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BUSINESS MEN ARE WARNED OF INTEREST BILL

LLOYD RICHES OF PORTLAND ASSAILS FIVE PER CENT MEASURE

NON-PARTISANS ARE ASSAILED

Menace of League to State Is Shown by Speaker at Chamber of Commerce

A warning that a financial quarantine will be placed upon Oregon and great injury done to the business and agricultural interests through the enactment of the proposed 5 per cent interest rate law if a vigorous campaign of education is not carried on against this measure was given the business men of Josephine county this afternoon by Lloyd Riches, secretary of the Oregon State Editorial association, and a well known newspaper man of the state. Mr. Riches is making a speaking tour of the state against this measure and appeared before a gathering at the Grants Pass Chamber of Commerce at 4 o'clock this afternoon. Sam H. Baker, cashier of the Josephine County Bank, acted as chairman.

"The proposed 5 per cent interest rate law is one of the most vicious measures ever aimed at the business and economic stability of any state in the Union," said Mr. Riches. "It is a constitutional amendment which would change the present interest rate laws, reducing the legal rate from 6 per cent to 4 per cent and the maximum contract rate from 10 per cent to 5 per cent and specifically providing that the contract rate of 5 per cent shall be inclusive of any and all brokerage and commissions. Mr. Riches also called attention to the menace of the non-partisan league in Oregon. He said he had investigated the league's activities in the state and placed a conservative estimate of the present membership in the state at 10,000 and told specific facts of investigation to bear out his estimate.

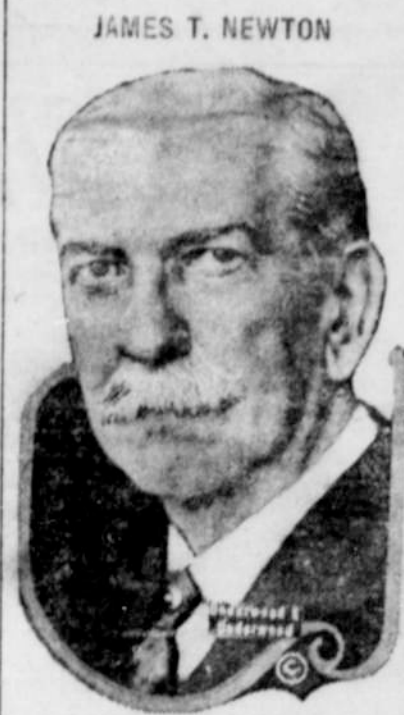
NEW TURKISH GOVERNOR FEARED BY MEN ON NORTH COAST OF ANATOLIA

Kerrassoude, Anatolia, Turkey, Sept. 7.—Osman Agha, the newly designated governor of Kerrassoude, is probably the most feared man on the north coast of Anatolia.

When the nationalists selected Osman Agha to impress Greeks, Armenians, Jews and Turks alike into Mustapha Kemal's army, they took into their camp a man who would have been a terrible menace in opposition ranks and who is merciless in executing the orders of the Ankara government.

Osman Agha has been for years the self-constituted boss of Kerrassoude. In office or out of office he is master of the local situation. Until recently he was only mayor of the little city. But no provincial governor could give the old bandit chief orders. In fact he always managed to unseat all provincial officials. He transcended walls, metropolitans and bishops. Turks, Greeks, Armenians and Jews fear him alike, but had to obey his orders. He took over property which he wanted without legal right and threw anyone into prison who questioned his authority.

Osman Agha was even a self-constituted regulator of women's fashions. He hated the high-heeled shoes and short skirts which Muslim women copied from their French sisters. Consequently he issued an edict that no Mohammedan woman should wear a heel more than one inch high and that their dresses should come to the ankle. Then he



James T. Newton, who after 25 years of faithful service, tendered to President Wilson his resignation as commissioner of patents.

