

MICHAEL COLLINS IRISH CHIEFTAIN DIES IN BATTLE

HEAD OF FREE STATE GOVERNMENT FALLS VICTIM TO REBELS

Leading Small Band to Victory Against Great Odds When Laid Low by Bullet—Death Deemed Severe Blow to Cause.

DUBLIN, Aug. 23.—Michael Collins, commander in chief of the Free State army, was killed in battle yesterday, fighting against terrific odds according to details received here from Cork.

Collins and a detachment of about 20 Free State soldiers were attacked from ambush, near Bandon, County Cork, by about 200 republican irregulars. The fighting lasted about a half hour. Collins was at the head of his little band and fought bravely amidst flying bullets, cheering his men onward. The Free Staters had fought the enemy almost to a standstill, and it was believed they were victorious, when a bullet struck Collins in the head. The gallant leader fell in his tracks. Several of Collins' soldiers were reported to have been killed. General Dalton, who accompanied him, was wounded.

The killing of Collins was followed by a violent burst of activity by the irregulars in County Tipperary. Many bridges were blown up and numerous buildings burned. The Free Staters have begun a vigorous new offensive in Cork and Tipperary counties, to round up the irregular rangers.

DEATH OF IRISH LEADER KEENLY FELT IN ENGLAND

LONDON, Aug. 23.—The anxiety of British officials over the Irish political situation was visibly increased today by the news of the death of Michael Collins, commander in chief of the Free State army, and the "strong man" of the Irish provisional government. He was one of the chief links between the English ministry and the Irish Free State government.

An intensified campaign against De Valera's republican irregulars is planned as a result of the assassination, according to a Dublin dispatch.

WILL SHOW PICTURES AT METHODIST CHURCH

Dr. Wilkinson, of Los Angeles, will show his special set of picture slides Sunday night at the Methodist church. These slides, some 75 in number, show all the points of interest about Oberammergau, Bavaria, where the Passion Play is presented every ten years, to which people from all parts of the world flock.

Dr. Wilkinson has been showing to crowded houses, and everybody who attends, should turn out early, in order to be sure of a seat.

BOY LOSES LIFE IN EFFORT TO SAVE DOG

PORTLAND, Aug. 23.—John Young, 18-year-old son of Owen D. Young, chairman of the board of directors of the General Electric company, was fatally injured in a construction camp near Hood River Monday afternoon, when he attempted to rescue a dog which fell from the foot board of a dinky yard engine. The lad, who was spending his summer vacation working in the camp as a material checker, was riding with the dog on the footboard of the engine.

FIRST NAT'L BANK SAFE TO BE BURGLAR PROOF

B. H. Grubb, of the American Bank Protection association of Los Angeles, is in the city to install one of the association's burglar proof linings in the vault of the First National bank.

It will require about two weeks to put the lining into place, after which it will be impossible for any steel drill to penetrate the interior of the safe without setting off the alarm.

Mr. Grubb is a local boy, having spent a number of years in Ashland before taking a position with the association, for which he has been working for the last few years.

A want ad will sell it.

GIVES PARTY FOR VISITING FRIENDS

Josephine and Marshall Barber entertained a score of neighborhood friends last evening at their home in honor of Thyra Bryant, of Klamath Falls, and Mary and Eleanor Crain, of Weed, Calif., who are visiting in the neighborhood.

The evening was spent with music and games, and everyone present thoroughly enjoyed the evening.

WEALTHY WIDOW SEEKS TO BUY A HUSBAND

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 23.—An effort to amicably straighten out a love triangle, wherein it is alleged a wife is willing to barter her husband to another woman for an annuity of \$100 a month, is causing the district attorney's office no little amount of worry.

The principals in the case are, Mrs. Edith Spreckles-Wakefield, the first wife of the late "Jack" Spreckles, who is in the market to buy a husband; Rodney Kendrick, a newspaper artist, and his wife, who is a chronic invalid. The latter appears willing to part with her husband, provided Mrs. Spreckles-Wakefield settles a monthly income upon her of \$100 a month, for life. There is a Kendrick baby.

