

Grants Pass Daily Courier

Grants Pass—Gateway to the Oregon Caves

VOL. XIV, No. 182.

GRANTS PASS, JOSEPHINE COUNTY, OREGON.

TUESDAY, APRIL 22, 1924.

WHOLE NUMBER 3476.

MAJOR MARTIN STARTS TODAY FROM KANATAK

SUCCEEDS IN INSTALLING NEW MOTOR IN PLANE AT MID-NIGHT

BRITISH AVIATOR ON WAY

Gets to Edge of Persian Gulf in Flight Today—Made Start This Morning From Bagdad

Cordova, Alaska, Apr. 22.—(A. P.)—Major Martin succeeded about midnight in installing the new motor in his plane, according to radio advice from Kanatak. Martin reiterated his intention of leaving Kanatak today to fly 550 miles to Dutch Harbor, to join the three other world flight planes unless weather forbids.

Bushire, Persia, Apr. 22.—(A. P.)—Stuart MacLaren, the British aviator essaying a world flight, flew here today from Bagdad, and after a short halt set out again, bound for Bender Abbas, near the southern edge of the Persian gulf.

TWO STILLS TAKEN IN RAID

Sheriff, Deputy and Prosecuting Attorney Stage Early Raid

One of the largest stills captured in this county recently was taken early this morning with its three operators in a raid by Sheriff George Lewis, Deputy Sheriff Ernest Lister and Prosecuting Attorney W. T. Miller. The three surprised the men at the still and in addition to the arrest of the men, secured two stills, a quantity of mash and other equipment necessary in the operation of such a business. It was taken between Provolt and Williams, on a part of the old Layton property.

The three men were all strangers. Two were brought to town, the third being released as he was half paralyzed and appeared to be mentally deficient. He was unable to talk without a visible effort. All were armed, the two having loaded revolvers on them. One had a hunting knife of fairly large proportions.

In the tent which was used as a still house, there were three oil stoves, the two boilers, and five or six barrels of mash. A large number of other barrels were in evidence but were not filled. Other stuff used in moonshining was also found. The larger still was of 10 gallons capacity. It was made of a milk can, with a block tin coil. The other was a copper still, of five-gallons capacity, with a copper coil. The men are now in the county jail.

INDIANA SNOW STORM BREAKS PREVIOUS RECORDS

Fort Wayne, Ind., April 22.—A snowfall of 4.7 inches was recorded at the local weather bureau yesterday, breaking all records for this time of year.

The previous record fall was on April 4, 1920, when 4.1 inches was recorded.

DEFINITE ACTION STARTED BY CIVIC BODIES OF WEST TO HAVE BILL BOARDS TAKEN FROM ROADS

San Francisco, April 22 (A. P.)—Definite steps by civic organizations to eliminate billboards from the highways of the Pacific Coast, are expected to result from the impetus given the movement by the Standard Oil Company of California, which has torn down 1,299 of its roadway signs in California, Oregon and Washington.

The company removed its highway advertisements on the ground that they detracted from the beauty of the roads, and ordered that hereafter such signs should be confined to commercial zones.

"There was instant public response up and down the coast," said Ken-

CROWDS FLOCK TO BALL GROUNDS AT PORTLAND

Portland, Apr. 22.—(A. P.)—Crowds flocked to the ball park today for the opening game here with Salt Lake City. Cool weather with the sunshine and faintly breaking through a high fog, greeted the fans.

LAURENTIC'S SUNKEN TREASURE BEING SALVAGED

London, Apr. 22.—(A. P.)—There are now only 154 bars of gold worth £1,200,000 on the wreck of the Laurentic, which was sunk during the war, and the salvage ship Racer will shortly endeavor to recover this, said Commander G. C. C. Damant in the course of a lecture at the Institution of Mechanical Engineers.

24 HOURS A WEEK HELD AMPLE FOR SCRUB WOMAN

London, April 22.—Twenty-four hours a week is long enough for any woman to scrub. That's official.

FEDERAL CONTROL IS ASKED

Governor Richardson Seeks to Have Government Take Charge

Washington, Apr. 22.—(A. P.)—The department of agriculture will take entire charge of the hoof and mouth situation in California.

Sacramento, April 22.—(A. P.)—Governor Richardson today sent a telegram to Secretary Wallace, at Washington, requesting that the federal government take complete control of the hoof and mouth situation in California.

Los Angeles, April 22.—Spread of the hoof and mouth epidemic to San Bernardino county, a heretofore uninfected area, was reported here late yesterday to the state department of agriculture. The disease, according to advice, has attacked a herd of 1000 hogs on a ranch 12 miles west of Colton.

Two new outbreaks in Los Angeles county in previously infected districts also were reported here today.

Operation of Los Angeles county packing plants was resumed today under stringent federal and state regulation.