HUGE PURSE GOES TO JACK DEMPSEY

Champion Wins \$55,000 by His Knockout of Billy Miske in Third Round Yesterday

Benton Harbor, Mich., Sept. 7.—Jack Dempsey received \$55,000 for battering Billy Miske to defeat in the third round of their bout here yesterday, according to a statement of receipts made public by his promoter. The total attendance was 11,300. The receipts were \$134,000. Miske received \$25,000.

MAGSWINEY REFUSES TO QUIT HIS STRIKE

London, Sept. 7.—Terence Magswiney, Lord Mayor of Cork, who has been on a hunger strike since August 12 in Brixton prison, is reported appreciably weaker this morning.

A. J. Price is visiting here with his brother, W. J. Masiker. Mr. Price's home is in The Dalles. He is very complimentary on the Southern Oregon climate.

POLE APPEAL IS CONSIDERED BY THE LEAGUE

POLISH-LITHUANIAN DISPUTE IS TAKEN UP BY LEAGUE OF NATIONS

WAR ON LITHUANIA THREATENED

Polish Forces Attacked Without Reason Communication From Warsaw States

London, Sept. 7.—The league of nations is considering the Polish government's appeal in the Polish-Lithuanian dispute. Unless an improvement occurs in the situation Poland will be compelled to declare war on Lithuania, the appeal states. The communication declared an unprovoked attack had been made on Polish troops by Lithuanian forces.

BRAZIL WILL TRY TO END HOUSE SHORTAGE

Rio de Janeiro, Sept. 7.—Both federal and municipal governments are about to take action to relieve the shortage of houses here.

In the chamber of deputies a bill has been introduced providing for a special bond issue of \$10,000,000 for the construction of houses for working families. In the municipal council a measure was presented providing that all workers' houses built in the next two years be free from the usual municipal taxes.

The federal bill proposes the construction, under the municipal administration of 20,000 houses in various districts of the capital wherever nationally or municipally owned ground is available. It is intended that the houses shall be sold to heads of working families, payment being spread over a period of 20 years. In addition, the bill provides for the construction of two huge apartment houses, for families and for bachelors, respectively, with common kitchens and other communal installations, the rent being placed at a very low figure.

J. Roger Brunswick and Miss A. Brunswick, of San Francisco, stopped at the Josephine last night while making a trip north by auto.

TWELVE LIVES ARE LOST WHEN HOTEL BURNS

HOTEL HOUSTON IN KLAMATH FALLS BURNS AND OCCUPANTS LOSE LIVES

FOUR BELIEVED YET IN RUINS

Death List Will Be Increased to 16 Is Belief—Fire Occurred Yesterday Morning

Klamath Falls, Sept. 7.—The charred bodies of 10 persons have been recovered from the ruins of the Houston hotel which burned early yesterday morning. Two other unrecognizable bodies were found in the ruins of the Heiderick apartments, bringing the known death list to 12. It is estimated that at

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INJURED MEN FOUND SATURDAY IN CITY

Jack Casey and Jack Maloney, the men injured in a fight at Leland last Tuesday night are reported in no danger unless complications set in. The injured men were found Saturday night in a house on I street where they had been brought after the trouble.

According to statements of Casey and Maloney to the sheriff, Gene Reed, of Leland, is alleged to have been responsible for their injuries. They were all at the Maloney mine three miles from Leland and the men say they had been drinking a little. It can not be learned why the fight started, but in the melee Casey was literally cut to pieces and Maloney was cut in several places in the back and neck. They would not give many particulars as they say that several others were there whom they do not wish to bring into the matter.

Sheriff Lewis talked to Reed Sunday and got a few more of the details from him. Reed denies that he was the person who cut either Casey or Maloney. He says that Wednesday morning, he and his wife went back to the mine where they dressed the wounds of the two men after they had been all night without attention.

CHARLES BOESCHENSTEIN



Charles Boeschenstein of Edwardsville, Ill., represents his state on the Democratic national committee.

