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IN THE DAY'S NEWS

Governor Pierce has refused flatly to call a meeting of the state emergency board to authorize payment of some \$2750 of indebtedness created since the first of the year by the state exhibit agent and the Oregon tourist information bureau, both of which were abolished by the 1923 legislature. The numerous body of citizens who believe in making a budget and sticking to it will applaud that decision vigorously.

Emergency boards and emergency clauses attached to legislation have both been badly abused in the past. Neither is justifiable except in the case of an emergency that threatens the peace, health or safety of the state, yet as far back as the average memory reaches emergency boards have been authorizing overdrafts on appropriations that amount to nothing more than plain failure to make both ends meet and emergency clauses have been attached to legislation that is not even distantly related to an emergency. Such practices tend to break down respect for law. It is time they were stopped.

The attention of the world has been held for months by King Tutankhamen and his newly discovered tomb. Here are objects of art and of industry that speak of a civilization far advanced, and yet they were laid away in his sepulchre more than 33 centuries ago. But even King Tut was a modern personage. Yesterday's dispatches carried the news that the joint board of the Montreal theological colleges has purchased Egyptian vases and sculptured figures dating from a period 3000 years before Tutankhamen. These antiquities were collected in the valley of the Nile by Professor John Garstang, head of the British archaeological work in Palestine. The civilization that produced these works of the hand of man have perished and the land that sheltered them is now a desert waste. It is an old world.

The front pages yesterday carried the news that New York is battling with the worst snow storm of the winter. The entire street cleaning department, augmented by a special force of 13,000 men, was fighting to keep the streets passable in the face of a steady fall of snow. Yet New York a few days ago was enjoying spring. Three days ago Des Moines reported sunny skies and a temperature of 74, but day before yesterday the minimum temperature in Des Moines was 30 and the maximum 34. These vagaries of Eastern weather explain why the Pacific Coast is becoming the fruit capital of America. Fruit crops do not thrive in a region where the temperature varies within two days from 74 above to two degrees below freezing.

On Tuesday an enterprising young minister from Hillsboro, Oregon, invaded the Gretna Green of the Northwest—Vancouver, Washington, where men who cannot pass the physical tests required by Oregon law of males who are candidates for matrimony go to get their licenses—and for a few hours did a rushing business in competition with local marriage merchants. He turned several honest pennies, according to the correspondents, and doubtless he will be able to put the money to a good use. It is naturally pleasing to hear of a fellow Oregonian who thus stops out and shows the people of a neighboring state a few tricks in business getting, and there is also an aspect of elemental justice in his enterprise. It is Oregon that is furnishing these

slightly tarnished offerings that clutter the matrimonial counters in Vancouver, and it is only fair, therefore, that an occasional Oregonian should reap a share of the ensuing financial harvest.

A wireless message to the department of commerce from C. E. Herring, American commercial attaché at Berlin, conveys the information that German steel prices have been reduced for the second time since February 9, but are still above the world market. This news is confirmed by a financial page item of a day or two ago which stated that because of lower prices the American steel industry is getting business that formerly went to Germany. Thus perishes the bogey of German dumping that worried all of us so greatly in the closing days of the war and the early days of peace. Boasted German efficiency has been so lowered that it cannot even compete with let alone dump goods on the rest of the world. At the same time, further testimony is given that honesty is always the best policy.

HERE IS A WILD SCHEME

Not so very long ago Portland voted \$3,000,000 in bonds for new school buildings, but the sum is proving inadequate for the city's needs and another bond issue is being discussed. The schools of Salem are crowded to overflowing, and it is asserted that immediate action is needed in the way of providing added housing facilities. The voters of Corvallis are soon to be asked to authorize a bond issue of \$70,000 to build two new grade schools. And so the story goes throughout the Willamette valley, which is growing rapidly again after a period of standing still.

The tax burden, in Oregon as elsewhere, has increased to the point where the burdened taxpayer groans loudly at the prospect of added public expenditures. But what is to be done about it? The cities of Western Oregon are growing swiftly, and no one would have it otherwise. Needed school facilities must be provided, for Oregon prides itself above all else on its school system. We must manage, some way or other, to house our growing school population.

