

WEATHER FORECAST

Tonight and Tuesday rain or snow, colder, moderate northerly winds. Minimum 51; maximum 55. Precipitation 1.57 in.; total storm 3.5 inches

Capital Journal

CIRCULATION

Average for Quarter Ending

December 31, 1919

5458

Member Audit Bureau of Circulation Associated Press Full Leased Wire

FORTY-THIRD YEAR.—NO. 22

SALEM, OREGON, MONDAY, JANUARY 26, 1920.

EIGHT PAGES.

PRICE 2 CENTS.

VENUE CHANGE DENIED 'REDS' AT MONTESANO

Alleged I. W. W. Members Charged With Murder In Connection With Armistice Day Murders On Trial Today.

Montesano, Wash., Jan. 26.—Judge John M. Wilson in superior court here today denied the motion of the defense for a change of venue in the case of eleven alleged members of the I. W. W. charged with the murder of Warren O. Grimm in connection with the Centralia Armistice day parade November 11, 1919.

Judge Wilson made his ruling at the conclusion of arguments by counsel for both the defense and prosecution.

Evidence Not Sufficient.

"The court is satisfied that the showing made by the defense in its motion for a change of venue is not sufficient," Judge Wilson said in denying the motion. The law does not permit of a second change of venue in cases of this character, in my opinion," he added.

The defense exhibited articles which it alleged would tend to influence the jurors, alleging, on belief, "that it was circulated in Grays Harbor county with the intention of so influencing jurors."

The nine morning was spent in arguments on the motion, the court ruling coming at the noon adjournment, which was delayed 20 minutes in order to allow the attorneys to complete their arguments. Filed as exhibits were articles printed in the Washington, the Washingtonian of Honolulu, Wash., the World, Aberdeen, the Chronicle, Centralia, and Vidette, Montesano, Attorney Vandever admitted in court that the workers defense league had circulated appeals to workers in which it was stated that "the marchers started to raid the I. W. W. hall in Centralia before any shots were fired," but declared that it had occurred before the trial had been moved to this county. Vandever declared during his argument that he would prove, in the course of the trial, that the shooting followed an attempt to raid the hall by more than 75 witnesses, many of whom he said, had been marching in the Armistice day parade.

Organized labor was intensely interested in the trial. Vandever declared during his argument, saying "this is in some sense a labor case."

Plea Opens Case.

Montesano, Wash., Jan. 26.—Motion for a change of venue from Grays Harbor county in the case of eleven alleged members of the I. W. W. charged with first degree murder in connection with the shootings at Centralia, Wash., November 11, 1919, was made at the opening of the trial of the defendants here today. Attorney George F. Vandever, counsel for the defendants, in presenting the motion, offered as exhibits clippings from southwestern newspapers which he maintained had tended to create a prejudice against the defendants.

Objection to the presentation of such exhibits as had not made their appearance since the order of the court granting the change of venue from Lewis county to Grays Harbor county, was partially sustained by the court, when Judge John M. Wilson ruled that he would consider only matters alleged to have occurred since the venue to this county was granted. In making the ruling the court upheld the contention of counsel for the prosecution that certain of the exhibits had "already been judicially determined and ruled upon."

The trial, which will be held before Judge John M. Wilson, Olympia, Wash., was transferred here from Lewis county, where Centralia is located, because of alleged bias on the part of the people of that county.

Scores of witnesses, attorneys, labor men, newspapermen and others are here to attend the trial. American Legion men in their khaki uniforms are here from all parts of the Pacific northwest, as Lieutenant Grimm was commander of the Centralia Legion post and the parade was being held under the Legion's auspices.

PERSHING AND STAFF LOS ANGELES GUESTS

Los Angeles, Cal., Jan. 26.—General John J. Pershing arrived here today shortly after 9 o'clock for a 16 hour visit. The general and his staff left almost immediately for Ross Field, the United States army balloon camp at Arcadia, near here, and after an inspection there he is to return to Los Angeles and devote most of the day to civic functions.

At 4 o'clock General Pershing and his staff were planning to go to Culver city, where they will spend two hours viewing some noted directors and actors "make a movie." He will have tonight for San Diego.

