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HOP INDUSTRY IS REVIVING IN JOSEPHINE

BETTER PRICES OFFERED INDUCES PLANTING OUT OF LARGE ACREAGE

FOUR-YEAR CONTRACT OFFERED

Basis of Proposed Contracts Is On Prices of 50, 40, 30 and 20 Cents Cover Four Year Period

The revival of the hop-growing industry in Josephine county is assuming large proportions, and will again become a leading factor in the production of this district. The Josephine county hop has always ranked as the best produced in the west, and found ready sale in the European market. With the slump in price that followed the growth of the prohibition sentiment throughout this country, however, many of the yards were grubbed out, and only two years ago many acres of hops, especially in the Willamette valley, went un-picked because of the fall in the market. The slump was a temporary one, however, and the price immediately rallied to figures that were records and that made those who had retained their yards small fortunes. Sales as high as 84 cents per pound were recorded in the local market, and under stimulation of these prices many new yards are now being planted out.

S. J. Christy is the latest to feel the impulse of the rallying of the hop industry, and he has just closed a contract with W. H. Hull for the leasing of 70 acres of the old DeArmond ranch, now owned by Mr. Hull, and will set the land to hops this spring. Hops make a fair yield the first year, and "baby hops" command a high figure. The lease between Mr. Hull and Mr. Christy calls for a part-crop payment, and it is understood that a four-year sale contract will be made covering the product of the ranch. The farm is under water for irrigation, and is a well-known producer of hops in the past. It is estimated that the cost of producing hops in the Rogue valley will now be about 12 cents per pound, the higher costs of labor and supplies making production somewhat more expensive than in the days before the war.

The new contracts covering a four-year period as now offered the growers include guaranteed prices for the

FLU EPIDEMIC PAST THE PEAK

New Cases of the Disease Show a Decrease in Chicago, Though Day's Death List was Large

Chicago, Jan. 22.—The influenza is believed to have passed the peak. The day's death list reached 61, but the new cases are decreasing.

FOREIGN TRADE WILL BE TOPIC AT SAN FRANCISCO

Denver, Colo., Jan. 21.—The Denver Civic and Commercial association will send delegates to the seventh national foreign trade convention, which will be held at San Francisco May 12 to 15, 1920, and which is being announced as a "World Conference of American Foreign Traders," according to announcement by the association.

FLU PREVENTION IS PORTLAND PROBLEM

Portland, Jan. 22.—Six cases of intestinal influenza have been quarantined here today. The health authorities are devoting their entire attention to influenza prevention.

TEST MEMBERSHIP IN I.W.W. AS CRIME BASIS

Wenatchee, Wash., Jan. 22.—The trial of nine men charged with being I. W. W. went over to Monday. This is a test case to determine whether mere membership constitutes an unlawful act. The defense claimed the press has done much to inflame public sentiment against I. W. W.s since the Centralia murders, and implant the idea that any member should be guilty of a felony.

EGGS BETTER THAN GOLD NUGGETS IN BERLIN

Berlin, Jan. 22.—The price of eggs in Berlin now is higher than it was in Paris in the siege of 1870. They are selling here at 2 and one-half marks each.

four years of 50 cents for the first year; 40 cents for the second, and 30 cents for the third and fourth years.

PAN-AMERICAN CONGRESS HEARS PLAN FOR REGULATION WORLD MONOPOLIES

Washington, Jan. 22.—Creation of an international trade commission to deal with those who seek a world monopoly and are in a position to injure not only the consumers in their own country, but those in foreign nations as well, was recommended by Huston Thompson, of the federal trade commission, in an address today before the second Pan-American Financial Conference.

Complaints should come through national trade commissions, Mr. Thompson said, and each cause tried before representatives of the international body not belonging to the nation whose citizens were involved in the litigation.

"The definition of what was an unfair trade practice before this commission could be found in the trade practices already condemned by the laws of many nations, both ancient and modern," Mr. Thompson said, "the rulings of the respective trade commissions, the 'trade practice submittal lists,' such as our commission has already received from some of our industries, the pronouncement

ments of political economists, and above all, in the common sense of those before whom the case was presented after investigation and hearing.

"In the universal publicity of the findings of such a body would lie the corrective.

"I have been asked who would police the committing of the offenses. The answer is the same as in our domestic business—the competitor. Is there not every reason to believe that under the inspiration of the respective national trade commissions the industries in each nation would write their own 'trade practice submittal list' of unfair practices just as they are doing in this country?"

