

# Grants Pass Daily Courier

ASSOCIATED PRESS SERVICE

VOL. XII, No. 100.

GRANTS PASS, JOSEPHINE COUNTY, OREGON

THURSDAY, APRIL 13, 1922.

WHOLE NUMBER 3257.

## SIR ROSS SMITH DIES ON EVE OF WORLD FLIGHT

### FALL OF PLANE TAKES LIFE OF NOTED AVIATOR AT BROOKLANDS FIELD

## BROTHER AND MECHANIC KILLED

### Machine Which Crashed Was One in Which Globe Circling Was Planned

London, April 13.—(A. P.)—Sir Ross Smith, the Australian aviator, who, with his brother, Sir Keith, had planned to start from Croydon, April 25th, on a flight around the world, was killed when his plane crashed in a practice flight at Brooklands today.

Lieutenant Bennett, the engineer who planned to accompany the Smith brothers on their world-flight, was also killed.

The machine which crashed was the one the Smiths intended to use in the flight.

### Stolen License Located—

The automobile license stolen here several weeks ago from C. A. Pruitt has been located in Spokane. Chief of Police McLane read in a Portland paper when a couple of young men had been arrested, the article stating that their machine bore an Oregon license. Chief McLane looked it up and found it was the stolen license and immediately got in touch with the Spokane authorities. It is said that the car contained a large assortment of such things as auto robes, motometers and spotlights and it is thought that some of these may have been taken from local cars. Definite word has not yet been received of the disposal of the property or what has been done with the young men.

### Railroad Men in City—

John M. Scott, general passenger agent, and I. T. Sparks, district freight and passenger agent, of the Southern Pacific, have been in the city during the day. The gentlemen are on a tour of southern Oregon getting a firsthand view of business conditions. They are much pleased with the outlook for the season in this vicinity, and state that business is on the upgrade.

E. E. Rorapaugh and daughter, Mrs. Marion R. Field, of Eugene, were registered last night at the Josephine.

## UNCLE SAM IS LEADING EMPLOYER OF LABOR WITH HALF MILLION CIVILIANS ON PAY ROLL

Washington, April 13.—(I. N. S.)—Uncle Sam continues to lead all private agencies as the heaviest employer of civilian labor in America, according to the latest figures of Director of the Budget Dawes.

With 588,618 civilians drawing pay checks twice a month the government takes first rank as an employer. The number, however, shows a considerable reduction over the payroll list of last year, when 642,833 were working for Uncle Sam.

More than half of his force works in the postoffice department, which leads all other government departments in the number of civilians employed. The total, according to Dawes, now handling Uncle Sam's mail is 301,779, compared to 298,834 a year ago.

The money handlers come next, with 67,492 men and women working in the treasury department. This number shows a reduction of about 9,000 over the number employed there a year ago, but Dawes does not say whether this is due to having less money to handle.

The war and navy departments run a close race for third place with the sailors winning out. There are 61,488 civilians in the navy department, and 61,242 in the soldier department.

Uncle Sam also has 18,680 citizens

## ARBUCKLE, ACQUITTED, TO RETURN TO MOVIES

San Francisco, April 13.—(A. P.)—"Patsy" Arbuckle, acquitted in six minutes at his third trial last evening, said he would take a good rest and get rid of the surplus flesh acquired during the trials. He plans to return to pictures if the public wants him.

## GEORGE RIDDLE HEADS REED COLLEGE COMMITTEE

Reed College, Portland, Ore., April 13.—(Special)—George Riddle, of Grants Pass, Ore., a member of the Junior class at Reed College was today named chairman of the committee on arrangements for the third annual Reed Day, scheduled for May 17. Reed Day was instituted here three years ago, and has proved an unusual success since that time. More than 500 seniors from eight Portland high schools will be guests of Reed students this year, and the most pretentious program of recent years is being adopted.

## ARBUCKLE TO BE FREED OF REMAINING CHARGES

San Francisco, Cal., April 13.—(A. P.)—The remaining manslaughter charge against Roscoe Arbuckle will be dismissed immediately, Assistant District Attorney Friedman announced today.

## IRISH PEACE CONFERENCE ADJOURNS TILL WEDNESDAY

Dublin, April 13.—(A. P.)—The peace conference for southern Ireland adjourned today and adjourned until Wednesday without an agreement having been reached.

### Ashland People Visit—

Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Randies motored to Grants Pass Sunday, where they were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Roy McAllister. Mrs. McAllister will be remembered as Miss Olive Sober, who was a graduate of our local schools. Mr. and Mrs. McAllister have recently purchased land near Grants Pass and built a small bungalow and are now enjoying over the advent of another baby girl, who arrived on March 9.—Ashland Tidings.