Millionaire John D. Spreckles, of San Diego, is said to be on his way here to take a hand in the triangular love mix-up, as he is the grandfather of Mrs. Spreckles-Wakefield's two children, who were born while she was the wife of his son, the late "Jack" Spreckles. It is said that it is he who invoked the offices of the district attorney in the case, which may result in warrants being issued for attempted conspiracy.

BOOTLEGGER LOSES HIS LEG AND AUTO IS ALSO FINED

PORTLAND, Aug. 23.—T. C. Wilson, Baker, Or., bootlegger, pays for his violation of the national prohibition law with a leg, an automobile and \$100. Nature and a policeman's bullet took the leg. Judge Wolverton added the \$100 fine yesterday, and Assistant United States Attorney Baldwin is proceeding to confiscate the automobile.

Wilson, charged by prohibition officials with being a persistent violator of the dry laws, was arrested in Baker on the night of July 31, Sheriff Patterson and Patrolman Pierce of the Baker force.

He put up a fight and was shot in the leg, which subsequently was amputated.

LOS ANGELES DRY BY BREAK IN THE AQUEDUCT MAINES

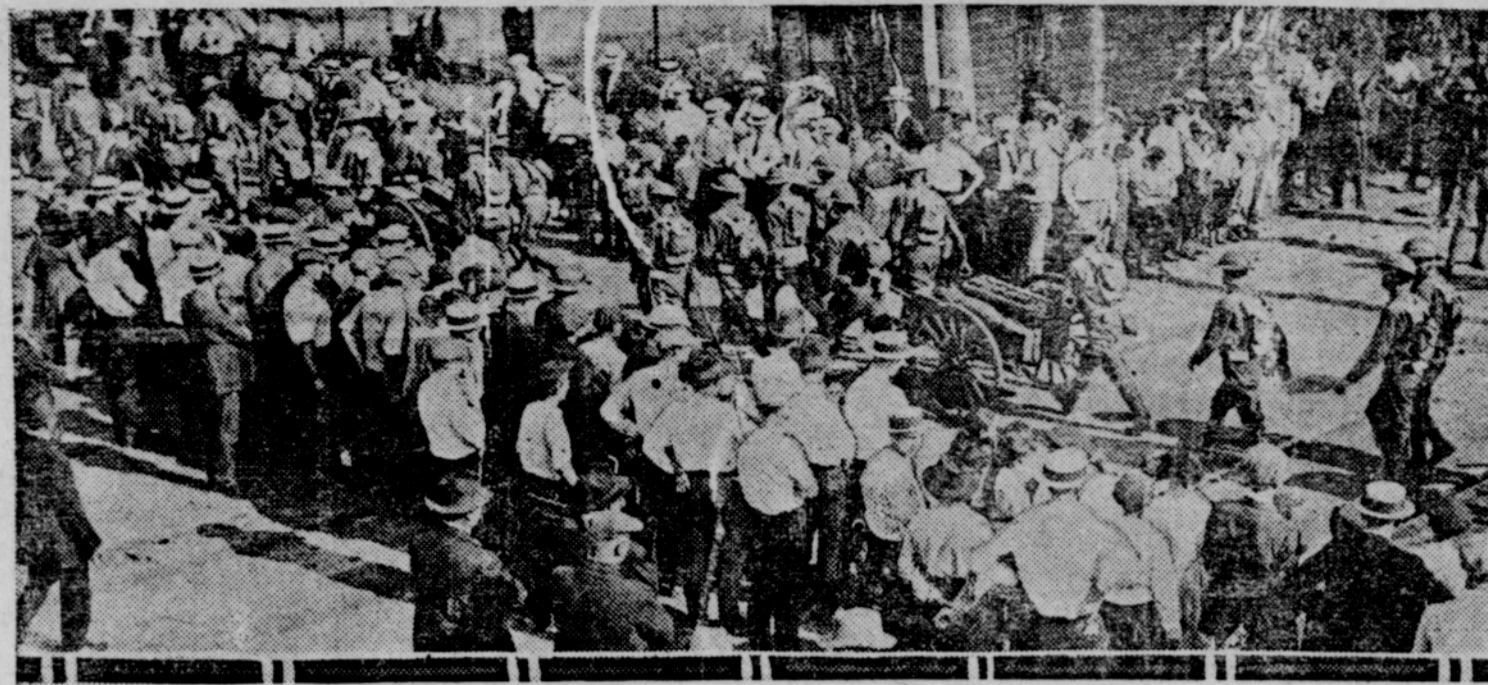
LOS ANGELES, Aug. 23.—Los Angeles has been cut off from its reserve water supply by the breaking of the Los Angeles aqueduct, according to word received here.

