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TWO ARRESTED IN CAMPAIGN TO PUT DOWN PROFITEERS

Assistant Attorney General Ames Out to Catch Boosters of Sugar Price.

11 CENTS A POUND CALLED FAIR MARK

Ten Cents Said Fair for Wholesale Dealers, Allowing Penny Profit.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 14.—Eleven cents a pound has been adjudged a "fair" retail price for sugar by the department of justice, Assistant Attorney General Ames today announced.

"Dealers charging more will be investigated," said Ames. "Ten cents a pound is a fair wholesale price and an additional penny should be enough profit for retail dealers."

Ames asked congressmen who are charged more to write him at the department of justice, Washington, or to the nearest United States district attorney.

Placed in charge of anti-trust prosecutions and the campaign to catch profiteers and price gougers by the attorney general, Ames is going after sugar profiteers. Some retail sugar dealers have been charging 15 cents a pound.

Ames has already obtained the conviction of two profiteers, one at Pittsburgh and one yesterday at Birmingham, N. Y. In the latter case the dealer was fined \$500. All sugar now held in the United States is controlled by the government sugar equalizing board, with headquarters in New York. Wholesale dealers are under license but their selling price is not fixed by the board. Several congressmen are planning to demand that the sugar equalizing board also fix the wholesale price.

BUTTER IS SEIZED

CHICAGO, Aug. 14.—Federal authorities today seized 1282 tubs of butter, valued at \$55,000, at the central cold storage company warehouses. Officials had previously announced that no seizures would be made until a complete survey of food conditions in Chicago had been made.

Concerns Indicted

TOLEDO, Aug. 14.—Eight food concerns were indicted today by the grand jury on a charge of violating the state anti-trust law by fixing a minimum price on oleomargarine.

Palmer Called by Committee

WASHINGTON, Aug. 14.—Attorney General Palmer was today called before the senate agriculture committee to answer the senator's objections to extension of the food control act as the department of justice urged to reduce living costs.

MAY BAR ROMANIA FROM REPARATIONS

PARIS, Aug. 14.—Cutting off Rumania from participation in German reparations is a weapon which the peace conference is considering unless Rumania complies with the demand of the allies in her Hungarian policy.

CARRANZA GOVT. WARNED.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 14.—Threat of a "radical change in the policy regarding Mexico" was made in representations to the Carranza government, following the murder of Peter Catron, American, July 7, the state department today announced.

First Violator Pays \$2.

John Jones was granted the distinction of being the first to pay a \$2 fine for violation of the recently enacted traffic ordinance against one car overtaking another on a street intersection. He pleaded guilty in police court at 2 this afternoon.

PENDLETON WILL HAVE HAND IN TELEPHONE RATE RISE HEARING

Pendleton will have a hand in the hearing of the recent telephone rate increases before the State Public Service Commission in Portland on Aug. 27, the city council decided last evening. A committee consisting of Councilmen McMillan, Duns and Estes was appointed by Mayor Vaughan to investigate rates, wages and service locally and prepare a report which may be presented by the city's delegate to the hearing in Portland.

Agitation was begun as the result of a letter from Salem asking whether Pendleton has considered municipal ownership of the telephone wires. The valley city has begun such a move and requests information regarding rates, salaries, etc., in other towns of the state.

City Attorney James A. Fee said he had investigated the local situation and found that there are approximately 180 city phones and 200 rural phones on the Pendleton exchange.

TURNING ROUND-UP OVAL TRACK AT SHARPER ANGLE FOR FASTER MOUNTS

They're speeded up for this year's Round-Up. The grounds committee is already feeling the pressure, "Faster horses are coming" is the word which has been flashed to L. G. Frazier, chairman of the committee on grounds and Mr. Frazier has responded by putting a crew to work speeding up the race track. Record time in the racing events is predicted for the big show which opens Sept. 18 and closes Sept. 26.

Turns as both ends of the quarter mile track at Round-Up park are to be banked at a greater angle than at present, due to the increased speed of horses to be entered in the running and relay races. The grade of the

turns has been increased several inches, an accurate survey having been made by City Engineer F. B. Hays last week. The new elevation will be obtained by cutting down on the inside of the turn and banking up at the outside.

The principle of inertia is involved in getting the track at such an angle that the horses' feet will be at right angles while rounding the turn. An error in the elevation might cause a speeding animal to fall and break his neck, such as was the case in a relay race at Cheyenne this year. With the improvements completed, the Round-Up track will be among the fastest quarter mile ovals in the country.

