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A Million Paid For Automatic Camera

Russian Socialist is Given Large Check for His Invention.

New York.—A check for a round million dollars was shoved across the polished table of a hotel sitting room here into the hands of a young Russian socialist, who in his days of hunger and hardship had invented an automatic camera to enable the public to photograph itself as simply as it buys its chewing gum, and in much the same way.

Transfer of the check marked the entry into the slot machine portrait photograph business of several leaders in the financial world.

Among the men represented in the transaction were Henry Morgenthau, ex-ambassador to Turkey; James G. Harbord, president of the Radio Corporation of America; John T. Underwood, president of the Underwood Typewriter company, and Raymond B. Small, ex-vice-president and general manager of the Postum Cereal company.

The syndicate of business men gave the \$1,000,000 check to Anatol Josephov, the Russian, for all his rights in a machine that delivers a strip of eight finished photographs, each 2 by 1 1/2 inch long, and all in different poses, eight minutes after the sitter has dropped a quarter in a slot.

Besides purchasing the rights to his invention, the directors of the company have retained him as vice-president and technical adviser.

He was born in Omsk, Siberia, 31 years ago.

D'AUTREMONT IN JACKSONVILLE JAIL

Medford, Or.—Hugh DeAutremont, 23, youngest of three brothers accused of the murder of four men in an attempt to hold up a train in the Siskiyou mountains 3 1/2 years ago, has been lodged in the county jail at Jacksonville.

Thus ended a peregrination that began in flight from the scene of the crime (Hugh has admitted the flight but not the crime), and took the young outlaw with a price on his head to Chicago; thence to Manila in the armed service of the country which was hunting him, and back in irons to Jackson county, where the trail began.

Meanwhile Hugh's divorced parents Paul DeAutremont of Eugene and Mrs. Belle DeAutremont of Lakewood, N. M., estranged for years, but now bowed by a common grief and united in concern for the only one of their four sons known to be alive, met in a Medford lodging house and later went to the jail at Jacksonville, where they talked with their boy and pledged him their undivided support.

San Francisco.—Sixty-eight patients, passengers of the army transport Chateau-Thierry, were rescued at Letterman general hospital, Presidio of San Francisco, shortly after the vessel docked. These were the victims of an influenza epidemic that broke out aboard the transport after it left the Panama Canal zone. Bodies of the four dead were removed to the post for burial.

Chile to War on Alien Oil Exploit. Washington, D. C.—Another oil land controversy similar in many respects to that presented by Mexican laws, was envisioned by officials when notification was received that the Chilean congress had passed a law declaring all oil lands belonged to the state. American investments in Chile are large.

Speed King Makes 203 Miles Per Hour. Daytona Beach, Fla.—Hurling over the hard sand speedway at the terrific pace of 207.015 miles an hour for one mile, Major H. O. D. Segrave, 29-year-old British race driver, hung up a new world speed record here in his freak four-ton 1000-horsepower "Mystery S."

New Oregon Prison Warden Selected. Salem, Or.—James Lewis, deputy sheriff of Marion county for the past four years, was recommended for the office of warden of the state penitentiary by Henry Meyers, superintendent of the institution. Mr. Lewis served in that capacity for more than three years during Gov. Olcott's term.

Men's League Holds an Interesting Meeting at the Baptist Church

The monthly meeting of the Men's League, held at the Baptist church last Friday evening was attended by about fifty persons and was interesting to a high degree. Dinner was served in the basement dining room of the church at six o'clock, covers being laid for the members, their wives and lady friends.

Speakers for the evening were County Agent Holt and O. C. Hadley, city superintendent of schools. Mr. Holt spoke on agricultural conditions of the county, and stressed the opportunity offered farmers and orchardists to take advantage of the extension service offered through the work of the county agent.

Mr. Hadley had for his topic the question of free school text books. He said that while the legislature had so far failed to pass a bill favoring free text books, that eventually it would do so. He stressed the logical fact that it was only fair to school pupils and a standardized course of study to have free text books.

