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## KILLS WOMAN WHO HAD SHOWN HIM KINDNESS

### EX-CONVICT JOHNSON MURDERS MRS. FREEMAN AT PORTLAND WITH A GAS PIPE

### SERVED TIME AT ST. QUENTIN

Mrs. Freeman Was W. C. T. U. Worker and Had Given Johnson a Home; Robbery Motive

Portland, Ore., Aug. 16.—The police of all coast cities have been asked to lookout for Clarence Johnson, ex-convict at St. Quentin, in connection with the murder of Mrs. Eunice Freeman, W. C. T. U. worker, aged 58 years, who was found murdered here last night. Her skull was fractured by a gas pipe. Robbery was the motive.

Mrs. Freeman had helped Johnson out of prison and he had lived with the Freemans until recently. He left his position at the shipyard yesterday and disappeared.

A neighbor saw Johnson leaving the Freeman flat yesterday. Mrs. Freeman recently told her son that he would want to kill Johnson if he only knew what Johnson had said to her, the police learned today.

## EMINENT ECCLESIASTIC NEXT MONDAY EVE

Bishop Matthew Simpson Hughes D. D., L. L. D., of the Methodist Episcopal church will arrive in Grants Pass sometime Monday and will speak in Newman church at 8 o'clock Monday evening.

Bishop Hughes has not announced his topic, but it will doubtless be some outstanding topic of the day. He is a past master in the art of handling vital subjects in a clear and forceful manner. The opportunity of hearing him should not be missed by anyone. A local attorney who has heard Bishop Hughes in the east is loud in his praises of him as a speaker, and was very enthusiastic on hearing that he was coming to Grants Pass. A last year's graduate of Willamette said that the bishop's address on behalf of the senior class last June was one of the finest ever delivered before the students of that institution.

Bishop Hughes was delected to the Episcopacy four years ago. He has been pastor of some of the largest churches of Methodism, east and west. His father was a minister before him and he has a brother who is also a bishop of the Methodist church resident in Boston.

The bishop comes to Grants Pass from Medford where he speaks Sunday night.

Everyone is urged to come and hear him Monday evening. If you wish to secure a good seat, come early. There will be no collection or raising of funds.

## ROSEBURG PREPARES FOR AERIAL SERVICE

Roseburg, Ore., Aug. 16.—In the belief that an aerial mail route will be established between San Francisco and Portland within a year, and also that the forest patrol will be permanent Roseburg citizens at a meeting today took the first steps to establish a permanent landing field here.

A committee was appointed to draft plans. It was suggested the city purchase the temporary field now in use and erect hangars for the planes.

## HUN NAVY CONSISTS OF TORPEDO BOATS

Once Powerful Fleet of Warriors Dwindles to Few Little Boats to Maintain Order

With the American Forces in Germany, Aug. 16.—The Germans have organized two flotillas of torpedo boats since the armistice and these constitute virtually all the warships left in active service in the German navy, according to information received here.

One of these flotillas is described in Mitsuichi, a German naval periodical which has reached the American headquarters as the Iron Torpedo Boat Flotilla. It consists of 12 torpedo boats which, the periodical says, have been engaged in maintaining order on the western coast of Germany.

Some of the vessels of the flotilla have been used on several occasions for police work in the port of Hamburg, doing duty guarding allied food shipments to the Czecho-Slovaks and similar work during periods of disorder. The flotilla has its headquarters at Wilhelmshaven. A landing corps of about 260 men is distributed among the 12 boats, each of which has a platoon of 30 commanded by a naval lieutenant. The clothing and arms of members of this landing corps are the same as in the infantry.

The other group of vessels called the Haff Flotilla is supposed to be doing similar duty on the Baltic coast near the Russian boundary, with headquarters in Koensberg. The boats are armed with machine guns, and in some cases with 3.7 centimeter guns as well.

### ARIZONA PLANNING FOR NEW HIGHWAY

Phoenix, Ariz., Aug. 15.—A plan for financing the highway from Phoenix to Yuma, Arizona, considered one of the most important road projects with which the Salt River valley is concerned, has been announced by State Engineer Maddock. The proposed road would connect with the California system of paved roads and would place Phoenix exactly 386 miles from tidewater at San Diego.

## MEDFORD FISHERMEN HAVING GREAT SPORT

A new run of steelheads is on in the river and the fishing is growing better. Fishing so far for some reason has been poor compared with the past few years, but while there has been somewhat general complaint about this condition it will be noticed that some of the real fishermen are making rather good catches. Jonas Wold caught two fine steelheads last night, and one evening this week Frank Isaacs caught seven and F. Roy Davis seven. Carl Bowman who returned last Sunday from his two weeks vacation spent on the river, caught many big fellows and sent the proof in to the city to a number of his friends.—Medford Tribune.

### WILL WRITE HISTORY OF NATIVE ALASKANS

Juneau, Alaska, Aug. 16.—All the way from Norway has come Dr. Kreyberg who has interesting theory regarding the similarity between the carving, faces, animals and figures drawn by the natives of Alaska and the drawings of the Egyptians.

