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PRICE TWO CENTS ON TRAINS AND NEWS STANDS FIVE CENTS

UNCLE SAM PREPARES TO PROBE COAL INDUSTRY

Ku Kluxers Organize "Progressive Party"

THIRD PARTY TO CARRY OUT KLAN IDEALS

Complete Ticket Likely to be Named for Coming Election by New Organization.

By Harry N. Crain.

Politically the Ku Klux Klan in Oregon will henceforth and onward be known under a new and assumed name.

The progressive party, that insurgent organization which has so handsily been launched and scuttled, re-launched and re-scuttled a dozen times in as many years and to serve as many causes, has been officially ku kluxed. It now appears in the role of prospective sponsor for:

- 1-The so-called compulsory education bill, the key plank in the Klan's platform during the primary campaign of last spring. 2-The anti-alien land bill, stolen from the American Legion by the night-shirted gentry to bolster up their primary platform. 3-The independent candidacy for state treasurer of Fred L. Gifford, exalted cyclops of the Oregon realm Knights of the Ku Klux Klan.

Sponsored by Gifford.

Sponsorship of the first two was admitted by Gifford, himself, during the official "naturalization" of the progressives at the Central Library hall in Portland, Saturday afternoon. Characteristic modesty and natural reserve, together with the probable realization that even ku kluxed progressives might rebel at being deprived of the privilege of formally "naming their own candidates" when in convention duly assembled, restrained him from adding that he had ambitions to handle the state's money and raise his voice, as a member of the board

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MEDFORD KLAN FILES DEMURRER TO INDICTMENTS

Medford, Or., Aug. 21.—Demurrers to indictments returned by the special grand jury investigating night riding outrages in Jackson county last spring were filed in the circuit court late Saturday by J. F. Hittson, Howard A. Hill, Dr. J. J. Hittson, Bert L. Moses, J. Alexander Norris and Thomas E. Goodie, defendants, through their attorneys. The six men were charged with assault with a deadly weapon, riot and extortion.

The demurrers, which will be argued the first Saturday in September are based upon the following allegations:

"That the grand jury returning the indictments had no legal right to inquire into the crime charged, because it is not tryable within the county."

"The indictments do not conform substantially to chapter 7, title 18, of Oregon laws."

"That more than one crime is charged in the indictments."

"That the facts as set forth do not constitute a crime."

AUTO THIEF ESCAPES FROM McNEIL'S ISLAND

Frederick H. Delage, 34, sentenced last May to a two-year term for stealing automobiles in Seattle, escaped his guards at the federal prison on McNeil Island this morning. An armed posse was at once sent in pursuit and if the prisoner is not apprehended within a short time the woods where he is thought to be hiding will be searched.

COCA COLA KING TO MARRY BEAUTY



Asa G. Candler, aged Atlanta, Ga., founder of the Coca Cola Company, and the richest man in the south, has announced his engagement to Mrs. Oregine de Bouchele, New Orleans beauty, herself very wealthy. The wedding is expected to take place in San Francisco at the end of this month or early in September. Beginning with only the formula for the drink, Mr. Candler, with his brothers, Bishop Warren Candler and Supreme Court Justice John Candler, of Georgia, have grown immensely rich. Mr. Candler's son is now being sued for an alleged assault upon a friend's wife.

French Are Talking Friendly Alliance With Germany

Paris, Aug. 21.—The possibility of a direct and friendly understanding between Germany and France which would include close economic collaboration was given serious consideration for the first time today in commercial and unofficial circles.

Nearly all the important newspapers discussed the suggestion that France seek justice in the reparations crisis through a rapprochement with Germany. The idea, originally launched by German industrialists, has been taken up now in French business channels.

While it is unofficially stated that the French government has received no proposals from Germany for an accord, well informed circles say that if such advances were made the French officials might listen to them and even accept them on certain conditions.

The talk of an understanding has been current on the Paris bourse recently and has been accentuated by the departure of the reparations mission for Berlin. The radical forces in France welcome the idea of an agreement but it is said that the present government finds the idea distasteful.

Supporters of the scheme explain that France might curtail the cash reparations payment under the terms of an accord and receive compensation in the shape of participation in German industries.

