

SPROULE SAYS WHERE LIES OUR BEST INTEREST

S. P. PRESIDENT WM. SPROULE GIVES OUT STATEMENT OF FACTS

If Central Pacific and Southern Pacific Are Torn Asunder, Latter Road Will Have No Line Closer Than Tehama.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 20.—William Sproule, president of the Southern Pacific company, today issued the following statement, "Where is Oregon's interest," explaining how this state would be affected by the threatened separation of the Central Pacific and Southern Pacific properties, which have been under a single control since 1870.

With reference to the desire of the Union Pacific to acquire the Central Pacific, it may fairly be set down by the people of Oregon as the intention of the government that public interest shall prevail over the self-interest of either of the roads concerned. The public is interested in the best railway service, given with the greatest convenience to them. Let us see what this means for western and southern Oregon, served by the Southern Pacific.

1. That the business of Oregon is not a primary matter east and west bound is shown by the fact that in 1921, only 18 per cent of the cars Southern Pacific handled in Oregon were given that company by shippers for delivery to railroad lines east of Portland for destination beyond. This is less than one-fifth of the business.

In the reverse direction the cars received by the Southern Pacific at Portland from its rail connections, were but 21 per cent. This is slightly over one-fifth of the business.

The markets for so large a portion of the products of western and southern Oregon are in the Pacific coast group of states, particularly California, and these markets the people of Oregon now reach through a single carrier without interruption or complications.

2. If the Southern Pacific lines be torn asunder, then Tehama, Calif.

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Sweet Home—Oil drilling to start. Million bushels wheat contracted for in Umatilla county.

MRS. H. C. GALEY RE-ELECTED TO SCHOOL BOARD

Mrs. H. C. Gailey was re-elected to succeed herself on the Ashland school board yesterday in the annual election which was held in the city hall.

There was only 30 votes cast, and Mrs. Gailey received the total vote, which speaks well for any citizen who holds a position of that kind, particularly so, when for the past year she has been president of the board.

The members of the election board were W. H. Gowdy, Judge, and Mesdames Howard and Leslie, clerks.

An election of the board will be held tonight, at which time the officers for the ensuing year will be chosen, and if all past precedents are observed in placing the oldest member of the board in the president's chair, W. H. McNair and V. O. N. Smith will be compelled to draw straws for the place, both having been elected to the board at the same time.

JEWELRY STORE IS CHANGING LOCATION

The W. H. Hodkinson jewelry store, which has been located in the Phipps building on East Main street for several years, is being moved to the Enders building, formerly occupied by the Enders musical department. Mr. Hodkinson is moving to the new location because of its being a more convenient size, the room in the Phipps building being twice the size required.

BOY ARRESTED AS DRUNK RELEASED BY COURT

E. S. Calvin, the lad who was arrested for drunkenness Sunday, was released yesterday evening after the court found he was only 17 years old, as it does not have jurisdiction over minors.

The boy gave the name of a Grants Pass man as the one who gave him the liquor, and officials at that place will probably take steps to prevent a like occurrence in the future.

NORMAL SCHOOL TEACHER ARRIVES IN ASHLAND

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Spencer arrived in Ashland Thursday and are holding forth at the home of Donald Spencer, on Iowa street, for a few days.

Mr. Spencer is one of the faculty of the University of Oregon, and is here to act as one of the faculty in the summer normal during the six week course.

The Spencers have made arrangements to occupy the Homel Elhart home on Nob Hill street during the absence of Mr. and Mrs. Elhart. After the normal course closes, they will go to the mountains in the Dead Indian country, where they will live in the open for a few weeks.

BIG RACE COURSE SWEEP BY FLAMES

SAN FRANCISCO, June 20.—The Greater San Francisco speedway at San Carlos, 20 miles south of here, an automobile racing course of wood construction throughout, was completely destroyed by fire Sunday, with an estimated loss of \$200,000.

REPUBLICAN PARTY PRIMARIES HOTLY CONTESTED IN EAST

AUGUSTA, Maine, June 20.—United States Senator Hale and Governor Baxter were re-nominated by large majorities in the Maine republican primaries yesterday.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., June 20.—In the race for the republican nomination for senator, Senator Kollrog is leading his opponent, former Congressman Lundeen, by more than two to one. In the democratic senatorial contest, Mrs. Peter Olesen and T. J. Meighen are running a close race. Governor Prues apparently has been re-nominated.

WASHINGTON, June 20.—Political worries that had beset republican leaders in the national capital since the "old guard" met defeat in Indiana and Iowa, were swept away as early returns from Maine and Minnesota indicated the re-nomination of Senators Hale and Kollrog, both personal friends of President Harding.