PLAYERS AWAY, NO CONCERT TONIGHT

A shortage of musicians in the city this week will prevent there being a band concert this evening. C. E. Roosevelt, president of the organization, said today. Only eight musicians appeared for rehearsal Tuesday night but the band will make up by a Sunday concert in the near future or play two concerts in one week later in the season.

A statement of the money due the band men and the past and present director has been requested by George C. Baer, president of the Pendleton Commercial Association. This is now being prepared and when presented to the association will be paid for with surplus money from the Fourth of July fund. If that does not contain sufficient to finance the band until the middle of September, subscriptions will be raised from business concerns on a pro rata basis.

The band declared following last week's concert that it would play no more until promise of a settlement was forthcoming and with all satisfactory arranged now, would stand ready to play tonight were there not several of the members out of town on vacations. The concert will be resumed next Thursday night and continue until the Round-Up.

BULGARIA MAY GET OUTLET TO AEGEAN

PARIS, Aug. 14.—The council of five is nearing solution of the Thrace question which has been delaying completion of the Bulgarian treaty. As a means of settling the issue the peace conference is considering internationalizing the eastern three-fourths of Western Thrace, granting the rest as well as the whole of Eastern Thrace to Greece. This would give Bulgaria an outlet to the Aegean sea, but would cut off Eastern Thrace from the Grecian mainland. Other details of the Bulgarian treaty have been completed.

TWO NEAR DEATH FOLLOWING RIOTS

PEORIA, Ill., Aug. 14.—Truce, effective until 6 o'clock this afternoon, today brought a temporary halt to rioting and the hurling of explosives by strikers of the Keystone Steel and Wire company here. Reuben and Alvin Somers, cousins and sons of two owners of the plant, are believed dying from gun wounds sustained last night in repelling strikers at the plant. Two others were badly injured and many were slightly hurt. Five companies of state militia and Peoria guardsmen are stationed in the company grounds. Some damage to the buildings occurred when an unknown striker threw a stick of dynamite into the yards last night.

INVESTIGATE MOONEY PROBE

WASHINGTON, Aug. 14.—The house today passed a resolution asking more information regarding the activities of John Demosore, special department of labor investigator in the Thomas Mooney case. The resolution asks copies of all instructions which Secretary of Labor Wilson sent Demosore. The names of all persons who had anything to do with the probe and what connection the department has had with the case since November 1, 1918.

TWO MORE THEATRES SUFFER

NEW YORK, Aug. 14.—Two more theatres have been closed by the actors' strike, bringing the total here today to 13. The "largest productions to succumb are the "Ziegfeld Follies" and "29 East."

Temperature Is 88 Today.

Today's temperature is 88, one degree warmer than yesterday. The minimum was 46. The weather is clear with a light breeze.

Ed Eggers Returns.

Ed H. Eggers, who for the past year has been in Parham, Minnesota, returned this morning and will remain in Pendleton. He is a brother of Mrs. W. A. Rhodes of this city.

Leave for Wallowa Lake.

Frank King, Everett King and Bert Winn, accompanied by their respective families, left this morning in a two car party for Wallowa Lake to be gone two weeks.

BRITAIN PROVIDES PROSECUTION FOR FUTURE OFFENSE

LONDON, Aug. 14.—Britain dealt a body blow to prospective profiteers at dawn today when, sitting as a committee since 4 yesterday afternoon the house of commons passed a bill against profiteering. The bill provides prosecution for directors of profiteering corporations with a penalty of three months and \$1000. It enables the board of trade to make investigations and establish a central costs department.

Labor representatives jeered and laughed when an amendment was adopted providing the bill will be applicable only to profiteering committed after the bill becomes a law. Lord Cecil declared the amendment leaves profiteers in possession of enormous profits they have made since the armistice was signed.

JOE SIEVERS, 69, DIES ON RETURN FROM TRIP

Joe Sievers, aged 69, died at 6 a. m. today after suffering for some time from stomach trouble. Mr. Sievers, accompanied by Mrs. Sievers and his daughter Mrs. Anna Linroth, returned at 1:30 a. m. today from Hood River, where they had gone two weeks ago for the benefit of Mr. Sievers' health. His health had been failing rapidly for the past few days.

Mr. Sievers, who was engaged in farming in this county, was a native of Holstein, Germany and has been in the United States for the past 48 years. He is survived by his wife and daughter and one son, George H. Sievers, who is in Germany but has not heard from them since the beginning of the war.

Funeral arrangements will be made after word from George Sievers, now at Menacham. The body is at Polson's undertaking parlors.

SEATTLE CENTRAL COUNCIL REFUSES TO TAKE PART IN CREATING PRICE COMMITTEE

SEATTLE, Aug. 14.—The central labor council today refused to participate in the creation of a fair price committee at the request of Food Administrator Beck. Radical delegates condemned the committee as a "camouflage to alleviate unrest and make the worker think something is being done." The council endorsed a one day general strike October 8 in sympathy with the "class war prisoners."

