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## LONGEST DRY PERIOD KNOWN IN OLD OREGON

### UNIRRIGATED CROPS SIZZLE IN HIGH TEMPERATURE, FIRES RAGE AND STREAMS FALL

## PEARS AND PEACHES PLENTIFUL

### Livestock Rouns Over scanty Pasture, Some Cattle Being Taken From Range Because of Fire

Portland, Aug. 28.—The present drought in Oregon is the most prolonged on record, says the local weather bureau in its weekly summary of weather and crop conditions in Oregon. The temperature generally was above normal last week. No rain of consequence fell anywhere. Over most of the state vegetation is very dry. Streams and wells continued to fall. Forest fires are numerous and hard to control and in many places the air is heavy with smoke.

The continued dry weather has been favorable to farm work, except that the beginning of plowing has been delayed.

Prunes are ripening rapidly, peaches and pears are plentiful, harvest of evergreen blackberries continues. Much of the unirrigated fruit is of small size.

The third cutting of alfalfa is in progress in some of the warmer districts, the yield being good where there has been sufficient water for irrigation. In a number of places alfalfa is suffering for lack of sufficient water. Pasture continues to deteriorate, though there is still good feed on some mountain ranges. Over considerable areas stock is beginning to show the effects of short feed. The scarcity of stock water is increasing. Some stock is being taken off the range owing to danger from forest fires.

Potatoes are maturing rapidly. Irrigated potatoes promise good yields but the yield in unirrigated districts will be considerably lessened by drought and high temperature. Unirrigated gardens are drying up. Hop picking will begin next week, the yield being somewhat below normal, owing to drought.

## ESCAPED CONVICT IS CAPTURED NEAR BEND

Bend, Ore., Aug. 28.—Dave Brichoux, escaped convict, was captured near here yesterday through the aid of Mrs. M. Keeny, of whom he asked assistance. Southwick, who also escaped from the penitentiary, has not yet been apprehended.

## STEPHEN FRIEDRICH NAMES HIMSELF HUNGARIAN PREMIER

Paris, Aug. 28.—Stephen Friedrich, Hungarian premier under Archduke Joseph's reign, has formed a new cabinet in which he becomes the premier and minister of the interior, it is reported.

## U. OF O. HAS ONE OF BEST FOOTBALL FIELDS

Eugene, Aug. 28.—The University of Oregon will dedicate one of the finest football fields on the Pacific coast during the 1919 season. It present plans are carried out the dedication will be held Homecoming Day, November 15. The University of Oregon and the O. A. C. are scheduled to play on that date.

## GAS TAX HELPS OUT ROAD FUND

### \$165,420 Paid in Up to July 31; Many Buying Autos, Making the Increase 3,000 a Month

Salem, Aug. 28.—Under the motor fuel tax law passed by the 1919 legislature, which became effective February 26 last, the several companies selling fuel oil in Oregon have paid a total of \$165,420.18 in taxes up to July 31, says a statement issued yesterday by Sam A. Kozar, deputy secretary of state. The law assesses a tax of 1 cent a gallon on gasoline and one-half cent a gallon on distillate. The same statement shows that the number of licensed automobiles in the state on that date was 75,044.

Relative to the total tax paid, a statement by Mr. Kozar says:

"This amount represents a total of 15,311,011 gallons of gasoline and 2,462,003 gallons of distillate sold in Oregon between February 26 and July 31, 1919.

At the end of February, 1919, there were 54,216 licensed automobiles and at the end of July the number of licensed cars had increased to 75,074.

"his tax, immediately upon its receipt by the secretary of state, is turned over to the state treasurer, who places it to the credit of the road fund of the state for general road construction and improvement.

## GOLD HILL ORCHARDISTS DELIGHTED WITH CAVES

Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Fisher and son Bill of Gold Hill made a visit to the Oregon Caves the first of the week and were so much impressed with the caverns that they are enthusiastic in their praise of the wonder. The Fishers, who have a profitable orchard now in full bearing, have taken many auto trips, visited the Yosemite and Yellowstone parks, Crater Lake and many other of nature's wonderlands, but they say their trip to the caves surpassed any other trip. They little realized the greatest wonder of them all was so near to their home.

Mrs. Fisher gives a word of caution to the ladies intending to make the trip, advising the wearing of overalls and strong shoes. They have much praise for Guide Rowley and comment on his careful consideration and the interest shown tourists. Mr. Rowley is a nature lover and has made pets of the many wild animals which frequent Grayback mountain. One doe comes regularly year after year to the guide's camp and while her fawns remain in the mountains she will come into the camp and feed. Chipmunks and birds will eat out of his hand.

Mrs. Fisher is looking forward to a visit from her sister, residing in Minnesota, and she says the first trip they make after her arrival will be to the Josephine caves.

