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MANY SCHOOL CHILDREN ARE KILLED DURING FIERCE STORM

Seventeen Lose Their Lives When School Building Collapses

MANY ARE INJURED

Between Forty Five and Fifty Receive Serious Injuries From Falling Roof

LA PLATA, Md., Nov. 10.—A tornado which ripped through this village yesterday, burying fifty-six children and their teachers in the wreckage of a two-room school house, took seventeen lives, a complete check showed today.

Fifteen of the school children were either killed or died of injuries, and a negro and his wife died in one of the four houses that were wrecked.

LA PLATA, Md., Nov. 10.—Seventeen children were killed and 45 to 50 injured when a windstorm destroyed a school house here this afternoon, according to a check by Dr. George B. Heath, deputy state health officer.

Eight were killed outright and many died on the way to a Washington hospital.

The two teachers, Miss Ethel Gray and Miss Hughes were seriously injured. Four houses in the village were destroyed.

The two teachers were about to dismiss school for the afternoon when the storm broke. The fragile frame walls crashed before children could escape.

Doctors, nurses, ambulances and first aid supplies were rushed from Washington, 25 miles away. The American Red Cross, the war and navy departments and hospitals of Washington placed all resources at the disposal of the victims.

The navy department sent a squad of marines and a medical officer from Indian Head proving ground, a few miles away to police the bereaved village.

The hero of the storm was John Marshall Burr, 11, son of Rev. S. O. Burr. The boy was the first to recover after the shock of the storm and sent out the first call for help.

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FLORAL EXHIBIT TO BE HELD AT MEDFORD

Ashland Growers Invited to Send Exhibits This Week

The Medford Floral Society will have a flower show on Friday and Saturday at the Medford chamber of commerce rooms, and members of the Ashland Flora Society were invited today to send flowers for the exhibit.

Mrs. Marion Jacks, president of the local society, announced that she would take all such flowers to the Medford display providing they were properly packed and left at the Fixit Shop not later than 10 o'clock Friday morning.

Portland Movie Star Stops Here

Miss Fay Davis of Portland, winner of the National Paramount Junior Star Contest, stopped in Ashland for a short time as the guest of H. B. Hurst of the Vining Theatre yesterday afternoon, enroute to Hollywood.

The party, which traveled in a special built stage, consisted of 11 advertising and camera men, who plan to take pictures of this city on their return to Portland.

BONDSMEN ARE TOLD TO PROCURE BANKER

Commitment Papers Are Received by Sheriff for Bank Head

MEDFORD, Nov. 10.—A commitment for C. H. Owens, under sentence of not more than three years upon conviction of charges growing out of the Bank of Jacksonville failure in August, 1922, was received by the sheriff's office last week, from the supreme court, and the bondsmen of Owens have been notified by the sheriff to produce the defendant. The bondsmen are Mike Hanley, Dr. A. J. Helms and Joe Gagnou. The bonds are for the sum of \$2800.

The sheriff's office said this afternoon they did not know the present whereabouts of Owens.

Reames and Reames, attorneys for Owens during his trial, said they did not know his present location, but were under the impression he would report as soon as notified. His last address was Long Beach, Calif.

Chester Kubil, member of a pioneer Oregon family, former Applegate rancher, now living in Eugene, in a letter to the sheriff's office yesterday, notified them that he was ready to report to the sheriff upon call. Kubil is under a two year sentence on charges growing out of the bank failure, and was granted a reprieve last spring by Governor Pierce, until next Tuesday, November 16.

W. H. Johnson, cashier of the bank, was sentenced to 10 years and was given a parole after serving two years.

MILLARD GRUBB TO BE NEW COMMANDER

Local Legion Post Nominates New Officers for Next Year

Millard Grubb will be commander of the Ashland American Legion post for next year. The popular post office employe was nominated without opposition at the annual nominating meeting of the post last evening.

Other nominations made by the ex-service men follow:

Vice-commander, Ralph Bowman; adjutant, T. E. Patterson; finance officer, Gerald Wenner; sergeant-at-arms, Charles Delman.