### HARRY ALLEN HEADS ELKS

Klamath Falls, Ore., Aug. 16.—Harry S. Allen, of Portland, was elected president of the state association of Elks here today. Salem will get 1920 convention and Marshfield 1921.

Salem, Ore., Aug. 16.—Clothing believed to have been discarded by convict Brochoux as he fled south in an automobile, was discovered by a farmer near Jefferson today.

## IRELAND SCENE OF WILD RIOTS AND LOOTING

### TROOPS CHARGE MOBS, BUT ARE MET WITH HEAVY VOLLEY OF STONES

### NATIONALISTS DISLIKE VALERA

Fire Tar Barrels Under His Picture and Sing War Songs; Orangemen Get in Action

Londonberry, Aug. 16.—Rioting and looting occurred here last night and early today. Troops charged on the mobs, but fired no shots. The soldiers were met with a volley of stones when they attempted to break up Nationalist demonstrations.

The monetary loss from the looting is estimated at thousands of pounds. The trouble started when the Nationalists set fire to tar barrels beneath an arch over which was the picture of Edward DeValera, president of the Irish republic. The Nationalists sang soldier songs, the Unionists responding by singing the national anthem. Soldiers kept the crowds apart and the Nationalists were finally driven back to their own quarters.

Belfast, Ireland, Aug. 16.—Ten Nationalist excursionists were injured during a fight with Orangemen at Lisburn, County of Down. There was serious rioting also at Coal Island, in the county of Tyrone.

## CRUISERS CAN ENTER LAKE WASHINGTON

Seattle, Wash., Aug. 16.—Some of the vessels of America's new Pacific fleet may next month be floated through the Lake Union-Puget Sound locks here. Once through the locks the vessels can cross Lake Union and proceed through a canal into Lake Washington.

The Seattle locks are said to rank only second in size among North American locks to those at Panama. Ships 780 feet long can be put through the locks here. The controlling depth for passing into Lake Union from the sound is 29 feet and the width 100 feet.

All the destroyers of the new fleet and a number of the smaller cruisers can be moved through the locks.

## SINNOTT GETS THE NEW WOOL RATE SUSPENDED

Portland, Ore., Aug. 16.—Word has been received here that Congressman Sinnott has induced the railroad administration to suspend the new wool rate to Pacific Northwest points, recommended by the traffic committee, until a hearing can be held at Washington with Northwest wool men present.

## RED BATTALIONS ARE WIPED OUT IN NORTH

London, Aug. 16.—Several battalions of bolshevik troops have been wiped out in the new counter offensive of the Northern Russia army the River Luga, southwest of Petrograd. The Soviet forces also lost many prisoners and machine guns and ammunition.

## OPEN SEASON ON PROFITEERS IS FINE SPORT

### GOVERNMENT AGENTS ACTIVE IN EAST, CENTRAL STATES AND THE FAR WEST

### 7,000,000 EGGS AT DETROIT

Twenty Million Pounds of Meat Held for Months at St. Louis; Storage Plants Packed

Kansas City, Mo., Aug. 16.—Seventy-five thousand pounds of beans have been seized here. Federal authorities said the beans had been stored throughout the war.

San Diego, Cal., Aug. 16.—The seizure of food stores in cold storage here has begun on warrants issued out of the Los Angeles federal court.

Detroit, Mich., Aug. 16.—In the second raid on the Detroit Refrigerating Company's plant here, federal agents seized over 7,000,000 eggs and 300,000 pounds of butter.

St. Louis, Mo., Aug. 16.—Twenty million pounds of meats were reported to have been seized late today when federal authorities raided the Booth Cold Storage company here.

Large stocks of eggs, cheese and other foodstuffs were also said to have been located.

Officials had not yet learned who owned the stocks. Account of the supplies taken had not been completed.

## NEW YORK STRIKES BREAK ALL RECORDS

New York, Aug. 16.—More industries are affected by strikes now going on or threatened in this city than ever before in the history of labor unions, according to figures compiled by labor leaders and made public today.

Besides the actors and railroad shopmen, those now on strike in New York include painters, plasterers, machinists, carpenters, shopmen of the Brooklyn Union Gas company, cigar makers, brass workers, shirt makers, furriers, brass bed makers, umbrella makers and art lamp workers.

A nation-wide building strike, taking 1,500,000 men out of work, was threatened in a statement issued yesterday by 27 international heads of labor unions. The trouble is the outgrowth of charges that building contractors employ non-union labor.

### WOULD PENSION OLD PEOPLE

Washington, Aug. 16.—Plans for old-age pensions for persons more than 65 years of age were proposed in a bill introduced today by Senator McNary, republican, Oregon, and referred to the pension committee. Under its provisions persons with incomes of not more than \$6 a week would receive a weekly pension of \$4.

## ROUMANIA NOT TO GET SLICE OF HUNGARY

Paris, Aug. 16.—The supreme council's note to the Bucharest government states that Roumania will not be allowed to strip Hungary of foodstuffs. The fixing of reparations to be made by Hungary is a matter under the control of the allied and associated powers.