APPOINTED A SENIOR ADVISOR.

Miss Pauline Rice, who will be a senior at the University of California this year, has left for Berkeley to serve as a senior advisor during the registration period which opens Monday. Miss Rice will advise the incoming freshmen in one of the departments of the university.

BACK ACCOUNTS SUED FOR.

A. L. Larson today brought suit in circuit court against F. B. Knapp to recover two sums of \$104.25 and \$294.49. The former is the balance due on a note assigned by C. O. Wainwright and the latter for goods and merchandise purchased of Mr. Larson.

INTERPRETIVE RESERVATIONS CONSIDERED AS COMPROMISE TO HASTEN PEACE AGREEMENT

WASHINGTON, Aug. 14.—Democratic overtures have been made to the "mild reservationists" in the senate for agreement on reservations to the peace treaty. It is learned today. As soon as 20 Republicans have agreed to a mild reservation program it "will go through all right," leading Democratic senators told Senators Lodge and McNary, according to this information. Lodge is reported to have tentatively accepted the program of the "mild" group on conditions that two changes be made in phraseology.

"Mild reservationists," led by McNary and Kellogg, are bending every effort to get 20 adherents to their plan and they hope to have them by the end of the week, they said.

The mild program calls for reservations in the resolution of ratification covering withdrawal from the league, the Monroe doctrine, domestic questions and article 10. These reservations have been phrased so as simply to interpret the United States' understanding of the provisions and are not regarded by their proponents as endangering the treaty or league.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 14.—The senate foreign relations committee today decided to notify President Wilson that the committee desires to call on him to obtain information concerning the peace treaty.

TEXAS DEMOCRAT CALLED "RUBBER STAMP," CONGRESS NARROWLY AVERTS FIGHT

WASHINGTON, Aug. 14.—Representative Blanton, Texas Democrat, today characterized Representative Hardy of Texas, Democrat, as a "rubber stamp" for his efforts in defense of the administration. Hardy left his seat in the house and rushed down the aisle. Blanton started toward Hardy and it required the efforts of several members to prevent the Texas representatives from exchanging blows.

AVERTS HOME SEPTEMBER 1.

Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Averill and children, who have been absent from Pendleton for the past month on a motor trip through Yellowstone Park, are expected to return here by September 1. Mr. Averill is inspecting the Idaho territory of the United States Geological Survey and is also taking his annual vacation.

HOTEL CLERK HAS TONSILLITIS.

John Faust, day clerk of the St. George hotel, is confined to his room with tonsillitis.

IDaho PLANE FIRM INCORPORATED.

BOISE, Idaho, Aug. 11.—The first articles of incorporation for an Idaho airplane corporation were issued out of the secretary of state's office to the Idaho Aeroplane & Motor company of Boise Tuesday.

GIVES UP \$7500 A WEEK FOR BROADWAY

NEW YORK.—To get back on "dear old Broadway" Billie Burke is going to give up \$7500 a week. Billie has been appearing in the "movies" at a salary of \$14,000 weekly. But late in September she will desert the screen to star in William Somerset Maugham's comedy drama, "Caesar's Wife" and receive not more than a \$2000 weekly. "I want to get close to my audience again, instead of talking and getting into a lens. And I want to get back to Broadway. It's worth the difference," says Billie.

POST OF AMERICAN LEGION IS ORGANIZED BY EX-SERVICE MEN

Willard Bond, Bond Brothers, Miss Virginia Todd, secretary of the Red Cross will also give information to all service men who call at the Red Cross office. Each member present last night agreed to act as a committee of one to get new members. Mr. Kincaid will be in charge of the publicity.

Mr. Warner, on taking the chair last night, said that local ex-service men had been waiting for a real organization of veterans of the past war.

"We know that the Legion will be a great power," said Mr. Warner. "It should be our aim to steer the power of this body into the right channels, and never let it be used to boost any one seeking political advancement."

A committee on by-laws was appointed, with Dr. H. H. Hattery as chairman. The committee was instructed to prepare a set of by-laws which will be presented at the next meeting, scheduled for next Wednesday in the Commercial Club at 8 p. m.

To give information to veterans who wish to join the local post, the following members volunteered their services: J. Frank Kincaid, Bee Hive Store; Tom Murphy, Murphy Bros.; James Bowler, First National Bank;

WOULD RETURN ROADS WITH PROFIT LIMITED

WASHINGTON, Aug. 14.—American railroad security holders today told congress they favor the return of roads to private ownership with a rate structure providing a fixed maximum return. Luther Walter, general counsel to the national association of owners of railroad securities, testified before the house interstate commerce committee today declared that under this plan all surplus funds over a fixed minimum of returns would be equally divided between labor, the public and the roads earning the surplus.

