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SALEM, OREGON, TUESDAY, APRIL 27, 1920.

Three States Balloting On Choice Today

Columbus, O., Apr. 27.—Ohio voters today were expressing their preference for presidential candidates and electing delegates to both the republican and democratic national conventions.

The principal primary fight was between Major General Leonard Wood and Senator Warren G. Harding, Ohio's "favorite son" for the republican presidential endorsement and for control of the 48 delegates to be chosen for the national convention at Chicago.

Governor James M. Cox is unopposed for the presidential endorsement on the democratic ticket.

Party-three candidates for delegates are pledged to support General Wood while 48 are pledged for Senator Harding.

A heavy republican and a light democratic vote was in prospect at the opening of the polls today.

Massachusetts Voting. Boston, Apr. 27.—Massachusetts voters balloted today to elect four delegates at large to the republican and democratic national conventions and 21 republican and 32 democratic district delegates.

Among the republican candidates, several who have declared themselves in favor of Leonard Wood are opposed by men seeking to go to Chicago unopposed. Indications point to a light vote.

New Jersey Also At It. Newark, N. J., Apr. 27.—Chief interest in today's preferential presidential primary in New Jersey was focused on republican contests where the voters were asked to express their preference for either Senator Hiram W. Johnson or Major General Leonard Wood.

Democratic voters were not asked to indicate a direct preference. The unopposed big four democratic delegation is pledged to the candidacy of Governor Edward I. Edwards.

Each party will elect 28 delegates to their respective national conventions.

Seven Divorce Suits In Day Keeps Court On "Solomon" Role

Judge George G. Bingham had a busy day in court Monday when seven divorce cases were heard in his department. Three of the proceedings involved charges of cruelty while the remaining petitions charged desertion.

Cases coming under the first heading were: Anna Jones against John R. Jones, married at Silverton, October 27, 1881; Walter C. Bignold against Carrie B. Bignold; Elizabeth Long against James Long. Judge Bingham awarded a decree of divorce in the first mentioned case.

In the stories of marital infidelity, desertion held major interest in the larger number of the cases. Edith Annamtha Cooley alleged that McGert Cooley deserted her on February 1, 1916. After considering evidence, Judge Bingham signed a decree granting Mrs. Cooley's petition.

The third divorce granted during the day's reviews was in the case of "Caroline Faber" against George Faber. Mrs. Faber was also given the custody of the three minor children.

Zack Barnes charged that Katie Barnes had forsaken him after several years of marital happiness, the couple having been married in St. Louis July 19, 1883. Married in April 1918, to E. P. Hason—Susan May Hason charged that her spouse had departed from their happy home on July 11, 1918. Divorce decrees were issued in each of these cases.

The case of Long against Long was held for further evidence by the court, while that of Bignold against Bignold was taken under advisement.

Jugo-Slavs Face Bolshevik Revolt Prospect, Report

London, Apr. 27.—A bolshevik revolution has broken out in Jugo-Slavia, says a Central News dispatch from Rome, quoting Trieste advices to the Renegado of that city. Machine guns have been brought into action in the town, where hundreds are said to have been slain. It is said, while fatal cases have occurred at Laibach and other places.

Official Jugo-Slavian quarters here have not returned reports of revolutionary troubles in that country, and dispatches from the Jugo-Slavian government yesterday indicated nothing. The Trieste report of an uprising is attributed to a faction of trouble-making Italians who are seeking to hasten the impending Italo-Serbian negotiations.

County to Ask Removal Of 10 Cents Per Yard Charge For Road Gravel

Asking that the State Land Board set aside the present charges of 10 cents per cubic yard, now assessed against Marion county for gravel taken from the Willamette river, District Attorney Max Gehlhar has presented briefs to that state department.

Attorney Gehlhar was present at a hearing of the question in the Land Board's offices Tuesday and called attention to the fact that the statute passed by the 1919 legislature specifically states that counties are exempt from the charge made to private dredging concerns.

The county court and Marion county officials engaged in sustaining the "Better Roads" program approved by the people of Marion county in 1919, have found that the extra charge for the material constitutes an unlooked for item in contracts that have been made with gravel handling concerns before the recent legislative act went into effect.