Selections by the Jolly Joy-Makers Orchestra, and a reading by Miss Ruth Williams, were program numbers which were greatly appreciated.

The next monthly meeting of the Men's League will be held Friday evening, April 29. The names of the speakers and program numbers will appear in the Press at an early date.

Mail Planes Speedier, Pilots Make Records

Speeding up of the government's air mail service by the acquisition of faster airplanes has enabled mail pilots to make a number of new records.

These new records, if combined, would cut down the flying time from coast to coast to 18 hours and 13 minutes, not counting time for stops, changes of planes, or fueling. The best actual record for a continuous trip was made on December 15-16 from San Francisco to New York, when the flying time was 19 hours and 8 minutes. The elapsed time was 26 hours and 46 minutes.

The best coast to coast time for a non-stop flight was that made by Lieutenants Kelly and MacReady on May 2-3, 1923, from east to west in 26 hours 50 minutes and 38 2-5 seconds.

Bingham Springs Will Open on April 30th

Manager Dolph Thompson of Bingham Springs resort, was in Athena Tuesday and announced that the opening day at the Springs this season will be Saturday, April 30. Mr. Thompson says that the hotel, annex and cabins will be thoroughly renovated and made ready to receive the public on that date.

The fishing season opens Friday, April 15, and while the Springs will not be open to the public generally until that date, hotel accommodations will be available to fishermen with the opening of the fishing season.

Mr. Thompson has been informed that traffic will not be held up this season in the least on account of road improvement at Thorn Hollow. One span of the present bridge will be moved to the new crossing, but a wooden approach will take its place, which can be constructed without holding up traffic for more than half a day.

Death of Mrs. Davis. Mrs. Nannie Davis of Weston, passed away Tuesday of last week after a serious illness of three years. Funeral services were held Thursday at 2 p. m. Rev. J. E. Walbeck preached the sermon. Surviving her are her husband, L. B. Davis, Mrs. Pearl Payne of Athena, Frances, Myrtle and Clares Davis of Weston.

Steiner From Washington. Frederick Steiner, United States senator from Oregon, returned to his home in Pendleton Sunday after visiting Washington and making arrangements for his sojourn there in December. Steiner will leave in the fall with his family for the nation's capitol.

Pendleton's Last Vet. H. R. Neil, Pendleton's last surviving G. A. R. member and a resident of Umatilla county for 45 years is dead. Suffering from the effects of a stroke Mr. Neil grew weaker Sunday and passed away at 7:30 in the evening.

Weepah Still Magnet Attracting Wanderers

Athena Electricians to Cast Their Luck Prospecting in Nevada Hills.

Two Athena electricians, Ted Kind and "Drex" Drexel, until recently employed in the electrical department of the Preston Shaffer Milling company, left Monday for the Weepah, Nevada, gold fields, where they intend to do some prospecting.

Two signs of civilization, law and religion are reported to have moved into the new gold camp of Weepah over the week end.

The law was represented by "Two Gun Charlie" Benton, a deputy sheriff of Esmeralda county, who arrived in Weepah and pitched his tent. Benton's superiors had ordered him in, not that Weepah needs any representatives of the law yet, but with the increasing population an officer at hand naturally would be expected.

"The Rev. A. A. Kayburz and his famous "gold Nugget band" from Goldfield brought religion to the camp. The minister conducted two services Sunday and drew large congregations, the gambling tables and dance halls being almost deserted during the worship hour, it is said.

The gold hunt at Weepah is at a standstill, states Donald Robinson, Pendleton man, who with two companions, visited the Weepah fields.

Mr. Robinson stated that the region was staked out in a ten-mile radius from the spot where Trainor and Horton made the find, and that this claim was protected by an armed guard all the time. Mr. Robinson said they were perhaps 700 persons in Weepah and that carpenters were busy putting up restaurants, dance halls and other buildings.

Seven-Day Air Mail

W. T. Varney, contractor of the Pasco division of the transcontinental air mail, serving Oregon, Washington and Idaho, operating from Pasco, Washington, to Salt Lake City, via Boise, Idaho, has made application to the postoffice department for permission to operate a seven-day week service on this route, effective April 1. Varney is of the opinion that the service is made necessary by increased volume of air mail. Since new low rates went into effect February 1.