STATE AGENTS WILL BE PROSECUTED IF GUILTY OF VIOLATIONS-BROWN

If Charles Burton and Frank Davis state agents under arrest at Lakeview, are guilty of any violation of the state prohibition law they will be prosecuted the same as any other citizen, according to Attorney General Brown who has sent instructions to that effect to T. S. McKinney, district attorney for Lake county. There is no occasion for any impression that the governor's office or the attorney general are trying to shield the state agents or to excuse any offense against the laws of the state of which they may have been guilty on the grounds that they were in the employ of the state, Brown states.

If the men, who are charged with distributing liquor to whosever would drink, including women, are guilty as charged the fact that they violated the law in pursuit of their duties as state agents and without any criminal intent this explanation can not be used in defense of their actions but might serve to mitigate any punishment that would be meted out to them in the event they are found guilty when tried, Brown has advised McKinney.

Information reaching the attorney general's office is to the effect that the trial of Burton and Davis is set for Tuesday.

If the men are guilty of the commission of a crime within the spirit of the law "they should be prosecuted by proper officers but the criminal law should not be permitted to be used by persons to gratify revenge," Attorney General Brown instructs T. S. McKinney, district attorney for Lake county in a telegram forwarded today.

Reports reaching Governor Olcott and Attorney General Brown here relative to the arrest of the two state agents are highly conflicting. One telegram signed by a number of Lakeview citizens states that the men have been guilty of distributing liquor. This is counteracted by a telegram from S. F. Shonyo, deputy sheriff of Lake county to the effect that the arrest of the men is due to enmity aroused against the activities of the agents which has resulted in the capture of a whiskey still. The district attorney, the message states, had refused to sign the complaint and the prosecution was being pushed by S. A. Jettmore, Lakeview attorney. Sheriff E. E. Woodcock also telegraphs that the agents have been doing good work, confirming his deputy's report relative to the capture of the whiskey still which is said to have led up to the arrest of the men.

SALEM MAN HELD IN PORTLAND FOR PART IN SIX ROBBERIES

Russell Higginbotham, 25, a former Salem man, is being held in the county jail in Portland under bond of \$5000, for participation in at least six robberies and holdups, according to advices from that city received here Monday. Higginbotham was arrested last week with Robert Hall and Charles Langdale, by a corps of detectives who surrounded the trio's rendezvous.

Higginbotham is said to have confessed to two of the "jobs." He with Hall and Langdale, were bound over to the grand jury Saturday by Portland Police Judge Rossman.

The trio, according to word received here, attempted to bribe police inspectors to win their release when they were cornered in a house at 33 1/2 Ninth street, in Portland.

Higginbotham was last seen in Salem about six months ago, police news say. He is said to have spent a year in France with the A. E. F.

"No Time" And No Flag Found In Few Schools

"Mr. School Board Director, your clock has stopped," that is what Mrs. M. L. Fulkerson, supervisor of schools, writes every where according to a report issued today by the Save-A-Life league. In Germany, Russia, Syria and other foreign countries where the number has been very large, the cause is attributed to despair because of miserable living conditions brought about by the war.

The report tabulates 5121 cases of suicide in the United States during 1919. Of the professions lawyers led the list with 43, of which 12 were judges; 36 victims were physicians, 28 teachers and 11 clergymen. The list includes twenty presidents of large business concerns and fifty prominent wealthy society women. Unhappy marital relations were responsible for 250 tragedies.

Men outnumbered women 2987 to 1647 but of the child suicides 252 were girls and 225 boys. Newspaper editors appeared to be immune.

Bandits Rob Seattle Cafe Of \$3,000 Early Today

Seattle, Wash., Jan. 26.—Two robbers entered a First avenue cafe here early today, held up six men and took approximately \$1500 in cash and \$1500 in checks from the manager. They later dropped the checks while hurrying away. Two patrolmen were within a block of the cafe during the holdup.

