

U. S. ENGINEERS WORKING ON RIVER SURVEY THIS WEEK

The United States engineers who arrived in Springfield Wednesday to make a survey of the upper Willamette river to obtain data to be incorporated in a report to congress dealing with the canalization of the stream between Springfield and Oregon City, were at work Thursday and Friday on the lowlands in West Springfield and vicinity and will gradually work down stream as far as a point opposite Junction City, which is the northern end of the section allotted to this crew.

Data on the straightening and deepening of the river where advisable will be obtained by this engineer and this, it is pointed out, will mean that the flood menace that has always existed at West Springfield will be eliminated.

The crew that is now at work in this locality is one of four sent out this week from Portland by Major Oscar O. Kuentz, in charge of such government work in the Portland district. These four crews will make a survey as far as Salem, a distance of 103 miles, the first one working from Springfield to Junction City, a distance of 18 miles. It will cover an area of approximately 10 square miles. The party is under E. I. Davis.

The second party, under G. M. Randa, will take the 25 miles from Junction City to Peoria and its area will be approximately 60 square miles. The third party, under E. C. White, will take the 25 miles from Peoria to Albany and will cover about 46 square miles, while the fourth party, under W. H. Ricker, will take the 34-mile stretch between Albany and Salem and will cover over 37 square miles.

The first three parties will work down stream from the upper end of their sections and the fourth will work up stream from Salem.

Major Kuentz has instructed the different crews to expedite the work as much as possible. The survey was ordered by the board of engineers at Washington and the aim will be to have the numerous angles assembled in ample time to be presented to congress.

In the meantime the different cities and towns along the river are to raise \$500 for the purpose of covering the expense of gathering data as to possible tonnage to be offered in case the canalization project is carried out.

**Retired Professor
To Aid Colby School**

WATERVILLE, Me., Nov. 12.—Dr. Julian Daniel Taylor, 85, who retired recently after 33 years as Latin professor at Colby college, has offered \$250,000 to Colby's \$3,000,000 campus fund.

Shrewd investment of money inherited from his wife built the professor's fortune.

Canadian Reds Convicted On Mountie's Testimony

TORONTO, Nov. 12.—The red coat of a Royal Canadian Mounted policeman was an ironic symbol to eight followers of the red flag who faced sentence today as members of an unlawful association and parties to a seditious conspiracy.

They were convicted yesterday largely on the testimony of Sergeant John Leopold who doffed his red coat seven years ago to sit in the councils of Canadian communists and rise to an official in the organization as "Commander E. W. Esselwain."

The men convicted are: Tim Buck, Tom Egan, John Burchuk, Amos T. Hill, Malcolm L. Bruce, Samuel Cohen, Matthew Popovitch and Thomas Gacic.

The crown counsel said he would ask for confiscation of their property and for the deportation of any of them who can be compelled to leave the dominion under the immigration laws.

Sergeant Leopold was the crown's principal witness against the communists. Clad again in the uniform of his outfit, he told from the witness stand how he had followed the best tradition of the mounties for patience, unrelenting pursuit of their quarry, by gathering first hand evidence of communist activities in Canada for seven years.

He said he had served as secretary of the Regina branch of the party and at one time had been arrested in Toronto for taking part in a communist demonstration.

The conviction of Buck and his comrades was the climax of a ten year campaign by the Canadian government to bring about a test of the legality of the communist party in government against the party there.



John Leopold

The dominion. The trial was described as the first definite action launched against the communist party as an organization on the American continent. The only comparable action was that of the Japanese government against the party there.

United States Said Most Lawless Nation In World

TRENTON, N. J., Nov. 12.—Federal Judge George M. Bourquin, of Butte, Mont., today filed an opinion in which he characterized the United States as the most lawless nation in the world with the most badly enforced laws and the poorest administration of justice.

The criticisms were penned in finding eight men guilty of liquor law violations. Judge Bourquin has been sitting here to help clear a crowded docket.

"If America is the most criminal country of the earth and it is—if the laws are most poorly enforced, and they are—the reprehensible treatment of officers of the law is a large contributing cause," he said.

"It must be remembered that the innocent but the guilty complain of official efficiency. Never are the guilty satisfied with official methods, which unmask and bring them to account. So often the strategy of the guilty is to divert attention from themselves by putting the officers on trial.