Cattle Inspection

The services of Dr. W. E. Thistlewaite, federal veterinarian with headquarters in La Grande, have been secured by the county agent for tuberculosis testing in the dairy herds of the county.

Champs at Chicago

The Eugene high school champion basketball team is at Chicago, where it will participate in the national basketball tournament.

REV. C. H. HEUSTIS



Rev. Charles H. Heustis of Toronto, who has been appointed general secretary of the Lord's Day alliance, succeeding Rev. W. M. Rochester.

Karakul Fur Sheep are Bred in Athena

F. B. Wood, owner of the Eastern Oregon Silver Fox Farm, in Athena, has added thoroughbred imported Karakul fur sheep to his list of pure bred live stock. He has just disposed of one of his lambs for \$250. The Karakul fur sheep is a native of Persia and was first introduced in this country in 1908.

The pelts from new born lambs are in demand at high prices, and are used in making ladies' coats. They are also crossed with certain breeds of domestic sheep for wool-producing purposes, with great success.

Mr. Wood has on his little farm pure-bred Jersey cows, silver foxes, chinchilla rabbits and Light Brahma chickens. He sold one hen of this variety the other day at 23 cents per pound live weight, that netted him \$1.80. He expects profit from his silver foxes this year.

New Hotel Proposed

Without a dissenting vote more than 200 business men meeting at the Walla Walla chamber of commerce room Tuesday night approved the proposal for a new hotel in Walla Walla and formed a permanent organization to see it through. The cost is to be \$453,333. Walla Walla is to raise \$150,000. The location is the Allen property, Second and Rose. The proposed hotel is to be 10 stories, plus mezzanine floor and basement.

Mrs. Lockley Passes

Mrs. Hope Lockley, wife of Fred Lockley of The Journal editorial staff and former newspaper man of this county, died at 5 o'clock Friday morning at the Portland sanitarium from nervous shock following a surgical operation.

J. E. Froom, Landlord Athena Hotel, Passes

Heart Failure Causes Death of Pioneer Resident of This City.

John E. Froom, for 49 years a resident of Athena, and connected with the Athena Hotel, formerly the St. Nichols Hotel, since 1880, passed away in his apartments at the hotel, last Friday morning as the result of heart failure, which culminated from a general decline of health over a period of several months.

Funeral services were held at the Methodist Episcopal church Sunday afternoon, the Masons having charge. Rev. Clifton Phillips preached the funeral sermon.

Mr. Froom had been in failing health for over a year, and during the past few months had noticeably declined. The end came peacefully.

During his long residence in Athena, he had been active in civic and social affairs, serving as city councilman and held membership in the Masonic and Knights of Pythias lodges. He was a musician and for many years was a member of the Athena band and orchestra. His acquaintance with traveling men was extensive and he was an active member of the Northwest Hotel Association and the Greater's of America, hotelmen's order.

Mr. Froom was born at Montreal, Canada, June 25, 1858, the son of James W. and Janette I. Froom. With his parents he came to Milton and resided there for a short time, coming to Athena in 1878. His parents two brothers and one sister had preceded him to the grave.

He is survived by his widow, who was formerly Laura Buzan, whom he married in December, 1892, and one daughter, Miss Cathren Froom, who is a teacher in the Washougal, Washington, high school. Also he is survived by several nieces and nephews.

School Bus Hits Train

Seven children on their way home from the Dixie Walla Walla county school narrowly escaped death late Monday when the bus in which they were riding crashed into a Northern Pacific train at a crossing between Dayton and Walla Walla. The driver apparently did not see the train. The children were shaken up, bruised and frightened.

Walla Walla Landing Field

Joe Taft, Varney air pilot, spent Monday in Walla Walla assisting in the laying out of Walla Walla's aviation field. The field is located in a portion of the United States veterans hospital grounds. The mail service, which serves the Northwest, has desired a field there because of the proximity to the terminus at Pasco, as it can be used in case of forced landings.