PERSHING SENDS THANKS TO STATE FOR ITS WELCOME

In a letter received by Governor Olcott this morning General John J. Pershing thanks the people of Oregon for the warm welcome extended to the commander in chief of the American expeditionary forces on the occasion of his recent visit to this state. General Pershing's letter follows:

"The warm welcome of the state of Oregon which you extended on the occasion of my visit to Portland is deeply appreciated. It was an honor and a pleasure to have had this opportunity of thanking the people of your state for their loyal and whole hearted support of the army during the war. You should indeed be proud of your young men who rendered such splendid service both in the camps of America and on the battlefields of Europe.

"I was very glad to have had the privilege of meeting you and desire to thank you again for the many personal courtesies which you accorded me and the officers of my staff."

WORLD'S DEBT NOW NEAR TWO HUNDRED BILLION, ESTIMATE

New York, Jan. 26.—The world's debt was estimated by the National City bank today at \$200,000,000,000, compared with \$40,000,000,000 in 1914.

Paper currency throughout the world increased 600 per cent since 1914, while the gold reserve behind it increased only 49 per cent, according to statistics compiled by the bank.

The face value of paper currency of thirty principal countries, which totaled \$7,250,000,000 in 1914, has increased to \$40,000,000,000 at the time of the armistice and to \$50,000,000,000 in December, 1919, exclusive of \$34,000,000,000 issued by the Russian soviet government.

Germany, Austria-Hungary, Turkey and Bulgaria show an advance in note circulation from \$1,200,000,000 in 1914 to \$12,300,000,000 at the close of the war, and \$18,770,000,000 in December, 1919, the gold reserve falling from \$600,000,000 in 1914 to \$327,000,000 in 1919, the ratio of gold to note declining from 49.7 per cent in 1914 to 5.5 per cent in November, 1919, and 1.7 per cent in December, 1919.

In the eight principal countries of the allies, paper notes increased from \$1,150,000,000 in 1914 to \$2,420,000,000 in 1919, while the gold at the time of the armistice had increased from \$515,000,000 to \$1,450,000,000, a ratio of 44.3 in 1914 to 59.9 in 1919.

SUICIDES SHOW BIG INCREASE DURING PAST YEAR, REPORT

New York, Jan. 26.—Since the signing of the armistice there has been a constantly increasing number of suicides every where according to a report issued today by the Save-A-Life league. In Germany, Russia, Syria and other foreign countries where the number has been very large, the cause is attributed to despair because of miserable living conditions brought about by the war.

The report tabulates 5121 cases of suicide in the United States during 1919. Of the professions lawyers led the list with 43, of which 12 were judges; 36 victims were physicians, 28 teachers and 11 clergymen. The list includes twenty presidents of large business concerns and fifty prominent wealthy society women. Unhappy marital relations were responsible for 250 tragedies.

Men outnumbered women 2987 to 1647 but of the child suicides 252 were girls and 225 boys. Newspaper editors appeared to be immune.

Bandits Rob Seattle Cafe Of \$3,000 Early Today

Seattle, Wash., Jan. 26.—Two robbers entered a First avenue cafe here early today, held up six men and took approximately \$1500 in cash and \$1500 in checks from the manager. They later dropped the checks while hurrying away. Two patrolmen were within a block of the cafe during the holdup.

REPLY TO DUTCH REFUSAL KEEPS COUNCIL BUSY

Refusal Of Holland To Surrender Former Kaiser First Question Considered By Ambassadors Council.

Paris, Jan. 26.—The reply to the refusal of the Dutch government to comply with the demand of the allies for the surrender of former Emperor William was the first subject discussed today at the initial meeting of the council of the ambassadors, created to carry on the unfinished routine work of the supreme council of the peace conference, which disbanded last week. It was decided that the French legal experts available should go into all the aspects of the case and prepare the reply, which probably will be submitted for approval of the council early next week.

Wallace Attends.

The council was presided over by Premier Millerand. Hugh C. Wallace, the American ambassador, was present with the other members of the body. After disposing for the day of the extradition question the council decided to give the representatives of the Jugo-Slavs four days additional time to reply regarding the proposed compromise on the Adriatic question, including the disposition of Fiume. This carries the question along until Wednesday.