A national trade mark, established by congress, as a means of increasing national pride and controlling the quality of goods exported from the United States, also was urged by Mr. Thompson. Failure on the part of an exporter to deliver goods of the same grade and quality as samples would be sufficient cause for refusing permission to use the trade mark.

EXTRADITION OF EX-KAISER TO BE REFUSED

HOLLAND SAYS IT CAN NOT GIVE HIM UP ON CALL OF A THIRD COUNTRY

GERMANY ONLY CAN HAVE HIM

Report From London States That the Reply to the Demand of the Allies Favors Wilhelm

London, Jan. 22.—The Daily Standard reports that Holland's reply to the allies regarding the surrender of the former German emperor, states that it is impossible to grant the extradition at the call of third country, if his own country does not demand extradition.

MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN BY AMERICAN LEGION

For the week ending Tuesday, January 27, the Downtown Welfare committee of the American Legion has been designated by the post commander to act as a special committee on membership. This committee consists of the following ex-service men: Emil Gebers, James Lium, J. N. Johnston, Fred Collins, James Manuel and Karl Winetrouit. It is desired to have a full and representative attendance at the next meeting, Tuesday evening, January 27, as several matters of major importance to the local post will come up for discussion and decision.

In addition to full attendance by present members, an effort will be made to extend the hospitality of the American Legion to all other ex-service men, whether or not their applications for membership have been sent in.

"Jim" (Manuel, the political boss of the "keg committee" reports that that body is functioning splendidly and will have "beaucoup pour tous," which in French does not mean champagne.

Clerk and Carrier Examination—

A United States civil service examination will be held in Grants Pass on Saturday, February 14, to establish an eligible register from which selections may be made to fill vacancies as they may occur in the positions of clerk and carrier in the Grants Pass postoffice. Age limits are 18 to 45 years. Information may be secured from Donald J. Calvert, local secretary.

ACQUIT M'DONALDS ON CHARGE OF MURDER

Spokane, Wash., Jan. 22.—Verdicts acquitting Marie Fay and Ted McDonald of the murder of W. H. McNutt, real estate dealer, here last June, was returned by the superior court jury today.

ADMIRAL SIMS WINS ON VOTE IN SENATE

Washington, Jan. 22.—The senate rejected by a vote of 33 to 30 Senator Walsh's effort to call up his resolution censuring Rear Admiral Sims for disclosure of information of a "confidential character" before the subcommittee investigating naval decoration awards. The vote was on party lines.

TEN MILLION ROAD BONDING ACT NOW LAW

GOVERNOR PERMITS BILL TO BECOME EFFECTIVE WITHOUT SIGNATURE

BEARS THE EMERGENCY CLAUSE

Other Measures Are Signed by the Chief Executive, While Four Are Automatically Effective

Salem, Ore., Jan. 22.—The governor signed 12 bills today, mostly appropriations. Four others were filed with the secretary of state to become laws automatically, these including the \$10,000,000 road bonding act, with the emergency clause.

INSURANCE FUNDS OF STATES VICTIMIZED

Tacoma, Wash., Jan. 22.—With the sentence of John Koogman, equally well known the police say, by many aliases, has ended a chapter in the experiences of state insurance commissioners in four Pacific coast states on how men may seek to obtain easy money through fraud.

Koogman's plan, worked in many shipyards in California, Oregon and Washington and in a few industrial plants in Idaho, succeeded apparently through its simplicity.

Koogman, according to the testimony presented in the Tacoma courts would apply for work and after a few days employment present himself to the company physician with a seriously inflamed eye.

"Some thing got in it while I was working," he would report and as there was no doubt about the inflammation, he would receive treatment from the physician and eventually through his claim to the state insurance commission, collect damages.

It was only when claims of the same nature and under the same circumstances became numerous that the suspicions of the state officials were aroused. Koogman was recognized while working in Tacoma, with a claim pending, by workmen who had been employed with him in California.

Koogman when arrested here said that in some instances he actually did place foreign substances in his eye, but in all cases he injected acid under the lids in sufficient quantities to keep the eye continually inflamed.

Following Koogman's plea of guilty to obtaining money fraudulently from the state insurance commissions of California, Idaho, Oregon and Washington, he was sentenced to serve from one to fifteen years in the penitentiary.

