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**GREGORY KRASSIN**



Gregory Krassin, Russian soviet  
commissioner, who is trying to resume  
trade with the allies.

### PROBE OF JAPANESE IMMIGRATION OPENS

San Francisco, Cal.—The congressional committee on immigration and naturalization, now in California to make a study of the Asiatic immigration situation began a hearing here Monday.

American pleas for closer restriction of Japanese immigration and Japanese opinion in favor of intermarriage between Americans and Japanese were brought before the immigration and naturalization committee.

Senator James D. Phelan of California was the proponent of more drastic immigration laws, while John P. Irish of Berkeley, a landowner of the San Joaquin river delta, opposed further immigration, but urged "decency and justice" for the Japanese already here. George Shima, president of the Japanese association of America and known as the "potato king" of California, told the committee he believed intermarriage was a feasible thing.

Shima said he saw how from a racial point of view there was an antipathy between Americans and Japanese in California, but did not believe it was very great in an economic sense.

In reply to Representative Raker of California, he said he had no connection with any vegetable production of marketing outside of potatoes, and denied owning land near Klamath Falls, Or.

### BRIEF GENERAL NEWS

More than 21,000,000 bushels of the 1919 wheat crop are being held by Kansas farmers.

President Wilson does not now plan to spend any part of the summer away from Washington.

Greek troops have occupied the important Turkish city of Broussa, 50 miles south of Constantinople.

The Bonhomme county bank of Scotland, S. D., closed its doors following the disappearance of its president, H. Henry Wenzlaff, and a week's run.

The senate committee investigating campaign expenditures ended its hearing at St. Louis and the committee members have returned to Washington.

Senator Harding has announced that if he is elected president, the vice president will be invited to participate as an ex-officio member at all cabinet meetings.

Honorable Arthur Meighan, minister of the interior in the unionist government, has been sworn in as premier of Canada. He succeeds Sir Robert Borden, retired.

Complete unofficial returns of the North Dakota republican primary election give Lynn J. Frazier, non-partisan, 59,466 for governor, and William Langer, independent, 54,172.

**Milk Charge Report Given Government**  
Portland, Or.—The report of the investigation of Lionel Mackay, deputy city attorney, into Portland milk prices was given by Mayor Baker to F. W. Humphreys, United States district attorney, who will, if the facts warrant, take the case before the federal grand jury. After careful perusal of the report, the mayor, on finding that the Oregon Co-operative Dairymen's league is charged with diverting milk from the Portland market in order to keep prices to the consumer and distributor as high as possible, laid all facts before Mr. Humphreys.

**Insane Man Starts Asylum Fire.**  
Salem, Or.—George Lentne, Italian, escaped from the farm of the state hospital for the insane about 12:30 o'clock Monday morning and it is thought that before he got away Lentne set fire to a large barn on the grounds, which was destroyed with a loss estimated at \$22,000.

**Canadian Railways Ask for Increase.**  
Montreal.—The Canadian Railway association, representing all lines in the Dominion, applied to the railway commission for a 30 per cent increase in freight rates.

### NEW POLITICAL PARTY ORGANIZED AT CHICAGO

Campaign Support of 10 or  
12 Organizations is  
Expected.

Chicago.—Foundation stones were laid for a new party on which to unite all third party movements, when the committee of 48 and the single tax party joined in their first national convention to draft a platform and pick nominees who, they hope, will win the support of 10 or 12 liberal organizations.

Amalgamation of the principal groups attempting to form a new political party was effected Tuesday.

The committee of forty-eight voted to join the National Labor party.

A large Non-Partisan-league group and a delegation of single taxers marched into the labor convention and announced they had also decided to amalgamate.

Many Elements Represented.  
As organized, the committee of 48 convention numbered 539 accredited delegates, with a majority of 270 required to nominate. The 539 included, in addition to the 48ers and single taxers, fraternal delegates from the non-partisan-league, triple alliance of the northwest, farmers' national council, people's money league, the producers' league and consumers' league and several other organizations. The committee of 48 embraces a number of well-known liberal leaders, some of whom were prominent in the "bull moose" movement eight years ago.

The labor party opened its second national convention here, with the committee of 48 and the single tax convention.

Soviet Russia Cheered.  
Amalgamation of the committee of 48 and labor party of the United States with a common platform and common presidential ticket was recommended to the two conventions.

John Fitzpatrick, president of the Chicago Federation of Labor, and keynote speaker, brought the convention to its highest enthusiasm with a plea "that the day would come when the working people of the United States would get together and do a job such as the workers of Russia have done."

Delegates stamped and whistled and three cheers for soviet Russia were given.

A national ticket only is provided for in the coming election by the report of the joint conference committees of the minority groups. But the report explained, however, that where any of the parties had organized for a state campaign, that organization shall be the recognized state body for 1920.

**DALLAS MILL DESTROYED**  
\$200,000 Loss Estimated to Willamette Valley Plant.

Dallas, Or.—Fire originating from a hot box on a slab conveyor broke out in the Willamette Valley Lumber company's sawmill here during the noon hour and completely destroyed the engine room and main sawmill, entailing a loss estimated at \$200,000. The mill was built 14 years ago and was considered one of the largest in the state.

Citizens of Dallas responded for the emergency and, combining with the fire department and employees of the mill, made nearly 1000 persons engaged in fighting the flames and saving valuable cars of logs, the lumber yard and neighboring manufacturing plants.

Two Governors Refuse Extra Session.  
Pensacola, Fla.—Governor Catts has refused to call a special session of the Florida legislature to act on woman suffrage.