## WHOLE MONTENEGRO COUNTRY IN REVOLT

London, Aug. 28.—Fighting has broken out everywhere in Montenegro and the whole country is in revolution.

The Serbians are using strong measures attempting to suppress the uprising and are receiving reinforcements, but are not meeting with success.

The Montenegrins have cut the railway between Virpazer and Antivair, on the coast. A high official said today that "we seem to be in for a recrudescence of the Balkan trouble."

## RAILWAY MEN MUST RESUME BY SATURDAY

### BROTHERHOODS WILL SUPPORT FEDERAL ADMINISTRATION IN RY. OPERATION

## STRIKE AT OAKLAND ENDED

### Executive Council of Shopmen's Unions Advises Acceptance of the Present Order

Cleveland, Ohio, Aug. 28.—Unless the members of the railroad brotherhoods now striking on the Pacific coast return to their work by Saturday morning, the brotherhoods will support the federal administration in efforts to operate the railroads. It is announced here today.

Los Angeles, Aug. 28.—Strikers here are undecided whether to return to work as ordered by their chiefs. None of the workmen had returned to their positions this morning.

Washington, D. C., August 28.—The executive council of railway shopmen's unions today advised the unions to accept President Wilson's offer of a small wage increase, pending the outcome of the government's efforts to cut the high cost of living.

## UNITED STATES CLOSES OUT ALL HOLDINGS IN FRANCE

Washington, D. C., August 28.—The United States has sold to France for \$400,000,000 all the American army property, including docks, railroads, warehouses, clothing and munitions.

## ANDREW CARNEGIE'S WILL MADE PUBLIC

New York, Aug. 28.—The will of the late Andrew Carnegie has been published. Estimates place the estate at between \$25,000,000 and \$30,000,000. Carnegie leaves the real estate and all works of art to Mrs. Carnegie and gives annuities of \$10,000 to former President Taft, Premier Lloyd George, and annuities of \$5,000 to Mrs. Grover Cleveland and Mrs. Theodore Roosevelt.

## People of Grants Pass Await First Pictures by Telegraph

Until now all up-to-date papers have had to keep hundreds of pictures of celebrities, statesmen, politicians, leaders of every form of human endeavor and even pictures of ships, noted airplanes and buildings, etc., in its files or "morgue," as it is called, so that in case the subject of any of these pictures might be involved in the daily news, a picture could be published along with the item. Most of these pictures are never used, but they must be kept in the "morgue" in case something MIGHT happen that one of them could be used for.

But in the great majority of cases, the news that interests people involves new faces, new objects, new events, and these things cannot be foreseen—it seldom happens that the right picture is at hand.

If a senator dies, if a king is assassinated, if a well-known ship is wrecked, a paper with a morgue can publish a picture along with the news. But these things seldom happen and a greater part of the time the needed pictures are never on hand until they can be mailed to us, and then they arrive several days

## PRESIDENT TO START SPEAKING TOUR THE 3RD

### WOODROW WILSON TO LECTURE IN DEFENSE OF THE PEACE TREATY

## SPEAK AT PORTLAND AND SPOKANE

### Presidential Party to Include Mrs. Wilson, Admiral Grayson and Secretary Tumulty

Washington, D. C., August 28.—President Wilson leaves Wednesday next on his speaking making tour in the interest of the peace treaty. His first address will be at Columbus, Ohio, on Thursday.

The only speech the president will make in Oregon will be at Portland, but the date is uncertain. He will also speak at Spokane and possibly at Seattle.

In California the president will speak at Los Angeles, San Diego and San Francisco.

Mrs. Wilson, Admiral Cary Grayson, Secretary Tumulty and a corps of secretaries and stenographers will accompany the president.

## WAR MINERALS RELIEF

The joint resolution introduced in Congress to make more liberal the interpretations of the War Minerals Act and to relieve claimants who are suffering under the rigor of Attorney General Palmer's decision, according to the American Mining Congress at Washington, D. C., is under consideration in the House. The War Minerals Relief Commission will be back in Washington to continue its work September first, having finished its hearings in Denver, the last city at which hearings were to be held.

## PROPAGANDA INFLAMES WHITES IN GEORGIA

Eastman, Ga., Aug. 28.—Eli Cooper, negro, was shot to death today in a church at Oconulgee by a mob which burned other negro churches and lodges in the vicinity, after reports had been circulated that negroes were planning to "raise up and wipe out the white people."

## BAVARIAN ADMITS BRUTALIZING ACTS

### Suggests That Germans Investigate Their Own Acts As Well As That of Allies During Late War

Berlin, Aug. 28.—Professor F. W. Forrester, Bavarian Minister to Switzerland, recommends an "honest national self-indictment" for the Germans. Writing in the Tageblatt on the questions of war guilt and the conduct of the war, he says:

"We must investigate our own part in this world brutalizing process quite as much as we should our opponents abroad. Not until then are we able to understand the Paris decision as the tragic result of our own national guilt. The ruthless cruelty with which we were treated we ourselves practiced in the occupied territory.