Both Hale and Kollrog have allied themselves solidly with the Harding administration and the defeat of either of them in yesterday's primaries would have been as disappointing to the "old guard" as was the defeat of Senator New of Indiana or the collapse of the republican "organization" in Iowa, when Smith Brookhart was chosen as the party's candidate.

ROW BREWING IN FEDERATION CAMP

CINCINNATI, June 20.—The American Federation of Labor convention is not running smoothly today. The smoldering embers of discontent blazed out in cries of "far," when the direct charge was made that President Lewis, of the mine workers union, was directly responsible for the continued incarceration of Alexander Howlett and August Dorely, of the Kansas district of the United Mine Workers.

The convention voted down a resolution condemning the Ku Klux Klan, on the ground that it was not within the province of a labor convention either to condemn or endorse such an organization.

Rainier—Street and highway work progressing rapidly.
Silverton—Coolidge & McClain bank to construct new building.

Queen Mary Paying Tribute to the War Dead



Queen Mary of England placing a wreath on the memorial to war dead in the cemetery of Terlincthun.

THE BIGGEST BOOZE CATCH IN HISTORY

SAN FRANCISCO, June 20.—The largest liquor seizure in the history of prohibition occurred at Lone Beach today, when prohibition officers seized a thousand cases of imported whiskey, after a gun battle with bandit smugglers in which one hundred shots were fired.

The mysterious ship, which was unloading its cargo of contraband booze inside off to sea and was trailed by coast guard authorities. Ten men were arrested and liquor to the value of \$300,000 was seized.

PICNIC LUNCH THURSDAY EVE. IN LITHIA PARK

The chamber of commerce will hold a picnic lunch forum at Lithia park picnic grounds Thursday evening at 6:30 o'clock.

Dr. Platt W. Covington, of the Rockefeller Foundation, will be the guest and speaker of the occasion. Instead of the usual luncheon, members are invited to bring their basket lunches and the committee will arrange for coffee and ice cream.

A large gathering of citizens is desired at this time, and the committee would like to know as soon as possible the names of those who will attend. If you will notify Mrs. H. C. Gailey, Mrs. Fred Engle, Mrs. S. B. McNair or the chamber of commerce office, it will aid materially in the arrangements.

RADIO ON ESPEE TRAIN SETS RECORD FOR DISTANCE

All transcontinental radio records were shattered by the wireless-equipped Shriners train of 12 cars carrying the Syrian temple delegation from Cincinnati, Ohio, which was recently handled by the Southern Pacific. A long distance receiving record of 2000 miles for radio-phones was established, as well as a 3000 mile record for telegraph reception while in motion.

Aerials were constructed eight inches above the roof of one of the forward cars, and were 160 feet in total length. A rail ground was used. The receiving equipment included honeycomb coils and a two-step-audio-frequency amplifier.

The train left Cincinnati in radio touch with both coasts. At Denver, music programs were copied from the big radio stations at Pittsburg and Chicago. At Colorado Springs the Cincinnati station was heard. The long distance record was made at Santa Barbara when the radio, while the train was in motion, picked up the United States government station NSS at Annapolis, 200 miles away. This is claimed to be a record for daylight reception under any conditions, and an astonishing record on two steps of amplification from a moving train.

It pays to read the classified page.

In Ashland's Auto Camp

"I will be back in about two weeks," said a tourist a day or two ago, as he was leaving. "I will telegraph a day ahead for reservations. I want to be sure of a good place to camp. It's a delightful place."

"This is a bum camp," said another. "You have no accommodations. You are three miles from town and it took me an hour to find the place. Then I had to walk three miles to find something to eat."

The camp and the accommodations were the same in each case. The difference was in the mentality of the two individuals. Fortunately, the latter type of mind is in the minority. It is what the scientist might call a case of "reversion to type." It serves to show how far the race in general has progressed.

Forty cars parked on the grounds last evening, and 123 people had a good night's rest in the "great outdoors."

RENEW EFFORT TO GET RECLAMATION INTO BONUS

WASHINGTON, June 20.—Efforts to have the Smith-McNary reclamation bill attached to the soldiers' bonus measure as a land settlement option were begun today in the senate by Senator Kendrick, democrat, of Wyoming. He asserted in a prepared speech that the plan would prove of lasting benefit to the nation as well as of assistance to thousands of former service men.