Minister Found Guilty as Charged in Complaint of Transporting Liquor

The Rev. M. L. Petelle, former pastor of the Christian church at Klamath Falls, was found guilty in justice court at Jacksonville Monday by a jury, after 10 minutes deliberation, of possession of 60 gallons of moonshine.

The minister offered no defense and through his attorney, Horace Manning, pleaded for leniency of the court. His fine was fixed at \$400, which he stated he was unable to pay and will have to serve out in jail.

It is understood that Klamath Falls friends are endeavoring to raise the cash to pay the fine and the minister will probably be released from custody.

Dick Zadra, Italian of Klamath Falls, pleaded not guilty to a charge of having been a companion of the rum running preacher on the night Petelle's car was seized with 60 gallons of liquor.

The jury, however, in less than 10 minutes, again brought in a verdict of guilty, and Zadra also was fined \$400. Zadra was unable to pay the fine and went to jail.

Walla Walla May Put Ban on Carroll Revue

The attack by Mayor Landes of Seattle on Earl Carroll's "Vanities," a musical revue, has been reflected in Walla Walla and Monday the ministers started a campaign to bring about an edict from the city prohibiting the show to appear there tomorrow night as scheduled.

War on the production started in the Baptist church at Walla Walla Sunday morning when a committee headed by John Stack, senior deacon, was named to inaugurate agitation.

Monday, the Ministerial association named a committee to wait on Mayor McCroskey in an effort to have him close the show. H. L. Kemp-ton, Baptist; Robert Brumblay, Pioneer Methodist; A. G. McConnell, South Methodist; Mrs. Myrtle Palmer, Free Methodist, and J. B. Hunley, Christian formed this committee.

Mayor McCroskey refused to commit himself as to his action, declaring, however, that he previously had inaugurated an investigation as to the character of the show and expected a report on it before its arrival.

Law Enforcement and Government Control

Rev. Clifton A. Phillips will preside at a meeting to be held in the First Church of Christ on Sunday, April 3rd, at 11:00 A. M., in the interest of Law Enforcement and Constitutional Government.

The meeting will be addressed by Honorable Oliver W. Stewart of Chicago, Illinois, President of the Flying Squadron Foundation and Editor of the National Enquirer. This is one of a series of meetings which are being held throughout the country in the interest of National Prohibition.

The Flying Squadron Foundation was organized in 1915 by ex-Governor J. Frank Hanly of Indiana. The purpose of the organization is to inculcate patriotism, to teach respect for law, to work for civic betterment and for the maintenance of constitutional government and law and order. The meeting is free and open to the public.

Re seeding In Progress

What little re seeding was made necessary in Walla Walla county as a result of freezing out of the wheat which was sowed last fall has been in progress during the last few warm days, according to grain dealers and farmers. The damage done by frost was quite limited, however, it is said.

Taking Up Rails

The La Grande district News reports that the railroad from Union to Cove and the old branch line from Hot Lake to the main line near Union will soon be a thing of the past. Workmen are busy this week taking up the rails which have been sold to the Grande Ronde Lumber company.

Heavy Snow in Wenaha Forest

Snow conditions in the Wenaha national forest reserve are better than they have been since 1917, Albert Baker, forest ranger, stated. Grass is more than a month behind and the grazing season may be later. Water should be plentiful all summer, he says.

American Chinese Forces Independent

Will Co-Operate With Foreign Powers to Protect Lives of Refugees.

Washington, D. C.—American forces in China will not be merged with the forces of other great powers.

President Coolidge considers the United States has its own commander in the field with an establishment under his direction, so that independence of action on the part of the American military groups can be maintained.

Nevertheless, the president feels that the American forces will co-operate with troops of other powers, especially since reports have indicated that American refugees are scattered through the foreign concessionary area particularly at Shanghai.

Recommendations for strong action to prevent recurrence of the Nanking outrages at other points in nationalist controlled territory were contained in a message forwarded to the state department by Minister MacMurray at Peking.