The break was due to the recent earthquake in the Mohave desert, it was stated. Repair of the damages will be made in three days, it was said. The break is near the north end of the Little lake division of the aqueduct.

AIRPLANE ENGAGES IN SKY STUNS OVER CRATER LAKE

CRATER LAKE, Aug. 23.—An airplane containing two men flying southward over Crater Lake about 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon, was the cause of great interest here when it hovered over the lake for several minutes, executing a nose dive and various other capers after which it zoomed up out of the crater and headed toward Klamath Falls. It was believed to have been a forest service plane.

Fatal Strike Clash Brings Troops to Joliet, Ill.



Illinois state troops from Chicago were hurried to Joliet because of a clash between railway strikers and a posse in which a railway detective and a striker were killed and the sheriff of Will county was seriously wounded. The photograph shows a machine-gun section marching through the town, where the guardsmen were jeered at and stoned by strikers.

EVERY TIME THE FAMILY EATS, IT'S A BANQUET

ROUEN, France, Aug. 23.—When the family of Frederic Eliot, gardener, sit down to dinner they have to put at least a dozen extra boards in the table.

They are father, mother and 32 sons, daughters and grandchildren. The parents recently celebrated their golden wedding anniversary.

BRIEF IS STOLEN IN PHONE RATE LEGAL TANGLE

SALEM, Or., Aug. 23.—Public Service Commissioner Kerrigan today announced that the brief he had prepared, attacking the right of the Pacific Telephone company to intervene in the Duncan suit, had been stolen from his office. It represents two months of hard work.

Kerrigan is the author of the resolution providing for the withdrawal of the commission's answer to the Duncan suit, which would permit the immediate return to lower telephone rates.

INDIAN CINDERELLA DEVELOPED BY OIL ON HER LAND

MUSKOGEE, Okla., Aug. 23.—Exie Fife, 19, was the poorest, loneliest, plainest little Indian girl in all the Creek tribe.

It looked like Exie was due to sit on the stoop and dream forever, until the other day when suddenly drillers on her 160 acres of poverty-stricken land, shot two oil wells, and the little Indian maid had to run for her life to keep from being drowned under a thundering rush of black oil.

Now she is the Indian Cinderella, no longer poor, no longer lonesome, no longer plain. The magic oil wells are spouting \$1250 for Exie every 24 hours.

PROGRAM OF BAND CONCERT IN PARK THURSDAY NIGHT

There will be the usual band concert in the Park tomorrow night. An unusually good program has been arranged by Director Loveland, and it is to be hoped that the pleasure of the evening will not be marred, as has heretofore been the case, by the noisy antics of the youngsters in front of the band stand. Following is the program:

1. March—"Woody Vans" King
2. Popular Waltz—"Romany" Myer
3. Overture—"The Honey Moon" Sutton
4. Intermezzo—"After Sunset" Pryor
5. Fox Trot—"The Sheik" Snyder
6. American Fantasia—"Gems of Steven Foster" Tobani
7. March—"The Undertow" Jewell
8. "The Star Spangled Banner."