Senator Kendrick argued that the land settlement plan outlined in the house bonus bill and discarded by the senate committee would not meet the situation and would be lacking in both immediate and lasting results. He contended that thousands of soldiers who otherwise would accept the adjusted service certificate plan would accept land settlement if given assurance of protection as he claimed was afforded in the proposed reclamation measure.

Under Senator Ladd's amendment, the treasury would issue legal tender notes to the extent of \$2,500,000,000 or less, which would be paid over to the veterans. The notes would be retired over a period of 25 years in equal installments.

To help make these payments, all banks, banking institutions, trust companies and banking partnerships incorporated for or in excess of \$100,000, would be taxed to the extent of 50 per cent of their profits in excess of 12 per cent and all other amounts paid in taxes. Should the funds from this source prove inadequate to meet the note retirements, interest on the foreign indebtedness would be used, and should both these sources prove insufficient, the balance would be paid out of the treasury.

Provision would be made that after 12 months any holder of \$100 or more of the currency issued under the bonus bill might convert it into three per cent gold bonds, which would not be tax exempt.

FARMER OF SHERWOOD IS FOUND A SUICIDE

OREGON CITY, June 20.—Joseph Bruck, aged 65 years, a farmer residing alone on R. F. D. 5, Sherwood, committed suicide by hanging Thursday evening and Saturday evening his body was discovered by his nephew, L. Bruck, who called at his uncle's home.

YREKA MAKING GREAT PLANS FOR RODEO

Yreka is making a big effort on her four-day July Fourth celebration and rodeo. They are doing big advertising for the event, and have arranged four days in which there will not be a dull moment. There will be bands galore and stunts of every description. Ashland is interested in the success of her neighbors in such undertakings, and a large delegation is planning on attending at Yreka on July first and second, and be back home for the big Fourth on the third and celebration on the Fourth.

CLEARING SNOW ON PARK ROAD TO CRATER LAKE

The Crater Lake highway will be open as far as Anna Springs, six miles below the lake rim, some time this week, following concentrated effort by workmen to clear the road of snow banks, according to park officials. Snow conditions throughout the park are generally much improved, it is said.

"Without any question the road will be cleared of snow so that autos can easily go all the way to Crater Lake lodge by July 1, when the park season opens, and maybe a day or so before," said Superintendent Alex Sparrow, "although no one is encouraged to visit the lake before the official opening day. R. W. Price and the man who will have active charge of the lodge this year are expected to arrive from Portland the last of this week or the first of next to gather up their crew of hotel and other employees and make arrangements for the opening."

YEAR OF CHEMISTRY IN TWELVE WEEKS

OREGON AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE, Corvallis, June 20.—An innovation will be started in summer sessions which began June 19. A whole year of chemistry may be completed by students in 12 weeks. Those registering for elementary chemistry may confine their work for six weeks after the close of the regular summer session. Those students may, in addition to their nine credits in chemistry, take three credits in another subject while the summer session is in progress.

KITCHEN SHOWER GIVEN MISS GERTRUDE MIKSCHE

Mrs. Olive Page and Mrs. M. B. Riley were hostesses at the home of the latter last evening to the young women of the Presbyterian church. The affair was a kitchen shower for Miss Gertrude Miksch, whose wedding to Mr. Julian, of Rogue River, occurs shortly. A very pleasant evening was spent by the company. Strawberries and cake were served at the close of the affair.

TWO MEN KILLED WHEN TRAIN JUMPS TRACK

REDDING, Calif., June 20.—Two men were killed and another seriously injured two miles south of Castella Sunday, when the train on which they were riding jumped the track and crushed them. The men are unidentified, and railroad employees said they were "bumming" their way.

ASHLAND GRANITE FOR ROOSEVELT STATUE BASE

The Lithians jumped right into the July Fourth celebration plans at their meeting in Lithia park last night, and some active demonstrations will be noted in the near future. One special thing that was determined on was a trip around the valley and over Jackson and Josephine counties to stir up interest in the big parade. Harry Tomlinson is to engineer this trip early the coming week.

It is thought that the general committee on the Fourth may join in a trip at the same time, to further advertise the program features for the day and week. This is good publicity stuff and may well be extended to Klamath Falls and northern California towns.

BABE RUTH HANDED THREE DAY LAY-OFF

CHICAGO, June 20.—Babe Ruth was suspended by President Johnson of the American league for three days, on account of the home run slugger's "run-in" with Umpire Dineen over a decision at second base at Cleveland yesterday.