The Marion county program includes 100 miles of hard surfacing of main market arteries in addition to many miles of graveling. In order to get various projects under way, county officials had made early contracts with three concerns at Salem and with plants at Newberg, St. Paul and Aurora, from which centers the roads

proposed for improvement radiate. More than 50,000 yards of material will be needed under these contracts and, according to Attorney Gehlhar, the additional expenditures inflicted by the state charge would aid in collapsing the road improvement schedule. "To take this money from the county and to place it in the school fund is too much like tax-benefit of a similar department," is one of the arguments against the practice.

Another argument advanced by the county officers in favor of the removal of the charge is that the county uses a grade of material in the county's road construction known as No. 2 gravel or stone, a grade that is not generally in demand. In using this special grade an ideal material is secured at better rates than could be obtained by private buyers.

The additional argument is that private companies are enabled to deliver the material to the river-bank at a fairer price to the county than the municipality could get the material thru its own plants. Should the county be forced to purchase a dredging unit the material would cost the county a great deal more due to the fact that other grades of material would be wasted unless the county went into the gravel marketing business.

Judge Orders Records Of Shipbuilders Probed

Portland, Or., April 27.—United States District Judge Bean today issued an order for a subpoena duces tecum, ordering production of all records of the Columbia River Shipbuilding Corporation and the Northwest Steel company for a federal grand jury investigation of alleged fraud in connection with the construction of vessels for the emergency fleet corporation.

The companies, according to the order, must turn over all of their records to the grand jury for examination.

The motion for the order was made yesterday thru the opening of court, and the entire day was spent in arguing the motion. Charges that the present department of justice investigation of local shipyards is inspired by certain politicians in Washington, D. C., who are alleged to be seeking to further the presidential ambitions of Attorney-General Palmer, were made during arguments yesterday by Dan J. Malachuk of counsel for the shipbuilding companies.

Boy Accused Of Theft Ends Life

Spokane, Wash., April 27.—Bernard Lindley, 14 years of age, a school boy was found early today in the furnace room of a local hotel where he was employed, shot through the heart. The coroner said he had committed suicide. The boy's father, Alba A. Lindley, declared his son had been falsely accused of having stolen a small amount of money from a room in the hotel. His body was found by his brother, also employed at the hotel.

Legion Post In Paris To Observe Decoration Day

Paris, Apr. 27.—Memorial day exercises will be held at American cemeteries in France by Paris Post, American Legion. This organization has 100,000 francs in its treasury and expects contributions from the United States to assist in the purchase of flowers and provide for other expenses of the day.

Hearst Paper To Advance Price

New York, Apr. 27.—The New York Journal, an evening newspaper, controlled by William Randolph Hearst, announced today that, beginning tomorrow, it would advance its price from two to three cents. Increased cost of materials, machinery and labor and increased profits for news dealers were assigned as reasons for the advance. Advertising rates also are increased.

HUN GENERAL RESIGNS

Paris, April 27.—General Von Watter, commander of German government troops in the Ruhr district during recent communist disorders there, has resigned, and his resignation has been accepted, according to advices from Berlin.

Due to the switchmen's strike the Eugene Mill & Elevator company has filed to the ceilings that it cannot ship. Unless relief is had soon the plant will close down.

TEN KILLED WHEN TROOPS AND STRIKERS BATTLE

Vienna, April 26.—(By the Associated Press.)—Ten civilians were killed and twenty one wounded in a conflict between strikers and gendarmes at Laibach, the capital of Carniola, in Jugo-Slavia, according to the Jugo-Slavian press bureau.

Underwood Named Democratic Leader

Washington, Apr. 27.—Senator Underwood of Alabama was elected democratic leader in the senate today at a conference of senate democrats. He was unopposed. Senator Hitchcock of Nebraska, acting leader since the death of the late Senator Martin of Virginia, having withdrawn from the fight last week.

Supreme Court Raises Price On Brief Printing

The high cost of litigation let its belt out another notch this morning when the Oregon supreme court approved a change in the rules governing the printing of briefs which will permit an increase from one dollar to \$1.25 per page in the cost of this item.

