

28 MILLIONS MORE WANTED FOR U. S. NAVY

SECRETARY DENBY STARTLES SENATE BY DEMAND FOR INCREASE

Navy Head Declares House Appropriation Leaves Pacific Unprotected and Asks That \$9,000,000 Be Added for Aviation.

WASHINGTON, May 1.—An appeal to the senate for an increase of more than \$28,000,000 in the naval appropriation allotted by the house, was made by Secretary of the Navy Denby today.

Appearing unexpectedly before the senate naval committee, Secretary Denby declared the house bill was unbalanced, and would leave the navy with inadequate facilities on the Pacific. The largest item in the increase asked was \$9,000,000 in the aviation appropriation.

WANT STONE TO BE CIRCUIT JUDGE CANDIDATE

KLAMATH FALLS, May 1.—Petitions are being circulated in an attempt to obtain the consent of Circuit Judge Stone, appointed two months ago by Governor Olcott, to be an independent candidate for the judgeship this fall. Two aspirants for the republican nomination and one democrat are in the field. Judge Stone's brief judicial career has won a strong following.

WANT BATTLESHIP RUSHED TO SCENE OF CHINESE WAR

WASHINGTON, May 1.—Jacob Gould Scherman, the American minister to China, has recommended to Admiral Straus that another battleship be rushed to Tien Tsin, because of the large American interests there are endangered by the warfare between General Chang Tso Lin and General Wu Pei Fu, the state department was advised in a cable from Peking.

Precaution with fire in forests is good citizenship.

BIG TANKER GOES ON THE ROCKS; CREW ALL SAVED

SAN FRANCISCO, May 1.—All hands aboard the Union Line tanker Whittier, which went on the rocks ten miles south of Point Arena early this morning, were saved.

The vessel, valued at \$150,000, is a total loss, according to word received at the office of the Union Oil company. The crew of 26 reached land in small boats.

BIRTHDAY PARTY IS GIVEN FOR MRS. WRIGHT

A number of friends of Mrs. Phoebe Wright gathered at her home on Liberty street Wednesday, April 26, to help celebrate her 86th birthday. Grandma Wright was not surprised, as it has been the custom of her neighbors and friends, for a good many years to thus honor her. The afternoon was spent in visiting, after which substantial and delicious refreshments were served. Pictures were taken during the afternoon of Mrs. Wright, with her guests grouped about her. Those present were, Mesdames James Rudd, F. H. Walker, J. L. Greenwood, H. L. Moore, S. A. Peters Sr., W. S. Ball, R. P. Watkins, Olsen Potter, James, Praetor, Ada Jones and Lulu Van Wegen, the three little Moore girls and Bernard Culey.

WEATHER SHARK PROMISES FEW SHOWERS FOR WEEK

WASHINGTON, May 1.—Weather outlook for the period May 1 to May 6, inclusive: Pacific Coast states—Generally fair and normal temperature, but with probability of occasional showers in Oregon and Washington.

EUROPE'S INDUSTRIAL CHAOS RETARDING AMERICAN BOOM

WASHINGTON, May 1.—Any immediate business boom in the United States is unlikely, due to Europe's tardy economic reconstruction, but the fundamental conditions are much better, and there is every reason to believe they will continue to improve steadily, though slowly.

This opinion was expressed by officials of the department of commerce, basing their predictions on reports of increased production, more stable prices and a larger export trade.

IF FRANCE WARS ON GERMANY SHE WILL GO IT ALONE

LONDON, May 1.—"Great Britain is not committed to co-operate with France in any military measures against Germany in the event of Germany falling down on her payment of reparations," Auston Chamberlain, spokesman for the government, announced in the house of commons today.

This means that if France undertakes any further military steps against Germany, she must act alone.

FORD AND BIKE IN AN EARLY MORN COLLISION

Observance of traffic regulations averted what might have been a very serious accident on the Plaza, when a Ford car driven by G. C. Reed and a bicycle ridden by W. N. Cole, collided at the corner of East Main street just in front of the city hall. Mr. Cole was thrown from his wheel and his nose lacerated, while the front tire of the bike was smashed. The Ford, as usual, came through scatheless, except for a busted cap on the radiator, while the occupants, G. C. Reed and Thos. Prayter, were uninjured.

