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SLIGHT EARTHQUAKE FELT IN ASHLAND

DEATHS FROM THEATRE NOW NUMBER 114

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WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 31.—The death toll caused by the collapse of the Knickerbocker theater roof here Saturday night—one of the greatest moving picture theater catastrophes in the history of the country—stood at 114 late today.

Deaths were reported hourly from the hospitals in the city, where 141 persons, many of whom are near death, are being cared for.

With the death list constantly mounting, police officials and rescue workers believe that it was past 125.

E. H. Shaughnessy, second assistant postmaster, is in a critical condition today, with injuries incurred in the theater horror. His legs were mangled and he suffered internal injuries. Three blood transfusions were made during the night. It is thought however, that he has a fair chance for recovery.

The marine and army officers superintending the rescue work have agreed that the pit has given up all the dead and injured. The last body, that of James Shea, South Hadley Falls, Mass., medical student of Georgetown university, was recovered about 8 o'clock last night. Shortly before that the marines had dug out the mutilated body of Shea's companion, pretty Virginia Feraud, sister of the Guatemalan minister, Blanchi.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 31.—With its morgues and undertaking establishments filled with mutilated dead, its hospitals crowded with injured, mourning Washington today witnessed the inauguration of investigations aimed at not only placing responsibility for the terrible Knickerbocker theater tragedy, but also cleaning up the District of Columbia government.

Grim and angry senators, most of whom lost friends and acquaintances in the terrible toll of life taken in the terrible toll of life taken by Saturday night's catastrophe, voiced a demand for a general "clean-up" within a few minutes after congress convened today.

BURGLAR GETS MOONSHINE
Klamath Falls Hall of Justice Is Scene of Theft

KLAMATH FALLS, Or., Jan. 31.—It is not often that burglars pick out a hall of justice for their depredations, but Justice Gaghagen, when he entered court Saturday morning, discovered that during the night some marauder had made away with several bottles of moonshine which had been marked as exhibits in charges preferred against bootleggers.

Three bottles containing whiskey were on top of the desk, which had been broken open. There was still another inside the desk. The visitors got them all. So far as he could discover, this was all that was taken, and the judge is in a quandary as to whether the moonshine was stolen for the kick in it or to destroy the kick it might contain for the bootleggers when offered in evidence against them.

Here to Attend Funeral—
Mrs. T. A. Hayes, of Portland, O. A. Thornton of Gresham, and Henry Thorton, of Persist, Or., all children of the late James Thornton, and Homer Willey of Dunsmuir, a grand child, are here to attend the funeral of their father and grandfather.

Powder as Far Back As 200 B. C. It is said the Koreans made gunpowder as far back as 200 B. C.

Peace Delegates Begin to Pack Up

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 31.—The long-awaited end of the Washington peace conference, which, for weeks, has shimmered like a mirage before the weary statesmen here, actually appears in sight.

The great forward step to bring the parley to a close will be taken tomorrow at the plenary session, when the all-important naval treaty, complete in every detail, will be formally presented to the world. Its provisions will follow closely the outlines already made public. American delegates said that it contains no "bomb shells."

GERMANY PLANS TRADE BOOM IN SOUTH RUSSIA

BERLIN, Jan. 31.—In order to secure a better grip on Russian trade German business men have decided to establish an "Economic Institute for Russia and the Border States." Announcement of this fact was announced today by the Eastern fair management at Koenigsberg, which is to be the seat of the institute.

The institute is to be organized along university lines, and will be controlled by the government of East Prussia and the municipality of Koenigsberg. Exhaustive courses dealing with all phases of Russian trade and also dealing with the culture and present economic organization of the territory of the old Russian empire, will shortly be organized.

Fish Market Sold Monday

P. J. Smith, who opened up a fish and poultry market a few months ago on North Main street in the Allen block, has sold his stock of goods to W. H. Casebeer. Mr. Casebeer expects to handle fish, poultry, eggs, lunch goods and salad oils and is improving his place of business by some additional shelves and cases. Mr. Casebeer was formerly in the grocery business at Central Point, and only recently sold out his business there. Mr. Smith has not decided as to his future business.

MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION MET IN ASHLAND MONDAY

The Rogue River Valley Ministerial association convened in the Presbyterian church Monday morning at 10:30 o'clock. Ministers were present from Central Point, Medford, Talent and Phoenix. Most of the forenoon session was spent in a general survey of the various fields represented in the association. In every case there was evidence of wholesome growth and an optimistic outlook for the future was announced by the pastors.

Two subjects were presented before the ministerial body for their consideration and criticism. Rev. C. F. Koehler read a paper on the subject, "How shall we preach Christ today," and Mr. O. F. Carson ably discussed the subject, "What I would do if I were a preacher."

The latter was a constructive presentation of the subject and met with hearty applause, according to Rev. Koehler, Presbyterian pastor. The reason why a layman was asked to discuss such a theme before the association is that the ministers are most anxious to discover what their real defects are, how their ministry might be improved and in what things they have been most successful as viewed from the standpoint of the pew.

Senator Thomas gave a very able presentation of the matter of law enforcement, indicating the points of difficulty, failure and success. His appearance and his remarks were greeted with appreciation and applause by the ministerial body.

The spring meeting of the association will be in the public library at Medford.

EX-CROWN PRINCE RECOGNIZES NEW GERMAN REPUBLIC

(International News Service)

BERLIN, Jan. 31.—Frederick Wilhelm Hohenzollern, ex-crown prince of Germany, recognized the republican regime in Germany as the legal-ly constituted government of the country he was once destined to rule as emperor and king. The former German heir is now in exile upon the Dutch island of Weiringen, in the North sea.

He still believes that a monarchical system "does more for a people," but since the majority of the German people chose a republic, he accepts that as an iron fact, in the face of which he admits that his own private opinion "cuts no ice."

He opposes a coup by any faction, saying that his countrymen have suffered enough and that the fatherland must not be subjected to any fresh upheavals.

The former prince's confession of faith was made in a letter to a famous constitutional jurist, Counsellor Dr. Zorn of Bonn university, who taught young Wilhelm when he was a student there.

FOUR HORSEMEN AT VINING TODAY

The New York Times says of this picture: "In Rex Ingram's production, 'The Four Horsemen,' we have a picture that will forever remain alone. It is not a war story; it is a big pulsating drama which carries a big vital moral with it. One of the lessons it teaches is that the worshipping of earthly treasures is futile, and points to the greed and selfishness which predominates in the hearts of men. Its romance inspires, its beauty enralls, and as a spectacle, it amazes. It is superb and all the superlatives of speech fall in our desire to express our admiration. It must be seen to be appreciated."

"The Four Horsemen" opens at the Vining theater today.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 31.—Whiskey warehouse guards hereafter will be armed with sawed-off shot guns to keep liquor bandits away. Prohibition officials have authorized heavier arming of guards after several recent holdups which resulted in the theft of large quantities of whiskey.

Roll of Officers In Army Slashed

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 31.—Before Congress adjourns its regular session legislation supported by the War department, will undoubtedly be sought which will authorize the retirement, "honorably and with appreciation of services," of between 700 and 800 regular army officers.

Under stress of necessity during the latter war-time days many officers were promoted who lacked 100 per cent efficiency, according to the War department officials, and this must be remedied.

The plan already broached by General Pershing, Chief of Staff, to the House Military Affairs Committee, is expected to take the form of a bill draft for presentation to both Houses of Congress at an early date.

General Pershing believes that the U. S. Army should have the benefit of the most efficient officers available, and the weeding-out process will be vigorously prosecuted by him. Today there are practically no second lieutenants in the regular army.

"This condition cannot prevail," said General Pershing. "There have been too rapid promotions. Army officers must be efficient, but there are degrees of efficiency, and the American army must have the best."