Medford, April 22.—County Agent Cate, of Jackson county, who is a state quarantine representative for this county, said this noon that several changes would soon probably be made at the quarantine station on the Siskiyou at the state line, including the making of permanent concrete dipping vats, to replace the present wooden vats, and that the plan of building frame structures in which to quarantine or fumigate autos was being considered.

NEW DECREASE IN ARMAMENTS COOLIDGE AIM

PRESIDENT FAVORS CALLING OF ANOTHER MEETING OF POWERS

New York, Apr. 22.—(A. P.)—An international conference to consider further armament limitations, provided the European situation is sufficiently established by the successful operation of the recommendations of the Dawes committee, would be favored by the United States, President Coolidge announced today at the annual luncheon of the Associated Press.

He said that he trusted that private American capital would be willing to participate in the proposed German loan. The president was introduced by Frank B. Noyes, president of the Associated Press.

New York, April 22.—(A. P.)—President Coolidge announced in an address at the annual luncheon here today of The Associated Press that with firm establishment of a settlement of the German reparations question he would favor steps looking toward the calling of another world conference to consider further limitation of armaments and the codification of international law.

Disclaiming any ability to announce a formula that would guarantee the peace of the world the president declared there were, however, certain definite things which should be done to relieve the world "of much of the burden of military armaments and diminish the probability of military operations."

RARE POSTAGE STAMP IS SOLD FOR \$18,000

Daytonia, Fla., April 22.—(I. N. S.)—M. de Beaujeu, a winter visitor here, from Windham, Greene County, N. Y., attracted considerable attention the other day when he sold a rare postage stamp to a Palm Beach man for the sum of \$18,000.

Beaujeu is a dealer in rare postage stamps of a generally ancient vintage. The one which he said brought him \$18,000 was known as a Hawaiian "Missionary," of 1851, which, he said, was purchased two years ago at a sale of the Ferrary collection conducted by the French Government. He bought the stamp for \$14,510, he said. This deal brought him a little profit, however, Beaujeu said, because the insurance necessary against fire and theft and also taxes on the rare stamp.

RADIO WILL AID IN FOREST FIRE PROTECTION

The radio program from Portland for Forest Protection Week has been announced by District Forester Geo. H. Cecil. The program begins Tuesday, April 22, 7:30 p. m., with a reading of President Coolidge's Forest Protection Week proclamation by John D. Guthrie, public relations, U. S. Forest Service, and secretary of the Oregon State-wide Forest Protection Week committee.

On Wednesday, April 23, 7:30 p. m., KGW, State Forester F. A. Elliott will talk on "The Burning Forest." On Friday, April 25, 7:30 p. m., District Forester Geo. H. Cecil will talk on "Prevent Forest Fires—It Pays."

Nationally, the radio will serve even a wider field. What is said to be the most extensive use ever made of radio will be made this year. Messages by Secretary of Agriculture Wallace and Governor Pinchot of Pennsylvania will be broadcast from about 30 stations. Secretary Wallace will personally broadcast from Washington, D. C., during the week and Governor Pinchot from Harrisburg, Pa.

MINES PLANTED TO KILL SEALS NEAR GREEN ISLAND

Astoria, Ore., April 22.—(Special)—William Hunter, official seal and lion slayer employed by the state fisheries department, yesterday planted mines along the two sands close to Green Island, above Tongue point.

The mines will be exploded today to kill the seals which congregate there. Yesterday between 600 and 700 seals had gathered on those two sands.

FIRES MOSTLY MAN CAUSED

Annual Toll in National Forests Is Declared Enormous

Portland, April 22.—"Of all forest fires that occur in Oregon and Washington, 70 per cent are still caused by human or man-made causes," said Geo. H. Cecil, District Forester today.

"In spite of educational efforts of the federal foresters, the state foresters, forest schools and fire preventive associations, the annual fire toll in these two states is enormous, and the regrettable part is that this loss is unnecessary. It is burning up money, for the forests of the northwest are growing in value each day," remarked Mr. Cecil.

Last year was an unusually favorable year and yet 322 or 23 per cent of all forest fires in Oregon were caused by smokers alone. There were 1422 fires in Oregon in 1923, a very unusual number were started by lightning, 426 in fact, and 203 or 14 per cent, were camp fires left unextinguished, according to Government reports.

"The discouraging thing is the fact that while the percentages as to causes may vary from year to year, the total percentage due to the carelessness or thoughtlessness of mankind still remains about the same from year to year, 70 per cent," said Mr. Cecil.

That is the whole idea of a forest protection week, to bring before the public the criminal waste and folly of burning up the greatest source of wealth in the northwest, the District forester pointed out.

Final proof was made today on the homestead of Herman Schuler, who has 40 acres seven and a half miles from the city on route two. His witnesses were Mrs. Matilda Kindle and J. F. Murphy.