The accident was caused by the efforts made to avoid running down B. F. Leach, the boniface of the Ashland hall, who was crossing from the post office. The agility displayed by the latter in getting out of harm's way when the two machines came together, if it had been witnessed by a baseball scout, would certainly have resulted in a big league offer. The Ford was coming from the direction of the park, and the bicycle was swinging around from the corner of Main street. Mr. Leach was crossing between the two. He must have been watching both sides, for he made a leap that landed him in safety on the sidewalk, just as the machines came together in a crash. Both, however, with brakes hard set, thus mitigating the damage.

CHICKEN IS FOUND WITH GOLD NUGGET IN CRAW

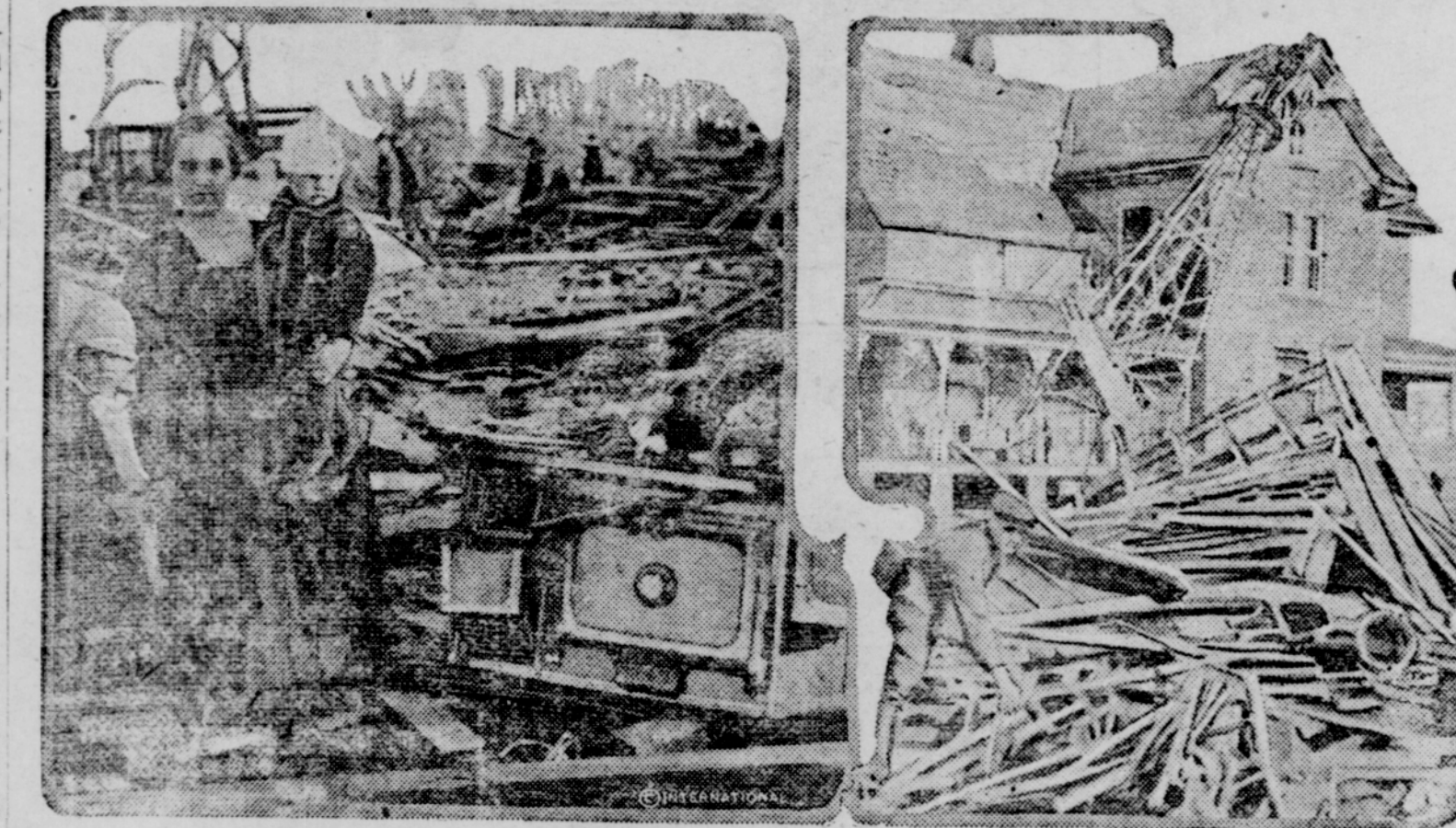
A. N. Kramer, Southern Pacific station agent, was passing around the city Saturday evening, displaying a gold nugget which he found in the crop of a chicken he killed during the day. Mr. Kramer is not in the habit of killing chickens for the gold that he might find, and was very much surprised to see the well-polished piece in the chicken's interior.

