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ALASKA WANTS BETTER POLICE PROTECTION

Juneau, Alaska, Dec. 1. (By mail)—Alaska wants a federal constabulary to patrol the vast reaches of the northland and enforce law and prevent crime among both the native and the white population.

Some who favor the organization of such a body would model it after the Royal Northwest Mounted Police an efficient Canadian organization which keeps order in the Yukon Territory, Alaska's neighbor on the east.

Governor Thos. Riggs Jr., in his recent annual report to Secretary of the Interior Franklin K. Lane, recommended the establishment of a federal police organization.

Secretary Lane in his yearly report included the following paragraph regarding police protection in Alaska:

"Outside of the incorporated towns there is but little police protection except as afforded by various wardens and special employes for the suppression of the liquor traffic among the natives. The marshal's offices are hemmed around with restrictions concerning expenditure for the detection of crimes, which makes it almost impossible to prevent crime or to run down lawbreakers after a crime has been committed. A recommendation is made for the establishment of a federal constabulary to enforce law and prevent crime."

The American Red Cross sent 3,000 tons of condensed milk to the children of prisoners in Archangel, Siberia, and 2,000 pounds of powdered milk to the children of France.



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SIGNPOSTS ELIMINATE TERRORS OF THE DESERT

The United States Geological survey, department of the interior, has surveyed and signposted a great area of the most dangerous desert region of the United States. The 39th annual report of the topographic division of the survey, just made public, describes the method employed of making the desert safe to the unwary traveler.

The region surveyed occupies about 60,000 square miles in southern California and southwestern Arizona. In California it includes the southern part of Death Valley and the region between this valley and the Mexican border; in Arizona it includes the region west of Tucson and Phoenix and south of Wickenburg and Parker. This region was selected because it is the driest, hottest, and least explored part of the desert region, and also because of the strategic importance of obtaining information on the water supplies along the 350 miles of national frontier that it includes. The field work was done by four parties, each of which consisted of one geologist and one nontechnical assistant outfitted with an automobile and light camping outfit. Practically all watering places in the region were examined, about 160 samples of water were collected and shipped to the water-resources laboratory at Washington, D. C., for analysis, and a general exploration was made of the geography, geology and ground-water conditions of the region. The maps prepared and the data obtained were made available to the army engineers for incorporation in the progressive military map of the United States. Guides with maps are being prepared for publication.

Signs directing travelers to water were erected at 167 localities in California and 133 in Arizona. The signposts are galvanized iron, 1.9 inches in outside diameter and 12 feet long. Each post is anchored in the ground with two redwood blocks. The signs are 18-gage steel, galvanized, are white, with dark-blue letters, and are substantially bolted to the posts. They are of two sizes, 18 by 20 inches and 9 by 20 inches. Most of the larger signs, of which 470 were erected, give the names, distances, and directions to four watering places; most of the smaller signs, 165 of which were erected, give the names, distances and directions to two watering places. The work done last year is a part of a comprehensive plan for mapping and marking the watering places in the entire arid region lying east of the Sierra Nevada and Cascade mountains and west of a line running approximately from eastern Oregon through Salt Lake City and Santa Fe to the mouth of Pecos river.

PERSONAL AND LOCAL

"Page" Talcum, Sabin has it, 49 Lewis Stinebaugh, of Portland, is visiting relatives in this city.

Electric work—Paul's Electric store, phone 90 Medford, 62

Harry Hull, of Portland, spent Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Hull, in Grants Pass.

Patronize home bakery. Fresh, clean goods. Moore Baking Co. 49 Radiator Anti-freeze. C. L. Hobart Co. 51

Sam Bowden stopped off here this morning from California to spend a few days.

All orders for hemstitching and piecing promptly filled. Handicraft Shop, Medford, 54

Miss Wilna Smith, of Wapato, Wash., is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ora Smith, at Kerby.

Radiator Anti-freeze. C. L. Hobart Co. 51

Miss Marie Edwards spent Christmas with her parents, returning to Medford last night.

Ten pound sack of whole wheat flour 50 cents at the Rochdale, 49 Hemstitching and piecing at 10 cents a yard—All work guaranteed. The Vanity Shop, Medford, Ore. 27

George E. Howland, former Grants Pass resident, arrived this morning from Oakland, Cal., for a few days on business.