GIRL SHOT WHILE ON WAY TO SCHOOL

Assaultant Shoots Self After School Girl at San Bruno is Killed—Girl Was Only 11

San Francisco, Sept. 7.—Thelma Lee, an 11-year-old school girl, was shot and killed on her way to school in San Bruno, a suburb today, and later Thomas Nelson, a carpenter, who was suspected of the crime, was surrounded by a police posse at a nearby roadhouse and captured after he had put two bullets into his own head, inflicting apparently a fatal wound.

The girl died in the arms of the principal of the school, who was summoned by several children.

Following the shooting of the girl, Nelson is said by the police to have attempted to hold up Marshall Wadell, a mechanic, who resisted him and then guided the police to Nelson's hiding place.

TUSCANY VILLAGES ARE SHAKEN BY QUAKE

Rome, Sept. 7.—Marked earthquakes were reported at 6 o'clock this morning from points in Tuscany. Casualties resulted from the quake the reports stated. Aid has been sent to the affected district.

COMMITTEE IS ASKED TO CALL G. O. P. LEADERS

MOORE TELLS SENATORS THAT WITNESSES NOT BEST ONES OBTAINABLE

THOMPSON IS SUGGESTED

Cox Representative Asks Why the Chairman of Ways and Means Committee Not Called

Chicago, Sept. 7.—The senatorial committee investigating the campaign expenditures, is not seeking the best evidence to prove Governor Cox's charges against the republican party, Edmund H. Moore, of Youngstown, the governor's personal representatives, told the committee today.

Moore told Senator Kenyon there were men better able to tell of the republican plans than either he or Mr. Cox and asked why Colonel William Boyce Thompson, of New York, chairman of the republican ways and means committee, and the "sixty men of the paid organization" were not called.

Governor Cox has no evidence in support of his charges outside of what Moore brought to Chicago with him, the witness said, unfolding a massive brief case and taking out a stack of papers.

Elks Will Give Barbecue—

Elks lodge No. 1168 will give a barbecue Sunday, September 19, which promises to be a big affair. A little rivalry between a ball team composed of Medford members of the Elks lodge and Grants Pass members will be one of the features of the day. All Elks from Grants Pass intending to be present at the affair must notify C. A. Lynch before a week from Thursday, as to the size of their party. Every member of the order sojourning within the jurisdiction of Lodge No. 1168 is invited to attend with the members of his household. Efforts will be made to furnish automobile transportation for all those without cars of their own. Those without cars must give their names to Mr. Lynch. There will be an initiation and big meeting Thursday night at Medford to make further plans for the occasion.

F. D. Clark returned to his home at Albany this morning after a visit in Grants Pass with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Clark.

An American Rhapsody



Bronstrup in the San Francisco Chronicle

EVEN SARDINIA THINKS SHE IS ABLE TO GOVERN HERSELF WITHOUT ANY AID

Rome, Sept. 7.—The spirit of unrest has penetrated since the war even to such old world and out of the way places as the Island of Sardinia. Among these picturesque peasants, many of whom cannot read or write, though they are often people of dignified manners and strong character, public opinion is diffused by word of mouth and a strong party has arisen lately whose motto is "Sardina alone" who think that the Island, which is the second largest in the Mediterranean would be more prosperous if it governed itself and had little or nothing to do with Italy.

In ancient days Sardinia was one of the great granaries of the world, supplying first Carthage and later Rome with immense quantities of grain. Now a large proportion of the island is uncultivated and about one-fifth is covered with forests, chiefly consisting of holm-oaks and cork trees. The most valuable exports however, are from the mines of lead, zinc, antimony, copper, silver, lignite and anthracite, which if only thoroughly developed would be a source of great riches.

The Sardinians are a splendid fighting race and not only during the late world conflict but throughout the Napoleonic wars and the

Middle Ages provided some of the staunchest soldiers in Europe. The Sardinians have always considered their island the Cinderella of United Italy. They say that they have been alternately neglected and taken advantage of by the central government, education has been disregarded, the malarious state of the country has been ignored, few roads or railways have been provided in order to develop its resources, while government money has never been forthcoming for its needs.