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DEFORESTATION MEANS FAMINE FOR AMERICA

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE WARNS AGAINST THE LOSS OF FORESTS

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Forestry Department Declares Now Is the Time to Save the United States from Future Suffering

By DAVID M. CHURCH (I. N. S. Correspondent) Washington, May 27.—(I. N. S.)—Future generations of Americans may face famine conditions, such as are now agonizing millions of Chinese.

This is the ominous warning issued by the department of agriculture, whose foresters declare that Chinese famine conditions are partly responsible to the "folly of deforestation" which has gone on in China for many years.

The ruthless destruction of their forests by the Chinese is one of the reasons why famine and plague today hold that nation in their sinister grasp, says a statement issued by the department of agriculture. "Denudation, wherever practiced, leaves naked soil, floods and erosion follow, and when the soil is gone men must also go—and the process does not take long. Forests not only play an important part in the distribution of mankind over the earth's surface, but also deeply affect his spiritual, physical and economic life. A country that recklessly wastes its natural resources faces ultimate poverty and decadence. History is full of such examples.

"Human folly and short-sightedness have made a country fertile enough to support over 50,000,000 people into a place where man must ever be haunted by fear of starvation and destruction. The lesson of deforestation in China is one which mankind should have learned many times from what has occurred in other places. In fact, it may, in a lesser degree, even be brought home to the people of America in future years unless, through wise forethought, care is exercised in the preservation of our forests from destruction by fire and wasteful lumbering."

When signs bearing the warning, "Beware of the Mountain Water," such as appear in many places in China, begin to appear in America, then the nation must guard against a decadence in its natural resources, the foresters of the department of agriculture declare.

The Great Plains of Eastern China were transformed from forests into agricultural lands centuries ago. The mountain plateaus have also been devastated of their tree growth. As a result water rushes off the naked

RICKENBACKER IS REFUSED PLANE

Postoffice at Omaha Does Not Allow War Pilot to Borrow Machine for Washington Trip

Omaha, May 27.—(A. P.)—When Rickenbacker reached here the postoffice refused permission to take the mail plane to Washington. He decided to continue as a passenger to Chicago where he will try to get an airplane.

Cheyenne, Wyo., May 27.—(A. P.)—Eddie Rickenbacker resumed his transcontinental flight from here at 6 o'clock this morning as a passenger in the mail plane piloted by C. V. Pickup. At Omaha Rickenbacker intends to take command of the ship and drive to Washington. Rickenbacker this morning inspected the machine he wrecked last night.

Los Angeles, Cal., May 27.—(A. P.)—Men of the 91st division, which was recruited in the west and train at camp Lewis, are to hold their 1921 annual reunion and convention here in September, it was announced recently.

STATE LIME PLANT WILL AGAIN OPERATE

Gold Hill, Ore., May 27.—(A. P.)—Plans for the reopening of the state lime plant at Gold Hill are being prepared by C. W. Courtney, of Grants Pass, former superintendent of the plant, whose reappointment in that capacity has been made by the state board having charge of the plant. The board proposes to lease the Gold Hill quarry and aerial tramway to the local cement plant and open a shellmarl deposit here in the valley, and supply the marl in conjunction with ground limestone for fertilizers.

Slopes in veritable floods, gully away the mountainsides and carrying huge quantities of fertile soil away to the muddy China seas.

Tree-covered mountains of China formerly absorbed a considerable portion of the rainfall and permitted it to escape by slow seepage during the dry season. Now that there are no trees, shrubs, or even grass to restrain the rainfall the streams of China are but little rivulets during the dry season, but become roaring torrents, bringing disaster and destruction in the wet season. Agriculture becomes difficult, if not impossible, in these regions, with consequent lack of food.

Though it would take many years for deforestation to reach the stage in America which it has reached in China, nevertheless the forestry experts of the United States department of agriculture declare that now is the time to act to save this nation from any future suffering.

EASTERN COLLEGE TAKES UP NEW VARIATION OF WINTER GOLF GAME

Durham, N. H., May 27.—(A. P.)—Arrow golf, a new game, is the sport of the day at New Hampshire college. It is played with bow and arrow instead of club and ball and targets of straw sacks are used to mark what in golf would be holes. The faculty have taken to it in a body and play daily over a nine target course. Undergraduates also have adopted the game.

Over the hills and through woodlots in the vicinity of the college the arrows are sped without need to consider ground conditions that would be hazards in real golf. Yet the game has qualities that make it highly competitive, with factors of strength and skill involved to a degree that maintains interest.

Arrow golf was invented in Durham by Professor W. C. O'Kane and has been developed by him and a group of other faculty members into the game which can be enjoyed on any farm or in the vacant lot of suburbs.

The course at Durham has nine "holes," or targets. These consist of sacks stuffed with straw placed on poles, the bottom of the sack being five or six inches above the ground. The distances between the targets are from 200 to 600 yards. The average player can make a drive of 200 yards easily. The game, as in golf, requires that the circuit be made in the least number of "strokes." Some of the targets of the present course are possible one-shot plays, as there are possible one-holes in golf, though the probability that they will be achieved in one shot is remote.