Rich, brown crisp waffles with butter and maple syrup, and acup of delicious coffee for your breakfast at the Oxford Cafe, 25 cents, 49

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Wheeler, of Wapato, Wash., are spending the holidays with Grants Pass and Kerby friends and relatives.

Ladies telephone A. Lavigneur, chef at the Oxford any time you want a rich cake or pudding—as he is an expert pastry cook, 49

Mrs. Harold Johnson, of Roseburg, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Stinebaugh. Mr. Johnson, who is an employe of the S. P. company, is expected here today.

T. M. Stott and family went to Medford Christmas day, returning home this afternoon. They were accompanied by Miss Dorothy Boozer, who will spend a few days here.

Dr. Spark reports one frozen battery this morning. If your battery is in a run down condition, consult Dr. Spark immediately, 50

Radiator Anti-freeze. C. L. Hobart Co. 51

First Lieutenant Wade W. Williams is spending the holiday season with his brother, Fred A. Williams, Lieutenant Williams, who has been discharged from the service, was with the 47th machine gun battalion at Fort Kearney, Cal.

Hemstitching, 10c a yard. Handicraft Shop, Medford, Ore. 49

You and your friends will enjoy eating the meals prepared by A. Lavigneur, the new chef at the Oxford—35 to 50 cents, 49

LOOKS FOR HEAVY DROP IN WOOL AND SHEEP

Dillon, Mont., Dec. 26.—State Senator E. O. Selway, a prominent Montana flockmaster and a member of the National Woolgrowers association, expects a short and early decline in the price of sheep and says wool is very likely to follow. "The little fellow, the man who runs a few sheep," says Selway, "will be the heaviest loser. If he bought ewes last year he stands to lose from \$7 to \$8 a head."

Selway thinks wool, now 75 cents a pound, will go 30 cents below before the decline turns. Resumption of trade with Australia, New Zealand and South America will have damaging effect on the American grower, Selway believes.

COMING EVENTS

Jan. 1, Wednesday—Pomona Grange meets New Years day at 10 a. m., at the W. O. W. hall.

Jan. 11, Saturday—Civil service examination for postmaster, vacancy at Leland.

THREE DEAD, MANY HURT IN EXPLOSION IN N. J.

Watertown, N. J., Dec. 24.—Three people are dead and 50 are wounded, many seriously, as the result of an explosion which destroyed the shell loading building at the J. B. Wise munition plant.

All kinds of Commercial Printing at the Courier Office.

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No Dance—

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Special of A. F. & A. M.—

Blue lodge of installation of officers, Friday, December 27. Owing to absence of the O. E. S. officers-elect there will be no joint installation as at first contemplated, 49

Mercury Drops—

Last night proved to be the coldest in this part of the Rogue river valley this winter. The mercury dropped to 22 above zero, the next coldest night being 28 above.

Starr's Leave for Portland—

Mrs. H. N. Starr and two daughters leave Friday morning for Portland to join Mr. Starr, who has a house-position with the Marshal Wells Hardware company. Mr. Starr has been with the company for the past 14 years as southern Oregon salesman. They have rented their home on Lawndridge avenue to Mr. Starr's successor, Mr. Falkenhagen, who with his wife and two children have been here for several days.

THEORY OF BOLSHEVIKS FAILS WHEN TESTED OUT

London, Nov. 30.—(Correspondence of the Associated Press.)—Russian workmen and peasants are by no means united in a movement to perpetuate a dictatorship of the proletariat, according to a traveler who recently arrived here from Russia. Pretense that such is the situation in Russia is one of the efforts of the Bolshevik propagandists.

For many months, he says, the Moscow government has been almost wholly without peasant support for the peasants have learned that Bolshevism in theory and Bolshevism in practice are as unlike as day and night. The people of the Russian villages and country districts are declared to be so bitter against the Bolsheviks that workmen who are forced to return to their native villages for food dare not voice Bolshevik doctrine for fear of being killed by their relatives or former friends.

To the countrymen in Russian Bolshevism now means nothing but food requisitions. To him a Bolshevik is an outsider, armed with a rifle, who takes grain at prices far below the market price.

