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## ALMEDA MINE CASE STARTED 10 YEARS AGO

### SETTLEMENT COMES AFTER LONG LITIGATION IN STATE COURTS

## TITLE IS NOW HELD CLEAR

### Way Open to Improvement of Property When Time Comes—History of Case Outlined

When the supreme court Tuesday handed down a decision clearing the title of the Alameda mine in the name of the Alameda Consolidated Mines company, a period of litigation covering 10 years was ended. It is thought that the mine can now be worked by the present owners without interference. The mine, which is regarded as one of the most valuable mines in Southern Oregon, has been the object of controversy since 1913 when it was first involved in a legal tangle.

In 1913 the mine owners became indebted to the extent of some \$270,000. The management prior to that time had been in the hands of four men, Mr. Crouch, Mr. Simmons, Mr. Kinney and Mr. Wickham. Something like \$600,000 had been spent in the development of the property, with the resulting debt. Thomas K. Burley, of Tacoma, was one of the heavy investors in the mine and he called A. C. Hough, local attorney, to Portland to go over the situation. An appeal was sent to the attorney general to put the concern in the hands of a receiver under the act of 1911, which made such action possible. The matter was turned over to A. M. Crawford, who in turn had his court draw up the petition. The court acted on the petition and appointed Mr. Burley as receiver for the mine.

During the receivership it was found that Simmons had apparently secured \$380,000 in shares in the company in some manner. The receiver brought action in the courts to have the stock cancelled. The case was tried before Judge Stapleton and the stock was ordered cancelled. Simmons then countered with a suit through the federal court asking that the receivership be declared void. Dormitzer, mentioned in the news dispatch Tuesday, was chosen as the attorney for Mr. Simmons. The suit was tried and the receivership was declared proper. Dormitzer then brought suit in the circuit court in this county.

The case was tried before Judge Calkins, A. C. Hough representing the receivership. The receiver again won and the case was appealed by Dormitzer. The supreme court of the state thereupon upheld Judge Calkins and the decision establishes the fact that the receivership was proper.

Title passed to the Alameda Consolidated Mines company about

## PRINCIPAL OF COLN HIGH SCHOOL IS

Portland, Feb. 21.—(A. P.)—Thompson T. Davis, principal of Lincoln high school for 26 years, died today aged 71.

## Addition to Grange Hall Will Be Built

At the meeting Monday evening of the Rogue River Valley Grange it was decided to alter the building plans formerly held. Instead of adding to the west end of the building, 18 feet will be added to the north side of the hall, running the full length of the building. This will greatly increase the capacity of the hall, made necessary by the rapid increase in membership. Ten new members were initiated and several applications were received. C. J. Hurd gave a talk on cooperative marketing, this work having been under consideration of the grange for the past several months. A hard times social will be held on March 19, for which an excellent program has been outlined.

## Has Finger Th Cut—

Calvin M. Bryan, employed at the Santeo Meat market, came to grief Tuesday when cutting sausage in the grinder. His right hand came in contact with the grinding knife, and the tip of the middle finger was taken off. Calvin is considering using strictly pork after this.

## IMPERIAL PRINCE COMING

### D. O. K. K. Will Put on Ceremonial On March 5.

The biggest ceremonial staged in southern Oregon for years is the way the D. O. K. K. put it when they tell of the coming event here on March 5, when a large bunch of tyros will walk the hot sands. The Imperial Prince of the Dramatic Order of the Knights of Khorassan will be present and special preparations are being made for his entertainment as this is the first time that an Imperial Prince of the sunshine order of the Knights of Pythias has stopped in southern Oregon. Several members of the Puhat-Burkan temple were down from Medford last night to bring the matter to the attention of the local lodge men.

After the initiation of several candidates last night, the Knight of Pythias entertained a number of friends at a smoker held in the lodge rooms. The men spent the evening playing cards and in other forms of amusement. Refreshments were served.

seven years ago when Mr. Burley sold the property at a receiver's sale. Sufficient money was obtained to pay off all the indebtedness of the company and the pay the receiver's expenses. In 1917 an order of confirmation of the sale was secured from the court. Following this Dormitzer began his suits, which ended in the decision handed down Tuesday, which now opens the way to the further development of the Alameda mine.