All local ex-service men were urged to be at Medford for the big Armistice day parade which starts there at 11 o'clock in the morning.

Following the parade a big venison dinner will be served to the veterans of all wars, whether they are affiliated with any of the several veteran organizations or not. More than 500 pounds of venison steak will be furnished at the big feed to be given by the Medford post at the armory there.

Reedport industries, largely sawmilling, have payroll of \$110,000 a month.

SEVERE SHAKE UP IS MADE IN RANKS OF DRY OFFICERS

Is Said to be the Most Extensive Since Prohibition Was Enacted

OFFICERS DEMOTED

Two Officials Are Removed From Command of Southern Territory

BY THOMAS L. STOKES United News Staff Correspondent WASHINGTON, Nov. 10.—The most extensive shake-up in dry forces since prohibition was enacted has been announced by Lincoln C. Andrews, assistant secretary of treasury in charge of prohibition enforcement.

The new general alignment "in the interest of efficiency of administration," includes reduction in rank of two officials, one of whom figured in a controversy several months ago, and their replacement by prohibition enforcement talent from other sections.

The shake-up was announced after a conference with administrators from the east and south. The changes will become effective December 1.

One of the officials displaced was B. F. Sharpe, who was administrator for Georgia and the Carolinas. This district has been changed to comprise South Carolina, Georgia and Florida, and Robert B. Tuttle, assistant administrator for the New York City district, has been named as the administrator for the New York City district. Has been named as the administrator for South Carolina, Andrews said.

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Meeting Tonight To Discuss Shale

The Pacific Lumber and Shales company will hold an open meeting in the council chamber at the City Hall tonight where the report from a special committee of local business men, who have conducted a thorough investigation, will be read. In addition, Charles D. Crouch, president of the corporation will give those interested first hand information, as to the exact status of the affairs of the corporation, relative to the work being done, as well as future plans.

The other demotion was that of

NO TIDINGS THURSDAY In unison with all other local business establishments, The Daily Tidings will observe Armistice Day with a complete holiday and no issue of the paper will be published tomorrow.

The Meaning of Armistice Day

BY HANFORD MACNIDER Assistant Secretary of War (Written for The United Press)

WASHINGTON, Nov. 10.—(United Press)—Each succeeding year brings into sharper relief that dull November morning when the deep sullen roar of the Western Front suddenly fell away. After the first uncertain hush the air seemed clear—there was a new and strange throb in every man's breast. We pushed off the old helmet and tried to stand up again like men, not quite steady on our legs and a bit confused at the sudden quiet.

The war was over then for most of us, but as we celebrate the day it is well to remember that for many of our comrades-in-arms it was only the beginning of a struggle with the handiaps the great conflict brought them. We must not forget that many who marched forth beneath the colors did not come back.

Useful and constructive citizenship pledged to the causes for which they gave all they had is the only course before us. We shall be unworthy of our trust if we do not teach their conception of American citizenship to our sons and all who follow after.

There are those among us now-a-days who would make light of their sacrifice—who would destroy the national protection and leave the heritage they fought to preserve at the mercy of a still unsettled world. We all want peace, but not at the cost of our national honor, or the loss of American citizenship for our children.

We have no intention of allowing the sacrifices that have been made by every generation of Americans to be dissipated. We have an equally firm determination to discourage and defeat those who would start any useless conflagration and threaten the peace of the world. We must safeguard the future for posterity just as the men who did not come back insured for us the peace we now enjoy.

We owe it to the memory of the men to whom Armistice Day meant no return to family, friends and little children—no happy days ahead.

An Editorial ARMISTICE DAY

Those nations which once were bound together with ties stronger than those which bind even the strongest and most enduring human friendships; those nations which stood shoulder to shoulder throughout the most terrible period in the history of mankind—the band that was named the Allies—will tomorrow celebrate another anniversary of the end of the titanic conflict.

Just eight years ago at 11 o'clock tomorrow morning the guns which for more than four years had growled and thundered and hurled death and destruction—destruction both spiritual and material—beyond the power of man to compute, went silent. The prayers of a world in agony had been heard. Civilization had been saved.