REFUSAL OF MONEY LEADS TO DIVORCE

Jackson Nelson, wealthy Athens farmer, refused her money for household necessities, medical attention and for domestic help during her recent illness. Mrs. Jane Nelson alleges in her complaint for divorce, filed today with County Clerk Brown, Nelson is required to be the owner of real property worth \$25,000.

The Nelsons were married in 1887 and accumulated a comfortable fortune the complaint sets out. Six years ago, however, he became miserly and grew cold toward the plaintiff, she alleges and has since made her life unhappy. They have no children.

Mrs. Nelson asks \$20 for attorney fees, \$100 for witness fees and a monthly allowance of \$20 during the pendency of the suit. She asks to be awarded an undivided third interest in the defendant's real property. She is represented by Riley, Riley & Steiner and H. J. Warner.

ELKS LODGE HAS SECURED MONEY TO BEGIN HOME

Joe Monese, Echo Stockman, and First National Bank Lend \$60,000 to Club.

LODGE HAS \$30,000; \$40,000 REMAINS

Loan Contingent on 'Purchase of Second Mortgage Bonds by Members.

Through arrangements made yesterday afternoon with Joe Monese, well known Echo stockman, and the First National Bank of this city, the Pendleton lodge of Elks has secured enough money on a first mortgage loan to justify the closing up of contracts for the new four-story lodge and club building.

Mr. Monese, who is a member of the local lodge and who is moving his family to Pendleton, and the bank have agreed to lend the lodge \$40,000, which is about half the cost of the completed and furnished building. The lodge has \$30,000 on hand through the sale of its property to Hamley & Co., and has only between \$49,000 and \$59,000 to raise through the sale of second mortgage bonds among its members.

The loan made the lodge is contingent upon the members purchasing sufficient number of second mortgage bonds to insure the completion of the building. The building committee and finance committee expect to begin the sale of these bonds within a few days and believe the members will all readily respond.

The terms of the loan being made the lodge are regarded as highly satisfactory by the building committee. J. M. Rice of the First National Bank met with the committee yesterday afternoon at 5 o'clock and made the proposition which will permit the Elks to proceed without further delay.

Contracts for the heating, plumbing, lighting and elevator will be signed at once and the general contract with Parker & Banfield will be signed just as soon as the architects complete the revision of the plans made necessary by the change of location. This will be within a few days and the contractors have been requested to arrange for the beginning of excavation work at once.

BOOTLEGGERS' FINES DECLARED TOO LOW

Far from complete satisfaction with the disposition of liquor cases recently brought to trial here is expressed by the local district attorney's office. Convictions have been returned in every case but the fines in most instances are considered by the district attorney to be much too lenient.

Charles Biggerstaff, whose place beyond Richfield yielded a complete moonshine outfit, was held in \$500 bail for trial and when he pleaded guilty he was fined but \$250. It is related that he told the court he would gladly pay the whole sum as a fine, fearing that he might be dealt a jail sentence. Biggerstaff is alleged to have declared that he expected to have to pay \$500 as he had netted \$1500 in one month.

From the convictions obtained so far, the county has not collected as much in fines as has been spent in obtaining arrests and convictions. More than \$1000 has been spent in running down the various deniers and manufacturers in the illicit liquor traffic and three convictions have resulted in but \$550 in fines.

"The law provide a maximum fine of \$500 for the first offense," R. I. Keator, district attorney, explained today. "Second offenses may be punished with a jail sentence. The men so far convicted have been operating on such a scale that they hardly feel a fine of \$100 or \$250. Ed Myers is the only man who was fined the limit so far."

Myers was reputed to have done about \$5000 worth of business in a month and is said not to have suffered heavily as the result of his fine. As the law now stands, the maximum fine is far too low to seriously hamper the business of an established bootlegger or still operator, the district attorney avers.

IS IN HOSPITAL.

Mrs. E. H. Harten is a patient in St. Anthony's hospital. She is convalescing after an operation performed this morning.

SIXTY PER CENT RAISE WANTED

CLEVELAND, Aug. 14.—"A raise of 60 per cent in wages is necessary to cover the level of living expenses," said Timothy Shea, president of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen today at a meeting of delegates drafted a new wage scale. This is the first intimation given on the extent of increase to be asked by the Brotherhood. Officials had said it would be the "highest yet."

THE WEATHER FORECAST

Tonight fair
Friday fair and warmer, continued warm
Saturday,



Billie Burke