## MERGER GETS ATTENTION IN SENATE TODAY

### AMENDMENTS WILL BE ADDED BY SUB-COMMITTEE OF BOTH HOUSES

## MANY BOARDS BE UNCHANGED

### "Oleo" Bill Passes Lower House—Governor Given Power to Remove Fish Commissioners

Salem, Feb. 21.—(A. P.)—Early today amendments were being drafted for the Carlin consolidation bill for the senate committee on equity and state offices to report out. The committee agreed on certain amendments. Senators Johnson, Eddy and Representative Carlin were appointed as a sub-committee to draft the amendments. The labor commissioner is to remain elective, the accident commission, the industrial welfare commission, the conciliation and arbitration board, the state forestry board of control are to remain as present. The cabinet created under the bill is given authority to transfer the functions from one department to another. The banking department is to be under the governor's control.

Salem, Feb. 21.—(A. P.)—The house today passed the Brown-Zimmerman senate "oleo" bill, prohibiting the use of milk or milk products in vegetable oil substitutes for milk products. The senate passed the Joseph bill giving the governor power to remove the fish commissioners at any time.

In a letter to Senator Strayer and members of the senate committee on county and state officers, the governor today asked that a provision be included in the Carlin bill giving him absolute jurisdiction over the commercial fish commission. The house recalled and indefinitely postponed today the bill passed by the house and senate yesterday cutting off state aid for ex-service men enrolled in state educational institutions. The senate temporarily tabled the bill sponsored by K. K. Kull appropriate \$40,000 for the Northwest Tourist Association, which the house passed last night.

The noon adjournment interrupted the consideration of the income tax bill by the senate in committee of the whole, section by section. Dennis, chairman of the committee, on assessment and taxation, said he believed the bill would prove workable, though he did not claim perfection for it. The house passed the Strayer bill to permit the county courts to construct market roads without the supervision of the state highway commission, except on the main highways. The house passed the senate bill for bringing the battleship Oregon to Portland.

The senate passed the bill placing dealers in municipal bonds under the jurisdiction of the corporation commissioner. This bill was defeated a few days ago and was reconsidered. Exclusive of special bills carrying appropriations, the ways and means committee has approved appropriations totalling \$6,048,018.69. This is a cut of \$1,059,924.99 from requests for appropriations.

## NEBRASKA FARMERS BACK EUGENIC MARRIAGE LAW

Omaha, Neb. Feb. 21.—(I. N. S.)—"Better Sires—Better Stock" was the slogan hung up five years ago by the Department of Agriculture and adopted by every State in the Union.

"Better Parents—Better Kids" is the "one better" motto farmers of Nebraska propose to go the Federal office.

Passage of a law requiring physical examination and certificate from a reputable physician before a marriage license is issued is demanded by the Farmers' Educational and Cooperative Union of Nebraska in a resolution passed at its annual meeting.

## JAPANESE POPULATION INCREASES IN HAWAII

Honolulu, Feb. 21.—(I. N. S.)—Seventeen children of Japanese parents were born in Honolulu for every one who died during 1922, according to figures compiled and published by M. Hestor Lemon, registrar general of the board of health.

The total number of recorded births of Japanese was 1,764, while 169 deaths were reported, according to the statistics.

White Americans in Honolulu average seven births for every death, and total being 314 births, as against 45 deaths for the year.

## City Will Observe Washington's Birth

Washington's birthday anniversary is being observed in Grants Pass tomorrow. The banks will be closed all day, as will the court house. The postoffice will be open from 9 until 11 in the morning and one carrier delivery will be made in the morning. The schools will observe the holiday with programs in all of the schools in the morning. All schools of the county will be dismissed in the afternoon, in compliance with the law, which says that the programs must not be in session in the afternoon. Business houses will remain open as usual. Merchants have been requested to have appropriate displays in their windows by members of the American Legion.

## IRISH GOVERNMENT ATTACKED

### Buildings Object of Raid by Dublin Irregulars

Dublin, Feb. 21.—(A. P.)—An organized attack was made this afternoon on various government offices in Dublin. An attempt was also made to burn the income tax office. The national troops, guarding the local government board office, fired and killed one irregular and captured three others.

## PORTLAND MARKETS

Choice steers	\$7.25 @ \$7.75
East Mt. Lamb	\$12.50 @ \$14.00
Hogs, prime light	\$10.00 @ \$10.75
Eggs, buying price	25c @ 25c
Eggs, selling price	24c @ 25c
Butter, extra gubs	44c @ 45c
Butter, prints	48c
Wheat	\$1.20 @ \$1.35

Portland, Ore., Feb. 21.—(A. P.)—Livestock, steady; eggs, weak and low; butter, steady.

W. H. Leonard is travelling around the streets by cane the past day or two. Mr. Leonard had a fall several days ago which injured his knee and caused it to swell considerably.

