

# Grants Pass Daily Courier

ASSOCIATED PRESS SERVICE

UNITED PRESS SERVICE

VOL. XI, No. 78.

GRANTS PASS, JOSEPHINE COUNTY, OREGON. MONDAY, DECEMBER 20, 1920.

WHOLE NUMBER 3155.

## FORDNEY BILL IS APPROVED BY COMMITTEE

HOUSE WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE FAVORS TARIFF TO PROTECT FARMERS

## BODY MAKES TWO CHANGES

Lemons Are Added to List—Representatives From Farming Districts Pledge Their Support

Washington, Dec. 20.—(A. P.)—The house ways and means committee approved the Fordney emergency tariff bill designed to protect the farmers. The committee made two changes. They added lemons to the list with a duty of 1½ cents per pound. They increased the rate on peanut oil from 20 to 25 cents per gallon. Representatives in the house from agricultural districts pledged their support to the bill, but instructed the committee to urge that frozen beef, lemons and canned salmon be included in the high tariff.

## LARGE SUM NEEDED IN DRIVE TOMORROW

Tomorrow has been set by Chairman Pittenger for the big drive for \$1700 in Josephine county to aid the starving children in Europe. Extensive preparations have been made by Mr. Pittenger and his committee in order that everyone in the city and county will be given a chance to do their part in alleviating the suffering of the 3,500,000 children who face starvation in the war and revolution-swept countries. Many children face the danger of actually starving to death unless aid is sent them. America has been asked to share the burden in preserving the future civilization of Europe. According to Herbert Hoover, who has been placed in charge of the campaign in the United States, the future of the countries depends upon this country. The under-nourished and ill-fed children of the present, unless they are cared for, will not have ample vitality to keep up the present standards. Many local people, including nearly 100 women have offered their services for tomorrow. The desire that every person give as much as he is able, \$10 being sufficient to care for one child until summer. If it is impossible to give that amount, a lesser sum will be welcomed. Any person who is missed in the drive tomorrow will find blanks in Saturday's and today's Courier which may be filled in with the amount to be sent or pledged. They can be sent to Mr. Pittenger, who will send the money to central headquarters.

Roy Platsted, of Brookings, is a local visitor for a few days, stopping at the Josephine.

TERENCE MAC SWINEY



Terence MacSwiney, lord mayor of Cork, who, starving himself to death in a London prison, said: "I am confident my death will do more to smash the British empire than would my release."

## CHICAGO FIGHTS INFLATED COSTS

Reversion to War Time Methods of Combatting High Prices Adopted by Committee in Chicago

Chicago, Dec. 20.—(A. P.)—A reversion to war time methods in fighting the high food prices were adopted today. The fair price committee announced that "fair price" quotations for meats will be issued daily. The charge was made that retail meat dealers are making greater profits than at any time during the war.

**Christmas Business Increases—**  
The different stores in the city which are affected by the holiday trade report that business is very heavy today. With five more days until Christmas, people are beginning to realize that their shopping can not be delayed much longer. The regular postoffice rush commenced in earnest today.

**Many Get Trees—**  
The Pacific highway was lined with cars yesterday, and nearly every car had one or more Christmas trees on it. The pleasure in the Christmas trees apparently lies as much in getting the tree from the forest as it does in arranging the decorations.

**Standard Oil Robbed—**  
Some time between Saturday night and this morning a thief entered the Standard Oil company's office here and secured about \$400 in change which had been left in the office. A small leather case was also taken. Entrance was gained by breaking the lock with a railroad spike. No clues were left, the theft not being discovered until this morning when Manager Fies went to the office.

John Randle has returned from Gazelle, Cal., where he spent the summer and fall. He will be in the city for the winter.

