension and punishment of the assassins.

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Liberty

LAST TIMES TODAY
"DIVORCE"
STARRING
JANE NOVAK
Starting Tomorrow

COLLEN MOORE
in
"THE BUTTERFLY GIRL"

OUT OF THE DUST
THE GREAT REMINGTON PRODUCTION
PATRICIA BEAULT, DOROTHY DUNN
THE THEATRE OF THE DUST

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