ALUMNI WILL GIVE MILLION TO UNIVERSITY

LOCAL COMMITTEE MEETS AND DECIDES TO HAVE CAMP FIRE SESSION

DEAN HALE TELLS OF NEED

Says That School Is Faced With Crisis Unless Funds Forthcoming. Work Soon to Start

The endowment of the University of Oregon with a library, memorial court and gymnasium by the 4000 alumni of the institution is the task now before the former students and graduates of the University. This message was brought to the county committee last night by Dean W. G. Hale, head of the law school at the University. The alumni have set as their task the raising of \$1,000,000 for the construction of the buildings. The campaign slogan is "get or give 2-6-0."

The message brought by Dean Hale was that the University attendance has outgrown the facilities now available. All that can possibly be raised by taxation is now being used but it leaves the college with a little less than the amount needed. It is expected that the campaign, which will extend from May 9 to May 30, will raise enough to allow the University to construct new buildings needed on the campus. The people of Eugene have pledged themselves for \$500,000. The citizens of Lane county have underwritten the expenses of the campaign so that every cent raised among the alumni will go into campus buildings.

Unless some definite action is taken in the increasing of the facilities at the University, some radical changes must be made in the educational administration within the state, the dean announced. There is the possibility that attendance could be limited. The people of the state would never stand for that for the tendency now is toward a greater expansion, looking toward the admission of any graduate of standard high schools, despite their standings. On the other hand, education could be wholesaled. This practice is far from satisfactory, Dean Hale contended. The only alternative is to provide the school with means sufficient to care for all who desire to attend.

He then put the issue squarely up to the alumni as the most interested. They have accepted the challenge, he said, and are a unit in backing the coming campaign. It is fully expected that the alumni will put the drive over, all possible making contributions.

Walter C. Betstad, representing the campaign headquarters, told how other institutions with quotas larger than Oregon's had put over their campaigns and stated that the Oregon alumni would undoubtedly do the same.

Don Newbury, division chairman, was here from Medford for the meeting. He stated that he felt sure that every graduate and former student living in southern Oregon would respond to the need and subscribe the amount asked, and if this were impossible to go among their friends and get the necessary pledges.

The campaign will be started off on May 9 with a dinner at the Josephine hotel for every graduate and former student in the county. There are now 31 residing here, who will be reached by the local committee during the present week with an invitation to be present. No pledges will be asked at this meeting but the purpose of the campaign will be explained and a regular Oregon program provided.

PETITIONS ARE FILED FOR RECALL ELECTION

Portland, Apr. 22.—(A. P.)—Petitions asking for the recall of the three Multnomah county commissioners, Rudeen, Rankin and Walker, were filed today with the county clerk.

The recall election will be held in connection with the state primary on May 16.

ENGLISH LORD TO SELL LADIES' GOWNS AND HATS

London, April 22.—Lords and Dukes are pretty well engaged in the business world in England these days, but the Earl of Halsbury has given the clubmen something to talk about by entering the millinery and dressmaking business.

Lord Halsbury, who is 43 years old, is a director of "Lascelles, Limited," carrying on a fashionable business in Hanover Square.

Lady Duff-Gordon is the mother-in-law of Lord Halsbury, who has made a reputation for himself in the legal world and is also an amateur actor and playwright.

ETHER WAVES TO CARRY ENGLISH KING'S VOICE

London, April 22.—For the first time in history the whole of the British Empire will be able to hear simultaneously King George speaking when he opens the British Empire Exhibition at Wembley April 23d.

By means of microphone and land-line installation his speech will be conveyed to a central radio station from where it will be broadcast.

Experts predict that, with a minimum of atmospheric disturbances, the speech will be easily heard in the United States.

Marsh Offered Pay for Job Sought Position as County Bridge Engineer From Commissioner

Portland, Ore., Apr. 22.—(A. P.)—Barney Marsh, of Des Moines, Iowa, bridge engineer, who sought the job of county bridge engineer, heard rumors about the town that the job was for sale for \$50,000, but when he intimated to County Commissioner Walker that he would pay that amount he was told to get out of Walker's office and return to Des Moines according to the story told the county probers today by W. J. Hoffman, advertising manager of the Morning Oregonian.

Thaw Becomes Excited Denounces William Gray Who Is Opposing His Release

Philadelphia, Apr. 22.—(A. P.)—The question of Thaw's sanity was given to the jury at 3:20 this afternoon.

Philadelphia, Apr. 22.—(A. P.)—Just as the Harry K. Thaw sanity trial was recessed for luncheon today, Thaw rushed to the press table and burst into an excited speech, denouncing William A. Gray, who had been addressing the jury in opposition to Thaw's release. When he calmed down, Thaw said he had not been excited because of Gray's speech but was nervous because of the danger of losing the jury if certain records were produced.