There is a way out of the dilemma. The average school year in Oregon is about 180 days, or exactly half of the calendar year. Counting out Sundays leaves the schools in session three-fifths of the working year. The average school day is about six hours, whereas the average day in industry is eight hours. Taking this into consideration, the schools are in session about two-fifths of the available time.

Keeping young children in school eight hours a day for 300 days in the year is, of course, not to be considered, but there is a way to avoid that. It is not impossible to operate the schools continuously, sending the pupils in relays. Daily hours and terms could be overlapped in such a way as to keep each child in school about the same time as at present and yet keep the school plant in use continuously.

This suggestion is not offered with any idea that it will meet with a kindly reception. Parents would be scandalized at the thought of giving up existing school hours and vacation systems. Still, school costs are advancing astonishingly and in face of this fact we are utilizing the school plant only two-fifths of the available time. The sheriff would soon get any private enterprise that saddled with a stupendous overhead upon itself.

The author of "The Face on the Bar Room Floor" says caustically that if he thought his famous recitation had helped the cause of prohibition he would go jump in the river. Still further good will be accomplished if someone will now assure him that it has.

Pleas for official clemency are being made for Husted Walters, convicted murderer, who is sentenced to be hanged at Salem on Friday. But how did Acting Governor Ittner come to overlook him?

Science is baffled by the case of a Michigan girl who for two weeks ran a temperature of 114 degrees. There's a girl to be sought after; she couldn't turn the cold shoulder on her admirers if she wanted to.

Five drastic prohibition bills have been passed by the Iowa legislature. The next thing should be a little drastic enforcement.

Earlier Days in Eugene

(From The Morning Register, March 8, 1904.)

O. F. Callison has moved to Pleasant Hill to reside for the summer.

Fire in the basement of the Congregational church Sunday during services caused some alarm. The yell of fire cut the minister's prayer short and the church was

soon vacated. The fire was caused by a pipe from the furnace being too close to the woodwork but there was not much damage. The services were resumed.

S. M. Yoran has consented to be a candidate for county judge on the Republican ticket if they want him to run.

I. T. Nicklin, the Junction City merchant, was here yesterday.

Morris Levinger, formerly of Eugene, now residing in Spokane, is here on a visit.

Snow is 15 feet deep on the top of the mountain at the Blue River mines.

Coburg item: Dewey Burns had the misfortune to cut one of his toes nearly off while splitting wood a few days ago.

The Woodmen at Coburg have remodeled their hall. A stage has been put in downstairs, making a splendid room for shows.

CUNO SPEECH ACTS TO AROUSE PEOPLE

(Continued from page one)

purposefully avoiding conflicts with the workmen. But with the elimination of the German security police, the number of untoward incidents was rapidly diminishing with the majority of the population maintaining an attitude of indifference.

FRANKFORT NEXT OBJECTIVE

Munich Also to Be Occupied by French, Is Report

(By The Associated Press)

BERLIN, March 7.—The Munich correspondent of the Afton-Postenblatt in a dispatch to his paper says he has learned from "a visiting diplomat" that the French intend to occupy Frankfort next week and that the occupation of Munich and other points in south Germany is to take place in about three weeks. Belgian troops, it was added, would also be used in occupying Munich.

The correspondent's informant stated that this movement would follow a plan drawn up by General De Goutte, commanding the Franco-Belgian forces in the Ruhr. It was sharply opposed by Marshal Foch, however, and the diplomat himself was doubtful whether it would be carried out.

French Cross Maxau Bridge

BERLIN, March 7.—A dispatch from Karlsruhe said that French troops in motor lorries have crossed the Maxau bridge, apparently with the object of reinforcing the French customs lines. The railway line between Karlsruhe and Kehl was occupied by the French this morning; they ejected the German official and seized a number of railway wagons, some of them loaded and dispatched them in the direction of Alsace.