Attorneys appearing before the court have complained that it was impossible to comply with the former requirement placing a maximum price of one dollar per page for printing briefs. The increase is expected to take care of the higher cost due to the high price of paper and other incidentals entering into the printing game.

Opinions were handed down by the court this morning as follows: Kola Nels, appellant, vs Florence M. Ebbs et al; appeal from Lincoln county; suit to determine title to lands; opinion by Justice Bean; Judge J. W. Hamilton affirmed.

Burt West and Hazel M. West, appellants, vs W. E. Backus et al; appeal from Columbia county; action in replevin. Opinion by Justice Benson; Judge J. A. Eakin reversed and case remanded.

Carroll W. Coffey vs Northwestern Hospital association, appellant; appeal from Multnomah county; action to enforce contract; petition for rehearing denied in opinion by Chief Justice McBride.

First National bank of Sheridan vs H. A. Yoco mand Broadmead Farm company, appellants; appeal from Yamhill county; action to recover property and damages; opinion by Justice Bean; Judge H. H. Belt affirmed.

E. L. Giles, administrator of estate of Ida C. Giles vs city of Roseburg; appeal from Douglas county; suit to quiet title to lands; opinion by Justice Bennett; Judge J. W. Hamilton reversed and case remanded.

Petitions for rehearing denied in: Elmira Lumber company vs Owen; Moore vs Moore; Lasser vs Pally; Campbell vs Coin Machine Manufacturing company.

Mandate in case of Ireland vs city of Portland recalled for correction. Following cases dismissed: Schermerhorn vs Sorenson; Simonson vs Smith; First National bank of Coos Bay vs Heald.

Rules ordered changed fixing cost of printing briefs at \$1.25 per page.

BEER MANUFACTURE BEGAN

Papeete, T. H.—American interests are re-equipping the old brewery building in Papeete with new machinery and expect to start making American beer soon. The old brewery company failed on account of lack of capital and the competition of American beer.

Coast Given Big Slice of Naval Fund

Washington, April 27.—Committee increases of nearly \$10,000,000 in the funds for naval aviation were approved today by the senate when the annual naval appropriation measure was taken up. The house fixed the aviation fund at \$15,874,000 and the senate committee increased this to \$25,000,000.

The committee provision in increasing from \$48,000,000 to \$52,000,000 the funds available for competing ships under construction also was adopted without debate. A new item of \$11,700,000 for completion of destroyers under construction at the Hog Island yard also was approved.

Increased appropriations included: Yerba Buena, Cal. training station \$125,000 to \$250,000; Pearl Harbor station \$890,000 to \$1,080,000.

A new item of \$200, for the Newport, R. I., torpedo station was adopted as was another preliminary appropriation of \$50,000 for a drydock at the Boston navy yard.

The committee increase for the naval reserve force from 50,000 to 500,000 also was approved together with a provision authorizing assistance for the state naval militia which would become part of the federal naval reserve force.

Chairman Page and Senator Lodge of Massachusetts, republican leader, urged special expansion of naval activities on the Pacific coast.

"If danger is coming, it is coming there," declared Senator Lodge.

Hawaii, Mr. Lodge added, is the American "outpost in the Pacific."

"The Pacific coast," he continued, "needs naval defense more than the Atlantic at this time and it needs it now. We should strengthen the fleet and all appearances there. Also Pearl Harbor is very important."

Senator Smith, democrat, Maryland pointed out that one half of the navy is on the Pacific coast.

"We should not only have one half of the navy there," Mr. Lodge replied, "but we should have a capable, independent fleet on the Pacific coast."

Counterfeiter Is Exposed In Grand Jury Indictment

Portland, Or., Apr. 27.—Operations of an embryonic and unsuccessful counterfeiter who specialized in the manufacture of lead dimes, were brought to light late yesterday when the federal grand jury returned an indictment against Isaac Widnala, who is accused in several separate counts of counterfeiting coins and of passing them on local merchants.

According to Assistant United States Attorney Veatch, who handled the case before the grand jury, Widnala has made a complete confession. A home-made cement die in which the "queer" coins were manufactured, was located in the shack where he lived near Oswego.

According to Winala's purported admissions to Mr. Veatch, he started his counterfeiting experience with a shining new dime as his sole capital.

