

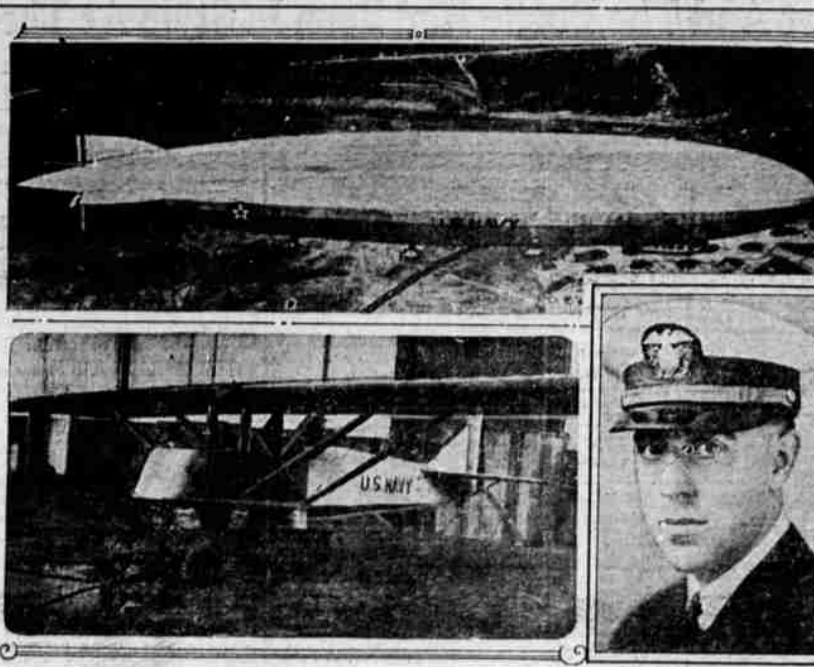
POTATO STOCKS SHOW DECREASE OVER YEAR AGO

Portland, (AP)—Oregon potatoes in storage for sale January 1, 1930, were estimated at 1,558,000 bushels, according to a report of the United States division of crop and livestock estimates released through Oregon's federal state crop reporting service. On January 1, a year ago, the potato stocks in Oregon were almost twice as large. The revised estimate being 2,974,000 bushels.

An unusually poor potato crop in heavier producing areas of the state last season accounts chiefly for the big decrease in January 1 potato stocks, the report stated. Oregon potato acreage in 1930 will be 43,000 acres if the expressed intention of Oregon growers is fully carried out. This is an increase of 1,000 acres over the acreage dug in 1929.

In the 19 northern potato producing states the intended acreage is estimated at 2,296,000 acres, which compares with 2,192,000 acres harvested last year and 2,474,000 harvested in 1928. This estimate is based on intentions of growers in these states as of January 1, 1930. Potato stocks for sale January 1, 1930 in the 19 northern states are estimated at 74,207,000 bushels compared to 119,492,000 bushels a year ago and 88,093,000 bushels on January 1, 1928.

NAVY GLIDER TO BE LAUNCHED FROM DIRIGIBLE



Lieut. Ralph S. Barnaby, first American glider pilot to receive first class license of the Federation Aeronautique Internationale, will pilot the navy's first glider shown below when it is launched from the dirigible Los Angeles. The test will be made at Lakewood, N. J., as soon as weather permits.



Associated Press Photo

BUDD HOPES TO GET REHEARING ON BURLINGTON

Seattle, Wash. (AP)—The opinion that "further consideration should be given to the matter of continuing the Burlington ownership after the unification" of the Great Northern and Northern Pacific Railways, was expressed here Friday by Ralph Budd, president of the Great Northern Railroad. Budd's comment was evoked by the action of the interstate commerce commission in approving the merger of the northern roads provided the Burlington system was "divorced" from the unification.

"Extensive comment is impracticable without having seen the commission's order," Mr. Budd said in a statement. "My opinion is that at least the new northern system necessarily must have access to Chicago and I know of no other means so satisfactory as to use the Burlington line down the Mississippi river from the Twin Cities. Without such access to Chicago by

the northern lines, it is difficult for me to see how the new northern system and the Northwest public can continue to enjoy the benefits, that the Burlington control by the northern lines has given them for the past thirty years."

"The decision in the merger case will strengthen the position of the Great Northern and Western Pacific now seeking permission to build 200 miles of line to close the gap between the two systems in Eastern Oregon and Northern California, the president said. By adding the Northern Pacific 6500 miles of additional railroad territory to be benefitted is attached to the side of the extension."

EIELSON'S BODY TAKEN IN PLANE

Moscow (AP)—The bodies of Pilot Carl Ben Eielson and Mechanic Earl Borland have been taken aboard the plane of Pilot Silpenev, Soviet flier, near the point where they were found southeast of North Cape, Siberia. As soon as the weather permits, the Soviet airman will proceed to the fur trading ship Nanuk which is ice-bound at North Cape.