Mr. Kramer is planning to guard his chicken coop in order to keep any prospector from undermining it in the effort to beat the chickens to the gold, for he is always in favor of giving the chickens an even shake.

ORGANIZE NEW BRANCH OF W. C. T. U. AT TALENT

The county organizer of the Women's Christian Temperance Union, Mrs. Stella Leavit, assisted by the county president, Mrs. Alice Jillson, and Mrs. Nellie L. Oldfield, perfected a new organization in Talent yesterday afternoon. The officers of the new organization are Mrs. Lester Vogel, president; Mrs. L. Brown, secretary; and Mrs. Jennie Orhyns.

Indiana Town Is Demolished by Terrible Tornado



Tornadoes that swept through southern Illinois and southern Indiana a few days ago killed about 50 persons and did terrific damage. The town of Hedrick, Ind., was almost demolished. The illustration shows a view of the main street, and a house upon which a windmill fell.

PROFITEERING IS CHARGED IN CHEMICAL TARIFF

WASHINGTON, May 1.—In a sensational attack upon the McCumber tariff bill, Senator King, democrat, charged that the "chemical trust" had been empowered to rob the people through extortionate rates written into the chemical schedules. King branded the chemical tariffs as odious and enormous profiteering, and warned that their effects will be felt on hundreds of other industries, citing numerous instances.

75 MILLIONS ARE APPROPRIATED FOR GOOD ROADS

WASHINGTON, May 1.—News of the passage of the good roads bill in the house today gives cause for congratulation throughout the west. It carries an appropriation of \$75,000,000 to aid the several states in the building and maintenance of roads during the fiscal years of 1923-24. There was little opposition to the bill, it going over the top by a vote of 239 to 31.

The senate, this morning, almost without opposition, passed the bill whereby the United States War Finance corporation will be extended to July 1. That it should be dissolved at this particular time, while the country is struggling to regain its industrial equilibrium, would have been regarded as little short of a calamity.

MEDFORD MAN BUYS HOTEL AT SANTA CRUZ

SANTA CRUZ, Calif., May 1.—H. Jansen, proprietor of the Medford Cement Brick and Block Works, of Medford, Or., has recently invested in real estate here.

The sale of the Hotel Rowardennan property, which has been subject to court litigation for a number of years past, has been made in its entirety, the result of the foreclosure of a deed of trust. The purchaser was H. Jansen, who bought the property on the low bid of \$12,200.

BOY SCOUT WILL RE-ENROLL

All Boy Scouts of troop two are asked to come prepared to re-enroll for the year 1922-23, this evening. The annual enrollment fee is 50 cents, which must be sent to headquarters at New York. The payment of this fee entitles the scout to purchase the official scout material and makes him a part of the national organization. The money is used for meeting the expenses necessitated by the national committee in carrying out its work. C. F. Koehler, Scoutmaster.

ASHLAND WALLOPS YREKA'S PITCHER AND WINS EASILY

The baseball game Saturday afternoon between Ashland and Yreka high schools, started off in a manner creditable to professionals. Shultz, Yreka's pitcher, kept the locals' hits fairly well scattered up to the eighth inning, when he blew up. The locals found him for seven hits and made 11 runs in that inning. Yreka came back weakly in their half of the ninth and made another run, but only secured six hits off Weisenburger during the entire game. The final score was 16 to 3.