In these prohibitions, or at least violated days, that is the favorite indoor sport of old John Barleycorn. A great lover of the fourth and fifth amendments is old John. He has become (God help us) the principal champion of them.

"In forty years of bench and bar the writer has never known an innocent man to appeal to the unreasonable search and seizure clause of the constitution. That is true of the cases in general. But now, constantly and vociferously, does old John invoke and demand its vindication in his behalf."

"It was designed to be a shield of defense for the innocent; old John has converted it to a spear of aggression for the guilty. And the amount of judicial sanction his arrogance has received, is one of the most shocking and alarming developments of the prohibition experiment."

"O" Not Burned By State Supporters

Rumors circulated about Eugene Friday that the big Oregon "O" bonfire had been burned sometime Thursday night by Oregon State adherents were proven to be nothing but rumors when it was discovered that the newly built "O" was still intact.

The letter on Skinner's bulletin has been built of trash lumber and other burnable materials and will be ignited Friday evening as part of the big pre-game rally.

The freshmen watchers set to look after the "O" Thursday night had built small fires around the place to keep warm, and it is believed that the rumors were started when these small fires were seen burning.

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O. S. C. FACULTY STORY

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general rate of giving might work hardships in individual cases.

President Kerr informed his faculty that J. M. Deyers of the governor's committee had assured him that the next meeting of the committee would seek a plan which would take into consideration a satisfactory distribution of funds to local relief committees. At both Eugene and Corvallis, the faculties of the university and the college have been among the chief sources for relief funds and to turn their contributions entirely into a state fund would seriously handicap local charities.

Resolutions passed by the college faculty follow:

"The Oregon State Agricultural college in the past has participated in the prosperity of the state, a prosperity to which it has contributed through research and education. Now in the face of an unparalleled emergency, a world-wide unemployment which threatens with distress large numbers of our fellow citizens, we, the faculty of this institution, cannot sit idly by the security of assurance employment and continued income indifferent to the necessity of those for whom this institution exists.

"In the face of wide-spread suffering, if no other means were at

hand, we should endeavor to contribute individually to the relief of such suffering as came to our attention. But with 40,000 in the state already listed as out of employment, involving with their departments not fewer than 120,000 individuals, with the number constantly increasing from the ranks of those who have obtained only part-time employment through the summer and who, with no reserves, are now thrown out of work, and with winter coming on with its attendant hardships, the magnitude of the emergency exceeds the resources of any scheme for individual action.

"We, therefore, welcome the suggestions for organized action emanating from the president of the United States and the governor of the state, and the opportunity of cooperating with the agencies they have created for dealing with the emergency. Acting in full assembly we do therefore express our full support of the relief measures proposed in the following resolutions:

"Be It Resolved,

"(1) That the faculty of the Oregon State Agricultural college request the president of this institution to advise the governor and the committee working with him for the relief of those in need in the present emergency of our hearty cooperation and sympathy;

"(2) That we do herewith authorize him to make such arrangements as are necessary to effect a cooperative contribution to the relief fund amounting to an individual contribution from each staff member of one day's pay out of the salary for each month for a period of five months, beginning Dec. 1 next, thereby enabling this faculty to participate with others in the employment of the state in a state-wide project for relief.

"(3) And finally, that for the effective working out of the intended plan for relief, the president arrange, if possible for such adjustment as may be necessary in any cases where this general contribution would result in individual distress."

JOBLESS AID STORY

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that he expected to call a meeting of the chest board of directors on Monday or Tuesday to consider plans for handling money given for unemployment relief by employee groups.

A possible reorganization of the chest would include representatives of the regular relief societies, of the county unemployment committee, and the giving employee groups.

The action of the city employees, following the example of the University of Oregon faculty in responding to Governor Meier's suggestion that all

public employees in Oregon contribute to relief funds, places Eugene among the leaders of Oregon cities planning to care for their unemployed this winter.

The plan is being considered among employees of the Eugene water board and Lane county employees. It is probable that it will be submitted soon to the teachers in the Eugene schools for approval.

The annual drive for the Charity Chest due to be held from Nov. 23 to 27 will get its impetus from these gifts, according to George F. Hitchcock, drive chairman. Relief organizations participating in the Charity Chest are the Lane county chapter of the Red Cross, the St. Vincent de Paul society and the Salvation Army, which work in cooperation so as to avoid duplication in giving relief.

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