FRANCE REALIZING VALUE OF COLONIES

Paris, (AP)—The London Naval Conference has served to make the French people colony-conscious. Since the War France has been so absorbed in her internal problems that she has taken little heed of her rich and far flung possessions. But now the attention of the man in the street has been called emphatically to the French provinces

over the sea through the government's attitude on the limitation of submarines and light cruisers. As a result France is swelling with pride at the thought of such wealthy possessions as those on the West Coast of Africa, which are veritable gold mines in natural resources. Consequently France is on the eve of a great period of colonial expansion, with rail and shipping lines pushing back the frontiers and France's crack airplane pilots penetrating into the interiors of her wilder colonies.

Lavita plans extensive improvements of the port of Higa.

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WOMEN WILL MAKE DRIVE FOR HOSPITAL

One hundred women have volunteered their services to the Salem General hospital auxiliary for a house canvass for memberships in a campaign that opens March 1. In addition a special committee will take charge of the territory within a radius of five miles of the city. Headquarters will be maintained on the first floor of the Bank of Commerce building.

Assistance to the hospital may be given in any one of five different methods. The first is the annual membership fee of \$1 with sustaining memberships offered at \$5 a year. Others who do not wish to contribute this amount will be given memberships at sums varying between \$1 and \$5 a year while cash donations of any amount, no matter how small, will be received.

Establishment of a salvage shop for contributions of cushions, dishes, canned or dried fruit, newspapers and magazines or articles that have outlived their usefulness is also proposed and those who are unable to make a monetary contribution will be asked for such general articles.

The campaign is planned in the interest of the hospital which is a municipal institution and as such requires the personal interest of the people which it may serve. The campaign committee will outline the purposes of the drive before the service clubs of the city, churches, fraternal organizations, aid societies, schools and institutions.

The campaign workers' committee is composed of Mrs. W. E. Anderson, chairman; Mrs. W. C. Dyer, Mrs. Dan Fry, J. Mrs. H. M. Hawkins, Mrs. J. M. Devers and Mrs. M. B. Wagstaff with Mrs. D. R. Ross campaign financial secretary, and Mrs. William M. Hamilton, publicity chairman.

Officers and directors of the Salem General hospital auxiliary are Mrs. W. H. Dancy, president; Mrs. Russell Catlin, vice president; Mrs. Walter Spaulding, secretary, and Mrs. E. C. Cross, treasurer. Directors are Mrs. W. E. Anderson, Mrs. W. C. Dyer, Mrs. Dan Fry, Jr., Mrs. H. M. Hawkins, Mrs. R. W. Hartman, Mrs. Kenneth Powers, Mrs. Charles Robertson, Mrs. C. K. Spaulding and Mrs. Homer Smith.

History of Champoeg Park Development is Traced by P. H. D'Arcy

Further facts of the history of the development of the Champoeg park memorial have been traced out by Judge P. H. D'Arcy for the benefit of members of congress who are passing on the question of a federal appropriation of \$125,000 for a memorial building at the park. Judge D'Arcy has been connected with this movement for over 30 years and might be said to be the pioneer mover of it. Incidentally it may be said that a copy of a recent congressional record contains a four page historical review of Champoeg park prepared by Judge D'Arcy and introduced into the record by Senator Pass who introduced the resolution and secured a favorable report of the senate committee.

Judge D'Arcy states that movement for making Champoeg park a permanent memorial, and in fact establishing the park itself came with presentation of a rod of ground by Hofer & Zorn as a site for the monument. A committee composed of George H. Hines, Governor Geer and P. X. Mathieu, one of the survivors of the famous "division" selected the spot. Mr. Mathieu determined on it. In 1907 Judge D'Arcy drafted a legislative bill calling for purchase of 2 5/8-100 acres of ground for a park site. This was introduced by E. M. Croisan and passed by the legislature but was vetoed by Governor Chamberlain. A little later this was bought by a committee of 12 men who took a chance on the state later paying for it. In this committee were A. Bush, Richard Williams, E. E. Williams, James Falling, W. H. Pope, George A. Harding, P. X. Mathieu, John Minto, M. C. George, F. V. Holman, Joseph Buchtel and Judge D'Arcy. This committee gave the deed to the land to Judge D'Arcy in trust for the state and it was finally taken over by the state in 1913. In 1915 a bill was passed appropriating \$5000 for a building and later another \$5000 added, both in bills drawn by Judge D'Arcy. The state now owns 106 73-100 acres of land in the park, all of which will be turned over with the buildings to the government if arrangements are made to construct a \$250,000 memorial building which would cost \$125,000 from the government to be matched by \$125,000 by the state but the land and buildings would be taken in as part of the state's share of the money.

SOUTH COAST OFFERING DATA FOR RESEARCH

Los Angeles, (AP)—Because southern California's skies are clear and warm and its ground is still "wakeful," this region will become one of the world's foremost research centers.

This prediction was made by Dr. Robert A. Millikan of the California Institute of Technology, and was accompanied by an announcement of a large building program for the institute.

"This region," Dr. Millikan asserted, "offers greater natural advantages for the pursuit of astronomy and geology than any other spot in the world."