Balkan Nations Are Declared to Be Heavily Armed by Bulgaria Which Deplores Her Plight

Sofia, Apr. 22. (A.P.) The charge that Bulgaria is an armed menace to her neighbors, made recently in a series of articles in an Athenian newspaper, has been taken up by La Bulgaria, the official organ of the Bulgarian Foreign Office, in an article which gives some interesting figures regarding Balkan armaments.

The newspaper says that after her defeat Bulgaria turned over to the allied authorities 2,400 guns, 3,000 quickfiring, 750,000 rifles, and 300,000,000 cartridges. It then gives the armied strength of the various Balkan countries as follows:

Bulgaria, 24 infantry companies, 24 batteries, 12 squadrons of cavalry, 24 quickfiring companies, 3 engineering companies.

Greece, 126 infantry companies, 102 batteries, 12 squadrons of cavalry, 19 engineering companies, 126 quickfiring companies.

Serbia, 150 infantry companies, 134 batteries, 65 squadrons of cavalry, 150 quickfiring companies, 16 engineering companies.

La Bulgaria fails to point out the fact that not even a toy pistol can be brought into Bulgaria without the consent of a vigilant interallie military commission in control.

PROPER ACTION WAS NOT TAKEN IS ALLEGATION

CHAIRMAN HUSTON THOMPSON GIVES TESTIMONY ABOUT DAUGHERTY

PRICE FIXING IS UNCOVERED

Coercion Also Said to Have Been Found in Anti-trust Cases Which Never Were Prosecuted

Washington, Apr. 22.—(A. P.)—Chairman Huston Thompson, of the federal trade commission, today gave the Daugherty investigating committee further evidence supporting his testimony that the anti-trust cases were not properly prosecuted under Attorney General Daugherty, after facts warranting legal action had been developed by the commission. Thompson declared his commission uncovered price fixing and coercive measures among the lumber producers. The results of this investigation were turned over to the department of justice before Attorney-General Daugherty took office.

SMITH NOT TO MAKE RACE

Secretary of State Directs Name Be Stricken From Ballots

Salem, Ore., Apr. 22.—(A. P.)—The secretary of state today directed county clerk to strike the name of Eugene Smith, of Portland, candidate for the republican nomination for United States senator, from the primary ballots. Smith advised Secretary of State Kozler of his withdrawal, saying he felt financially unable to conduct a campaign such as is necessary.

SEARCH MADE FOR BILLICK

New Warrant Issued for Local Doctor—Cannot Be Served

A search was instituted today for Dr. E. J. Billick to serve on him a warrant issued this morning charging him with manslaughter through an alleged illegal operation. This is the second warrant issued, the first having been put into effect last Saturday, when Dr. Billick was arrested. The last warrant developed from the death of a woman of Grants Pass this week, who was said to have been a patient of Dr. Billick. When the officers went to locate him and this has led them to send telegrams both north and south. The bondsmen, who put up \$1000 bonds for his appearance, are also anxious to know his whereabouts.

Dr. Billick waived his hearing Monday on the first charge in the office of the justice of the peace. His bonds were then fixed at \$1000. He placed his car in a local garage and secured his Ford coupe, saying that he had a call to make. That was the last seen of him and the officers are worried. The doctor may return, however, to face the second charge.

THAW BECOMES EXCITED

Denounces William Gray Who Is Opposing His Release

Philadelphia, Apr. 22.—(A. P.)—The question of Thaw's sanity was given to the jury at 3:20 this afternoon.

Philadelphia, Apr. 22.—(A. P.)—Just as the Harry K. Thaw sanity trial was recessed for luncheon today, Thaw rushed to the press table and burst into an excited speech, denouncing William A. Gray, who had been addressing the jury in opposition to Thaw's release. When he calmed down, Thaw said he had not been excited because of Gray's speech but was nervous because of the danger of losing the jury if certain records were produced.

Walter C. Betstad, representing the campaign headquarters, told how other institutions with quotas larger than Oregon's had put over their campaigns and stated that the Oregon alumni would undoubtedly do the same.

Don Newbury, division chairman, was here from Medford for the meeting. He stated that he felt sure that every graduate and former student living in southern Oregon would respond to the need and subscribe the amount asked, and if this were impossible to go among their friends and get the necessary pledges.

The campaign will be started off on May 9 with a dinner at the Josephine hotel for every graduate and former student in the county. There are now 31 residing here, who will be reached by the local committee during the present week with an invitation to be present. No pledges will be asked at this meeting but the purpose of the campaign will be explained and a regular Oregon program provided.

HOMESTEAD PAPERS FILED

Final proof was made today on the homestead of Herman Schuler, who has 40 acres seven and a half miles from the city on route two. His witnesses were Mrs. Matilda Kindle and J. F. Murphy.