Ruhr Occupation Is Topic

(By The Associated Press)

LONDON, March 7.—As a sequel to yesterday's debate in the house of commons, the parliamentary labor party met today and resolved to invite the labor and socialist parliamentary parties of France, Belgium and Italy to send representatives to London to discuss immediately tactics with regard to the situation in the Ruhr and the questions of security and reparations. The suggested meeting is to take place with a view to a larger conference later regarding trade union and socialist movements in all the countries concerned.

MAY SEND NEGROES TO RUHR

New York Labor Agent to Supply Workers

NEW YORK, March 7.—Exportation of between 2500 and 5000 American negro miners for work in the Ruhr mines is planned by Harry V. Daugherty, a New York labor agent, he announced here today on his return from Europe.

Daugherty asserted that Ambassador Jusserand of France already had discussed the matter with Secretary of State Hughes who had assured him no international complications would result from the move. At least 500 miners from the West Virginia fields would be sent on a ship sailing March 15, Mr. Daugherty said.

WASHINGTON, March 7.—Secretary Hughes authorized a statement tonight that he never had heard of a plan to transport American negroes to work in coal mines in the Ruhr. He said this after being informed that Harry V. Daugherty had announced he intended to carry out such a project, that Ambassador Jusserand of France had discussed the matter with Mr. Hughes and that the secretary of state had given assurance that no international complications would result.

HARDING GETS REST AND RECREATION IN FLORIDA

PRESIDENT MOTORS TO SEABREEZE AND PLAYS GOLF

Houseboat With Mrs. Harding and Other Members of Party Proceeds to New Smyrna

DAYTONA, Fla., March 7.—President Harding today found what he was seeking in Florida—quiet and recreation. After a night spent aboard the houseboat Pioneer, just south of Daytona, the chief executive, with his host, Edward B. McLean, Chairman of the board of the shipping board, and former Director Dawes of the budget, came ashore and motored to Seabreeze, across the river from this city, for a game of golf.

The Pioneer, with Mrs. Harding and other members of the party aboard, proceeded down the river and anchored off New Smyrna. The President, after a round of golf, motored to New Smyrna and went aboard about one o'clock. Almost the entire winter colony there was on hand to the dock to greet him and to catch a glimpse of Mrs. Harding, who appeared on deck shortly before the arrival of the President.

An hour after the President had boarded the Pioneer, the cruise down the river was resumed.

The next stopping place of the President was not announced before the departure from New Smyrna that matter being left undecided. The President, it was emphasized today by members of his party, has established no fixed schedule and will make none, holding that the most can be gotten from a visit when such matters are left to day by day arrangement.

The Office Cat

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Life is a tangle, life is a care, life is much worry and often despair. But there is pleasure, music and light; there is a morning after each night. Life is a mixture of joy and pain, plenty of sunshine, plenty of rain. But this same mixture makes us worth while, it through the shadows we can still smile.

A resident has reported a window broken by a baseball, so spring is here, robin or no robin.

THE GENUINE ARTICLE
"Prouth" exclaimed the old-timer in scorn. "Why, you fellows don't know what a dry spell it is. On the stream where I settled in 1855 we had to haul water to keep the ferry running."

A quitter does the world just about as much good as the hole in the doughnut—probably less.

If everybody were optimists and backed up their convictions with well-directed hard work, the bowl for an equal division of wealth would soon die out.

Why it is when a girl is single every-one wonders why, and when she is married everyone wonders why.

When the book agent confesses that few families have sufficient culture to appreciate the work, the set is sold.

Keep out of rats' A rat is something which if it traveled in too much, becomes a ditch.

ROBERT TRACY BLAMES WILLIS FOR MASSACRE

HERRIN RIOT SURVIVOR SAYS OFFICIAL ORDERED "KILL"

Witness Also Picks Out Otis Clark as Man Who Beat McDowell Over the Head

(By The Associated Press)

HERRIN, Ill., March 7.—Testimony of Robert Tracy, Herrin riot survivor, that Hugh Willis, state board member of the Illinois Mine Workers, gave an order to "kill them all" after 48 non-union workers had been taken from the Southern Illinois Coal company strip mine at Herrin last June, was given in court at the second Herrin trial here today.