Just how many dimes Winala made before being caught, federal officials were unable to say, although they have recovered about a dozen that were passed on local business houses.

Scio Bank Robber Suspects Held On Federal Charge

Portland, Or., Apr. 27.—Fred Peterson and Russell Shawhan, both of whom are said by the police to have several pen terms behind them and a long list of safe cracking jobs charged against them, were indicted yesterday by the federal grand jury on allegations of altering government war savings stamps which were stolen from the Scio bank of Scio, Ore. They are accused of both altering the stamps and of having them in their possession. Prosecution of the alleged robbery of Scio State bank last fall is now pending in the state courts against the men.

Estimated Loss Of French Cut By Later Reports

Paris, April 27.—The latest information received at the foreign office from Asia Minor indicated that the losses to the French troops at Urfa, northwest of Mesopotamia was less serious than at first supposed. A large detachment is thought to have got back to the town while others escaped in other directions. The official version attributed the French reverse to treachery.

Champ Clark To Seek Nomination

New York, Apr. 27.—Champ Clark, former speaker of the house of representatives, has decided to become a candidate for the democratic presidential nomination, it was announced here Monday by Mrs. Julia Sanders, an officer of the Swastika club, a woman's political organization.

Woolen Company Profits in 1919 Fifteen Million

New York, April 27.—Net profits of the American Woolen company for 1919 amounted to \$15,513,415, less reserves for taxes and contingencies, according to the annual report issued today.

Payment of dividends on \$2,800,000 of preferred stock and \$2,200,000 on common and depreciation of \$3,733,611 left a balance of profit for the year of \$7,779,804.

Surplus for 1919 amounted to \$12,029,894, which added to that of 1918 brings the total surplus to \$21,754,426.

Reviewing the activities of the company for 1919, President William W. Wood said in part:

"The year 1919 has been a successful one considering the very unusual and disturbed conditions, the readjusting of industry to a pre-war or civilian basis. At the first of the year the cancellation of government contracts with no civilian orders in sight left a great deal of our machinery idle.

"One of the features of the year has been the demand for fine wool and cloth made of fine stock. This unprecedented demand for fine wools has resulted in tremendous increases in prices of fine stock. Since February 1 19 prices of these wools have risen 30 percent to 40 percent and at the close of the year were still advancing."

Company "M" Men Are Charted Thru U.S. Army Plan

Members of company M, Salem's own unit of the newly federalized 3d Oregon infantry, experienced a break in the usual drift routine Monday night, when all members of the company who were in attendance, were "photographed" Bertillon style.

This is the latest step inaugurated in placing the Oregon guard on a systematized basis, and is in line with the recently consummated reorganization of the guard.

Many of the guardsmen, who had never had their finger prints taken in accordance with the methods evolved by the famous French criminologist, looked askance at the arrangement at first. However, several members of the company, who had had regular service previous to, and during the recent war, advanced some good reasons for the identification precaution.

"This identification never fails you, buddy," said one ex-service man. "While it comes in handy when deserters are being rounded up, the biggest ad has been to the honest soldier. Army manuals allowed the same method in scientific magazines, speak for the Bertillon system in cases of loss of memory (amnesia) severe injury and also to a greater extent in the identification of soldiers who have fallen in the field and have been stripped of other means of identification."

While the guardsmen waited their turns at the inked impression board, they developed a plot in order to test the efficacy of the method. While the "printer" was not looking, an unknown "miscreant" adorned one of the walls of the "torture chamber" with a neat set of finger prints, after a brief search of the newly printed charts, these were immediately identified, and on the strength of the evidence against him, Sergeant Carl Holstrom "confessed" to the misdeed.

The company has received word that shoes will be issued to all members at an early date. This will complete the barracks equipment list for the organization and will aid the company in their efforts to make the Salem unit a leader in the Third regiment.

Meeting Called To Combine All War Societies

Omaha, Neb., April 27.—C. E. Adams, chairman of the national committee for the federation of all war societies today called a meeting of committees of the G. A. R., Spanish war veterans, American Legion, Veterans of foreign wars and World war veterans to be held at Washington May 14.

