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K. C. AMMANN, COUNTY ROAD BOOKKEEPER ARRESTED ON CHARGE OF PADDING PAYROLLS AND FORGING CHECKS

NATIONS PREPARE FOR DISARMAMENT AND PACIFIC MEET

Japan's Acceptance is Regarded as Certain; She Fears Discussion of Far East Problem
OTHER NATIONS' VIEWS FEARED BY JAPANESE
France Will Trade Armament Limitations for Insurance of Safety Against Germans.

WASHINGTON, July 21.—(A. I. Bradford, U. P. Staff Correspondent)—The earth's great nations are clearing the decks for the Washington disarmament and the Pacific conference. Japan's acceptance is regarded as certain, although Nippon fears a discussion of the far eastern problems may affect the Asiatic position, as negotiations with China relative to the return of Shantung to China, attempting a compromise on the Yap situation with the United States, discussing the Siberian-China government with possibility of evacuation of Japanese military from Siberia and possibly from Manchuria. Other nations' considerations are the United States—will make effective an agreement to limit armament and insure the peace of the world; Great Britain—will raise the Japanese relations to accord with the people's wish for more cordial United States relations; France—will trade armament limitation for insurance of safety against German attacks; Italy—will continue in close co-operation with the United States; and China will remove Japan's menace.

Japan Will Accept
With renewed evidence during the last 24 hours Japan is to give her complete acceptance for entering the disarmament talks, arrangements for the date of discussions, and preliminary program and is ready to proceed. Japan's hesitancy is still making her the chief study in the nations probable interests in the conference and their probable ranking. Japan is expected to attempt the settling of vexatious questions between herself and other powers prior to the conference opening.

REINFORCEMENTS WILL BE SENT TO SILESIA

PARIS, July 21.—(U. P.)—France will send reinforcements to Upper Silesia whether or not Great Britain joins in the movement. The French move will be made to insure the safety of 10,000 French soldiers who are already on the ground.

DEPUTY IN HIGHWAY OFFICE IS ACCUSED OF BOLD SWINDLING ACT

K. C. Amman, bookkeeper in the office of the roadmaster of Umatilla county, was arrested this afternoon on a charge of having swindled the county out of thousands of dollars through padding of payrolls and the cashing of forged time checks. Just how much money Amman secured through his operations had not been ascertained this afternoon but behind the story is a get-rich-quick romance that is startling in its boldness. Amman was taken into custody late this afternoon after a warrant for his arrest had been secured from Justice Richards at Athena by C. Z. Randall, deputy prosecuting attorney. Mr. Randall in company with County Judge I. M. Schanep, who first learned of suspicious facts regarding the bookkeeper, have worked on the case for two days and have been assisted in their probe by Roadmaster L. J. Shannon. It was discovered by the investigators that Amman has been making heavy deposits at local banks almost ever since he entered upon his duties last September. At times the deposits have run above \$1000 a month and the lowest month was \$400. These heavy deposits from a man drawing a salary of \$200 a month were regarded as suspicious and a check up showed that forged time checks had been used, it is said. One system alleged to have been practiced by the bookkeeper was to insert an additional sheet of names in the road payroll after the roadmaster had endorsed the bonafide payroll. At other times additional names were written in after the payroll had been endorsed. The check on which the warrant for Amman's arrest was issued was one made to George E. Barr. The name of Barr was endorsed on the check, presumably by Amman, and he had then endorsed the check himself. Mr. Barr denies he ever received the warrant or had endorsed it. According to officials the fraudulent work was at times very carefully handled but at other times the bookkeeper grew careless and covered his plot very slightly. This forenoon Amman was sent on a mission to Stanfield and a final search made during his absence confirmed the suspicion of his wrong doing. The warrant for the arrest was secured at Athena because Judge Parkes is out of town and it was not desirable Judge Schanep issue the warrant as he will be a witness in the case. A peculiar feature of the Amman case is that his alleged fraudulent work was underway at the time the county books were audited in January and the doctored of the time sheets and time checks was not discovered. Amman lives at 313 S. Main street. Prior to his employment by the county he was with a construction company here. He is regarded as a very competent office man and the discovery of his alleged crooked work has caused a sensation.