The council received a letter from Stanislas Patek, Polish minister of foreign affairs, calling attention to the possibility of a strong aggressive movement by the bolsheviks against Polish territory and recommending that a plan be adopted for defensive measures. The letter asked that the question be called to the attention of Marshal Foch.

German Protest Heard.

The council also had before it a note from the German plenipotentiaries raising certain points regarding the make up of the boundary commission provided for by the treaty of Versailles. The questions will be raised by the Germans because of the non-ratification of the treaty by the United States and the consequent lack of American members on the commission as provided for by the peace document. The absence of the Americans also raised a question as to the presidency of the commission to control the plebiscite in the Teschen territory, on the Czecho-Slovak-Polish frontier. It was pointed out that the French member would act, pending the qualification of the American member through the ratification of the pact, should such action be taken by the United States government.

BUSINESS MEN ARE GUESTS AT LUNCH IN CHERRY CITY BAKERY

The rudiments of baking bread was taught to about 75 business men of the city Monday noon when they made a trade tour from the Commercial club to the plant of the Cherry City Baking company, and were the guests of Roy Wise, proprietor, at lunch. This trade tour of the business men is the first of a series planned for this spring and summer.

The men were shown the process of bread making from the time the flour is taken from the sacks to the time it is turned out in neatly wrapped sanitary packages. Mr. Wise explained all details of the profession. The importance of the temperature the flour must be kept in, the temperature of the dough when being mixed, and before it is taken to the ovens, was all told.

The capacity of the plant for bread is 25,000 loaves a day. A crew of from 20 to 25 persons are employed at the bakery.

Figures showing the growth of the plant here since its advent to the city three years ago were read by Mr. Wise. Not earning last year, he said, were \$146,000, \$31,700 of which came from towns and cities outside of Salem. The pay roll last year was \$30,961. Bread from the Cherry City bakery, Mr. Wise asserted, is delivered to 45 towns and cities in the state north from Medford and as far west as Coos Bay.

One hundred dealers using this bread are reached from this city by auto delivery. Mr. Wise said that three years ago 30 per cent of the people in Salem were using bakery bread. Now, he said, 70 per cent of the people use bread baked in local bakeries.

Every loaf of Holsum bread, made at this bakery, that is sent from the city bears Salem's name. It was recalled that the Holsum baking company of Portland was induced to erect this plant here three years ago by the Commercial club, and much credit is reflected upon the organization for its success in bringing this enterprising plant here.

Several subscriptions to the Homebuilders association fund were made at the luncheon at the bakery. The purpose of the corporation and its aims were explained in a brief talk by Thomas B. Kay, chairman of the stock sales committee.

CONTEST FOR CHIEF'S JOB NARROWING DOWN WITH COUNCIL SPLIT

Chinook Blows Up Heavy Rain; 3.5 Inches Fall

While business men of the city voice approval to Traffic Officer Verden M. Moffitt for chief of police, and officers of the department are known to favor the retention of one of their own men for the post, some members of the city council are working for the appointment of another man, it became known Monday. With the public announcement of Joe Wright that he is not a candidate for the place, and does not contemplate running for the office even at election time, the only outside candidate for the post so far known is Jack Welsh, engineer at the Wittenburg-King plant.

So pitched is the battle for the place the race shaped Monday into a "nose-counting" contest, with each faction eagerly waiting the outcome. With the exception of two councilmen, Craig and Halvorsen, who are out of the city, all members of the city council have been approached on the matter of appointment of a chief, with the result, it was learned Monday that the council is about evenly divided on the matter. This was apparent Monday. Although certain members of the council are guarded in expressing their stand in the affair, and will not commit themselves to the press.

Soviets Strong Enough To Fight World, Says Martens

Washington, Jan. 26.—Russian soviet organizations have become "strong to fight the world," Ludwig C. A. K. Martens, soviet agent to the United States, told a senate investigating committee today. Because of this, he said, the soviets have ceased to urge international revolution to support them.

The Russian soviets have "between \$450,000,000 and \$500,000,000" in the public treasury, Martens said which it was now desired to spend in foreign countries on the purchase of necessities. There was now no gold in the hands of private banks or individuals in Russia, he added.