Official quarters reiterated today that Premier Poincare's position is unchanged regarding a moratorium. It is asserted that even though the reparations commission should see fit to grant a moratorium with certain additional guarantees, France would have the right of independent action unless the guarantees equalled M. Poincare's conditions set forth at London.

At last a ray of hope. Horse sense has been found better than monkey gland for the senile. May-may with the serum a little horse sense can be injected.

FOSTER'S PAPERS SEIZED IN RAID BY GOVERNMENT

Chicago, Aug. 21.—The state's attorneys aides here were engaged today in digesting a mass of papers and correspondence seized yesterday in a raid on the offices of the trade union educational league, headed by W. Z. Foster, formerly of Pittsburgh, who directed the 1919 steel strike.

Examination of the papers found in Foster's office was made to determine whether he had advocated "one big union" of rail workers and whether he had advocated "strenuous measures," according to Assistant State Attorney W. F. McLaughlin, who led the raid.

Foster was said to have appeared for a brief moment at his office here this morning but left immediately. The office was in disarray as a result of the visit of the raiders, and a bundle of mail delivered this morning was still untouched.

TO ASSIGN PAGEANT PARTS

Tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock the parts in the pageant, "Early History of Oregon," being staged by the children of the children's playground will be assigned. The pageant is being carried out under the direction of J. Fred McGrew and Miss L. Hurd and will be presented September 1. It is hoped that a band can be secured for the occasion. The committee headed by Mrs. A. N. Bush is busy making the costumes for the event so that the scenes may be made as real as possible. It is expected that at least 150 children will take part.

RUHR MINES DEMANDED AS GUARANTEES

France Will Not Consent to Grant Moratorium to Germany Unless State Mines are Securities.

Bar le Duc, France, Aug. 21.—(By Associated Press)—France will not consent to grant a moratorium of any character to Germany unless the German state mines of the Ruhr and the national forests are placed in the hands of the allies as a guarantee, and no matter what happens France will not depart from this policy.

Such was the position of the French government with regard to the reparations question as outlined by Premier Poincare at the opening session of the general council of the department of the Meuse. The premier disclaimed any desire on the part of France to ruin Germany under the guise of a demand for productive guarantees.

"The day Germany recognizes loyalty her obligations toward France and carries them out with good grace," declared M. Poincare, "we will not refuse to examine with her the best methods of assuring the prompt and regular enactment of the treaty of Versailles."

Only Ask Opportunity "Contrary to certain British spokesmen," continued the head of the French cabinet, "we are neither Nero nor Bismarck. We are simply a good people who were brutally attacked and whose native soil was ravaged. All we ask is the opportunity to continue in peace our daily tasks."

"We are greatly disposed to aid other nations in the effort to restore the world. We know the world does not end at our frontiers. We welcome a broad and generous European policy. We frequently desire to remain allies of our allies and friends of our friends. We ask nothing better than to resume with our enemies of yesterday pleasant and courteous relations. But we wish to have our ruins repaired—and they will be."

Ridicules Charges

Premier Poincare ridiculed recent charges that France sought to enslave the German people in revenge for the devastation wrought during the war.

"If, contrary to our desire, we are forced to take independent action without the approval of our allies," he continued, "we shall make no effort to retain indefinitely the guarantees which we may take. We shall guard these guarantees in the interest of all and only until Germany consents to meet her just obligations."

A. C. Hansen of Portland appeared in police court this afternoon and pleaded guilty to a charge of being drunk and was fined \$10. Two other counts against him in the justice court were possession of intoxicating liquor and driving a motor vehicle while drunk. He was given 24 hours in which to plead and was released on \$200 bond on each charge. His hearing is set for 2 o'clock tomorrow afternoon.

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TRAINING OF 100,000 FOR WAR FAVORED

President Harding Seeks Citizen Soldiers to Preserve Peace—Addresses Camp Meade.

Washington, Aug. 21.—President Harding, in an address here today to citizen soldiers from Camp Meade, Maryland, declared he favored military training for more than 100,000 civilians annually, not for any prospective aggressive warfare, but to preserve peace.

After reviewing the civilian troops on the ellipse, adjacent to the White House grounds, the president called attention to the fact that 28,000 civilians were afforded training this summer, compared with 11,000 last year. The president said the review had given him new confidence, but added that there was not a thought in America for armed warfare, the nation being concerned only in preserving peace of the world.