"Whoever has the slightest conception of the rigorous measures we adopted in the treatment of prisoners and the systematic destruction of industrial plants and the deportation of thousands of young girls will readily understand the resentment of the French people.

"We must be perfectly clear in our own minds in respect to our own guilt if we are to be born again nationally. We must always remember that, while the whole world is practicing the politics of might, we on the other hand have systematized the politics of might and elevated it to a new political philosophy."

## NEW KIND OF SHIP TO NAVIGATE THE OCEAN

Vancouver, B. C., Aug. 28.—A ship that is its own cargo, a cargo of lumber that propels itself—such is the nature of one of the queerest craft ever known to the world which within a few weeks will leave a Vancouver mill on its way to England.

This odd ship, the dream of John Arbuthnot, former mayor of Winnipeg and now a resident of Victoria, is being translated into fact by the Furber Lumber company, backed by the great Vickers' interests of England. The ship—for it will be a ship, though mill-built—will contain or be composed of 5,000,000 feet of Douglas fir and have an engine installed capable of giving the craft a six-knot speed. Two months after the vessel leaves its "builders" it is expected, it will have been dismantled in England, the lumber placed on sale or delivered to buyers, and the \$200,000 worth of machinery, compasses and other equipment on its way back to British Columbia to be installed in another vessel of the same type.

Each vessel will be 250 feet long, of 60 feet beam, 36 feet deep and will draw 27 feet.

## GEN. BOTHA PASSES AWAY

Pretoria, Africa, Aug. 26.—Gen. Louis Botha, premier and minister of agriculture of the Union of South Africa, died here today following an attack of influenza.

## ITALY IS FINE FIELD FOR RED PROPAGANDA

Rome July 30.—Bolshevik and spartacist propaganda is being poured into Italy through the extreme radical socialist Italian organs which have a large circulation.

On the eve of the recent general strike a special edition of the Avanti the most radical of all the revolutionary journals was published. It praised the work of Lenin and Trotsky and lauded the spartacist movement in Germany. It had large photographs of all the bolshevik and spartacist leaders in all the countries. Bela Kun, then the leader of the Hungarian soviet, was given special prominence.

## MAYOR HANSON HANDS IN HIS RESIGNATION

### ILL HEALTH AND DESIRE TO CONTINUE LITERARY AND SPEAKING DUTY GIVEN

## HANSON FAVORS FITZGERALD

### Labor Unions Desire That Head of Central Council Be Given the Mayor's Chair

Seattle, Aug. 28.—Mayor Ole Hanson has announced that he expects to tender his resignation as mayor of Seattle this afternoon due to ill health and a desire to complete his literary works and a desire to start soon on a lecture tour. Mayor Hanson selected Councilman C. B. Fitzgerald as his successor.

Union labor will ask the selection of W. D. Lane president of the central labor council as Hanson's successor. Hanson is opposed to Lane for mayor.

According to a report at the city hall today, at least five councilmen are pledged to go through with the program when Mayor Hanson's resignation is received. They are Councilmen Haas, Thomson, Carroll, Heeketh and Fitzgerald. Whether Councilmen Erickson, Lane, Bolton and Moore will acquiesce in the arrangement is not known, but as a majority of the councilmen are in accord, the question is not vital.

Following the transaction of general business, a motion will be made that the council proceed to the election of a mayor. The election will be by ballot and it is understood that three and possibly four votes are pledged to Councilman Fitzgerald for the place. Under the city charter provisions a majority vote of a quorum will be sufficient to elect, which means that five votes will be necessary in event the full membership of the council is present.

## BOSSHARD IS NAMED ORE. STATE PRINTER

Salem, Aug. 28.—State Printer Arthur Lawrence, whose resignation was accepted yesterday by the state printing board, issued a statement today denying that any differences had arisen between himself and Governor Olcott. Mr. Lawrence resigned to go into business in Corvallis where he has purchased a printing plant.

H. S. Bosshard, employed in the state printery office since 1914, has been named to succeed Lawrence.

## LENINE SEEKS TO MAKE PEACE WITH ROUMANIA

Copenhagen, Aug. 28.—Nikolai Lenine has sent a delegation to Kishinev to negotiate peace with Roumania, according to a Budapest dispatch.

Washington, D. C., August 28.—The house today passed a bill authorizing the president to confer the permanent rank of general on Pershing. The bill now goes to the senate.

## SEA OFF HAVRE STREWN WITH 26 WRECKED SHIPS

Havre, France, Aug. 28.—Twenty-six wrecks have been located at the bottom of the sea off Havre, six of which were due to torpedoes, eleven destroyed by mines, and nine the result of ordinary disasters at sea. Two French vessels are locating wrecks all along the coast.