The arrow golf player requires little equipment. Most of the players carry the bow, two or three arrows in a home-made quiver, and a guard for the left wrist necessary because the string strikes down on the wrist with great force. The player also wears a glove on the hand with which he pulls the string, or at least three fingers of a glove, to cover the finger tips and

AGREEMENT IS REFUSED BY SHIP OWNERS

AMERICAN STEAMSHIP CLIQUE DECLINES TO SIGN SETTLEMENT WITH WORKERS

WILL RETAIN SCALE OF MAY 1

Secretary Davis Gives Indications Shipping Board May Be Asked to Treat With Seamen

Washington, May 27.—(A. P.)—The American Steamship Owners Association, including the Pacific coast ship owners, today announced their refusal to sign the agreement reached between Secretary of Labor Davis and the Marine Engineers Beneficial Association. They decided to abide by the scale and conditions put into effect on May 1.

It was indicated later that Davis was making an effort to induce the shipping board to enter into an agreement with the seamen regardless of the ship owners' action.

NORWAY GENERAL STRIKE CALLS GOVERNMENT TROOPS

New York, May 27.—(A. P.)—A general strike has started in Norway, said dispatches. The government has called out troops to assist the police in Christiania and other cities.

W. I. HUNTER IS WINNER OF BRITISH GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP

Hoylake, May 27.—(A. P.)—W. I. Hunter won the British amateur golf championship, defeating Alan Graham in the 36-hole final.

MANY BUILDINGS ARE WRECKED BY TORNADO

Mason City, Iowa, May 27.—(A. P.)—Buildings on half a dozen farms were blown away and at least one man was killed in a tornado which late yesterday swept a mile and a quarter strip between Plymouth and Manly.

CENTRAL TENNIS TOURNAMENT WILL DRAW MANY PLAYERS

Sacramento, Cal., May 27.—(A. P.)—Tennis stars from several sections of California will play here May 28, 29 and 30 in the Central California Tennis Tournament, the first of the western tournaments in the annual race for the national title.

The Central California tourney has been called the "breeding tournament" of the United States because several men, including Morris McLaughlin, William Johnston and "Peck" Griffin, who later won national titles, won some of their first spurs in this meeting. Johnston, Davis cup star, former

HIGHWAY BIDS AGAIN OPENED BY COMMISSION

1-16 MILES OF PACIFIC HIGHWAY SOUTH OF OAKLAND IS LET TODAY

GRANTS PASS CONCERN SEEN

\$250,000 Is Estimate on New Mount Hood Loop Road Recently Suggested to the Commission

Portland, May 27.—(A. P.)—Bids for paving 1.16 miles of Pacific highway from the city limits of Oakland, Douglas county, south, were accepted today after bids for the same work had been twice rejected previously because they were too high. Chairman Booth said today's bids were much lower.

John Hampshire and Company, of Grants Pass, was the only concern asking to place broken stone surfacing on the 14.2 miles of the Coos Bay-Roseburg highway in Coos and Douglas counties. This stretch of road is between Camas valley and is remote.

Portland, May 27.—(A. P.)—The highway commission opened bids for an entirely new Mount Hood road from the Multnomah line to the boundary of the national forest. Seven placed bids for this piece of road work. This road will cost nearly \$250,000. Senator Joseph gave the commission assurance that Multnomah county would do its part in building the Loop road. Lively bidding is being made for various jobs throughout the state.

DISCOVERS BODY IN CABIN NEAR ROSEBURG

Roseburg, May 27.—(A. P.)—Abe Givens, 48, a homesteader, was found murdered this morning in his cabin at Nofog, above Peel. The murderer tried unsuccessfully to burn the body. Officers are investigating the movements of strangers who had been in the neighborhood.

WILLAMETTE WILL STAND AT 23.3 FEET BY MONDAY

Portland, May 27.—(A. P.)—A continued rise of the rivers is forecast, with the Willamette here Monday at 23.3 feet. Today it stands at 22.2 feet. The upper Columbia and Snake rivers are reported to show slight rises.

National singles title holder and one of the present national doubles champions, will play in the tournament. Another entry will be Griffin, who with Johnston at present holds the national doubles title. Johnston and Griffin are from San Francisco.

BERGDOLL MONEY CONFISCATED

Property Was Held by Grover's Mother Under Power of Attorney But Is Taken by Nation

Philadelphia, May 27.—(A. P.)—All property here owned by Grover C. Bergdoll, the draft evader, now in Germany, valued at \$550,000, was seized today by Alien Property Custodian Colonel Thomas W. Miller, on orders from President Harding. The property consists of real estate and money deposited in four local banks. The property was held by Grover's mother under power of attorney. The seizure was made under the authority of the trading with the enemy act.

EMERGENCY TARIFF BILL IS SIGNED BY PRESIDENT

Washington, May 27.—(A. P.)—The president signed the emergency tariff bill today.

Washington, May 27.—(A. P.)—The passage of the federal budget bill was completed by the house adopting the conference report. It now goes to the president.