GIANT CUCUMBER IS GROWN IN WEST ALBANY

ALBANY, Or., Aug. 31.—A cucumber weighing one pound and seven ounces and measuring eight and

BONUS BILL WILL LET LOOSE FLOOD OF AMENDMENTS

MANY SENATORS ARE ANXIOUS TO SQUARE THEMSELVES BACK HOME

Torrential Storm of Eloquence Will Be Let Loose, But Bill Is Expected To Pass Despite President Harding's Opposition.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 23.—A flood of amendments will burst upon the McCumber-Fordney soldiers' bonus bill, once the legislative battle over it in the senate gets under way.

A torrent of speech making will descend upon the bill, as senators for and against it, seek to square themselves with the so-called soldier vote "back home."

This was plainly indicated today as the senate prepared to finally tackle the bill, not as it passed the house March 23, but as reported in a much modified form by Chairman McCumber of the senate finance committee.

There is no indication that the attitude of President Harding has changed since the announcement that he would veto any bill that did not carry adequate provisions for financing the same, preferably by the imposition of a sales tax. Notwithstanding his opposition, however, it is felt that a bonus bill of some sort must be put over, or the senators and representatives who are up for re-election, will have a hard row to hoe at home. Under these conditions, it is pretty certain the bill will be put upon its passage in some form or another, leaving it to the president to carry the burden of a veto on his own shoulders.

JOSEPH S. MILLER DIES FOLLOWING SHORT ILLNESS

Joseph S. Miller died here this morning, following a two days illness, at the age of 64 years.

He was taken ill Monday morning, while about his work, and was taken home and medical aid called, but owing to his being unconscious the greater part of the time, it was not realized his condition was so serious until this morning, when the attending physician decided an operation was necessary. He died before the operation could be performed.

Mr. Miller came to this section of the valley 13 years ago, and has been working for the Carson-Fowler Lumber company the greater part of the time since.

He is survived by his wife, three daughters and three sons. Funeral arrangements have not been completed and will be announced at a later date.

three-quarters inches in circumference by nine and a quarter inches from tip to tip was shown here in past three days. It was grown in West Albany.

BILL HART MAY PATCH UP HIS DOMESTIC TROUBLES

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 23.—Motion picture circles were discussing today the reported patching up of difficulties between William (Bill) S. Hart, known as "Two Gun Bill" of the movies, and his beautiful young wife formerly Miss Winnifred Westover, who a short time ago were reported as separated, and that Mrs. Hart was to sue for divorce.

JOHNSTOWN HOME BREW PROVED TO BE HOAX

JOHNSTOWN, Pa., Aug. 23.—The soft drink merchants of this town are convinced that it pays to advertise. The announcement that, owing to the water supply being polluted, the mayor would permit the manufacture of "home brew," was sent broadcast, and amplified to the extent that it was taken for granted that the products of a full-fledged brewery, with a four to six per cent "kick," had been unloaded on the town, resulted in the working up of a community thirst. The result was a run on the soft drink parlors, and every drop of "near beer" there was to be had in this vicinity, was consumed in less than 48 hours.

The report that old-time beer was being sold, brought down an avalanche of dry sleuths, who scoured the town for illicit beverages, without being able to unearth a drop. Then it began to dawn on the community that the mayor had put one over on them, and today it is almost as much as one's life is worth to mention beer to a citizen of Johnstown.

E. O. McCORMICK SPEAKS TODAY AT KLAMATH FALLS

KLAMATH FALLS, Aug. 23.—The first opportunity that Klamath citizens will have to get first-hand information about the railroad development that is contemplated for this section by the Southern Pacific, will be given at the chamber of commerce forum today, when E. O. McCormick, vice-president of the company, will speak on the unmerger and its effect on Klamath county.

An invitation has also been forwarded to Hon. Frank R. Devlin, legal counsel of the Union Pacific, and former chairman of the California railroad commission, to come to Klamath Falls soon, and lay before the shippers and business men of the county the Union Pacific's side of the controversy.

After these two meetings the committee appointed by the chamber will make its recommendations to the membership.

