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INCOME LISTS TO BE CLOSED PART OF WEEK

PUBLIC INSPECTION MAY BE MADE ON THREE DAYS IS RULING

FUNCTIONING WAS DELAYED

Office Work Was Upset by Large Number People Who Had No "Obvious Reason"

Washington, Nov. 18.—(A. P.)—Internal revenue collectors were instructed today by Commissioner Blair to restrict the public inspection of the income tax lists to not more than three hours each day. Declaring it had been demonstrated that "there are many who desire to see the lists for no obvious reason," Blair said the measures had to be adopted to permit the functioning of the collector's offices without the delays incident to the inspection of the lists by everyone so desiring.

ROTARY OFFICIAL IS GUEST

Frank C. Riggs, District Governor, Is Present at Meeting

The Grants Pass Rotary Club yesterday had an official visit from the district governor, Frank C. Riggs, of Portland, who met with the directors in the afternoon and was present at a banquet in the club dining room at the Josephine hotel. Music was supplied by an orchestra composed of Professor Applehoff, Katharine Knox, Bert Barnes and Jo Wharton, while a duet by Bob Borland and Bill Carnahan, and the singing of the club were added features.

Governor Riggs spoke on the ethics of Rotary, the professional and business ethics, and pointed out the difficulties which new clubs are apt to encounter. He also gave advice calculated to enable the local club to escape the errors of their clubs. The Grants Pass club is undertaking a work for the boys of the city which received the enthusiastic commendation of the governor. The district comprises Oregon, Washington, Idaho and British Columbia.

OPENING UP OF NEW HELIUM FIELDS IS MADE NECESSARY BY ADDITION OF ZR-3 TO NAVY

Washington, Nov. 18.—(U. P.)—"What's the good of these government airships—the ZR-3, the Shenandoah, and the new one we expect to get—if we haven't enough helium to float them," said a high naval official today in laying bare what many observers claim to be the chief deficiency in the government's dirigible program.

The serious helium (non-inflammable gas) shortage has forced itself upon officials' attention by the difficulty in inflating at the same time both the ZR-3 and the Shenandoah. No provision has been made for the necessary reserve supply.

Consequently there is a movement afoot to increase production of the government's helium plant at Fort Worth, Texas, which will entail opening up new fields and laying new pipe lines. An appropriation of \$550,000 is being asked in the Navy budget, now before the President to lay thirty miles of pipe line into the Red River gas field of Texas and Oklahoma.

With a present demand of 800,000 cubic feet monthly, half to each Army and Navy, the Fort Worth plant is averaging only about 600,000 a month, with no prospects of

MRS. HARDING NO BETTER IS PHYSICIANS' REPORT

Marion, Nov. 18.—(A. P.)—The condition of Mrs. Warren G. Harding remained unchanged this morning, according to a physician's bulletin.

URGES AUTOMOBILISTS TO DIM THEIR LIGHTS

Chicago, Nov. 18.—(I. N. S.)—Would you pass another car at the rate of thirty miles an hour while blindfolded?

That is exactly what happens when an approaching car fails to dim its lights, according to Richard E. Kropf, supreme regent of the Royal Arcanum, who addressed a safety conference here. It requires several seconds for the eye to readjust itself in the darkness during which your car travels more than 100 yards, the fraternalist pointed out.

OREGON U. EXPECTS VICTORY

Look to Win Over College at Corvallis on Saturday

University of Oregon, Eugene, Nov. 18.—(Special)—This week-end Oregon will wind up its coast conference schedule with the Oregon Aggies in a game which will settle the state championship for the year. A university invasion of the Aggie campus is expected and special trains will leave Eugene for the scene of the state classic.

Comparative scores give Oregon an edge as far as "dope" is concerned, but "dope" is useless in the annual clash between the two state institutions. One team may have had a poor season, the other a successful one, and the outcome of the annual battle will find the poorer team victorious.

Both teams fight harder when unleashed against each other than at any other time during the season. O. A. C. has a big, powerful eleven, protected by a wonderful kicker in Tebbis, who boots the ball well over the 40-yard mark.

Oregon lost to Stanford and Idaho, beat Washington and tied the Washington State Cougars last Saturday. The Aggies lost to Idaho, Washington and Southern California and won from the Washington State eleven. This gives Oregon a point edge.