In the Camp Meade contingent were 1000 young men, constituting infantry, medical, artillery and cavalry units from the District of Columbia, Maryland, Delaware and Pennsylvania, who have been in training for three weeks. Declaring that the boys had been benefitted by learning discipline, the president asserted that "all America might well benefit by learning a little more impressively the obligations of the citizen to his country."

President's Address

His address followed: "I could not allow the opportunity to pass without a word of felicitation and congratulation. You have afforded us this morning, those who were in review and those who carried on the review, a most impressive and reassuring spectacle. You are citizens of a republic wholly devoted to peace. There is not a thought in America of armed warfare. There is not a design on the part of your country to carry on an armed campaign in any direction."

"We are concerned only with peace and the security of peace and I like to think that this great republic, reducing its regular army in accordance with its ideals, can have the assurance that comes to it with such a spectacle as you have given us this morning. I congratulate you with all my heart."

Profits Are Mutual

"It is a fine thing for the young manhood of America to turn from the ordinary engagements of the (Continued on Page Five.)"

QUIET COUNCIL SESSION LIKELY

The Salem city council will work a vacation shift when it meets in regular session this evening, judging from reports of the probable business to be transacted. Aside from the hearing of protests on the ordered removal of the old tree which stands in the street at Summer and Union streets there appears to be nothing more than minor interest to come before the aldermen.

The proposed milk ordinance, and the ordinance which would put an end to musical and other dance advertising on the streets of the city are in the hands of the city attorney for more detailed study and will not be presented tonight.

KIWANIS CONVENTION OPENS AT OLYMPIA

Olympia, Wash., Aug. 21.—Approximately 350 delegates to the Pacific northwest Kiwanis convention had registered here early today, but late arrivals are expected to swell the total to 500 or 600.

Is Boiled to Death When He Tumbles Into "Devil's Tea Kettle"

Klamath Falls, Or., Aug. 21.—Frank Albert, 50, died last night from burns received when he fell into "the devil's tea kettle," a hot spring, here yesterday. He lost his footing while filling a barrel for household use and plunged into the spring, the temperature of which is about 197 degrees. Unable to climb the slippery bank, Albert was in the hot water several minutes before his screams brought assistance. He had lived here about ten years, but little is known of him. The coroner found nothing in his effects to indicate he had relatives.

NEW GAME LAWS THREATEN CHINA PHEASANT SUPPLY

The newly enacted regulations of the State Game Commission, opening the season on grouse and native pheasant for a 30-day period on August 20 bids fair to deplete the valley entirely of China pheasants before the opening of the season on those birds in October, and to rob the legitimate hunter who observes the present closed season of his birds.

Yesterday the fields and brush patches of the valley were littered alive with hunters and the crack of bird guns could be heard all day long.

"There were more hunters than birds out yesterday," one local sportsman declared this morning. "And grouse and native pheasant were not the only game brought home. The sportsman who will hunt all day long for grouse and 'natives' of which there is only a limited supply, and pass up a good shot at a Chipmunk or two are few and far between. This new law simply means that by the time the China season opens there will be no China pheasants left."

A total of 152 hunting licenses were issued by the sporting goods houses and the country clerk's office here Saturday. Ten of these were combination licenses and the remainder were simply permits to hunt.

CALIFORNIANS REFUSE TO SET PRUNE PRICES

The prune market continues in a slump by reason of the lack of improvement in the rail strike situation and buyers are showing no more activity today than for several weeks past.

Promises of some activity on the part of buyers with the announcement of the opening prices of the California association, slated for today, went up in this air when the announcement failed for the second time to show itself. It was first scheduled to come out 10 days ago, but the sluggishness of the eastern market and the inability of the railroad to move shipments caused it to be withheld.

What effect the continuance of the unsettled railroad situation will have on the market for their product is worrying some of the growers who have not the financial resources to carry their crop over in case of a long delayed strengthening of the market.

Few of the growers in this section of the valley sold their prunes during the opening flurry when buyers were bidding on a 10-cent basis. Some of the smaller crops were contracted to canners but the bulk of the pick this year remains unsold.

It is reported that the opening California prices will not now be quoted until some improvement is shown in the strike situation.

BORAH URGES QUICK END OF RAIL STRIKES

Idaho Senator Demands Speed in Order to Save Fruit Crops of Country—Threatens to Act.