'Frisco Teachers And Firemen Told To Quit Unions

San Francisco, April 27.—Notification that they must give up their labor union affiliations or lose their positions with the city were received by members of the teachers and firemen unions through the mails today. The notifications were sent out following a conference between representatives of the board of supervisors, the board of education and the California state building trades council to discuss the subject yesterday.

An aerial passenger route between Spokane and Walla Walla is to be established by the Symons-Russell company. The first trip will be made this week.

\$80,000 Paid For Lone Maple Farm

Eighty thousand dollars, or \$625 per acre, is reported to be the price paid by Guy Young and George Maters for the Lone Maple orchard, one of the richest fruit tracts in Marion county. Of the 128 acres comprising the farm, 115 are covered with bearing prunes, and a small acreage planted in Bartlett pears.

50,000 Mexican Troops Involved In Revolution; Rebels Hold Upper Hand

Agua Prieta, Sonora, Apr. 27.—More than 50,000 soldiers in Mexico now are in revolt against the Carranza government, it was announced at military headquarters here today. Nearly half this number, it was said, have joined the revolutionary forces in Sonora.

Mexico has been divided into four military zones, the first of which includes Sonora, Sinaloa and Nayarit, according to General P. Elias Calles, commander of the army of the north-west. Commanders for the central zone, gulf coast and southern zone have not been named, it was said, nor the boundaries definitely fixed.

Rebels Advance

The first decisive engagement of the revolution is expected at Mazatlan, Sinaloa, a west coast port, the possession of which will give the rebels the key to virtually all the west coast of Mexico, it was said. Another rebel force working further south was expected soon to launch an attack on the port of Manzanillo.

General Angel Flores continues slowly toward Mazatlan, it was said, repairing railway bridges and other property destroyed by retreating Carranzistas.

Sonora troops continue to fortify the mountain passes in the east through which Carranza forces are expected to attempt to break through from Chihuahua. Military headquarters announced desertion of more Carranza soldiers from the army being concentrated in Chihuahua to attack Sonora.

Troops Well Supplied

Troops in Agua Prieta and those which have passed through en route to the mountains apparently are well supplied with arms and ammunition. A considerable number of machine guns and artillery also has passed through here. Dynamite in large quantities also has been sent to the mountain passes for mining the slopes.

800 Killed In Guatemala City During Revolt

San Salvador, Republic of Salvador, April 27.—Men, women and children numbering 800 were killed in the recent fighting in Guatemala City during the revolt which resulted in the overthrow of President Manuel Estrada Cabrera, according to the latest advices. Numerous adherents of Cabrera were killed in their own homes, the advices say.

Many Guatemalans who fled from the country are returning and are being received with enthusiasm.

County Booklet Out; to be Sent All Over World

The new Marion county booklet, published by the Marion County Community Federation, and the first publicity pamphlet of their kind issued in the county since 1914, are now complete, are off the presses and are being distributed. Thousands of them have been published and are being sent to all parts of the world by the various community clubs in the county.

The booklet is unique in that absolutely no partiality is shown to any one town or section in the county. Each town or community is allotted the same amount of space as the other, and only one-half of a page is allotted to reference to Salem. The book contains 48 pages of solid reading matter that presents the salient facts concerning the county, and aside from a two-page map of the county has no other cuts.

Months have been spent on the preparation of the booklet by members of the Commercial Club here and of the Marion County Community Federation, and among the writers of articles in it are numbered some of the widest known men in the county. Some of the writers follow: Chas. Spaulding, of the Chas. K. Spaulding Logging company; George R. Hyslop, O. A. C.; H. S. Gile, Pheas company; Edward L. Wells, meteorologist; Judge John H. Scott; Percy A. Copper, state engineer; Stanley Rider, W. P. Waters, county secretary of the Y. M. C. A.; W. M. Smith, county school superintendent; Col. E. Hofer, publisher of the Manufacturer; E. A. Rhoten, of Salem Nurseries; C. L. Lewis, manager of organization for the Oregon Growers Co-operative Association; Thomas W. Brunk; Knight Peary; W. C. Conner; Luther J. Chapin, head of the agriculture department of the Salem Commercial club, and W. J. Powers, O. A. C.