## CARRANZA SPITS AT THE BULLDOG

Pooped at English, Who Refuse to Recognize Mexico Until Guarantee for Protection Is Given

Washington, Aug. 16.—William Cummings, British charge d'archives in Mexico City, has been ordered to leave the country by President Carranza.

It is understood that Carranza's action was due to a statement made by the British under-secretary in the house of commons recently, to the effect that Great Britain would not recognize the Carranza government until some guarantee was given that British lives and property would be protected by Mexico. Mr. Cummings had no official status in a diplomatic sense, but the incident will certainly have a marked effect on England's policy, it is believed.

## BOYS ACCUSED OF SETTING OUT FIRES

Three young men of the Butte Falls district were held to the grand jury by Justice Taylor at their preliminary hearing Thursday afternoon in bond of \$500 each, which they furnished. The accused men are Charles Drexler, James Johnson and David Smith. The evidence against them was purely circumstantial and they did not testify nor present any defense.

The charge was brought by T. M. Talbot, federal forestry service examiner, who in his affidavit charges that on August 2 they deliberately started several fires in Butte Falls territory near the junction of Buck creek and the south fork of the Rogue river on the timber land of the Rogue River Timber company.

The evidence of the prosecution showed that three fires were started about 150 yards apart with four or five minutes intervening between each. The forestry lookout in that locality at once discovered the fires which were extinguished before they had spread very far and did much damage.—Medford Tribune.

## WORK ON GOLDEN DRIFT FOUNDATION STARTED

The work of repairing the coffer dam at the plant of the Irrigation and Power company at the Golden Drift dam which has been under way for some weeks, has been completed. Engineer Sprout and his crew of men today started work on the foundation for the additional concrete work and general repair of the dam.

## DEATH PENALTY WAS UNPOPULAR IN SONORA

Douglas, Arizona, Aug. 16.—Though death has been the penalty pronounced by General P. Elias Calles, governor of Sonora, Mexico, for the making or selling of liquors in that state, public sentiment was so strongly against the decree that, while arrests were being made in other parts of the state, in the capital, Hermosillo, recently liquor never was more plentiful nor cheaper since prohibition first went into effect in 1915.

Americans reaching here recently from Hermosillo said beer was being sold at \$25 gold a case of 60 pints and tequila was selling at \$5 a quart. During the period when the death penalty was in force until it was repealed early in July, not a single execution had taken place.

Salem, Aug. 16.—Governor Oleott goes to Salt Lake tonight to the governors' conference. W. T. Vinton is acting governor.

## RAILWAYS WILL NEED HELP TO GET ON FEET

### WILL FORM SOLID FOUNDATION FOR AMERICAN PROSPERITY IF GIVEN FAIR SHOW

### SIX PER CENT PLAN IS URGED

Many Schemes Offered for Return of Lines to Private Ownership From the Government

Washington, Aug. 16.—Advocates of the Warfield plan for reorganization of the railroads on a basis that would pay holders of stock a flat minimum return of 6 per cent closed their case today before the house interstate commerce committee.

Forney Johnston of advisory counsel of the National Association of Owners of Railroad Securities, sponsor of the plan, and Samuel H. Beach, president of the Savings Banks' Association of New York, discussed its provisions at an all-day session of the committee. Both declared the plan could be made effective with the return of the roads to private management without disturbing business conditions. Mr. Johnston said a steady hand must be extended to the railroads after the period of government control if a foundation for American prosperity was to be built.

In denying the more or less popular belief that railroad securities were owned largely by wealthy people, Mr. Beach asserted that half the people of this country were concerned directly in the welfare of the roads and demanded a law that would afford reasonable compensation on invested capital.

The committee has not yet reached the top of the hill in its big task of hearing proponents of all plans and of reporting out a bill. Beginning next week, representatives of the railway executives' advisory committee will be heard, along with other witnesses who want to see the roads turned back at the end of the year, on the same basis as heretofore, except with added regulations as provided in the bill by Chairman Beach.

"If congress does not take courageous and constructive action now," said Mr. Johnston, appearing in behalf of the Warfield 6 per cent return plan, "the progress of a generation toward a well-regulated system of privately-owned and operated railway transportation will be destroyed and the 66th congress will have forced government ownership under conditions and with results which the future alone can assay."

### PROHIBITION ENFORCEMENT BILL UP IN SENATE NEXT WEEK

Washington, Aug. 16.—The house prohibition enforcement bill as re-drafted by the sub-committee was ordered favorably reported to the senate by the judiciary committee. It will be called up for senate debate next week.

## EDITORS SEND SIX CENTS TO PAY FORD

Seattle, Aug. 16.—"United we'll ride in high-priced cars, divided we will have to ride in flivvers. There is nothing penurious about Oregon. We would have paid it had the amount been twice what it is—yes, even three times."

So declared the members of the executive committee of the Oregon State Editorial association today as they drew a bank draft for 6 cents to send to the Chicago Tribune as a tender to Henry Ford for the nominal award made him by the jury in his suit for libel.