Washington, Aug. 21.—Declaring that the railroad strike was becoming "intolerable," Senator Borah, republican, Idaho, chairman of the senate labor committee, today urged both sides in the strike to hasten a solution because of the losses in moving crops.

Senator Borah, in a telegram to T. DeWitt Cuyler, chairman of the Association of Railway Executives, and in a conference with B. M. Jewell, leader of the striking shopmen and William H. Johnston, president of the International Association of Machinists, asserted the crop losses thru lack of transportation were becoming serious.

Outlook Hopeful

Mr. Jewell, who with Mr. Johnston, called on Senator Borah at the latter's office, was said to view the New York negotiations as hopeful. He and the machinists' head, it was said, again presented to Senator Borah reports as to deterioration of railroad equipment.

Senator Borah's telegram to Mr. Cuyler, the substance of which was repeated orally to Mr. Jewell, follows: "May I respectfully urge that all who shall convene on Wednesday to consider ways of settling the strike, that at this time thru out fruit and potato regions of the west there is a pronounced shortage of cars and an utter inability to move these perishable products to the market?"

"Thousands of cars of potatoes and fruit are ready to move and the most serious and widespread loss and damage must soon follow. If relief is not had at once and cars furnished, the next twenty days will witness the ruin of hundreds of fruit and potato raisers who must lose their entire year's work to say nothing of the indirect loss to the people who ought to have these products."

"These things are doubtless familiar to you, but you will pardon me in urging it again upon your attention. The situation is fast becoming intolerable and I felt it my duty to accentuate these conditions to those who are to be in attendance at this conference."

M. M. Crow was arrested last night about 11 o'clock by Chief Moffitt and charged with attempted criminal assault. He is said to have accosted a woman near south 12th and Oak streets. The woman eluded him and went to the depot and phoned to the police, who responded and placed Crow under arrest. He was held for investigation and this morning was taken to the county jail. He will have a hearing in the justice court tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Unlimited Passes Good For One Week Sold For a Dollar

Unlimited weekly passes transferable and covering an unlimited number of rides during any one week to sell at one dollar each will be put into effect on the street railway lines of the Pacific Power & Light company at Astoria on September 4 if the public service commission approves the move. Inasmuch as the proposed passes represent a reduction in existing fares it is highly probable that the commission will approve it as intimated in the offices of the commission here this morning. The passes are being resorted to, according to the application filed with the commission this morning, as a "temporary experimental measure to determine the effect with respect to the development of a larger volume of revenue traffic in the Astoria street railway system."

LAWS ASKED BY PRESIDENT IN CONGRESS

Commission to be Appointed to Probe Coal Production; Members Draw \$10,000 Pay.

Washington, Aug. 21.—A bill to carry into effect President Harding's recommendations for a sweeping government investigation of the coal industry was introduced today by Chairman Winslow of the house commerce committee after a visit to the White House.

The measure would create a commission of nine members to be known as the United States coal commission to obtain information regarding all questions and problems connected with the coal industry. No members of congress or any person who has any interest in, or is connected with the industry would be eligible to serve on the commission. The salary of the commissioners would be at the rate of \$10,000 and the commission would cease to exist one year after the act took effect.

Duty of Commission

Specifically the bill would make it the duty of the commission "to investigate and ascertain facts in the coal industry as to ownership of coal mines, price of coal, wages, wage contracts, conditions of employment, distribution, waste of coal realized by owners or operators of coal mines or by the persons or corporations having to do with the production, distribution or sale of coal and any other material facts in connection with the coal industry generally and the organizations and persons connected with it."

The commission would report to the president and congress by January 1, 1923, its findings of fact and make such recommendations as in its judgment would "promote continuity of production and efficiency in mining and distribution and maintain uninterrupted movement of coal in interstate commerce and safeguard the interests of workers, operators and the public."

Half Million in Cost

A half million dollars would be appropriated for expenses of the commission.

Concurrently with presentation of the bill in the house, Chairman Borah of the senate labor committee issued a call for a meeting of his committee tomorrow to take up the president's recommendation for a coal fact finding commission. Senator Borah hopes to get action on his own bill, which the president has approved in the main, but which differs in some respects from the Winslow measure. The senator today said he would propose amendments to meet suggestions by the president.