Red Troops Quit Cold When Spring Fever Hits Ranks

Bucharest, Apr. 27.—Russian soviet troops would rather sow spring crops than go into battle, and this was one of the reasons for the failure of offensive against the Polish front, in the opinion of Simon Petura, peasant leader of Ukraine. He spent a short time here on his way to the Prague conference and said:

"Those who remained with the bolshevik colors," he said, "got the spring fever and quit fighting."

CORN ADVANCES TODAY

Chicago, April 27.—Fresh advances in the corn market today resulted from continued rainy weather and former indications that Europe was still after rye and wheat. Opening quotations, which ranged from unchanged figures to 1 5/8 higher, with May \$1.74 to \$1.74 1/2 and July \$1.66 to \$1.67 were followed by a moderate reaction and then by new rallies.

Radicals Loose Fifteen Seats By Danish Vote

Copenhagen, Apr. 27.—As a result of the elections held throughout Denmark yesterday the radical party lost fifteen seats in the lower house of parliament. The social democrats, independent rights and independent radicals each lost one seat. The trades party gained three seats, the conservatives seven, the socialists four and the liberals four. The next house will be made up as follows:

Trades party 4; conservatives 20; radicals 17; socialists 42; liberals 48.

"The election passed like a steam roller over the radical party," says the Gerlingske Tidende, commenting on the result. "The majority of the people stood like a wall against the socialists and crushed their brutal arrogance. With an enormous number of votes, the liberal party has conquered. The socialists went to the polls with a republic on their program, but the Danish people yesterday rallied around their king."

Short Lines To Be Heard Before Decision Made

Washington, April 27.—Short line railroads may be given a hearing on the wage demands of railroad workers before the railroad labor board finally adjusts the pay controversy.

Chairman Barton announced today that the board had this matter under advisement. E. T. Whittier, chairman of the railway executives committee, told the board that his committee represented 115 of the some 600 roads of the country and that these 115 had between eighty and 90 percent of the total mileage.

The board today refused hearings on the wage demands of striking employees at Philadelphia and Pittsburgh and the non-recognition Chicago express and freight handlers union.

Freight Movement Denied

Chicago, Apr. 27.—Claims of railroad officials that 90 per cent of the normal freight traffic was being moved in the Chicago district today were disputed by manufacturers, who declared receipt of raw materials was seriously curtailed and that outgoing shipments were far below normal.

Embargoes on many roads are declared to be still in force intermittently. Coal and food supplies, which have preference, were reported to be moving normally.

The insurgents indicated no disposition today to yield. The Railway Managers association announced that 223 strikers had returned to work.

Hun Financial Collapse Held To be Imminent

Berlin, Apr. 27.—Germany's financial collapse is near, according to a statement made before the national assembly today by Dr. Wirth, minister of the treasury, while presenting the budget for the coming year. The minister attacked war profiteers who, he declared "are turning the nation's economic plight to their own advantage."

Dr. Wirth declared the army and navy budgets reached their present dimensions because Germany was maintaining a paid defense force which former enemies should take into account in demobilizing the old army.

Dr. Wirth favored the flotation of an internal loan and demanded that Germany's obligations imposed by the treaty of Versailles be fixed.

Salem Markets To Have Shorter Hours

Beginning the first of next week, all the leading meat markets in Salem will open and close on a new schedule of time. Heretofore the shops have opened at 7 a. m. on week days and closed at 6 in the evening, the hours being the same on Saturday except that they closed at eight instead of six.

The new schedule calls for the shops to open at 8 in the morning and close at six every day except Saturday, when they will be open from 7 to 7. The first delivery, which has been leaving at 8 will not leave until 8:30, the rest of the deliveries being the same as at present.

LATE BULLETINS

New York, Apr. 27.—James Larkin, Irish labor leader, charged with criminal anarchy today was found guilty by the supreme court jury before which the case was presented.

Washington, Apr. 27.—The house bill appropriating \$300,000,000 for deficiencies in government operation of railroads and \$20,000,000 for miscellaneous deficits was passed today by the senate and sent to conference.

New York, Apr. 27.—The United States Steel Corporation at its quarterly meeting here today declared regular dividends of 1 1/4 per cent on common and 1 3/4 per cent on preferred stock.