REPORT EIGHT LIVES LOST FROM POWHATAN

Halifax, Jan. 22.—Eight lives were lost yesterday when a boat from the transport Northern Pacific overturned in an attempt to transfer passengers from the disabled transport Powhatan, according to officers of the steamship Bardie, which arrived here today. The navy department said it had no record of this occurrence, the latest message from the Powhatan said she was started for Halifax in tow of the steamer Lady Laurier and no transfer of passengers would be attempted unless everything was favorable.

TREATY OF LONDON AS LAST RESORT

Italian Premier Says All Other Means Must First Be Tried Out for Settlement of Adriatic Question

Paris, Jan. 22.—Italy will demand that France and England carry out the treaty of London only when all other means of settling the Adriatic question have been tried or found futile, Premier Nitti stated to a Paris newspaper today. He said the Jugoslav government's reply to the supreme council's note relative to conflicting claims on the eastern shores of the Adriatic "does not satisfy us but we have gone the extreme limit in making concessions. The world should realize that for the sake of Fiume we renounce Dalmatia which was given us by the pact of London."

KENYON HAS PLAN FOR DISPUTE SETTLEMENTS

Washington, Jan. 22.—Elaborate machinery for the settlement of disputes between capital and labor, was proposed in a resolution introduced in the senate today by Senator Kenyon. The resolution would request the president to call a national industrial congress to recommend a plan for a permanent industrial court.

CLASH BETWEEN RACES IN ARKANSAS SUBSIDES

Dumas, Ark., Jan. 22.—Federal troops, accompanied by Governor Charles Brough and civil officers, arrived here today to take charge of the race situation arising from the attack upon a deputy sheriff by armed negroes yesterday. The deputy arrested a negro charged with stealing hogs. Armed negroes demanded release of the prisoner, and opened fire. None were injured.

A civilian posse captured John Welch and Frank Kibbel, two alleged negro ringleaders, and as troops are not now needed, they probably will return tonight to Camp Pike.

STEAMSHIP ST. LOUIS, UNSCATHED IN TWO WARS, BURNS WHILE IN DRY DOCK

New York, Jan. 22.—The passenger steamship St. Louis, with a record of having served with distinction through two wars in which the United States was a belligerent, and in the interval carrying passengers across the Atlantic under the American flag, is now a blackened hull, the victim of a fire started by a painter's torch.

The big ship was being reconditioned at a ship yard for service after her second honorable discharge from the "colors" when the accident took place. Her owners, the American Line, say she can be repaired, but it will mean practically rebuilding her and it is a task of many months.

The St. Louis was christened by Mrs. Grover Cleveland. Her construction and launching was an epoch in American shipbuilding in that she was the first "ocean greyhound" to be constructed in this country. She made her first voyage in June of 1895. Under a contract with the American government she was entrusted with the fast mail of England and Europe.

Under command of Captain W. Goodrich, U. S. N., she was equipped with heavy guns as an auxiliary cruiser, in the Spanish-American

LAND OWNERS PROCEED WITH IRRIGATION CO.

LOWER VALLEY TAKES ACTION FOR THE REINCORPORATION OF DISTRICT

WILL ACCEPT THE FAUVRE PLAN

To Hold Further Meeting Next Wednesday for the Perfection of the Organization

"As a result of the meeting of the land owners in the lower valley, held at the Chamber of Commerce rooms yesterday afternoon, the organization of the Gravity District Improvement company will proceed without further delay. There was a large attendance at the meeting which had been called upon the petition of a number of the land owners. Dr. W. H. Flanagan presided, and much of the afternoon was given over to the discussion of the proposition, there being some difference of opinion as to whether it would be best to proceed with the incorporation of the district improvement company or to join with the South side project. A vote showed a large majority in favor of proceeding with the incorporation and it was made practically unanimous later and Attorney Hough, who represents the district, was instructed to proceed with the incorporation. Five directors were elected, the five being J. B. Noble, Roy Lathrop, Otto Hendrickson, Dr. Dillingham and Fred Knox.

A second meeting will be held next Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock, in the assembly room at the Chamber of Commerce, when the papers will have been prepared and the land owners, who are the stockholders in the new organization, will confirm the election of the directors and officers and transact other necessary business. The land owners are to call at the office of the attorney, Mr. Hough, some time during Wednesday and arrange for the inclusion of their holdings in the district incorporation papers, and it is promised that everything will be in readiness to proceed with the work that is expected to start ditch digging without delay.

In taking the action yesterday, it (Continued on Page 2)