Minister MacMurray said that a message to him from Nanking reported that outrages there "were even more riotous than was at first realized."

Examination of depositions and verbal statements by Americans had produced evidence of two known cases of attempted attacks on American women and there were other cases "only slightly less serious in character," it was added.

"The message states that the campaign of terrorism and insult to foreigners is not only officially countenanced and directed, but even pre-arranged," the state department announcement said.

BORAH COMMITTEE NOT YET DISSOLVED

Washington, D. C.—The senate foreign relations committee may function this summer, after all, investigating the Mexican, Nicaraguan and perhaps Chinese situations.

Senators delving into the volume of senate rules have come across an almost forgotten resolution adopted in 1921, providing that the regular standing committees "shall continue and have power to act until their successors are appointed."

On the basis of this authority, Chairman Borah, who unsuccessfully sought at the last session to obtain authority for the committee to go to Mexico and Central America, is expected to issue an early call for a meeting of the committee with a view to authorizing a sub-committee to act.

With the retirement of Senators Pepper, republican, Pennsylvania, and Lenroot, republican, Wisconsin, those favoring inquiries into the Mexican and Nicaraguan situations would be in control. Whether a majority of the committee would come to Washington in response to a call is an open question.

CHANG DEFIES POWERS

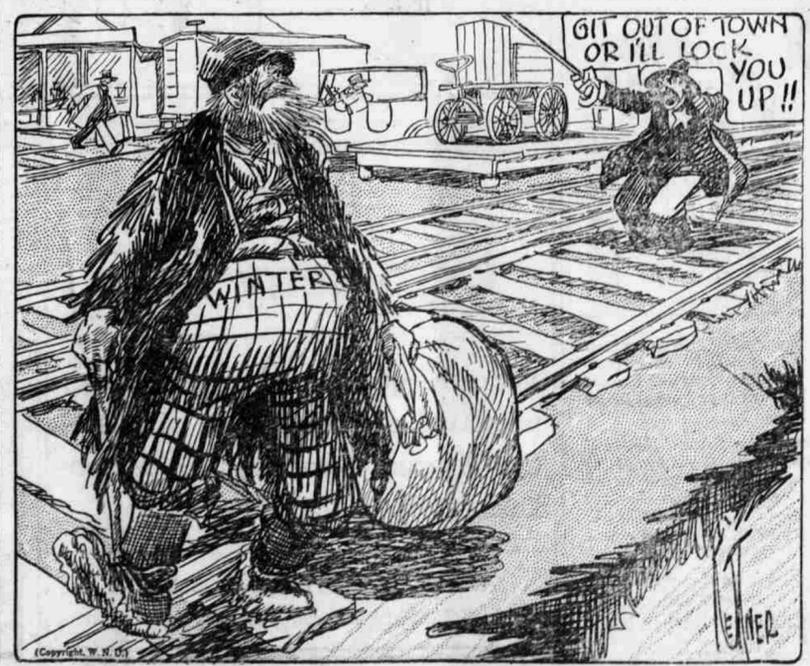
Chinese War Lord Says Aspirations Cannot Be Checked by Warships.

Shanghai, China.—The foreign powers cannot send enough warships to China to suppress the aspirations of the Chinese people, says a statement issued in the name of General Chang Kai-Shek, the Cantonese commander-in-chief, who has arrived in Shanghai. In his opinion the Nanking affair was finished, as all the foreigners were out. He regarded it as merely an isolated incident.

The vigorous threat by the American and British naval commanders that Nanking would be bombarded unless foreigners beleaguered in the city were escorted to safety was followed by the safe appearance of the Americans on the waterfront. With the death of one American missionary and the wounding of an American woman definitely reported, stories of brutality by uniformed Cantonese soldiers against American women, vandalism, outrages and wanton destruction were received from the war-torn city.

Portland, Or.—Twenty-seven Portland churches of ten denominations voted at their morning services Sunday to endorse a telegram from the Portland Council of Churches urging President Coolidge not to raise the arms embargo with Mexico.

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