O. A. C. will outweigh Oregon, an advantage which will have to be offset by Oregon fight and the plays football fans say Maddock has reserved for this game. Anderson is not the punter Tebbis is, and much of the Oregon success will depend on his ability to return the Beaver end's long kicks. Last year the Aggies, through a brilliant run by quarterback Price, took the annual clash 6 to 0.

an increase. And that is the only plant in the country. The plant, with improvements now being made, is capable of producing 1,250,000 cu. ft. a month providing it can get the requisite amount of raw gas.

But the present field, which is around Petrolia, Texas, about one hundred miles from Fort Worth, is running low. The advantage of the Red River field is that it is only 30 miles from the government's pipe lines at Petrolia and could be worked by the Fort Worth plant.

The Navy Department was ready to let contracts for this new field last year, when the oil scandals burst and made it inexpedient to act without specific authorization, it is said.

Although the President has set aside a special helium reserve field in northern Utah for the government, experts say that its exploitation is not now practicable as compared with the non-government Red River field. They give the following reasons:

- (1) A new plant would have to be built there at large expense.
- (2) The Utah field is inaccessible geographically.
- (3) It has no power, water or transportation facilities.

GAMBLE HELD FOR SHOOTING OF UNION MAN

SLAYING OF WIGGLESWORTH LEADS TO ACTION TODAY BY OFFICERS

DAUGHTER BLAMES FATHER

Marshal and Citizen Declare That Girl Told Them That Father Shot Him—Is Denied in Inquest

La Grande, Ore., Nov. 18.—(A. P.)—A warrant was sworn out here today against Newton Gamble, in connection with the slaying of William Wigglesworth on Sunday night at Union, Ore. A coroner's inquest last night failed to fix the blame. The district attorney, however, ordered Gamble detained, giving as the reason, the fact that the Union marshal and a citizen stated that Gamble's daughter had told them her father shot Wigglesworth. She denied this at the inquest.

CITIZENS ASK FOR TRUCE

Ranchers Want to Talk Over Settlement—Raiders Reinforced

Independence, Calif., Nov. 18.—(A. P.)—Ranchers holding the Alabama gates of the Los Angeles aqueduct system today asked for a truce to discuss a settlement, but the request was denied by the city, according to Sheriff Collins, of Inyo county. The raiders were reinforced today by all merchants of Bishop.

ADJUTANTS GENERAL MEET IN SAN FRANCISCO

Presidio, San Francisco, Nov. 18.—Adjutants general of the national guard of six states of the Ninth corps area today began their annual convention at headquarters of the Ninth corps area. After the organization of the convention by Col. Edgar A. Sirmyer, the adjutants general will witness a review of the 30th infantry, San Francisco's own regiment, commanded by Col. Chas. S. Lincoln, and demonstrations of modern methods of war, which will be staged for their benefit this afternoon.

Those attending the convention are:

Brigadier General Richard E. Mittelstaedt, and Brigadier General J. J. Boree, California; Brigadier General George A. White, Oregon; Colonel Hiram U. Welch, Oregon; Brigadier General Maurice Thompson, Washington; Major M. P. Mills, Washington; Major Bruce C. Leiser, Idaho; Captain Leighton E. Worthley, Idaho; Lt. Col. Walter F. Davis, Wyoming; and Colonel Chas. L. Sheridan, Montana.

"ONE KILLED HERE" IS WARNING TO MOTORISTS

Chicago, Nov. 18.—(I. N. S.)—"ONE WAS KILLED HERE." Four hundred signs bearing this terse, forceful warning are being placed at corners in Chicago where automobile fatalities have occurred this year. And when additional fatalities are reported a similar sign will be put at the scene. The signs are being placed by the mayor's safety commission and the Boy Scouts.

AIR MAIL SERVICE WILL BE EXTENDED ON COAST

San Francisco, Nov. 18.—(U. P.)—Extension of air mail service north and south from San Francisco along the Pacific coast to provide fast "feeder" lines for the transcontinental mail service has been decided upon by the postoffice department in Washington, according to word reaching here. The northern terminus is expected to be at Seattle, and the southern at Los Angeles, or San Diego.

NEGROES IN DEATH CAR

Seven Try to Beat Officers But Run Into Trestle

Tacoma, Nov. 18.—(A. P.)—Speeding 70 miles an hour attempting to out-distance the police officers, an automobile listed to the Evergreen Cemetery Company, of Seattle, containing seven Negroes, crashed into a railroad trestle bulkhead today, killing one, and injuring six. Earl Moss, 19, the driver, was killed. Police reported that liquor was found in the wreckage.