While it is fitting to celebrate the day with merrymaking, by the joyful commingling of the men who shared each with the other the hardships of those ugly days, and to recount again the deeds in which they participated, it is well that we pause in our rejoicing to thank the Giver of all perfect gifts for the peace that has endured since the armistice was signed, and to pray that never again shall the human race have to pass through such travail.

Nor should we fail to remember those who responded to the call to arms and did not return. Wherever they may sleep—under the poppies fields of Flanders, in the peaceful God's Acres of the beloved homeland, or at the bottom of the seas, let's not forget them and their sacrifice tomorrow.

Too, it would be well to give good thoughts, thoughts of love and peace to those comrades who dwell in the lands that suffered more material injury than did we in America, and to hope that the time is not far distant when all their hurts may be healed. Also, let us bear in mind with love and charity those whom we called our enemies—eight years ago today. They have suffered much, and shall continue to suffer for many years. But perhaps we can ease that suffering by sending out to them thoughts of forgiveness and well being.

Bloody Herring Is On Eve of a War

HERRIN, Ill., Nov. 10.—(United News)—War impends between the civil authorities and the warring gangs of "Bloody William" county, who have left death and terror in their bullet scarred wake.

Aroused by the most recent outbreak Saturday night, when Mayor Jeff Stone and John Milroy of Colp, near here, were killed by machine gun bullets, the authorities have indicated that the end of their patience has been reached and that hereafter the Birger and Sholton gangs will be sun.

Mayor Marshall McCormick of nearby punished.

Former Resident Dies At Napa

H. H. Gearhart, former Ashland resident, passed away Monday at 10 p. m. at his home in Napa, Cal., at the age of 73 years.

Mrs. Elsie McEwen, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Gearhart and Howard Gearhart of this city and Mrs. Frank Eller of Hornbrook, Cal., children of the deceased, left late Monday night for Napa. It is understood that the body will be brought to Ashland for burial.

Herrin announced Tuesday he would recruit 1,000 men if necessary "to put a stop to this gangsterism."

And Everywhere That Mary Went the Lamb Was Sure to Go



CONFERENCES WITH QUEEN AND PRESS TO BE CENSORED

Fear Queen Might Inadvertently Say Something to Harm Rumania

DIPLOMATS WORRIED

Her Majesty's Frankness and Democracy Cause Officials to Attend All Meetings

ABOARD QUEEN MARIE'S SPECIAL TRAIN ENROUTE TO DENVER, Nov. 10.—(United News)—Queen Marie's conferences with the press will hereafter be censored by an agent of Premier Averesco, an official of her party announced tonight.

Nicolas Petresco, representative of the Rumanian prime minister, told newspaper correspondents aboard the train the queen has instructed him to be present at all informal meetings hereafter between herself and newspaper men. Petresco admitted that the order was inspired by his suggestion following a press conference yesterday when her majesty spoke at length about political conditions in Rumania. While her majesty's statements yesterday were harmless and were without news value Petresco fears that she at some future meeting might utter some statement that would be harmful to the present government.

"Her majesty is a woman as well as a queen," Petresco explained. "And it is best that some official be present when she talks for fear she might speak more as a woman than as a queen."

The Rumanians have been greatly worried since the trip began over her majesty's frankness and democracy. On several occasions she has spoken on subjects too delicate for her to discuss openly. They have also resented the activities of Major Stanley Washburn, aide to the queen, who heretofore had been the principal contact between her majesty and the press.

Queen Marie chatted informally with Governor Nellie Ross as the train sped over Wyoming deserts today. The governor boarded the train at Casper as her majesty's guest, and will remain aboard until the entourage reaches Denver Wednesday morning.

INSTRUCTIVE TALK ON TAXATION IS GIVEN

Prof. James Gilbert Speaks at County Assessor Banquet

An instructive talk on taxation problems, featuring a frank discussion of an income tax, was given to county assessors of Oregon at the complimentary banquet in their honor last night at the Lithia Springs hotel.

Prof. James Gilbert of the University of Oregon, who is known as one of the strongest supporters of a state income tax, was the chief speaker and held his audience at close attention throughout his address.