ENGLISH HUNT TO BE O. A. C. SPECTACLE

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis, May 27.—(Special)—A real English hunt, the first of its kind ever held at any educational institution in this country, will be an attraction of the junior week end program, Sunday morning at 9 o'clock. Baying hounds will lead the horses and their riders over a difficult course. The contest is being put on by the college with the cooperation of the animal husbandry and military departments.

Students in the cavalry and field artillery will compete in the contest. A paper chase was held on the campus earlier in the present term for the Potter trophy. The race at that time was close. Those in charge of the hunt predict that it will be closer than the chase.

Spectacular jumps for hounds and horses will feature the three mile run. The course, which will be laid out by Professor E. L. Potter of the animal husbandry department, will be over rough ground. Spectators will be able to view the entire course, which will be laid northwest of Corvallis.

PORTLAND MARKETS

Choice Steers.....\$7.50 @ \$7.75
Hogs, prime light.....\$8.75 @ \$9.25
Prime Lambs.....\$6.50 @ \$6.75
Eggs, buying price.....16c @ 18c
Butter.....25c

Portland, May 27.—(A. P.)—Cattle, steady; hogs weak; sheep, 50c lower; eggs and butter, steady.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Jansen, of Great Falls, Mont., were in this city yesterday.

ANTI-BOLSHEVIK TROOPS OCCUPY VLADIVOSTOK

COMMAND OF GENERAL KAPPELL TAKES OVER CONTROL OF GOVERNMENT

JAPANESE TROOPS NEUTRAL

Commander Says Non-Socialist Organizations Have Asked His Men to Enter City

Tokio, May 27.—(A. P.)—Troops formerly under the command of General Kappell, the anti-bolshevik leader in southeastern Siberia, occupied part of Vladivostok yesterday, says a dispatch. Some government buildings were taken over by the troops. The Japanese troops remained neutral.

The city is reported to be entirely under the control of Kappell's troops whose chief of staff announced that a council of non-socialist organizations had asked the soldiers to enter the city. Part of the Vladivostok militia surrendered and the remainder fled.

Members of the national assembly were arrested but later were released. The Kappell troops captured Niklisk, near Vladivostok on May 21.

PARK TO PARK ASSOCIATION MEETS IN SALT LAKE CITY

Salt Lake City, Utah, May 27.—(A. P.)—Approximately 450 delegates from eight western states are expected to meet here in the first annual convention of the National Park-to-Park Highway Association June 16-19 to consider means of completing and improving the highways connecting the country's western parks.

The delegates will represent Colorado, Wyoming, Utah, California, Idaho, Arizona, Oregon and Montana, all parts of the west through which the highway will run.

The parks to be reached by the proposed highway include Zion National Park, Grand Canyon National Park, Sequoia National Park, General Grant National Park, Yosemite National Park, Lassen Volcano National Park, Crater Lake National Park, Glacier National Park, Yellowstone National Park and Rock mountain National Park.

In addition to connecting the parks, the proposed highway, which describes almost a complete circle, will touch many national forests, Indian reservations and national monuments.

Los Angeles, May 27.—(A. P.)—Sunken flower gardens being laid out in Exposition park here will be the finest of their kind in the United States, according to city official superintending the planting. Every known kind of flower will be found here.

Chicago Family Has Close Call



A family of seven fled in panic down a shabby rear stairway on West Madison street, Chicago, and escaped death by a few seconds. As they reached the back yard, the building they had just left collapsed. The building was a two-story brick structure. The rain is believed to have softened the ground beneath the east wall of the building where an excavation had exposed it.

REPRESENTATIVES FROM EVERY CITY IN CALIFORNIA MEET WITH BANKERS

San Diego, Cal., May 27.—(A. P.)—Nearly every city in California was represented at the 27th annual convention of the California Bankers Association which opened yesterday at Coronado Beach here.

Speakers at the convention will take up many phases of the question of finances, taxation, banking and general business conditions. Among the speakers and their subjects will be "Financial Situation and Outlook," David R. Forgan, president of the National City Bank of Chicago; "Financing Foreign Trade," Henry M. Robinson, president of the First National Bank, Los Angeles, and "Changes in California Bank Act," Edward Elliott, vice president of the Security Trust and Savings Bank, Los Angeles.

Several of the speakers will be from outside the banking business. Among these will be Paul Shoup, vice president of the Southern Pacific

Company, who will talk on "The Effect of Taxation on Industry." Wigginton E. Creed, president of the Pacific Gas and Electric Company of San Francisco whose subject is "Financing California Development," Epigenio Ibarra, governor of the northern district of lower California, who will talk about Mexico and Leslie Smith of the King county canneries whose talk will be on the canneries situation in the state.

Meetings of the Trust Company section of the association and conferences of officers of the various groups were held today. The convention will close Friday night but delegates will remain until Saturday to visit the North Island aviation station.

Entertainment features on the program include a bowling tournament, duck pin tournament, smoker, dancing, golfing, automobile drives, reception aboard U. S. S. Mississippi, bridge tournament for ladies.