MEDFORD GIRL ATTACKED

Tramp Strikes Girl—Runs When Scream Brings Aid

Medford, Ore., Nov. 18.—(A. P.)—The local police have given out the information that a 16-year-old Medford girl while on her way home between 9 and 10 o'clock last Saturday night was knocked down by an unknown man, thought to be a tramp on South Holly street, two blocks from Main street.

The young lady in question, as she proceeded along Holly street noticed that a man apparently was following her and increasing his pace the faster she walked. She tried not to be unduly alarmed and to keep her eyes straight ahead, but suddenly overcame with a feeling that she was being struck at, intuitively ducked her head and screamed.

This move was a fortunate one for her, as the man was striking out with a blunt buldgeon of some kind, thought by the police to be a "sand bag," and because of her head dodging the weapon just glanced off her head, but the impact was sufficient to knock her down, where she lay helpless for some seconds.

Her shout of terror was also fortunate, as the woman who resided in the house in front of which the occurrence took place heard it and rushed out, whereupon the assailant, after striking the blow, took to his heels.

COLD WEATHER AND STORM ARE DEATH CAUSES

MAN IN OHIO VALLEY LIVES HIS LIFE—BODY FOUND BURIED IN SNOW

TEN ARE DEAD IN NEW YORK

Cold and Wind Play Havoc With Shipping—Marine Division Police Seeking Sloop Thought Lost

Columbus, Nov. 18.—(A. P.)—One death from the cold weather which swept the Ohio valley yesterday was reported here today. The body of an identified man was found buried in the snow, apparently frozen to death, on the banks of the Olentangy river.

New York, Nov. 18.—(A. P.)—The marine division police were today searching the sea for "The Frolic", a sloop which left Brooklyn on Sunday with seven men aboard. It is feared they perished in the heavy gales sweeping the Atlantic coast. A 24-hour search was unavailing. The cold and wind yesterday wrought havoc with shipping and caused death and suffering among the poor. Ten persons died of exposure and many others are reported missing.

JAPAN DENIES BELIEF OF WAR POSSIBILITIES

Paris, Nov. 18.—(I. N. S.)—Emphatic denial that the attitude of the Japanese delegation at the fifth assembly of the league of nations at Geneva recently was actuated by a belief that there will be an eventual war between the United States and Japan over the immigration question, was made today by Viscount Ishii, Japan's ambassador to Paris and head of the Japanese delegation to Geneva.

WANT LEWIS RECOMMENDED

Resolution to Ask Appointment Introduced in Convention Today

El Paso, Nov. 18.—(A. P.)—A resolution directing the executive council and affiliated organizations of the American Federation of Labor to work for the appointment of John L. Lewis, president of the United Mine Workers of America, as secretary of labor to succeed Secretary Davis, was introduced to the federation convention today.

JOSEPH CAILLAUX WILL BE GIVEN HIS LIBERTY

Paris, Nov. 18.—(A. P.)—Joseph Caillaux, former premier, convicted in 1918 of having "impeded the prosecution of the war," was voted amnesty today by the senate.

SUMMER A FAILURE IN ENGLAND THIS YEAR

London, Nov. 18.—(I. N. S.)—Summer was a dismal failure in England this year.

Officially, summer begins in England on May 1 and ends September 30. Statistics recently issued show that of the 153 days between May 1 and September 30 eighty of them were without rain, while on 73 of them it rained continuously. During that time only on fifteen days was the temperature above 70 degrees, while on 29 days it did not reach the 60 degrees mark.

The number of hours of possible sunshine during the English summer is 2,059. According to the statistics, the actual number of hours the sun really did show itself was 660.

DOUKHOBORS MAY BREAK UP

Recent Murder of Peter Veregin May Lead to Disintegration

Victoria, B. C., Nov. 18.—(U. P.)—The recent murder of Peter Veregin, "czar" of the Canadian Doukhobors, will lead to gradual disintegration of the strange communist organization of several thousand Russian peasants, immigration authorities here believe.

The strange colonies of Doukhobors, settling in British Columbia, have consistently withstood all efforts to Canadianize them. In past years they have burned school houses, refused to send their children to public schools, and in every way lived apart from those not subscribing to the tenets of the cult.

Semi-official opinion has been expressed that the bomb which killed the aged leader of the clan was set by persons anxious to throw off the bonds of communism that they personally might profit from the great wealth amassed by the cult.