## SWEENEY BODY IS UNEARTHED NEAR WATSON

GEORGE HOWARD SAID TO HAVE TOLD SHERIFF WHERE BODY WAS BURIED

## ALLEGED CONFESSION IS MADE

Exact Diagram Is Furnished State Officers Who Dig for Over Hour in the Frozen Ground

Vale, Oregon, Dec. 20.—(A. P.)—The body of George R. Sweeney, a Vale tailor, missing since September 14th, was unearthed yesterday at Watson, following admission by George Howard that he had buried the body after dragging it from the Owyhee river in which he had sunk it in a trunk, according to Sheriff Noe, who is firm in the belief that Howard, who according to the sheriff, confessed some time ago to the killing of Sweeney, had removed the body from the river where he said he had put it. The sheriff said that by persistent questioning he and acting District Attorney Lytle had obtained from Howard an exact diagram showing where the body was buried. The deputies dug an hour in the frozen ground yesterday before finding it. In the alleged confession, it is said that Howard killed Sweeney to get possession of an automobile and hid the body under the lap robe all day, then put it in a trunk and put it in the river. Late in September he decided to leave Watson and fearing the body might come to the surface he dragged it out and buried it. He worked all night. The inquest was held today.

## SURRENDER OF CLARA SMITH IS EXPECTED

El Paso, Dec. 20.—(A. P.)—The parents of Clara Smith said that she would surrender to face the charge in connection with the death of Jake Hammon.

Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Buell were in the city yesterday from Dryden.

Robert Austin, of Oakville, Washington, was a business visitor in Grants Pass yesterday.

Miss Ruth Harmon went to Merlin this morning after spending a few days in the city.

Miss Charlotte Hollister arrived last night from Spokane and will have charge of the Postal telegraph office in the city for a few weeks.

**Breakwater Stands Heavy Seas—**  
For about two weeks heavy seas hammered the breakwater, sending spray high in the air. Outside of washing out a number of ties of the railroad track and small loose rocks no damage was done. The works certainly stood a good test.—Del Norte Triplet.

## MINING ASSESSMENT FOR 1920 IS EXTENDED SIX MONTHS

Washington, Dec. 20.—(A. P.)—The house today passed the senate bill which provides that the time for doing the mining assessment work for 1921 is extended to and including July 1, 1921. That is, the 1920 assessment work can be done during the first six months of 1921. The assessment work for 1921 must also be done during 1921. Locators are not required to file notice of acceptance.

## PRESIDENT IS UNABLE TO CUT WHEAT IMPORT

EXISTING LAW DOES NOT GIVE POWER TO PREVENT IMPORTATION OF GRAIN

## CAN STOP FUTURE TRADING

Federal Trade Commission Makes Report to the President—Regulatory Action Up to Congress

Washington, Dec. 20.—(A. P.)—The president is without power under the existing law "to shut out wheat imports," but he "apparently has certain powers under the Lever act to stop future trading in wheat," the federal trade commission says in a special report to the president. The report says that "while evidence is not available, that future trading in wheat is responsible for the decline in wheat prices, it does not appear that future trading in wheat as at present operating, is of indisputable service to the grain trade." It suggests that if regulatory action is employed the question may be considered by congress and legislation "not connected with war powers" can be enacted.

## PORTLAND MARKETS

Portland, Dec. 20.—(A. P.)—Cattle are weak. Hogs are lower, \$9.50 to \$10.25. Sheep are steady. Eggs are weak. Butter is steady.

Johnny Wertz left this morning for Drain, where he will remain over Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Wertz.

## FIFTY TWO INDICTED AFTER INVESTIGATION

New York, Dec. 20.—(A. P.)—Fifty-two persons were indicted following the building trust investigation.

## MANUFACTURERS TO LOWER WAGES THIRTY PER CENT

New York, Dec. 20.—(A. P.)—The clothing manufacturers association announced a 30 per cent wage reduction here today.

## PRESIDENT EXPECTED TO VETO SENATE RESOLUTION

Washington, Dec. 20.—(A. P.)—The senate passed a resolution today directing the revival of the war finance corporation. It goes to the president who is expected to veto the measure.

Rev. C. E. Glazier returned this morning from Medford where he spent the week end.

MISS CLARISSA P. CURTIS



Miss Clarissa P. Curtis of Boston is engaged to wed Prince Michael Cantacuzene of Russia, whose mother was Julia Dent Grant, granddaughter of Ulysses S. Grant.