General Pershing is adamant in his determination that, under existing conditions, the United States army must not be less than 150,000 men, will officered.

If Congress favors the proposed legislation a shake-up all along the line of officers will be made.

Haz Kik



Looks to me as though it is about time to whip up a little Denver mountain park system of 5000 acres, located 12 miles from the city, had 600,000 visitors last year. Mount Ashland, and Ashland's two-township park, starting at the Plaza and extending 12 miles to the summit of Mount Ashland, had about 200 visitors. Yet Denver's park does not hold a candle to Ashland's. Something wrong with us, somewhere. Let's take an invoice of ourselves.

HAZ KIK.

AID REACHES BANK FIVE MINUTES TOO LATE TO DO GOOD

KLAMATH FALLS, Jan. 28.—Five minutes after the First State and Savings bank closed its doors here Saturday morning, assurance of financial assistance was received from Portland, which would have permitted the bank to stay open. This information was given out by bank officials. The bank opened at 10 and closed at 10:20 o'clock, when it seemed improbable that the awaited word would be forthcoming.

One hundred and forty thousand dollars had been promised from Portland, \$5000 from San Francisco, and \$30,000 from other sources, it was said, bringing the total up to \$175,000.

General economic conditions which prevented loans being called without forcing business houses to the wall, depletion of reserves, together with recent steady withdrawals were the reasons given for the close. S. E. Wailes, of the state banking department, has been appointed receiver. The closing was a crushing blow to officials of the bank, who believed the steps they had taken would prevent such action.

The bank closed its doors January 12, 1912, but reopened at the end of 90 days, after the whole county had given evidence of its faith in Captain J. W. Siemens, the founder, by offering every dollar that could be raised.

The reopening was marked by a demonstration said never to have equaled in the history of banking.

"The affairs of the First State & Savings bank will be liquidated in a manner that will safeguard the interests of the depositors and stockholders and without causing distress to those who owe the bank, or without disturbing the business of the community.

This was the statement made by C. E. Wailes, receiver. He said no effort would be made to reopen the institution.

BULLETINS

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 31.—Representatives of the American Legion, appearing before the house committee on ways and means, were assured that the soldier bonus bill would be reported favorably to congress within two weeks.

2,000,000 Russian Children to Be Fed

NEW YORK, Jan. 31.—Meals for 2,000,000 children in the famine regions of Russia will be provided by the American Relief administration by March 1, according to an announcement made by the local office of the relief body. Shipments of food commodities are being rushed from America.

The relief administration hopes later on to undertake the feeding of adults.

FORD SUGGESTS CONVERTING CORN INTO MOTOR FUEL

DETROIT, Mich., Jan. 31.—Henry Ford yesterday authorized the Detroit Times to transmit to the members of congress his suggestion that they give immediate attention to vital questions involving the future supply of fuel for use in combustion engines, principally automobile motors.

Ford, in the interview, said that at such a time as now, when the farmers throughout the country have millions of bushels of corn on hand, with no prospects of a market for their product, congress should turn its attention to the manufacture of commercial alcohol.

"I suggest to congress," said Mr. Ford, "that manufacturing plants be established throughout the country for making commercial alcohol, to take the place of the fast diminishing supply of gasoline. It would create a market for the farmer whose corn is now a drug on the market."

Pastor Denounces Jazz For Duncing

NEW YORK, Jan. 31.—"Is Jazz Our National Anthem?" was the subject of a sermon by the Rev. Percy Stickney Grant at the Church of the Ascension, Fifth avenue and Tenth street, Sunday morning. Dr. Grant's arraignment of the modern dance and its music was direct and specific. In linking up many of the evils of life in America today with jazz, he took for his text a contemporary Broadway play on this subject and proceeded, as he said, to "annotate" the drama with observations of his own.

"In 'The National Anthem,' by J. Hartley Manners, jazz spells inner degradation by rink, drugs and sex abandonment, also extravagance, domestic destruction, suicide and fatal accident," said Dr. Grant.

