

Court Declares Loganberry Contracts Void Five Suspects of Wall Street Bombing Held

Capture Made On High Sea

Five men landed at New Orleans; All shackled Hand and Foot, Report

New Orleans, La., Mar. 22.—Five men said to be wanted in connection with the Wall Street explosion last year, were captured here today from the shipboard of the shipping boarder Rushville.

Americans Who Tried To Kidnap Bergdoll on Trial

Moshbach, Baden, Mar. 22.—Trial of Carl Neuf and Franz Zimmer, Americans who attempted to kidnap Grover C. Bergdoll, American draft evader, at Eberbach, last January, was resumed today. With the two Americans there were placed on trial four Germans, who, it is alleged, were their accomplices in an attempt to kidnap Bergdoll. The case is being tried before the local criminal court.

Portland Dealers Predict 15-Cent Eggs By Week-end

Portland, Or., March 22.—Large buyers of eggs here today declared their bids to 18 cents a dozen and declared that because of heaviest supplies in years with no shipping outlet the price will go to 15 cents before the end of the week. Wholesale operators were reported having difficulty in obtaining financial assistance. Fancy white eggs sold on the local market at 26 cents.

Prohibition Agents Shot To Death In Raid on Ranch Near El Paso Early This Morning

BRYAN DENIES ANY ASPIRATIONS FOR PRESIDENTIAL CHAIR
Miami, Fla., Mar. 22.—William Jennings Bryan made it plain here today that he was speaking facetiously last night and in the past tense when he referred to a Young Woman's Christian association banquet to his presidential aspirations. Mr. Bryan was quoted as having said that with women voting he was sure he would be elected. He explained today that he said "would have been" elected, instead of "would be."

El Paso, Texas, Mar. 22.—Federal prohibition agents, S. E. Beckett and Arch Woods were shot to death early this morning when prohibition agents were hunting for liquor on a ranch owned by Neil T. Shearman, near this city.
Federal officers were given a tip last night that a load of twenty-three cases of liquor was to be sent across the line intended for a ranch, according to members of the raiding party. Approaching the ranch, the officers searched an automobile but found nothing. The posse neared the house when a voice shouted at them to halt. The officers did not stop. A volley of shots followed. Beckett and Woods both fell mortally wounded.
The remaining officers fired from woodsheds and barns, returning fire from the house. When the firing from the house ceased, the officers entered the place. Nobody was there. Officers think the men in the house crawled through the darkness and followed the river's course into El Paso.

Packers And Employees Near Agreement; Compromise Is Result of Cabinet Activity

Frat Tatoo Not Popular with Parents
Evanston, Ill., Mar. 22.—Now it's the fraternity tatoo! President Walter Dill Scott, of Northwestern university, is investigating why several Greek letter societies found it necessary to tattoo their emblems on the shapely backs of several initiates. The investigation is the result of several complaints by fond parents who wrote "Prexy" Scott that they sent their sons to Northwestern to get an education, not to be tattooed like a common seaman.

Washington, March 22.—An agreement between the five big meat packers and their employes through which present wage and other disputes will be amicably adjusted was forecast today a short time before a second joint conference of spokesmen for both sides with Secretary Davis at the labor department.
Secretary Davis told the cabinet at the regular session that good progress toward a settlement had been made and from other sources it was learned that the negotiations had advanced so far that the further attendance of Secretaries Hoover and Wallace at the conferences was not regarded as necessary.
It was stated that both sides had tentatively agreed to a settlement at private conferences with Secretary Davis late last night and early today and that all that remained was to bring them together on the final terms at the joint conference late today.
Parties to the conferences which have been conducted with Secretaries Davis, Hoover and Wallace refused to discuss the reports and cabinet officials maintained their silence. It was said, however, that a prospect of a tentative agreement had resulted from private conferences held by the cabinet officers last night and by Secretary Davis this morning with the spokesmen for the workers.

Greek Forces Preparing For New Offensive

Constantinople, Mar. 22.—Greek forces in Asia Minor are reported to be energetically prepared for a new offensive in the direction of Eski-Shehr, an important city in the interior of Asia Minor more than half way to Angora from the Greek occupation area around Smyrna. It is understood the offensive will begin late this month.