POISON CAMPAIGN TO BE WAGED ON COYOTES IN STATE THIS YEAR

Predatory Animal Inspector has Plans for making Winter Hard One for Coyotes.
A special poison preparation for coyotes, which proved very effectively this year in an effort to free the ranges of Eastern Oregon of these animals, according to Elmer Williams, predatory animal inspector who is here today on a tour of inspection. The base of the poison is strychnine, Mr. Williams said, but it is tasteless and little difficulty is encountered in getting it into such shape as to prove fatal to animals. Some experiments conducted last winter resulted in animals dying within 15 minutes after they got the poison. It is estimated that losses to sheep men each year from the ravages of coyotes will amount to \$500,000, and a determined effort to reduce this loss is being made. On this present tour, Mr. Williams has visited Morrow and Wheeler counties, and he will spend the remainder of the week in Umatilla county. He will go up on Meacham creek tomorrow, and other inspections will be made in the mountains before he leaves. The campaign in Morrow county has exterminated the inspector said. As a result of the intensive trapping and poisoning that has been done, only about one coyote lives now, while 19 used to roam on their way of destruction. Coyotes and timber wolves which are deadly foes to deer and other game are gradually being thinned out, and they are not doing nearly so much damage as they formerly worked, according to Williams.

NEGOTIATIONS MADE PUBLIC

BERLIN, July 21.—(U. P.)—According to prominent men knowing the situation, the draft of the German-American treaty, drawn to take effect following the declaration of peace, contains no reservations. The news negotiations between Lorin Creel, the American charge d'affaires, and Baron Rosen of Germany, made public, indicated there would be no quibbling, the German attitude being that the formal agreement with the United States and the necessity that Germany feeling must quickly resume its old footing with her former enemy.

BASIS OF PEACE CONFERENCE NOT YET DISCOVERED

Irish 'President' Goes to Dublin Friday; Will Communicate With Lloyd-George Later.
TRUCE IN IRELAND WILL CONTINUE SAYS DE VALERA
Republican Leader Says They are Optimistic and Believe Solution Can be Reached.
LONDON, July 21.—(A. P.)—Conversations between Lloyd-George and De Valera for Irish peace has terminated for the present without the objective attained. The premier at the final meeting today submitted definite proposals of the British cabinet considered by him as a suitable ground for the peace party. De Valera, after the meeting expressed anxiety for the attainment of peace. One of the Irish delegation said the progress was necessarily slow and he believed definite progress had been made. LONDON, July 21.—(Charles M. McCann, U. P. Staff Correspondent)—"A basis for a formal conference has not been found," an official government communique announced shortly following the Lloyd-George and De Valera conference on the Irish question, lasting an hour. De Valera goes to Dublin tomorrow. He will communicate with Lloyd-George later. Returns to Make Statement
LONDON, July 21.—(I. N. S.)—Irish peace negotiations have struck an obstacle, a formal communique, issued at Lloyd-George's residence, saying a basis for a formal Irish peace party had not yet been found. The communique was issued shortly after the premier bade De Valera the English government's offer. De Valera was smiling and cheerful when he returned to his headquarters, which indicated that the negotiations were proceeding to his satisfaction. He refused to make any statement, however. De Valera will return to Dublin tomorrow. After consultation with his colleagues he will come back to London. "Truce in Ireland will continue," said a statement given by the De Valera headquarters to the International News Service. "We are as optimistic as ever and we believe a solution can be reached." Will Meet Craig in Dublin
 Sinn Fein headquarters announced that no peace basis has been reached as yet. It is reported that De Valera is willing to meet Craig in Dublin, but no date has been set. The Sinn Fein said that Southern Ireland outranks Ulster in the peace negotiations.

DOUGLAS COUNTY COURT OFFERS REWARD FOR ARREST OF MURDERERS

Search for Missing Dentist Will be Pushed Vigorously; Descriptions Sent Broadcast.
ROSEBURG, July 21.—(U. P.)—Douglas county court has offered an \$800 reward for the arrest of the murderers of Dennis Russell, the Hornum laborer, whose body has been identified as that of the headless corpse found on July 12. The coroner's jury yesterday returned a verdict that the corpse was that of Russell and that he was murdered by persons unknown. The court's reward, with \$200 already offered, plus \$1000 that Governor Olcott proclaimed he will recommend to the next legislature, makes the reward \$2000. Descriptions of Dr. R. M. Brumfield, the missing dentist, whom Sheriff Starmer believes murdered Russell, have been sent broadcast and the search for the man will be pushed vigorously.