ERZBERGER SHOT BY FANATIC AT DOOR OF COURT

Berlin, Jan. 26.—Mathias Erzberger, the minister of finance, was wounded by a shot fired at him today.

Herr Erzberger was shot as he was leaving the criminal courts building after a hearing in the Heiferlich libel suit. Only one shot struck the minister, who was slightly wounded.

Shoulder his assailant, who gave his name as Oltwig Von Hirschfeld, was arrested.

STORM OVER NORTH ATLANTIC CRIPPLES NUMEROUS VESSELS

Boston, Mass., Jan. 26.—The extent to which storms upset shipping during the last week was further evidenced today in radio messages from distressed steamers scattered over the North Atlantic.

The West Corum announced that she was disabled but expected to reach Bermuda for repairs for tomorrow and the West Zula, with her propeller stripped of blades, sent word she was going to the Azores to be refitted.

The Okaloosa put in here reporting in advance that her steering apparatus was damaged. The West Islets wireless that she would arrive here tomorrow for repairs.

The Clarion, towing the disabled steamer Buffalo Bridge, said she was having heavy going with her tow 390 miles off Halifax and the Alrie, which has been in tow disabled several days, reported she was being buffeted by stiff gales.

"Dinners" Are Served In Two Rural Schools

Miss Mary Scollard, in charge of the Donald school, has inaugurated the "hot lunch" system in her school, with excellent results. The ingredients for each day's hot dishes are brought from their homes by the pupils. The food is prepared and dinner served as a part of the regular course in culinary art. By this innovation, supervisor, Mrs. M. L. Fulkerson reports that more than 40 pupils in attendance at this school are able to have a warm mid-day meal, especially attractive as compared to the old cold lunch practice common in rural schools.

Miss Sylvia Jones, who directs the activities of the Manning school, district No. 13, has successfully maintained the dinner program, at her school during the past two years. Mrs. Fulkerson found that soups, hot drinks, salads and various warm dishes formed the menu at this school. Although there are only 12 pupils in attendance at the Manning school, patrons of the district are enthusiastic in their praise of Miss Jones' success with her large "family."

Chinook Blows Up Heavy Rain; 3.5 Inches Fall

Blown up by the first real Chinook wind of the winter, the storm of Saturday and Sunday left Salem a superabundance of water and clean streets for the first time since the December snow drifts deposited their layer of silt over the pavements.

Three and a half inches of rain fell during Saturday and Sunday and the storm sewers in some parts of the city were unable to carry off the water as fast as it fell. Previous to these two days the precipitation for the month of January was far below normal and considerable more rain is needed to bring the total for the month up to the average.

L. A. Whoreast, superintendent of the Beaver Hill coal mine, in Coos county, has been transferred to the San Francisco office of the Southern Pacific.

DISTRICT MANAGER OF SHIPPING BOARD IS HELD FOR TRIAL

Seattle, Wash., Jan. 26.—Captain John F. Blain, former North Pacific district manager of the United States shipping board, today was arraigned and given two weeks in which to plead to an indictment returned against him last week charging him with accepting secret commissions on sales made by the Steward Davit and Equipment company of New York to the board while he was governor.

February 9 was set as the date on which Captain Blain will plead. His attorneys said today they probably would file demurrers to the indictment.

United States District Judge Jeremiah Netter today denied Captain Blain's motion that his bond of \$10,000 be reduced.

Announcement was made today the grand jury will not take up any more shipyard cases for two weeks. Bert Schiesinger, special assistant attorney general, who is handling the prosecution will return from San Francisco two weeks from now and will place more evidence before the jury.

YOUTH JOINED I.W.W. UNDER PRESSURE; HE TESTIFIES AT TRIAL

Tacoma, Wash., Jan. 26.—William Josh of Spokane, recently an organizer for the I. W. W., declared on the witness stand in the trial of 39 members of the organization here today, that he had originally joined the order because of threats. Josh, who is only 18 years of age, said that he could not get work in lumber camps until he could show a red card to other workers.

According to the witness, I. W. W. members are permitted to ride free of charge on most railway freight trains in the northwest.