The peasant's ear is no longer open to Maximalist theories. He cares nothing for skillful Maximalist arguments setting forth beautiful social and economic doctrines. He has tried Bolshevism for a year. He has had much of his grain and other foodstuffs wrested from him by Bolshevik grain crusaders. He knows that the only remaining peasant Bolsheviks are shiftless ne'er-do-wells and will have nothing to do with them.

As the peasants make up 85 per cent of Russia's population their attitude eventually may shape Russian policy, says the informant. They control food production, and bread is the basis of the present struggle.

From its inception the Bolshevik government depended upon traveling commissars, who were shipped all over the republic in special trains and provided with armed forces which clubbed city and village governments into line. When commissars fell under local influence and became less drastic in their methods the Bolshevik authorities at Smolny Institute withdrew them and sent others who would be more brutal in their methods.

These methods worked for a time, but decreased in effectiveness in direct proportion to the distance from Moscow. When the disbanded army returned to the villages carrying army and ammunition the peasants began to imitate Bolshevik methods. They resisted with machine guns and inaugurated the movement which has limited soviet jurisdiction to less than one-tenth of the old Russian empire.

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GREAT ACTIVITY IN MINING BELIEVED NEAR

San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 24.—Mining, the industry which has played so vital a part in the winning of the war, will assume a position of greater importance following the cessation of hostilities, than ever before, according to Fletcher Hamilton, state mineralogist. Development of new mining fields is essentially a pioneer enterprise evidenced in the periods after the important war of the world. The independent, open-air "do-and-dare" spirit is engendered in the hearts of the soldier and sailor, and thousands of the American boys who are soon to come home from France will never again be satisfied to sit at a desk through the day, and go home to a stuffy room on a city street at night. Mining is the type of industry which will attract these men.

Three contributing factors, said Mr. Hamilton, will assure the truth of the statement that mining, particularly in California, is on the eve of a great revival.

1. The demand for metals, structural materials, petroleum products and heavy chemicals which will accompany the reconstruction, rehabilitation and reorganization of the entire civilized world.

2. The existence of all kinds of mineral deposits, both developed and undeveloped, in every one of the 58 counties of the state, which will make possible partial satisfaction of that demand, at least.

3. The accessibility of labor and brains trained to tasks of the necessary character, and the energy and initiative to carry on the work, as represented in the presence of the returned soldiers and others who will flock to the west for a field in which to begin life anew.

The mining laws of the state and nation are so framed, Mr. Hamilton

said, as to offer every encouragement to the prospector and pioneer. When a mineral deposit is discovered on public lands—and there remain large tracts of government land yet open for location in California—the staking out of a claim and recording of that act in the state or local county recorder's office gives the locator possessory title to the ground. One hundred dollars worth of "assessment" work annually performed maintains such title indefinitely.

OBITUARY

C. P. Marshall

C. P. Marshall was born at Redmuth, England, January 19, 1834, and died at his home, 521 Rogue River avenue, Grants Pass, December 23, 1918, having been a long sufferer from asthma. In 1839 he came to the United States with his parents and settled in Pennsylvania. In 1846, when a lad of 12, he went aboard a man-of-war and was at Vera Cruz on the sloop of war Venesine during the Mexican war. He had visited all important parts of the world, including the Holy Land, and while there visited one of the seven churches in which Christ preached. When he quit the sea he was first mate on the good ship Aquilla, which was later sunk in San Francisco bay. In 1856 he engaged in mining and in 1869 engaged in stock raising in Modoc county, California. In 1873 he took his stock with him to Silver Lake valley, where he resided many years.

On February 22, 1887, he married Mrs. Francis A. Brown Anderson, daughter of one of the Oregon pioneers of 1846. His wife passed away November 20, 1906.

He is survived by two step daughters, Mrs. Mary Taylor, of Elan, Ore., and Mrs. Annie C. Hough of this city, with whom he made his home for the past 11 years. The remains were taken to Cottage Grove by W. O. Hough to be placed beside his wife in the I. O. O. F. cemetery.

Joy Theater LAST TIME TONIGHT

Norma Talmadge in "The Safety Curtain"

FATTY ARBUCKLE in "Oh! Doctor"

FRIDAY and SATURDAY Bessie Barriscale in "THE WHITE LIE"

MUTT AND JEFF IN "HELPING McADOO"