## GOVERNMENT TO SUE ROCKEFELLER

Millionaire Is Charged With Making False Statements in Income Tax Returns for 1915

New York, Dec. 20.—(U. P.)—The federal government today filed a suit against John D. Rockefeller, charging him with making "incorrect, misleading and false" statements concerning his income tax returns for 1915. According to the complaint, Rockefeller failed to include as part of his income, returns from 50,194 shares of Illinois Pipe Line Company stock, and 67,176 shares of Prairie Pipe Line Company stock.

The government asks judgment for \$292,678 with a penalty of 5 per cent and interest at the rate of 1 per cent per month from June 30, 1916.

## Will Give Matinee—

Manager Clayton, of the Oregon theater, announces that a free matinee for children will be given at the Oregon on Christmas morning. The picture will be "Maddin and His Lamp." The show will start at 10:30 and every child in the city is extended an invitation.

## Hog Shipment Deferred—

The shipment of hogs which was to have been sent to Portland on the 27th of the month will not be sent until January 1, according to C. N. Culy, manager of the Josephine Co-operative Association. The present prices which hogs are bringing in Portland do not warrant the sending of hogs into that market at this time.

Miss Ruth Lansberry and Mrs. William Lansberry, of Brookings, were in the city yesterday. They left this morning for Eugene where they will visit over the holidays.

## CONVICT DIES IN DUEL WITH TEN OFFICERS

FRANK WAGNER SHOT BY WARDEN COMPTON WHILE MAKING TOOLS

## LIBERTY BONDS RECOVERED

Property of John Hedden Found. Bonds Included in Loot Taken by Thieves at Scottsburg

Astoria, Dec. 20.—(A. P.)—Frank Wagner, known as "Dutch" Frank, an escaped convict from the Oregon penitentiary, was killed in a duel yesterday with Warden Compton and nine other officers. Wagner was found in a blacksmith shop where he was forging a new set of safe robber's tools. In the cache of Wagner's belongings was found a package of \$6559 in Liberty bonds, the property of John M. Hedden, of Scottsburg, Oregon, stolen from the store following Wagner's escape. Five Astoria persons were accused of harboring the criminal.

## INSTITUTE IS BEING HELD AT COURT HOUSE

Eighty school teachers of the county signed the register today at the courthouse, showing their presence at the institute which is being held this week. An interesting and instructive program has been arranged, a number of particularly capable speakers having been secured. Each teacher is required to be present 16 hours at the institute, which is an annual affair.

Among the speakers during the three days are Edwin T. Reed, W. G. Beattie, F. L. Stetson, of the University of Oregon, Superintendent of Schools J. A. Churchill, George Brisco, of Ashland, and J. C. Almack, of the University of Oregon extension department. The institute will extend through Wednesday afternoon. County teachers examinations were held during the latter part of last week, a large number of teachers being in the city to take these. No trouble was experienced in securing rooms.

## Courier Is Delayed—

The Courier was delayed several hours today on account of the failure of the gas supply. Owing to an accident at the gas plant, no gas was available until this afternoon, which made it impossible to set up any type until it was turned on.

Miss Erma McCallister returned Saturday morning from Monmouth, where she is a senior at the Oregon State Normal school. Miss McCallister reports an enrollment of 250 at the normal.

## Russian Peasant Women Forced to Dig Trenches



It is said that in Russia the Bolshevik government compels everyone to work. This photograph, just received, shows peasant women digging trenches under the eyes of an armed guard.

## THE MISSING LINK AGAIN

Everett Earle Stanard

When man was just a monkey and his earthly days were sped, he toppled over on the sand and presently was dead. Now searching parties far and wide maintain and say and think that traces soon will be espied of the old missing link. And friends of evolution grope and in the jungle dig, and ply the spade and fondly hope to make a find that's big. In other words, they want to show that souls and minds of men sprang out, by mereest chance, you know, from the gorilla's den, that man is just an animal evolved from troglodytes and that he used to snap and squall and mix in jungle fights, and that before he was a 'link' he was a brainless fish, and never had a thought to think and never wished a wish. And now savants will whisk away to Asia's peopled shore and there will search, the papers say, for some five years or more. The monkey leapt from tree to tree, a tree-top was his goal, and yet some people think that he down to us passed a soul. O seekers, search the jungle lands your 'missing link' to find, and when you find it all join hands with british monkey-kind!