Blossom Day Date April 10

If the weather man doesn't order frost, and all goes well, "Blossom Day" which has now become an annual event with the people of Salem, will be held on April 10.
The Cherrians inaugurated the event this year the greater part of the responsibility will be borne by them as the department of publicity of the Commercial club and Salem's booster organization.
King Bing Knowland announced today that he expected to put Burt Macey in charge of the traffic squad to direct strangers along the proper roads to the great orchards of prunes and cherries which are expected to be in glorious spring garb by the day planned for the event.
Cherrians will be put in charge of and responsible for so many automobiles which will eliminate any necessity of any one man taking charge of the whole affair. Other Cherrians who are not familiar with machines will be stationed along the route from the fair grounds south through the city to keep machines from the north on the right track. In addition to this King Bing Knowland and T. E. McCroskey, secretary of the Commercial club, will go over the proposed route and put up road signs.
The proposed route will go south on Liberty way and then back Jefferson way and west on Polk county covering the districts wherein lie the greatest cherry and prune orchards in the north-west. In round numbers Polk and Marion had about 15,000 acres of cherries and prunes in blossom by April 75 per cent of which lies within a few miles of Salem.
T. E. McCroskey announced that he was sure of the co-operation of all the organizations of the city, and expected a large number to offer their automobiles for service in taking strangers who will arrive on trains and wish to be shown through the orchard districts.
The cooperation of other community clubs outside of Salem will also be enlisted if possible, for this is not only a Salem proposition, but will benefit the entire district, stated the secretary.
Some five thousand people were taken through the regions last year a large number coming by auto from the north and still more arrived by train and were shown through the orchards by people of Salem.
Any stranger in Salem who has not seen orchards in spring is also welcome to make the trip.
Information regarding the plans and how organizations can be of assistance can be obtained from the secretary of the Commercial club.

Candidates for Queen of May Are Nominated

Nominations for May Queen were made at a recent meeting of the student body of Willamette university, and the contest for the honors now lies between Sybil McClure of Portland, Mary Nolson of Heppner and Charlotte Croisan of Salem. The nominees are members of the senior class and the May queen will be determined at a student body election to be held in the near future.
It is the custom of Willamette university to observe May day during junior week-end which will be held this year on May 6 and 7. One of the three nominees, after election, shall serve as May Queen while the other two women shall be maids to the queen.

Campbell Given 20 Days; Up On 2nd Count Today

Jack Campbell, charged with being drunk and disorderly and with resisting an officer, was arraigned before Police Judge Earl Race yesterday afternoon. Pleading guilty to being drunk and disorderly he was given the maximum sentence—20 days in jail.
Campbell was granted 24 hours in which to enter his plea on a charge of resisting an officer. He will appear in the police court this afternoon.

Germans To Resist Payment

Hun Reply to Allied Demand for First Reparations Installment Negative
Berlin, Mar. 21.—Germany's reply to the demand of the entente for the payment before March 23 of one billion marks, gold, to apply on reparations obligations will be in the negative, it was unofficially stated today.
The German government's answer to the allies, now being drafted will be presented within 48 hours.
Huns Claim Payment.
The allied reparations commission in a note sent March 16 demanding fulfillment by Germany of article 235 of the peace treaty notified the German government that it must pay one billion marks gold before March 23, and that she must complete the payment of twenty billion marks gold by May 1. It was announced by the commission, however, that Germany had virtually refused to pay the balance, asserting that the twenty billion marks already have been paid in full. The allied representatives stated that the great sum they could compute as having been paid by Germany against this account could hardly reach eight billion marks by May 1. It is, therefore, the initial payment of one billion marks and a balance of at least eleven billion marks that the allies are demanding.

Seen In The Crimelight

Dayton, Wash., Mar. 22.—George Hubbard, well known in Dayton, at 7:30 o'clock this morning murdered his wife with a hand axe and a few minutes later ended his own life by cutting his throat with a razor and sending two bullets through his brain.
Olympia, Wash., Mar. 22.—The state supreme court today denied petition for a new hearing in the case of Isora White, 20-year-old Everett, Wash., youth, convicted of first degree murder for the slaying of Lenn Linton, for hire car driver at Everett in November, 1919. White was sentenced to be hanged.

Laboratory Explosion Injures Six Students And Class Instructor

Atlanta, Ga., March 22.—Dr. A. R. Bliss, member of the faculty of Emory University, and six or more students, were injured in an explosion in the pharmacology laboratory of the university here today.

Oregon Hotel Men To Fight Increase In Telephone Rate

Portland, Or., March 22.—Hotel men of Oregon in session here decided late yesterday to tender the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph company payment for service at the old rates and to fight through the courts any attempt of the company to cut off service until final settlement of the rate increase question is made before the public service commission. This action followed adoption of a resolution asking the public service commission for a rehearing of the case in which rate increases were recently authorized.
The city council late yesterday decided to ask Governor Olcott to instruct the attorney general to take steps for a rehearing of the telephone rate case. The council invited other cities and towns of the state to cooperate with Portland financially or otherwise.
The men pleaded guilty after the indictment was read by the district attorney and which was brought by the grand jury Saturday on evidence produced by the state.
Wallace and Barton during their confinement in the county jail have attempted to break loose twice. One they obtained keys from unknown sources and tried to saw their way out, but were prevented from doing so by the night watchman of the court house. The second time they succeeded in getting out of their cells by bending the bars in the doors and securing disguises in the hall of the court house, but were later captured by Patrolman Smith in a warehouse.