Jazz Is Defined

"What is jazz, then? A music of animal noises which makes you want to chatter and twist your tail around a tree. It is going back to the tom-tom and he beating upon a hollow log of savage times for music. Cubism and other monstrosities of modern expression are at least serious attempts to go forward. The 'Nude Descending a Staircase,' although it reminds me of a lumber wagon discharging its load after the horses have run away, does strive for a deeper analysis of material forms. But jazz rings the bell for full steam astern and goes back to the jungle."

"Any great minuet or waltz is as good on the concert program as in the ballroom because it tells a story of human hopes and human dreams. You cannot have sentiments while listening to jazz. It seems to say, 'cut out the dreams, don't hope for better things, but snatch the moment's pleasure while you may.'"

Consistory to Be Formed

Mr. Davidson, secretary of the Consistory of 32d degree Masons at Portland, was in town Monday, and informed local Masons that it has been definitely decided that a consistory will be formed at Medford. Another meeting in regard to the matter will be held in the near future at Grants Pass.

TREMOR MORE NOTICEABLE IN CALIFORNIA

A FEW RESIDENTS OF ASHLAND SHAKEN THIS MORNING BY SLIGHT TREMOR LASTING ABOUT FIVE SECONDS.

Los Angeles, Calif., According to Telegraphic Reports, Experienced the Most Severe Shock, Broken Windows Only Damage Reported.

Several Ashland residents felt the slight earthquake shock experienced throughout this section of the country this morning at 5:30 o'clock. Quite a few people were awakened by the quiver, but no damage of any kind has been reported in this vicinity. Telegraphic reports indicate that Eureka, Calif., experienced the heaviest quake of any place on the coast, although no damage of any consequence other than a few broken windows are reported from there.

EUREKA, Calif., Jan. 31.—A heavy earthquake was felt in this section at 5:30 o'clock this morning. A tremor of considerable duration, lasting from 15 to 20 seconds, was generally felt throughout northern California. Clocks stopped, dishes were shaken from shelves, and plate glass windows shattered, but no other damage has so far been reported.

SAN FRANCISCO, Calif., Jan. 31.—Slight tremors were felt in the residential district about 5:30 o'clock residential district about 5:30 o'clock this morning. Some reported the tremor to be so slight that it was hardly noticeable, while others said it was of sufficient vibration to awaken them from sound sleep. No damage of any kind is reported.

CANYONVILLE, Or., Jan. 31.—Beds rocked, and windows rattled when residents here were awakened at 5:30 o'clock this morning by a distinct earthquake shock. The tremor lasted nearly half a minute. No serious damage was done.

ROSEBURG, Or., Jan. 31.—This vicinity was shaken by two earthquake tremors at 5:30 o'clock this morning. No damage was done, but citizens in all parts of Roseburg were awakened.

EUGENE, Or., Jan. 31.—Slight earthquake shocks were felt here at 5:30 this morning.

OVERLAND GARAGE CHANGES HANDS

Dix and Sons, who have operated the White Star garage at 376 East Main street, for the past few years, have obtained the lease on the building occupied by the Overland garage, and have bought out all of the accessories which Mr. Schmidt, owner of the Overland garage, had on hand, except the tire stock. Dix and Sons have relinquished their lease on their present location and are moving their entire stock of accessories to the Overland garage, where they will carry on the same progressive business that they have heretofore. Mr. Dix is in doubt as to whether he will act as agent for the Overland car, or not. He will make his decision in this matter within a short time.

A. G. Moss, who has been connected with the White Star garage for the past three years, has bought the repair shop of the Overland garage and will operate it independently of the garage. Mr. Moss is a good mechanic and will, without a doubt, receive a liberal patronage from the people of Ashland.

Mr. Schmidt, who recently purchased the Overland garage, is a Grants Pass man and has business interests there that he will return to at once.

All Indications Point to Normal