HOTEL AT ECHO BURNS TO GROUND TODAY NOON

(Special to the East Oregonian.)
ECHO, Ore., July 21.—The Hotel Hoskins, a three story wooden building owned by J. T. Hoskins of Pendleton, burned to the ground at noon here today. The furnishings, owned by the manager, M. E. Shannon, and the belongings of the hotel guests, were saved. The building was uninsured. The fire broke out in a vacant room over the kitchen and it is thought the blaze was caused by a defective flue. All efforts to save the building were unavailing, but the fire department and citizens managed to save the Methodist church and the home of W. H. Crarey, from the flames. Both structures, which were near the hotel, were not damaged. The hotel was built about 15 years ago at a cost of \$5,000. It was the only hotel at Echo. Two bandits in evening dress are operating in Miami, Florida.

ENGINEERS FIND SUMMER POWER AT UMATILLA RAPIDS MORE THAN REQUIRED FOR VAST IRRIGATION

Two States Co-operating on Report Which Will be Ready in Six or Eight Weeks Time.
Through cooperation between the state engineer of Oregon, the department of conservation and development in the state of Washington work is now underway for a detailed report on the Umatilla rapids project. Much of the actual work is being done by John H. Lewis, former state engineer, and men under him. The expense is being jointly borne by the states of Oregon and Washington and the Umatilla rapids power site association of which Judge G. W. Phelps is president. It is said the complete report may not be ready for six or eight weeks. The engineers have ascertained that a head of from 28 to 30 feet of water can be available at all stages of the river at Umatilla rapids and that more summer power can be developed than will be necessary for irrigation purposes. Tentative figures indicate a need of 250,000 horse power for irrigation through pumping. The report when completed will be submitted under the auspices of engineers of the two states and it is proposed to try interstate action somewhat along the lines being followed by those working for development of the Colorado river. Just now Judge Phelps is interested in having the report ready if possible when Senator McNary makes his visit to Oregon in August. It is presumed Senator Stanford will also be here at that time and it is desired to get the data before these two men at the earliest possible date.

DISABLED STEAMER ARRIVES IN PORTLAND

PORTLAND, July 21.—(U. P.)—The steamer Effingham, of the European-Pacific line, which struck a rocky bank in the Columbia at Stella, Wash. last night, tearing a hole in her bow, arrived today under her own steam, with 16 feet of water in the forward hold. The vessel ran into a bank while close to the Washington side, when a steering gear broke, said the men on board. She began to sink so rapidly that 800 S. O. S. calls were sent out. The ship went by the head but the engine room remained clear. Officers decided to proceed to Portland.

WELL KNOWN PIONEER EASTERN OREGON DOCTOR DIES IN PORTLAND

PORTLAND, July 21.—(A. P.)—Dr. Edward B. Himebeck, pioneer physician of Eastern Oregon, died here last night after an illness of five days. He was the first physician to settle in the Heppner district where he practiced for 25 years. He came to Oregon 40 years ago. Dr. Himebeck has lived in Portland for the last ten years.

PRELIMINARY SURVEY OF IMPROVEMENTS IN CITY IS BEING MADE

Examination by Cunningham Will Determine Cost of Detailed Plans by Council.
A preliminary survey of the parks in Pendleton, including the Round-Up park, and the tourist park together with a proposed site for a larger camping grounds is being made today by John W. Cunningham, member of the firm of Baar and Cunningham, consulting engineers, following the granting of authority to him for such purposes last night at the meeting of the city council. Mr. Cunningham's survey also includes the city levee and the old dump grounds besides an examination of several possible sites for a new dining ground. The preliminary examination is being made for the purpose of enabling the engineer to give the council an idea of the probable cost of a careful survey of the different projects now either being worked out, or in prospect. Accompanying the survey, the council desires to have definite estimates of how much each project will cost so that a detailed, carefully worked out program for systematic development of Pendleton can be left to the will of the voters in a special election. Such a step has been under consideration for several months. Mayor George A. Hartman urging the application of business-like methods to the problem of beautifying the city. He has urged in particular that a detailed plan be worked out so that all park improvements work performed will be a part of a carefully conceived program of activity. The advisability of using city prisoners to improve the city levee was considered last night, and it is probable that before long the men who are serving sentences will be permitted the privilege of enjoying scenery on the river's edge while they labor. The usual unanimity of the council was missing when a proposed amendment to the ordinance recently enacted, which provided that street meetings may not be held on or near Main street came up for a vote. The amendment lost by a vote of four to three. Dunn, Friede, Simpson and Lawrence opposing, while Ford, McMonies and Penland voted for it. Bids for plumbing work at the camping park were received from Benson and Wickland, C. P. Miller, D. D. Proff and R. H. Thomson. Benson and Wickland were awarded the contract at \$148, which was just 79 cents lower than the bid of Thomson. A report by Councilman Manuel Friede, chairman of the street naming committee, was made, and he recommended that a final plan for changing the nomenclature of Pendleton streets be worked out by the mayor, representing the city, and by representatives from the Commercial Association and the Rotary Club. The recommendation follows consideration of several months during which the ideas of different individuals and organizations have been sought by the council before taking any action. The lease for the Round-Up association of the Round-Up park was granted by the council for a term of five years at one dollar a year, with two