The witness picked out Otis Clark, former assistant superintendent, charged with the murder of Antonio Mulkevitch, former soldier, veteran of the Somme and the Argonne, and one of the victims of the tragedy.

Tracy testified that he had seen Clark walk up to C. K. McDowell, crippled mine superintendent, and another victim of the riot, curse him and beat him over the head with the butt of a pistol.

Tracy testified that the unarmed prisoners were taken into the woods, after Willis had driven up in an automobile and said to "kill them all," and lined up before a barbed wire fence. He said one bullet struck him as he ran but that he escaped by swimming a small lake.

Asked For Guns, Ammunition
John Shaffner, a clerk in a Herrin hardware store, testified that some men had come into the store the morning of the riot and had asked for guns and ammunition, saying:

"The local is good for it."

The witness said he refused to give them guns without an order and that a little later someone called him on the telephone and said: "This is Hugh Willis. The boys want some guns and ammunition to shoot birds. You let them have it and I'll make it right."

Most of this testimony was given over the objection of the defense and in the absence of the jury and later it will be stricken out, Judge D. T. Hartwell ruling that it was not proper, as it did not show any connection of the defendants except as guests on the say-so of an unidentified man.

Fred Harrison, a University of Illinois student, declared he had seen 15 or 20 armed men shoot and kill a fugitive and on going to the spot had seen Bert Grace, one of the defendants, with a gun.

FOUR MEN ARRESTED AND LIQUOR RING BROKEN UP

DETROIT SMUGGLERS USED YACHT OF MILLIONAIRE

Owner Traces Craft to Toronto and Finds 500 Cases of Whiskey on Board Vessel

DETROIT, Mich., March 7.—One of the largest liquor smuggling gangs in the United States has been broken up, according to Earl J. Davis, United States district attorney, in the arrest of four men, alleged to have utilized the yacht of a millionaire Bay City lumberman in conducting their operations.

The men under arrest are Alfred Emord, Alfred Watkins, Captain John Dorrington and Captain Alex Clifford, all of Detroit. Dorrington is alleged to have acted as master of the yacht, while Clifford,

MOTHERS AND THEIR CHILDREN

Watching the Child's Voice

I pay great attention to my children's voices. When they whine I pretend not to hear them. When children are tired out with play, their voices often become loud and harsh. At such times I try to quiet them and to keep them from talking for a while. So often children are allowed to spoil the quality of their voices.

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CHARLES W. HAWLEY AT THE SUPER ORGAN

a veteran lake sailor, is said to have assisted in its navigation.

The roundup of the men resulted, Mr. Davis declared, from the activities of William J. Sovereign, president of the Alladin company of Bay City, Mich. Mr. Sovereign, the district attorney declared, discovered that during his absence from home last summer his yacht had been chartered by the men, representing themselves as lumbermen desiring to cruise the lakes.

Mr. Sovereign later learned his yacht had been taken to Toronto. Becoming suspicious, he went to the Canadian city and discovered the vessel with 500 cases of whiskey aboard, he said.

hospitals. Listed among those injured were several girls attending a missionary church meeting on the third floor of the building. They leaped into life nets.

More than 25 stone masons were holding a meeting on the fourth floor when the fire broke out. A number of those at this meeting had been unaccounted for late tonight.

The fire followed a series of heavy blasts on the first floor in a shoe store. The force of the explosions shattered large plate glass windows on the opposite side of the street.

The dead man lost his life when he jumped to the street from a third-story window.

The property loss was estimated at \$125,000.

Pierce Heads Drainage Commission

HALEM, Ore., March 7.—At a reorganization of the state irrigation and drainage commission today Governor Pierce was elected chairman. By an act of the recent legislature, with emergency clause attached, the governor and the state treasurer were added to the commission which heretofore has

consisted only of the state engineer, the state superintendent of banks and the attorney general. The commission today certified an additional \$50,000 bond for the Steadford irrigation district, from which \$1,000,000 previously had been certified.

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