## SERG. E. E. LOCKOUT



The only enlisted man in the United States who has charge of an identification bureau is Quartermaster Sergeant Edward E. Lockout, United States Marine corps. Lockout's bureau contains approximately 160,000 fingerprint records, being considered the most efficient and up-to-date identification bureau of the United States today. Lockout has been in the service for 15 years.

## OREGON IS DUE FOR GROWTH IN NEXT 10 YEARS

### TIMBER INDUSTRY SAID BY LAMAR TOOZE TO BE LARGE ITEM

## OTHER RESOURCES ARE NOTED

### University Preparing for Development and Is Launching Endowment Campaign for Money

"Oregon is due for great growth in population and wealth within the next 10 years", said Lamar Toozee, field director of the University of Oregon's endowment campaign, in an interview today. "Timber, her great resource, will be marketed in quantities that will make the present output seem almost insignificant. Up to the present time, the southern states have been supplying the great portion of the soft-wood lumber consumed in the United States. Last year New York City alone consumed nine billion feet of lumber, five per cent of which came from Oregon. The total output in Oregon last year was three billion feet—only one-third of the amount used by New York City.

"The southern states started out with 600 billion feet of standing timber. Today there are left in their forests 125 billion old growth and 175 billion second growth timber. The south's own consumption of lumber is increasing, leaving less for export.

"Oregon has 493 billion feet of standing timber in her forests. Another one hundred billion feet tributary to Oregon will be marketed through this state. It is stated that the south's present supply will be exhausted within ten years. That will mean but one thing, the northwest will become the lumber center of the world. It will mean 150,000 men and women engaged in the production of lumber in Oregon and Washington. Reforestation and the elimination of wasteful methods of production will guarantee a supply for years to come. Capitalize the 493 billion feet at the market price of \$20 a thousand and the total potential wealth in timber alone is nearly ten billion dollars.

"Oregon has ten billion dollars in the bank credited to her timber account. The present barren condition of the tax-payers of the state, will be relieved as soon as this development takes place.

"Timber is only one resource. We have great undeveloped power resources. Only one-fourth of the available power is now being utilized. Our tourist resources are practically undeveloped and yet we have some of the finest scenery in the world: the Oregon Caves, Crater Lake, our snow-capped mountains; our fishing and hunting, if advertised, would lure sportsmen from all over the country. Our good paved highway system has cost a great amount of money, but all initial investments bear heaviest upon the investor. The roads are necessary for the development of all of our resources, particularly our tourist resources.

"The University of Oregon is preparing for this development and realizes that it, as one of the state's assets, must develop accordingly, to the end that prospective home-seekers may be assured that their children may obtain in the state the educational advantages that home-makers deem essential.

"The University has been growing in the past five years at the average rate of 16 per cent annually. Its income from the millage taxes have remained stationary. It is estimated, conservatively that the present student enrollment of 2200 will be increased to 5,000 in another 10 years. Funds are needed to take care of this growth; to provide additional instructors, as the University is convinced that too few instructors, resulting in large classes, means half-baked instructors and to erect new and needed buildings.

"The University appreciates the tax situation in the state, so to raise these additional funds it has

## SALT LAKE PUTS BAN ON SMOKING IN PUBLIC

Salt Lake City, Feb. 21.—(A. P.)—Nine men were arrested today charged with violation of the law against smoking in public places.

## Crop Specialist To Investigate Valley

G. R. Hyslop, crop specialist of the agricultural college, will arrive here tomorrow to spend the remainder of the week in Josephine county on crop work. He will spend most of his time in the Deer Creek and Illinois valley sections. On Thursday evening he will meet with the farmers of the Deer Creek valley at the grange hall and on Friday evening he will be at Spence hall. Some crop must be found, state County Agent Howell, which will meet the needs of the dry land farmer in the outlying districts and the possibilities of alfalfa seed production will be given a thorough study by Prof. Hyslop.

## BOOTLEGGER THEORY GIVEN

### Murder of Earle Remington Now Laid to Liquor Traffic

Los Angeles, Feb. 21.—(A. P.)—The police said that Earle Remington, mysteriously slain last Thursday, was the head of a bootlegger's ring. The theory of the slaying is that it was the outcome of a bootlegger's war.

## SCHOOL IN SESSION TODAY

### Braces Placed in Building Which Is Regarded As Safe

The students at the high school were back in their classrooms this morning following the declaration by the investigating committee of the Parent-Teachers Association that the building was now safe for occupancy. Braces were put in and these, it is said, are amply substantial to prevent the building from giving further. It was recommended by the committee that these be replaced by concrete as soon as possible.