PLAN BOOST FOR ASHLAND LITHIA WATER

PORTLAND, May 1.—The Associated Industries of Oregon submitted a proposal to Ashland, the home of the famous lithia water of the Pacific northwest and coast country, that if the citizens there would fill and load the tanks of lithia water and ship at intervals, arrangements would be completed for having the water on draught free of charge at the Oregon building, Portland, for visitors and particularly tourists.

The associated industries proposes to have the freight and installation expenses taken care of and also has suggested that a large brass tablet be affixed to the fountain, where the lithia water would be on tap, as a permanent advertisement of Ashland and its wonderful product.

JEWELERS OF STATE TO MEET IN EUGENE

EUGENE, May 1.—The program for the annual convention of the Oregon State Jewelers' association, to be held here May 8-9, has been completed by W. L. Copperrnoll, president. Between 150 and 200 delegates are expected.

ADMITS BETRAYAL DENIES MURDER OF CHOIR GIRL

Wyman insisted his innocence of murdering the girl, but admitted he was the father of her child, which was to have been born in a few weeks, the states attorney announced.

DEATH COMES TO DICK CROKER, ONCE TAMMANY CHIEF

DUBLIN, May 1.—Richard Croker, famous New York Tammany politician, died Saturday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock at his residence at Glencairn in County Dublin. He had been bedridden for two days. He was 80 years old.

As former boss of Tammany hall, Richard Croker had long been an outstanding figure in New York politics. Although he spent his last few years in Ireland, where he owned a beautiful home and many race horses, Croker made his influence felt in the political life of New York to the very end.

CLEVER SHOW PRESENTED AT THE VINING THEATER

"Just Around the Corner," the clever production of Fannie Hurst, which is on at the Vining theater tonight is the screen adaptation of her story, "The Superman," which attracted such widespread attention when it was published in the Cosmopolitan magazine. The picture, if anything, is more entrancing than the story, which brought Miss Hurst into the forefront as one of the cleverest writers of fiction of today.

ANNOUNCE CHANGE IN SLEEPING CAR RULES

Beginning May 1, only one railroad ticket will be required for passengers desiring to hold sleeping car sections, according to an announcement just made by Charles S. Fee, passenger traffic manager of the Southern Pacific company. In the past, a passenger wishing to hold a whole section was required to pay an additional half fare. Two full tickets will be required to hold a drawing room or compartment, as in the past. The Pullman fares are not affected by this ruling, as the passenger pays for the space occupied as heretofore.

CONGREGATIONS SURPRISED IN YESTERDAY'S SERVICE

Congregations of the various local churches had a surprise sprung on them Sunday morning, when the ministers appeared in the pulpits, for without previous announcement, the pastors had exchanged pulpits for the day. Rev. C. A. Edwards preached at the Christian church, Rev. Oldfield at the Presbyterian, Rev. Champie at the Methodist, Rev. Finch at the Brethren, and Rev. Smith at the Baptist. The theme of "Sabbath Observance" was the subject by each of the ministers.

5 NEGROES KILLED IN A ROOMING HOUSE EXPLOSION

KANSAS CITY, May 1.—Five negroes were killed outright, and more than fifty persons hurt early this morning when an explosion wrecked a rooming house. The shock of the blast was felt for blocks. The rooming house was destroyed by fire, which followed the explosion. An accumulation of gas from a leaky pipe in the cellar is believed to have been the cause of the blast.

PARENT-TEACHERS WILL ENTERTAIN NAT'L PRESIDENT

The local Parent-Teachers association will have the honor tomorrow of entertaining at a luncheon and reception the national and state presidents of the Parent-Teachers association. The local organization is very fortunate in having the chance to have the national president with them, and are taking advantage of the opportunity by giving a luncheon at the Hotel Ashland at 12:30 o'clock, at which time 75 ladies will sit down with the national and state officers. Mrs. H. T. Elmore, district vice-president of the organization, will preside.

Mrs. Higgins and Mrs. Hill will both speak at the luncheon and at the afternoon reception, and will endeavor to answer any questions which may come up in connection with this work.

There will be eight districts represented at the council, and reports on the activities of each of the circles in this district will be given.