### Students Attend Convention—

A party of five high school students, chaperoned by Mrs. W. H. Dana, left this morning for Eugene to attend the convention of high school editors and managers of student publications. Those making the trip are Merle Rimer, Roy Clark, Iris Burns, Margaret Hair and Helen Lister. All are connected with publications at the high school and Miss Lister is secretary of the association. Meetings are held annually on the university campus.

looking after the interests of farmers under the supervision of the department of agriculture. His war veterans get the next best attention, with 18,277 civilians in the veterans' bureau. Most of the male employees in this bureau, by the way, are former soldiers.

Irrigation and reclamation projects draw the next highest number of employees, with 17,400 workers looking after these interests in the interior department. The nation's trade comes next in importance with 11,488 employees in the commerce department, while 5,598 employees handle records and run down cases in the department of justice.

The shipping board, although facing sharp cuts in the near future, now has 5,401 civilians on its payroll, and the department of labor follows with 3,686 employees.

Affairs of state are handled by the smallest number of employees of any of the government's departments. There is a total of only 3,121 civilians assisting Secretary of State Hughes in guiding the nation's ship of state. This number, though, does not include 700 doormen and butlers engaged in service abroad.

Of the total number, 63,822 are employed in Washington, while the remainder are scattered across the face of the globe, though principally throughout the United States.

## RUMORS FLYING ABOUT GENOA CONFERENCE

### SENSATIONAL TALES ARE READILY DISAVOWED IN MOST PART

## NO ACTION OPPOSING FRANCE

### Heads of Three of the Leading Delegations Holding Confab Today

Genoa, April 13.—(A. P.)—While rumors of a sensational nature were flying thickly about conference circles today, the most being promptly disavowed, one fact that appeared to stand out was that neither the disarmament nor the reparations question would be brought up for specific action against the oppositions of France.

### Lloyd George, Foreign Minister Schanzer and Louis Barthou, heads of the British, Italian and French delegations to the Genoa conference, are holding an important meeting today, says the Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Genoa.

It quotes Barthou as saying the real work of the conference begins tomorrow.

## CHITA FORCES DRIVEN BACK

### Japanese Troops Successful Against Enemy—Cauri Approached

Tokio, April 13.—(A. P.)—Japanese troops have driven the Chita government forces from the neutral zone between them and the Vladivostok government troops, says a Vladivostok dispatch.

The Japanese forced the Chita troops as far north as Shmakovka, about 150 miles from Vladivostok, and are approaching Uauri station, a few miles further north. Vladivostok government troops have occupied the town of Olga.

### Booklet Is Published—

The hold that the out-of-doors has taken upon the people is shown by the volumes of literature issued in exploiting the places of interest, and in telling of hunting, fishing and camping. The Southern Pacific company has recently sent out a booklet describing the hunting and fishing of western Oregon. Several pages are devoted to each district, one section being devoted to the Rogue River, Siskiyou mountains and the Oregon Caves country. The Rogue is given a prominent place as a steelhead stream, while the hunting is also described as unusually good. The book also contains much valuable information for the camper.

## SEEK LIGHTER WEIGHT ALLOYS

### Federal Bureau of Mines Starts Investigation of Metals

Washington, April 13.—(A. P.)—At the suggestion of automobile manufacturers and large foundries of the country, the bureau of mines announced today that an investigation of far reaching importance would shortly be made to determine the cracking tendencies of commercial aluminum alloys. The purpose of the proposed investigation, to be made in conjunction with the General Motors Research Corporation was said to be to determine whether lighter weight motor cars can successfully be manufactured and retain the same stability now found in the larger and more substantial vehicle.

At the bureau's Pittsburg station an investigation was said to be now under way to ascertain "the total contraction in volume on freezing, and the linear contraction in different molds of various light aluminum alloys." Commercial melting practice for aluminum, it was said, already had been made the subject of a preliminary study and the results would be made public in the near future.

## DECLARE WAR ON FLIES IN THIS KANSAS TOWN

McPherson, Kan., April 13.—(A. P.)—As far as the city commission can make it this town will be "flyless" this summer.

McPherson, in fact, is going to be a town where a fly will be as much a curiosity as a horse is in Detroit.

An ordinance has been passed which contains these provisions: for taking all the joy out of a fly's life.

All barns, stables, chicken houses and other animal abodes must be thoroughly cleaned three times per week and the refuse carted outside the city limits to a place where it will be burned.

## FEWER ADMIRALS BUT MORE TEACHERS WANTED

Paris, April 13.—(I. N. S.)—"Give us fewer admirals and more university professors," is the demand of one of the weekly political reviews. The paper cites Le Journal as to the plentiful crop of admirals in the French navy.