Supporting his contention that an income tax is the only equitable method of taxation, Prof. Gilbert pointed out that under the present system of taxation, only one out of five taxable dollars is reached by the assessors. He pointed to the federal income tax as proof of the equity of this method of taxation.

County Assessor Coleman of Jackson county, president of the state association of county assessors, spoke briefly on the budgeting plan in city and county government. He declared a budget to be a sacred thing which should be followed in every respect. He said he knew of instances in which money was raised for some fund by budget and then transferred to another fund in order to circumvent the six percent limitation. This, he asserted, was wrong in both theory and practice and should be prohibited through the force of public disapproval.

Bert Miller regaled the visitors and their wives with vocal selections which were enthusiastically received, while Hans Larsen led in community singing. O. F. Carlson presided as toastmaster.

COURT APPROVES INHERITANCE TAX

SALEM, Nov. 10.—(United News)—The Oregon inheritance tax in an opinion handed down in the state supreme court here Tuesday.

In the case of Fred W. Bronn administrator of the estate of Mary J. Heck, deceased, against Thomas B. Kay, state treasurer, an opinion by Justice Belt, declared that a death duty, whether an estate tax or inheritance tax, is not a direct tax upon the property, but a charge or toll which the state makes upon the right to transmit or to receive property on the death of the owner.

The opinion affirmed a decree handed down by Judge Tazwell of Multnomah county, in which the right of the state to collect an inheritance tax of \$3,886.20 from the Heck estate was upheld.

Albany — Sternberg saddlery adding another fire-resistant building. Eugene — Site dedicated for \$450,000 Fine Arts building for State University.

"Be Prepared" Is Armistice Day's Message of New Legion Chief

By HOWARD SAVAGE National Commander of the American Legion Armistice Day is the service man's day. It is a day which should be made sacred to the memory of those brave men who went over to Flanders Field but never returned. I know of no better way to celebrate that day than by upholding the national defense act of 1920.

I believe in national preparedness. God knows we do not want another war. We should be ever at peace, but ever prepared.

I sincerely hope that there never will be another Armistice Day that there will never be another war.

I remember when I was small my father told us that the children of that day would be the men of tomorrow, that they would fill the places of those who had gone before.

Now my father is gone and the fathers of many of the Legion men are gone, and it is our duty to see that the coming generation is prepared to take up the torch and sword when we are called before our Creator.

PLEA OF NOT GUILTY MADE IN ELK HILL OIL RESERVE

Fall and Dohney Enter Denial to Charges of Conspiracy to Defraud

ARE BOUND OVER

Both Will be Tried by Jury Starting November 22, in District of Columbia

WASHINGTON, Nov. 10.—Albert B. Fall and E. L. Dohney today pleaded not guilty to charges of conspiracy to defraud the government in connection with the Elk Hills Naval Oil reserve. They were formally bound over for trial by a jury in the District of Columbia Supreme Court starting November 22.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 10.—Five years after E. L. Dohney, the oil magnate, sent Albert B. Fall, then secretary of the interior, \$100,000 in cash in a little black satchel, the two principals appear personally in criminal court here Wednesday to be arraigned on a charge of conspiring to defraud the government. They will plead not guilty.

Dohney arrived today and Fall yesterday. The former secretary of the interior spent Tuesday meeting old friends. He is living in the same hotel where he lived while a member of the Harding cabinet, and where Dohney had an apartment at the time they discussed the naval oil lease.

Fall appears far from the crushed and broken man he was the rainy night he returned to Washington at the summons of the senate committee, which desired to confront him with Dohney's admission of the \$100,000 loan. Now Fall has recovered from that shock. He is somewhat thinner, but being naturally wiry, tall build, he appears in better health than when he left Washington under fire.

Defense attorneys are ready for the trial, which is set for November 22. The impending arraignment apparently marks the end of the long series of legal maneuvers, motions, appeals, recidivements and other delays which have prevented either of the two defendants from appearing in court to make formal answer to the charges which followed the sensational senate investigation during the winter of 1924.

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