"If you want to bum a ride, all you need do is show the brakeman your red card," he said. "If you can't prove you are a 'wobbly' you are thrown on the 'train.'"

Josh said he had severed all relations with the organization because he found it was not working for shorter hours and better pay so much as to change the form of government in the nation. He was put on the stand by the state.

Vincent Maroney, the picturesque defendant who is his own attorney, was in a state of quietude today. He did not cross examine any of the witnesses and even the statements of Josh and two other former I. W. W. members who were on the stand, went unchallenged by the fiery-haired prisoner.

Paris, Jan. 26.—Marshals Foch, Joffre and Pétain and Major General Baut, chief of staff, make up the new French supreme war council, according to announcement. Nine generals will be chosen later to act on the council. Marshal Pétain will be vice-president and commander in chief of French armies in time of war.

REPUBLICANS REFUSE TO GIVE MORE GROUND

No Change In Reservations To Article 10 Or Monroe Doctrine Provision Acceptable Declares Lodge.

Washington, Jan. 26.—No change in the reservations affecting Article 10 of the league of nations covenant or the Monroe Doctrine provision of the peace treaty will be acceptable to the republicans, Senator Lodge today informed Senator Hitchcock and other members of the information democratic committee which has been conferring with Senator Lodge's committee in an effort to reach a compromise on the treaty.

Conference Adjourns

Senator Lodge's statement was formulated after his conference Saturday with Senators Borah, Idaho; Johnson, California, and other republican senators opposing the treaty.

Immediately after the statement was presented today the bi-partisan conference adjourned. Senator Hitchcock and his associates retiring for a private conference. They will make their reply to Senator Lodge tomorrow morning.

Senator Hitchcock later issued this statement: "When the conference assembled Senator Lodge advised the senators present that he had been called into a meeting by certain republican senators and for that reason had not been able to attend the last conference Friday. He regretted to say that he found it impossible to resume the conference for a compromise except upon the understanding that no change shall be made in the reservation on article 10 or on the Monroe doctrine. The democratic members retired for a private conference and will make their reply to Senator Lodge Tuesday morning at a meeting at 10:30."

"The conference up to the time its meetings were interrupted had tentatively agreed upon the preamble and all sections of the reservations except that relating to article 10, the Monroe doctrine and one or two minor matters and an agreement was apparently also consummated on article ten when adjournment suddenly came, followed by the intervention of the irreconcilable republicans."

HOME BUILDING FIRM BEGINS STOCK SALE IN EARNEST MONDAY

Actual solicitation for funds for the Salem Homebuilders association, and the sale of stock in the corporation began at nine o'clock Monday morning with a committee of five men canvassing the city for subscriptions. The committee was composed of Thomas B. Kay, of the Thomas B. Kay woolen mill; S. B. Elliott, Bank of Commerce; Fred Lamport, United States National bank; Joseph Albert, Capital National bank, and J. F. Hutchason, Mutual Life insurance company.

The committee solicited a list of men they would attach the sale of stock to from the roster of the Commercial club. These men will be seen first by the committee, and later individuals known to be in a position to purchase stock will be solicited, it was said.

Construction work will be begun by the homebuilders association when half of the capital stock of \$100,000 is raised. With about \$20,000 already subscribed for stock, \$30,000 will be needed before the company can begin operations. The committee members believe that this amount will be subscribed within a few days.

FARM LOAN MEN TO BE IN SESSION TUESDAY

The second annual convention of the Oregon State Association of National Farm Loan associations begins here Tuesday morning. The meeting will open at the auditorium of the Commercial club. Delegates to the convention were arriving in the city Monday, and several came Sunday. When the meeting opens it is expected that at least 50 delegates will have arrived.

Matters of vital importance to farm loan men in all parts of the state will be taken up during the convention. The relations between farm loan associations and the farm bureau, probably with the adoption of new arrangements between them, will also be discussed, it was learned Monday.

Newton A. Blodgett, resident of Oregon for the past 60 years, died at his home in Albany, aged 86 years. He had resided in the Willamette valley for the past 40 years.