Only the iron hand of Peter Veregin kept the colony together, despite continued internal strife stimulated by those who were greedy of his power. He consistently resisted successfully all attempts to disrupt the cult maintaining that for his followers the communistic mode of living and government was the only practicable way for them to live. So dependent upon his counsel were the simple Doukhobors, save those who were opposed to Veregin, that students of the strange people do not see how the cult can continue to thrive as such, and see no leader capable of filling the mighty Peter's shoes.

Veregin and seven other persons were killed while traveling by train between Nelson and Vancouver, B. C. He was buried at Brilliant, a mecca to which members of the cult flocked from miles around, presenting one of the most vivid scenes of sorrow and suffering ever witnessed in Canada.

Although not having had time to investigate carefully the prices of textbooks adopted here today, it was the opinion of members of the commission that the volumes would cost considerably more than those now in use. This was due, it was said, to the increase in the cost of paper, labor and other essentials. New books will go into use next September.

PASTOR BEING QUESTIONED ON DEATH OF WIFE

CHARRED BONES ARE FOUND IN FURNACE—SUICIDE IS CONTESTED

NOT PLACED UNDER ARREST

Coroner Declared Woman Crawled Into Fire Box and Pulled Door Shut—Witnesses Questioned

Columbus, Nov. 18.—(A. P.)—Rev. C. V. Sheatsley, for nine years pastor of the Christ Lutheran church, at Bexley, a suburb, was being questioned today in connection with the finding of the charred bones of his wife's body in the furnace in their home late yesterday. The coroner's verdict was suicide, contending the woman crawled into the furnace and closed the door after her, but because of the fire in the furnace, the county prosecutor declared it was impossible for the woman to close the door after her. A dozen witnesses were questioned today. Sheatsley is not under arrest but is being held for questioning.

Sheatsley has accounted for his actions from the time he left his home at 1:30 yesterday until his return when his wife's body was found. This has been verified by the authorities.

TEXT BOOKS FOR YEAR CHOSEN

Commission Meets at Salem to Set School Books

Salem, Ore., Nov. 18.—(A. P.)—The Oregon textbook commission, after an all-day session last night announced the adoption of textbooks in one-third of the subjects offered through courses of study in the elementary grades and high schools of this state.

The state textbook commission, under the original law, met every six years. Through an amendment to this law adopted at the last session of the legislature the commission hereafter will meet every two years. Under the old system all of the textbooks were changed or re-adopted every six years, while under the new plan one-third of the textbooks will be changed or re-adopted every two years.

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Auto Kills Father Shock Fatal to Mother



The Dugan orphans of Brooklyn are not disheartened just because the jury hearing their suit for \$100,000 disagreed. They intend to keep on fighting until they get the money they are seeking for their father's death. John Dugan was killed by a truck while on his way to work. His wife died a few weeks later from the shock, her doctors said. When the case was called, all 12 of the Dugan children, from Mary, 20, on

down to Raymond, just a year old, came into court. Defense counsel protested—but the Dugan stayed. And when the suit is reopened, they'll be there again, says Mary, shown at the extreme left.

PAN-PACIFIC UNION WOULD SPONSOR FLIGHT BY AIRSHIPS TO SKIRT OCEAN DURING YEAR

Honolulu, Nov. 18.—(A. P.)—The visit of the United States fleet to Hawaiian and Australian waters will be made the occasion for the first round-the-Pacific flight, under plans which are being backed by the Pan-Pacific Union here.

The idea was conceived by David Stead, Australian delegate to the recent Pan-Pacific Food Conservation conference, who has made a study of aviation, and has been given the unofficial approval of the ranking army and navy officials here.

A flight in four sections is contemplated: San Francisco to Honolulu, Honolulu to Manila, Manila to Australia and Australia to Honolulu. All will follow commercial steamship routes.

Commander John Rodgers, U. S. N., commander of the naval air forces here, said that while he considered the hop from San Francisco to Honolulu as a "stunt," he hoped

it could be made. He regarded the route from Honolulu to Australia as practicable and estimated that it could be covered with one of the navy's new type planes in six days, as compared with the present steamer time of 14 days.

Mr. Stead has pledged the aid of the Australian government to the project. The greatest feat, he added, would be the 2100-mile hop from San Francisco to Honolulu. With this accomplished the flight to Manila could be made in easy stages, with stops at Johnston Island, Jaluit Island, Panape and the Pelew group. The third leg would be from Manila to Sandakan, and would then follow the route taken by Sir Ross Smith in his memorable flight from Europe to Australia, along the Australian coast, within the barrier reef where calm water always would be encountered. The fourth leg would be from Sydney to Honolulu, by way of Fiji, Samoa, Phoenix and Palmyra Islands.