"At present there is a vice-admiral, two contre-admirals, another admiral commanding the division of schools, a post recently created to occupy more admirals; a fifth admiral commands the division of the Voltaire, Diderot and Condorcet, old eggshells out of fashion and without value; a sixth admiral commands the cruisers Michelet and Victor Hugo, which are not worth more."

"On the other hand the appropriations for our faculties and laboratories have necessitated reducing the number of professors," says Le Carnet de la Semaine.

## YUBA IS CALIFORNIA'S BEST GOLD PRODUCER

Marysville, Cal., April 13.—(A. P.)—Yuba county produces more gold than any other county in the state, according to the current bulletin of the state mining bureau. Gold production in this district amounted to more than \$3,000,000 annually for the past three years.

Irridium and platinum are also produced to some extent by the gold dredgers on the rivers of this county.

### Ranch Is Purchased—

The Covert ranch, consisting of 640 acres, has been purchased by Alfred J. Meeks, of Sisson, Cal., who has arrived here to make his home on the property. The place is located about three miles west of the city and is known as the H. B. Miller farm. Mr. Meeks plans to make improvements on the farm and will move his family here as soon as school is over. He was formerly a successful cattle man of Gillette, Wyoming. The sale was made through A. N. Parsons, who states that Mr. Meeks came here because of the more favorable climate.

## PORTLAND MARKETS

Choice steers	.....\$7.50 @ \$8.00
Hogs, prime light	.....\$11.00 @ \$11.50
Spring lambs	.....\$10.00 @ \$13.00
Easter lambs	.....\$13.00 @ 14.00
Best valley lambs	.....\$11.00 @ 12.00
Eggs, buying price	.....20c @ 23c
Butter, extra cubes	.....30c
Butter, prints	.....30c
Wheat	.....\$1.22 @ \$1.26

Portland, Ore., April 13.—(A. P.)—Cattle, steady; hogs, steady; sheep, steady; eggs, 1c higher; butter, firm.

## EXPLOSION OF POWDER SHAKES CHARLESTON

### EIGHT HUNDRED KEGS AT ORDNANCE DEPOT WAREHOUSE BLOWS UP

## SHOCK IS FELT MILES AROUND

### Late Reports Indicate That Three Lives Were Lost—Property Damage Unknown

Charleston, S. C., April 13.—(A. P.)—Eight hundred kegs of powder stored in a building a quarter of a mile southwest of the Charleston general ordnance depot, 10 miles from Charleston, exploded today.

The shock was felt for miles. First reports said no lives were lost.

Three workmen were killed, and several injured in the powder explosion, according to latest reports.

## PORTLAND FIRE CHIEF TARGET

### Charges Preferred by Resident Are Declared to Be Conspiracy

Portland, April 13.—(A. P.)—Charges of inefficiency, misconduct and drunkenness were filed against Fire Chief John Young today by C. C. Brown, a Portland resident, through an attorney. The chief denied the charges, and declared they were the result of a conspiracy by foes who hid "behind the outsider not amenable to discipline."

## RELIEF WORKERS ARE KILLED

### American Drivers in Russia Meet Death—Horses Used as Food

Paris, April 13.—(A. P.)—A number of American drivers of relief wagons in Russia have been killed in the streets by the famished populace, who seized the horses for food, according to reports to American relief organizations in Paris from the Ufa, Bashkir and Tolyttalab famine districts.

## DEMOCRAT RAPS TARIFF BILL

### Administration Measure Is Assailed by Simmons of N. Carolina

Washington, April 13.—(A. P.)—The administration tariff bill was assailed today by Senator Simmons, of North Carolina, ranking democrat of the senate finance committee, as the "most un-American bill ever framed."

## Will Debate Klamath—

With the prospects of the western Oregon debate championship before them, Misses Lulu Garrett and Corlyss Courtney left this morning for Klamath Falls to meet the team there Friday night. They will debate on the subject of a graduated income tax. The local school now holds the championship of southern Oregon and is out for greater honors.

## OIL STATIONS PREY OF THIEVES

### Standard Company Takes Action to Thwart Burglar Activity

San Francisco, April 13.—(A. P.)—Robbers looting Standard Oil service stations in the future will find a very small amount of cash on hand, according to officials of the company here. Due to the recent increase in thefts from the company's stations along the coast, collections are now taken up more frequently than heretofore, and are made by a collector accompanied by armed guards.

A standing reward of 100 has been placed by the Standard Oil for the arrest and conviction of anyone robbing a company station.

## LENINE WILL REPLACE CRITCHERIN AT GENOA

Genoa, April 13.—(A. P.)—Nikolai Lenin, soviet premier, will come to Genoa to replace Chitcherin as head of the Russian delegation when negotiations of the economic conference reach the proper stage, says the newspaper Secola today.