"With nearby mountains providing altitude above the ground haze, with temperatures moderate enough to assure human efficiency in observing, with relatively windless heights and a large percentage of cloudless nights, the astrophysical scientist has a matchless opportunity here to read the secrets of the heavens."

No other locality offers the opportunity for the structural engineer to study architecture designed to withstand and to measure overcome earth movements, Dr. Millikan declared.

"Mountain ranges actually in the process of being built are located in this region," Dr. Millikan said. "Showing how nature has gone about forming the earth for millions and millions of years in the past and how the process will continue for millions and millions of years in the future."

"Because the earth is still wakeful, experts are able to study seismology with the view of utilizing it in engineering to combat earth movements such as occur in California."

The building program of the institute, as detailed by Dr. Millikan, includes ten structures, some of which are already underway and all of which already are financed. Another is the Albemarle, the gift of Mr. and Mrs. Allen C. Balch, to be used as a meeting place for workers in the institute. Mount Wilson observatory and Huntington Library. Three new dormitories bring the total to 10.

SHOULD IGNORE ATTACK ON LAW

Oregonians who are affected by the state intangibles tax should file their returns and pay their taxes notwithstanding the suit that has been filed in the circuit court here challenging the constitutionality of the act, says a statement by the state tax commission. By paying prior to March 1, says the commission, the taxpayer will avoid penalty and interest if the law is upheld, and if it is found unconstitutional their tax payments will be refunded.

The commission has found many taxpayers in doubt as to what to do.

"In order to protect the taxpayers from heavy penalties and interest when the law is sustained," said the statement, "returns should be filed and the tax paid within the time specified by the law. Such procedure conforms to the usual practice with respect to suits brought to test the legality of state and federal tax laws."

"If by any chance the intangibles tax law should be declared invalid in any respect, it will not be the attitude of the commission to retain any money which the court may determine was illegally collected."

"In view of the thousands of returns which have now been filed and the large amount of money collected, no other course would be fair to those who have already complied with the law."

GERMANY SUPPLIES RAYON PRODUCTS

Washington (AP)—The growing demand of American women for rayon hosiery and other rayon apparel is reflected in a report in the department of commerce showing a 35 per cent increase in rayon imports during 1929 over 1928.

Germany still leads the field of foreign countries in providing rayon for the United States, which in 1929 consumed 35 per cent of the exports to this country amounted to 88 per cent of 20,975,000 pounds valued at \$14,303,000.

Other countries providing for rayon business in the United States are Italy, France, Netherlands and Switzerland, which ranked next to Germany in the order named.

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NEW MACHINERY TO BOOST PRODUCTION

Marshfield, Ore. (AP)—The first Swedish gang-saw to be used in this state and the first for use in cutting alder on the Pacific coast was ordered by the Ostlund Furniture company here this week in its program of enlargement of the furniture and specialty factory on Coos bay.

Immediate construction of the plant to house the new saw was ordered and the investment will run upwards of \$35,000. The equipment is expected from Sweden in March.

The construction of the sawmill is an addition to the furniture plant here which was established a year ago. The machine will enable five times the output of the present plant, will eliminate sawing waste and will provide the addition of cut-to-dimension lumber products of the mill.

In describing its operation, it is explained that logs are run through end on end, and they come out into logs, thus doing away with returns for sawing. The logs are run through a frame of oscillating gang saw blades and pieces come out ready for the edger in one operation.

COPPER MINE DUST IS DEADLY POISON

New York (AP)—Copper mining produces its own peculiar form of gas hazard which is described in a report to the American Institute of Mining and Metallurgical Engineers by Oscar A. Glaeser of the United Verde Copper company.

It is a mixture of dust and gas that forms in dense, white clouds. It is difficult to break up these clouds and blow them out of the mine air currents. Some of them says Glaeser, can cause unconsciousness in two minutes and death in 15.

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SOLDIER SWIMS TO FAME

Paris (AP)—A soldier in the French infantry has just been awarded a much sought military medal for saving a number of women and children from drowning while a number of sailors, unable to swim, looked on. George Barbieres, the soldier, swam for 10 hours saving the passengers of a small boat which sunk off the French coast.

NEW HUSBAND ALIBI

Portland, Ore. (AP)—Husbands apparently are finding a modern version for that famous one about "having to attend a conference tonight." Now they call up and say, "I'm flying tonight, dear."

"That much, at least, may be inferred from a report of Swan Island airport officials here. An attractive young woman entered the airport office recently, looking for her husband.

"He flies nights," she explained. "The officials looked embarrassed, hesitating to tell her they knew of no one doing night flying around Swan Island. Then she showed them "hubby's" picture. They didn't recognize him. The woman departed, vowing she would find her man."

CIEMENCEAU'S MULE DEAD
Paris, (AP)—The old donkey which once carried Georges Clemenceau has died, just a few weeks after its famous master. This donkey which was more than 30 years old at its death, formerly pulled the small cart which carried the "Tiger" about the small town of Bernouville, where he was a councillor.

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