Barton And Wallace Get Pen Sentence

An indefinite term of imprisonment not to exceed ten years was the sentence given to Max Wallace and John W. Barton who were arrested last January for burglarizing the safe of the state tubercular hospital, by Judge Bingham of department No. 2 of the circuit court.
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In recent years one hit after another of evidence has come out tending to show that there is a light absorbing medium in space.

Salem Man Missing; Help Of Cops Asked

That his son, S. P. Taylor, aged 24, disappeared from sight last Thursday morning and has not been seen since, was the statement made to the police here last night by Jacob Taylor, 1245 Madison street. The aid of officers in locating the missing man was asked by Mr. Taylor.
His son left home Thursday ostensibly in search of work, Mr. Taylor said. It was only a short while ago that he returned to Salem from British Columbia. His descriptions was furnished officers.
Esch Given Berth.
Washington, Mar. 22.—John Esch, former representative from Wisconsin, was given a recess appointment today by President Harding as a member of the interstate commerce commission.

Judge Bingham's Decision Upheld; La Follett Wins

Rider Attached to Salem King's Products Company Contracts Guaranteed Growers Market Price, Is Ruling; Lower Court Reversed In Contempt Proceedings

Defiance Strike Is Ordered

Miners Walk-out Today In Accordance With Call of Their Leaders
Pittsburg, Kan., March 22.—A strike of 150 coal miners, called by Alexander Howat and the Kansas miners union executive committee in defiance of the court of industrial relations and the injunction of Judge A. J. Curran of the Crawford county district court, went into effect this morning.
The strike was called, affecting three mines of the Patton Coal & Mining company, because the mines had not been operated regularly which union officials declared was due to an old dispute over a mine boss. The company asserted the demand for coal did not justify more regular operation.
Sult was brought in the lower court by the Salem King's Product company for the purpose of compelling the growers of loganberries to perform their respective contracts to deliver berries to the company under their four cent contracts entered into in 1917 covering a period of ten years. In order to encourage growers to enter into contracts at that time on a basis of four cents a pound the Salem company attached a rider to their printed contracts which read as follows:
Rider Cause of Suit.
"If Salem King's Products company raise their buying price to other growers in 1918 or thereafter this contract will automatically conform with that price."
When the price of berries on the open market went to nine cents the growers held out for that price under the terms of this rider. The company, however, was willing to concede only five and one-half cents on the contention that no contracts had been entered into by them at a higher price.
Under the decree of the lower court an upheld by the supreme court this morning the open market price of berries is to be maintained.
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Big Business Backing Drug Ring, Charge

New York, Mar. 22.—Opening of a fight to curb the traffic of an international drug ring said to be headed by business men of Germany, Japan and England was announced here today by Dr. Carleton Simon, special deputy police commissioner.
Declaring officers of steamships plying between New York and Mediterranean and South American ports have been transporting drugs to this country, Dr. Simon said many raids are planned and developments of a startling nature expected.
Drugs manufactured in Germany, it is charged, have been carried from that country into Switzerland by means of underground passageways. Through Switzerland these drugs, Dr. Simon asserted, have been transported to America, China, Japan and Italy.
Fifteen presidents of the United States were of English descent, six Scotch-Irish, three Scotch two Dutch, one Welsh and one Scotch-Dutch.

Soviet Forces Capture Batum

Constantinople, Mar. 21.—Russian bolshevik forces have occupied the city of Batum.
(Batum advices under date of March 20 stated that the Turkish nationalists, who recently occupied Batum, had left that city and that a soviet Georgian government had been established there.)

Atlantic To Pacific In Single Day, Plan Of Army Lieutenant

Jacksonville, Fla., March 22.—Lieutenant Coney, 91st aero squadron, who recently flew from San Diego to Jacksonville, Florida, establishing a new record for the transcontinental flight, was making preparations today to begin his return trip. The start will be made soon after midnight and the aviator expects to arrive in San Diego by twilight Wednesday afternoon. A brief halt at Dallas, Texas, for fuel and oil is the only stop planned.
Lieutenant Coney's mother, two brothers and a large delegation of citizens of Brunswick, Ga., his home, were here to witness his departure.