Reports concerning the alleged dangerous condition of the high school building were greatly exaggerated, according to Mr. Hepp, principal of the school. Many were told that the building was settling, causing the pillars in support of the assembly hall to become displaced. As a matter of fact, says Mr. Hepp, the pillars were able to move because they were not supporting anything, and as strong foundations, properly fitted, have replaced the old pillars the building is in a perfectly safe condition. There was no settling of the building whatever, according to Mr. Hepp.

## MONEY RAISED FOR MEMORIAL

### Confusion Exists in Community Building and Memorial

Some slight confusion has arisen apparently as to the Community building and Memorial Home for the sailors and soldiers of the Great War, say those in charge. The Memorial Home, so-called so that it can receive funds from a source which allows funds for that purpose, is to embody all the features of the Community building. Funds are now being raised by various organizations for the building and it is evident that such a structure will be a reality in a short time.

The Grants Pass Womens club will give a rummage sale on a week from Saturday. The money derived from the sale will go to the Memorial home, the ladies having already realized considerable amounts from other undertakings. The American Legion is also actively behind the building and are sponsoring a dance to be held tonight at the Waldorf hall, the proceeds from which will go to the building fund.

## FUSION OF WHITE AND BLACK RACES SEEN BY DOCTOR UNLESS PRECAUTIONS ARE TAKEN

Columbus, Ohio, Feb. 21.—(I. N. S.)—That the white race will be absorbed and fused with those of darker color, unless precautionary measures are taken, is the prediction voiced in an address here on "The Rising Tide of Color," by Dr. La-throp Stoddard.

Declaring that the non-white races increase numerically much more rapidly than the white race, Dr. Stoddard said that for the next generation or two—until influences accompanying civilization have had a chance to stem the birthrate—"there will be a heaping up of colored men all over the world.

"This condition will be particularly true in China and the Far East, where the lands are populated to the very limit of subsistence," con-

## SHIPPING BILL MAY BE KILLED BY OPPONENTS

### FILIBUSTER STILL UNDER WAY IN SENATE WITH END NOT IN SIGHT

## ASTORIA LOAN IS REPORTED

### House Ways and Means Committee Would Authorize Government to Lend Large Sum

Washington, Feb. 21.—(A. P.)—Presenting unbroken ranks and armed with more material for continuing their campaign of talk, senate opponents of the administration shipping bill resumed today their filibuster with no end in sight.

Washington, Feb. 21.—(A. P.)—The resolution authorizing the government loan of \$1,063,000 to Astoria to repair the fire damage, was reported today by the house ways and means committee.

## ETHERIDGE CASE AGAIN POSTPONED FOR WEEK

Portland, Ore., Feb. 21.—(A. P.)—Trial of John L. Etheridge, charged with embezzlement of bonds of Morris Bros. Inc., of which he was president, was postponed again for a week after Circuit Judge Stapleton reported he had personally visited two of the jurors whose illness caused postponement two weeks ago. The court ignored a protest by Deputy District Attorney Mowrey against further postponement and his demand that the jury be dismissed and a new one obtained.

## POPULATION OF CONTINENTAL UNITED STATES SHOWS INCREASE OF 4,500,000 SINCE 1920

New York, Feb. 21.—(A. P.)—The population of the continental United States on January 1, 1923, was approximately 119,100,000 according to a preliminary estimate made by the National Bureau of Economic Research, of this city and given out today. This shows an estimated gain of 4,500,000 since the date of the last government census.

These figures are necessarily preliminary, says the bureau for the final census figures on births and deaths are incomplete after the end of 1920. However, enough data are available to show that since January 1, 1921, the rate of increase in population growth has been accelerated noticeably, the present rate approaching that of pre-war years.

This more rapid gain in population, according to the bureau, has been brought about partly by increase in net migration, but has been decidedly reinforced by a reduction in the death rate. At the present rate of growth, the population at

the 1920 census will reach 120,000,000.

It is probable that the revisions to be made in all estimates, except that for January 1, 1923, will be relatively slight, but this figure may be changed materially when fuller data on births, deaths and immigration are received.

It is impossible to calculate with precision, the population of the country at any given date, the statement of the bureau says, the reason being that in many of the states, births and deaths are not reported, and even in the registration area a very considerable number of deaths and still more births appear to escape being recorded. There are presumably, also, minor errors in the statistics of immigration. Because of the difficulties involved, the census bureau has made its estimates of the population for the intervening years on the simple assumption that the rate of growth is the same as in the preceding decade.