ITALIAN CHAMBER OF DEPUTIES HAS FIGHT

ROME, July 21.—(U. N. S.)—A fight between the socialists and fascists on the floor of the chamber of deputies resulted in suspension of the sitting. Trouble was precipitated by the socialist who continually interrupted the fascist speakers. Inevitably and other insults were thrown, one socialist was painfully injured.

BAND TO GIVE CONCERT IN PARK FRIDAY NIGHT

The Pendleton band concert will be given on Friday evening at Pioneer Park at 8 o'clock. W. Landels will be the director and the program is as follows:
March, Sempur Fidelis Sousa
Overture, Arcadia Laurens
Fox Trot, Frankie Snyder
Spanish Serenade, La Paloma Yradier
March, Baroom & Bailers Favorite King
Intermission King
Quartet, Until The Dawn Parks
Abella Male Quartet Parks
March, Post and Pursuit Pittmore
Overture, The Iron Count King
Waltz, Carolina Lullaby Hiesch
Selection, Fun Gounod
Trombone Ensemble, Hydrophobia Holmes
March, The Stars and Stripes Forever Sousa
Mexico is claiming several groups of islands off the California coast, owned then being Santa Catalina, owned by William Wrigley, the chewing gum manufacturer.

FRENCH TROOPS READY TO MARCH INTO SILESIA

Francio-British Entente Appears to be Approaching Crisis Over Situation in Silesia.
ENGLAND WANTED COUNCIL TO FIX BOUNDARY BASIS
Unofficially Stated That France Refused to Agree Proposed Meeting be Held on July 27.
PARIS, July 21.—(Webb Miller, U. P. Staff Correspondent)—With the French troops ready to march into Silesia, the Franco-British entente appeared to be approaching a crisis over the Silesian question. The situation was Britain requested the supreme council to meet on July 27 and fix the Polish-German Silesian boundary on the basis of the plebiscite, thus ending the dispute; France, it is unofficially stated, refused to agree to the proposed meeting, but said they might hold it in August following the plebiscite commission's complete boundary report. France meanwhile insisted that reinforcements be sent to Silesia, despite the belief that Britain will refuse to send more troops. France is acting independently. GOVERNMENT RECOGNIZED
MEXICO CITY, July 21.—(U. P.)—Spain and Japan have given the Obregon government de jure recognition, according to the foreign office. Auto-graph letters received from those countries will constitute such recognition, according to the foreign office.

BRITAIN WILL CONTINUE CONSTRUCTION OF SHIPS

LONDON, July 21.—(I. N. S.)—Britain will continue construction of capital warships despite the disarmament conference according to a statement made by Lloyd George in the commons. "This is not affected by the possible success or failure of the Washington conference," he said. "Even assuming the conference is a complete success it would not remove the government's obligation to build new ships."

'JOHN DOE' WARRANTS ISSUED FOR RINGLEADERS

TURLOCK, Calif., July 21.—(U. P.)—Five 'John Doe' warrants have been issued for the arrest of the alleged participants in the deportations of Japanese. Sheriff Dallas, of Stanislaus county is attempting to round up the ringleaders. TURLOCK, Calif., July 21.—(U. P.)—Sheriff Dallas of Stanislaus county is making a determined effort to apprehend the leaders and members of the band which deported 58 Japanese melon pickers yesterday, when they undercut the white labor. Armed with five 'John Doe' warrants, Dallas says there will be no whitewashing of the affair. They expect to make a number of arrests. Some of the Japanese are returning to the melon patches, though they show fear. The Japanese consulate is aiding in the investigation.

THE WEATHER

Reported by Major Lee Moorhouse, weather observer.
Maximum, 84.
Minimum, 45.
Barometer, 29.65.

TODAY'S FORECAST

Tonight and Friday fair; warmer Friday