UNION MEN CAN RETURN TO WORK IN KLAMATH

KLAMATH FALLS, June 20.—The Timberworkers' union is taking no action to cancel the membership of those who return to work, thereby virtually putting an end to the local lumber strike. Action to this effect was taken by the union at its regular meeting Sunday, and was announced yesterday by R. R. Canterbury, international president of the Timberworkers' union.

Canterbury said the action was taken for the best interests of the community. He asserted that the strike had not been called off, stating that such action was directly in violation of the American Federation of Labor's eight-hour-day policy but as the situation now exists, he pointed out, it is up to the men to return to work or not, as they themselves may decide.

Canterbury's statement follows: "There seems to much speculation and misunderstanding of the present status of the existing controversy between the lumber interests of this section and their employees, and of the action taken by the Timberworkers' union at its regular meeting Sunday.

"I would like to make it clear that the strike order has not been rescinded and will not be at any time in the future until the eight-hour day is restored throughout the industry in this section. Workingmen and women hold the eight-hour day too sacred to concede a longer work day and can do nothing less than to reiterate their stand for the eight-hour day.

"There are times, however, when wage workers must bow to circumstances and accept impossible and distasteful conditions for a time, always having in mind the ultimate correction of these ills.

"Realizing there are those who have been driven to accept such conditions here at this time, the timberworkers' organization is taking no action to cancel their membership and in fact will not do so, and the organization is convinced that having been forced through economic necessity to accept other than an eight-hour day will only strengthen the determination of these workers to so conduct their affairs that the return to the eight-hour day will ultimately be the result."

* BASEBALL RESULTS TODAY *

National
At Boston 0; Cincinnati 2.
American
At Cleveland 5; New York 3.
At St. Louis 7; Philadelphia 3.
At Detroit 9; Boston 8.

SUN A FUGATIVE WHILE WU IS GAINING POWER

UNIFICATION OF CHINA SEEMS NOW TO BE A DEFINITE POSSIBILITY

The Old Parliament Will Meet to Consider a New Constitution, and the Provinces Are Sending New Delegates.

PEKIN, June 20.—"The expulsion of Sun Yat Sen from Canton greatly hastens the unification of China," declares President Li Yuan Hung. "We expect to obtain a quorum of at least a majority of the old parliament, and it will meet soon to complete a new constitution for the republic. The provinces are sending additional delegates to represent their views."

Sun Yat Sen's downfall seems to be complete. Developments point to a new reunited China. The grasp of Wu Pei Fu on the disturbed situation in China apparently was stronger today than at any time since his defeat of Chang Tao Lin, rebel super-tachun of Manchuria, at the gates of Peking; first brought him into prominence as a prospective "strong man of China."

Dr. Sun Yat Sen, principal opponent of the Peking government, in whose behalf Wu has been exercising his admitted military genius, has fled from Canton, where the southern Chinese government he headed is overthrown, and Chen Chian Ming who is favorable to Wu, is in control.

In the north, the leaders of Wu's army on the south Manchurian front and the head of forces of Chang Tao Lin in that region, have concluded a definite armistice, according to advices from Chinwangtao, and already Chang's Fengtien troops are withdrawing toward Mukden. The armistice, according to all available information here, resulted from a meeting of the two commanders aboard a British vessel at Chinwangtao last Friday.

WASHINGTON, June 20.—Admiral Strauss, commander of the American fleet in Asiatic waters, has been informed by United States Minister Schurman, that it may be necessary to send gun boats to Canton to protect American lives, the state department has been advised.

FRUIT SHIPPING SEASON NOW ON AT POST OFFICE

The parcel post fruit shipping season is beginning to develop at the Ashland post office and a large amount of business is expected this year. Strawberries, cherries and vegetables constitute the present output.

The postal regulations require that fruits and fresh vegetables must be in wooden boxes and well cleated. The largest amount of tonnage going out of the Ashland post office is addressed to points located on star routes, and these shipments require still further preparation by re-inforcing the wooden boxes with cleats at top and bottom at the ends and wiring with small wire at both ends. The end of the wire should be tucked into the opening at the edge and end of the box. Good packing meeting the requirements means prompt handling of fruit shipments, and the post office force appreciate the efforts of patrons who have their fruit shipments well prepared. The fruit shipping season means much activity at the post office, and every moment of the employees' time is needed for prompt dispatch of all fruit shipments on the first outgoing trains.

PORTLAND, June 20.—Nearly all hope for H. M. Wallace, Newberg motorcycle officer, who sustained a fractured skull Friday in an upset while patrolling the Rex-Tigard road for the Aurora bank robber, was given up today, according to attendants at St. Vincent's hospital.