PLANE WITHOUT MOTOR MAKES A 2-HOUR FLIGHT

BERLIN, Aug. 23.—Man has conquered the secret of the bird's flight.

The German motorless airplane contest conducted last week at Gersfield, in the Rhine valley, culminated in a world's record for gliders yesterday, when Pilot Hentzen, German ex-ace in the world war, made a sustained flight for two hours and ten seconds in an ordinary engineless monoplane, at a height of 1150 meters, or more than 3500 feet, and landing six miles from the starting place.

GERMAN GIRL LACES SO TIGHTLY IT KILLS HER

BERLIN, Aug. 23.—On a trip to her parents, a 22-year-old serving maid of a Goerlitz farmer, laced herself so tightly that she collapsed at the station and died immediately before she stepped into the train.

HOPE IS STRONG FOR SETTLEMENT OF R. R. STRIKE

EXECUTIVES AND STRIKE HEADS IN SESSION IN NEW YORK TODAY

Speedy Agreement Not Looked For, But Both Sides Believe Basis of Settlement of Vexed Seniority Question Will Be Reached.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 23.—Despite the obdurate attitude displayed by the "die hard" faction among the executives of the big eastern railroads, administration officials continue to be confident that this week will bring relief from the paralysis of the seven weeks' strike of the railway shopmen.

A speedy adjustment of the differences by strike leaders and the executives, who are meeting in New York today, cannot be expected, it was said by officials in close touch with both sides, but nevertheless, the belief strongly prevailed that there will be no adjournment of the conference inaugurated today, until a basis of adjustment has been agreed upon.

There is a "die hard" faction among the railway executives which will fight to the last ditch against restoration of seniority rights to the strikers, but they are said to be in a minority, and are apt to be overruled by those who believe that movement of the transportation facilities of the country must be given consideration above all other things.

The union heads are a unit, in that they will not agree upon any basis of settlement that does not safeguard the seniority rights of the striking shopmen. Notwithstanding these conditions, it is firmly believed that before final adjournment is taken, a basis for the settlement of the strike will be reached.

MANY WITNESS SHALE OIL DEMONSTRATION

There was a large attendance yesterday evening at the final public demonstration of the Hartman retort for extracting oil from shale. The exhibition took place in Mac's garage on Pioneer street, and it was noticeable that there were quite a few Medford people present. One of the interested spectators was Paul Ryming, the state highway engineer. Quite a number of ladies were also in evidence.

The firing of the retort was started promptly at 7 o'clock, and at 7:45 gas began to flow from the condenser, through a two-inch pipe, and when ignited made a solid flame 18 inches in length. This is said to be cashead gas and is a marketable commodity. It is claimed that the output from the regular retort is one million and a quarter cubic feet every 24 hours, in excess of the amount consumed as fuel by the retort. At 7:50, the oil began to trickle from the other side of the condenser, and was sampled by pretty nearly everyone present. It is claimed that the output of oil is conservatively estimated at 500 barrels every 24 hours.

10,000 MOOSE GATHERED AT ANNUAL CONVENTION

AURORA, Ill., Aug. 23.—Ten thousand Moose are encamped in tents at Mooseheart, and hundreds more are still coming in with every train for the 34th annual convention of the Loyal Order of Moose, which opened yesterday.

President Harding was expected to dedicate the James Davis memorial. Exercises preceding the convention included the initiation of the "Harding" class of 1000 candidates.

The Pennsylvania baby village, the Ohio plaza, the Wisconsin, New Jersey and Indiana buildings will be dedicated today.

BASEBALL RESULTS TODAY

National League
At Chicago 0; Brooklyn 6.
At Pittsburgh 11; Philadelphia 3.
American League
At New York 1; Cleveland 4.
At Philadelphia 6; Detroit 3.
At Boston 3; St. Louis 6.
Pacific Coast League
(Yesterday's Games)
At Sacramento 1; Los Angeles 3.
At Salt Lake 0; San Francisco 7.