## BRITISH GIRLS FLOCK TO COLORED LINGERIE

London, April 13.—(I. N. S.)—Spring is ushering in a riot of colors in women's clothes. This has extended even to lingerie.

Colored lingerie in the past has favored pale shades, but now dainty garments in deep orange, rich red, purple and magenta have made their appearance.

Magpie tints, too, are becoming popular for evening wear, and it is possible to have corsets made to match.

## "THE VANITY OF FAME"

Bridgeport, Ohio, April 13.—(I. N. S.)—One local school pupil questioned twenty citizens here before he learned that Clarence Brown, of Lancaster, is lieutenant-governor of Ohio. Pupils had been asked to make a list of state, county, city and township officials.

## Daisy Official Legion Flower—

At the meeting of the American Legion last night it was announced that the American daisy has been designated as the official flower of the Legion instead of the poppy, as the poppy is not a native flower of this country. The daisy will be used for all purposes of the Legion where the flower is available. The Legion decided to cooperate with the members of the G. A. R. again this year in the observance of Memorial day.

Wilford Allen Jr. was elected post historian in place of C. K. Logan who is leaving the city.

### Legions Wants Names—

The names of all Josephine county ex-service men who have died are wanted by the American Legion in order that grave markers may be obtained. The names should be turned in to Gladwin Smith, post commander, at the earliest possible date.

### Accepts Federal Position—

Ivan Livingston left this afternoon for Washington, D. C., where he will enter the government service as an auditing accountant. He will spend 90 days at Washington and another 90 days in the field and will then be assigned to a permanent location in some large city, where an internal revenue or customs bureau is maintained. He will stop at Ann Arbor, Mich., to visit his mother and sister, not being due in Washington until May 1. His family will join him later.

## PAPER MAKERS URGE CONGRESS TO GROW CROP OF TREES ON EIGHTY-ONE MILLIONS OF ACRES

New York, April 13.—(I. N. S.)—"Distinct gains have been achieved in the past year in the campaign of the American paper industry for forestry legislation which will help to provide a continuous supply of the raw material which this and other industries require if they are to continue in operation," George W. Sisson Jr., of Potsdam, N. Y., chairman of the forestry committee of the American Paper and Pulp Association, said this afternoon in making his report to the annual convention of the association.

"A committee of congress devoted a week to intensive study of the forestry problem of the nation, and such organizations as the American Newspaper Publishers' Association, the American Forestry Association and other national organizations, as well as technical foresters, stood with the American Paper and Pulp Association in asking for legislation which will aid in starting a new growth of timber on the 81,000,000 acres of land which ought to be growing trees but which are now growing nothing."

"This industry takes pride in the fact that its program for cooperation between federal, state and private agencies in the maintenance of the forest growth, first adopted in 1919, is now recognized as the one possible forestry program now before the country."

## CAPPER NAMES FOUR OBJECTS OF FARM BLOC

### KANSAS SENATOR TELLS BODY LEGISLATION WANTED BY AGRICULTURISTS

## LONG TERM CREDITS SOUGHT

### Reduction of Railroad Rates, Adequate Tariff Protection and Muscle Shoals Work Included

Washington, April 13.—(A. P.)—Legislation providing for long term credits for farmers, a reduction of railroad rates, adequate tariff protection on agricultural products, the development of Muscle Shoals projects as a fertilizer producer, were announced to the senate today by Senator Capper, of Kansas, as among the objectives of the agricultural bloc.

## ARGENTINE INFLUENCE GREAT

### Minister Said to Be Chief Advisor of Mexican President

Buenos Aires, April 13.—(A. P.)—The chief advisor of President Obregon of Mexico is the Argentine minister there, Dr. Manuel E. Malbran, asserts Dr. Enrique Gil, an Argentine lawyer, who has arrived in Buenos Aires after a trip through a number of Latin-American countries. To a reporter of La Nacion Dr. Gil said:

"In reality President Obregon adjusts his conduct and his decisions to the counsels of the Argentine minister, Dr. Malbran. His ideas are those of Dr. Malbran whom he consults for any decision of importance. Dr. Malbran is in this way in an admirable situation to pursue the diplomacy of Argentina. He enjoys much prestige in Mexico. President Obregon holds him in extraordinary regard."

### Dr. Gil said that Mexicans had a poor concept of Argentina and believed that Mexico was the most advanced of the Latin American countries.

Dr. Gil said that Mexicans had a poor concept of Argentina and believed that Mexico was the most advanced of the Latin American countries.

### Dixie Flyer Burns—

To get within one mile of his destination and then have his machine burn, was the odd experience of C. E. Moran who was taking the car, a Dixie Flyer, to L. M. Dennis at Yreka. The loss was fully covered by insurance. Mr. Moran returned here last night.