Following the luncheon, a reception will be given in the hotel parlors between the hours of 3 and 5 o'clock, at which time Mesdames Galey, Briscoe, Forsyth, and Miss Myers will preside at the tea tables. The 75 plates for the luncheon have been reserved by ladies, and as it is not possible to obtain any further plates, the luncheon will be a ladies' affair, but the reception in the afternoon will be open to all citizens.

MRS. HILL, STATE PRESIDENT WILL ARRIVE HERE THIS EVENING

Mrs. Hill, state president, will arrive here this evening, and will be the guest of Mrs. Elmore for the night. Mrs. Higgins and her secretary will arrive in Ashland at 8 o'clock tomorrow morning, and will be met by a committee and taken for a drive about the city and through Lithia park, arriving at the hotel in time for the luncheon.

Following the close of the reception at 5 o'clock, Mrs. Higgins and Mrs. Hill will be taken to Medford, where a reception will be given them at the K. of P. hall at 8 o'clock. Mrs. George Kunsman, president of the Medford Parent-Teachers circle will preside. All Ashland people who can attend are urged to go and show their appreciation of the national president's visit in our community.

Mrs. Higgins is on her way to the national convention of the association at Tacoma, which will be in session May 7 to 13, at Tacoma, Wash., and will be accompanied from Ashland by Mrs. Hill, Oregon state president. Mrs. H. T. Elmore has been selected as official delegate from southern Oregon to the national convention.

A personal pledge of service—prevent forest fires.

STRIKEBREAKERS ATTACKED BY FIFTY PICKETS

NON-UNION LONGSHOREMEN ARE SET UPON AS THEY LEAVE TERMINAL

Men Were Badly Beaten, Although None Were Seriously Injured—Strike Assuming Graver Proportions—Unloading Handicapped.

PORTLAND, May 1.—Twenty strikebreakers were set upon at East Water and Morrison streets shortly after 6 o'clock Saturday night by about 50 union longshoremen and a number of them were reported beaten.

The outbreak came at the end of a fairly quiet afternoon along the waterfront. The 20 men had been helping to load the steamer Admiral Farragut at terminal No. 2. They left a little in advance of the main body of strikebreakers.

The union pickets immediately off the dock did not molest them, but the pickets whistled shrilly, and these whistles were answered up and down the dock. Pickets began coming from all directions, and when they were in force they leaped upon the stragglers.

There were no police in the vicinity, so the battle raged amid shouts and the thuds of well-aimed blows. None was seriously injured, it is said.

Despite the outward optimism of the employers, it was obvious that the short crews of green men at work as longshoremen were making slow work of loading the ships in the harbor.

Sailors on one ship stated that they had been offered \$1 an hour to help the green men by working the winches. They refused to a man.

This morning the striking union longshoremen were restrained from picketing or congregating at places of shipping by a temporary order, which Circuit Judge Tucker issued at the instance of the employers, who contended that non-union workers, who desired to join the cargo crews, had been kept away from work by the pickets.

CRIPPLED FORCE OPENS POSTAL IMPROV'T WEEK

"Postal Improvement Week," May 1 to 6 inclusive, opened in the Ashland post office this morning, with a nice assortment of obstacles to overcome. The office was one clerk short handed, and the general substitute clerk-carrier, who has been substituting for a carrier on sick leave, himself developed a "flat wheel," and could not take the route.

It was a double mail, after the Sunday holiday, and first-of-the-month statements of firms thrown into the heap. It was handled by the postmaster and assistant postmaster getting on the job in the early hours this morning.

The substitute clerk-carrier with the "flat wheel," after handling the midnight mail, cased and routed up and marked up the mail for his route, which was picked up early in the morning by the postmaster and a raw recruit and delivered to the patrons on time.

After train 13 arrived at 10 o'clock, the regular carriers cased and routed the absent carrier's mail which was delivered promptly in the same way. Others in the office stepped on the accelerator, and the public did not know that anything had happened.

This is what Postmaster General Hubert Work expects, and the postal administration heads; through the Daily Postal Bulletin, constantly shows its appreciation of all employees who demonstrate resourcefulness that, although it may inconvenience themselves, delivers the goods to the patrons.

Forest fires are national calamities. Prevent them.