Ryland, Vt.—Governor Percival W. Clement issued a proclamation refusing to call the legislature in special session to make possible ratification for the federal amendment for woman suffrage.

Washington Penitentiary Has Blaze.  
Walla Walla, Wash.—Fire at the penitentiary did several thousand dollars' damage, burning about 40 tons of coal, a shed 50x200 feet, the side walk along the shed, the upper part of a gondola car and for a time threatening the prison shops. Spontaneous combustion is believed to have caused the fire.

Americans Flee From Bolsheviks.  
Warsaw.—News from the battlefront is meager, but at last accounts the Americans were reported to have evacuated Minsk, Kovel and other towns toward which bolsheviks are approaching in their 745-mile westward sweep.

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**MRS. COOLIDGE**



Mrs. Calvin Coolidge, wife of Gov.  
ernor Coolidge, the Republican candi-  
date for vice-president.

### GERMANS AGREE TO REDUCE ARMAMENT

Spa, Belgium.—Germany's delegates signed an engagement accepting the terms of the allied note relative to disarmament. This action was taken under protest by the German representatives.

The allied note demanded that the Germans accept the terms presented, and stipulated that if the Germans failed to carry out the provisions of the demands, allied forces would occupy parts of Germany.

The Germans protested that the Versailles treaty did not oblige them to acquiesce in further territorial occupations except for failure to fulfill the treaty terms regarding reparations.

The allies served an ultimatum on the German delegation to the conference that the Germans must agree to deliver to the allies 2,000,000 tons of coal monthly. Otherwise, the Germans were informed, the allies will take measures to enforce the terms of the treaty.

### ARMY HARVESTING GRAIN

100,000 Farm Hands Assault Fields in  
Huge Drive.

Washington.—A land army of 100,000 farm hands recruited and organized by the department of agriculture is moving northward across the western wheat belt harvesting the nation's grain crop in better time than in many years, according to reports to the department.

Attracted by a wage of \$7 for a ten-hour day, thousands of workers from Atlantic and Allegheny regions have gone west of the Mississippi river to join the harvest drive, according to department officials.

Empress Eugenie, 94 Years Old, Dies.  
Madrid.—The ex-Empress Eugenie of France died here. Empress Eugenie had long suffered from ophthalmia and had been operated on for cataract. Full imperial honors were accorded at her funeral. She was 94 years old.

Railway Bought by Henry Ford.  
Detroit.—Purchase of the Detroit, Toledo railway by Henry Ford and his son, Edsel B. Ford, was announced here. Mr. Ford took up negotiations primarily to assure his Detroit factories an adequate fuel supply.

Senator New Heads Speakers' Bureau.  
Chicago.—Republican national headquarters has announced that Senator Harry S. New of Indiana will head the republican campaign speakers' bureau.

### THE MARKETS

Portland.  
Oats—No. 3 white feed, \$67 per ton.  
Corn—Whole, \$50.81; cracked, \$52.83.  
Hay—Willamette valley timothy, 34 per ton; alfalfa, \$26.50.  
Potatoes—Oregon, new, 7 1/2 @ 8c lb.; Gems, 2 1/2 c. q. b. station.  
Butter Fat—58c.  
Eggs—Ranch, 38c per dozen.  
Poultry—Hens, 18 @ 25c;  
Cattle—Best steers, \$10 @ 10.50; good to choice, \$9.25 @ 10; medium to good, \$8.50 @ 9.25.  
Hogs—Prime mixed, \$15.50 @ 16; medium mixed, \$14.75 @ 15.50; pigs, \$11.75 @ 12.75.  
Sheep—Lamb \$10 @ 10.50; yearlings \$6.50 @ 7.50.

Seattle.  
Hay—Eastern Washington timothy, 347 per ton; alfalfa, \$46.  
Potatoes—Yakima Gems, \$210 per ton.  
Butter Fat—58 @ 60c.  
Eggs—Ranch, 38 @ 44c.  
Hogs—Prime, \$15.75 @ 16.25; medium to choice, \$14.50 @ 15.75; pigs, \$12 @ 13.  
Poultry—Hens, dressed, heavy, 38c; light, dressed, 36c; live, 23 @ 31c.  
Cattle—Best steers, \$10.50 @ 11; medium to choice, \$9 @ 10.

## Coal Situation ALARMING!

The coal situation in the United States today is rapidly becoming alarming.

It is impossible to secure mine labor.

The car situation is becoming acute and of nation wide scope with no immediate relief in sight.

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### WHEAT CROP REPORTS INDICATE A SURPLUS

Prospective Yield of Farm  
Products Above Five  
Year Average.

Washington.—Forecasts of heavy harvests of the country's principal farm crops marked the July report of the department of agriculture. The prospective yield in most instances is larger than the average production for the five years 1914-18.

Throughout June better weather conditions increased the prospects of the output of every important crop. The improvement was reflected in a forecast of 28,000,000 bushels more in the combined winter and spring wheat crop than estimated a month ago; seven million bushels more oats; 8,000,000 bushels more barley and 2,900,000 bushels more rye.

The spring wheat crop is larger than last year's by 82,000,000 bushels, but the winter wheat crop is 114,000,000 bushels smaller, although it is only 46,000,000 less than the five-year average production.

Wheat of last year's crop remaining on farms July 1 was reported as 47,756,000 bushels, or more than five per cent of the crop. That, added to this year's prospective production, makes available about 856,000,000 bushels of wheat which, according to officials, will be ample to meet domestic requirements and leave a surplus for export.

The condition of the corn crop was reported not so good as a year ago, but the area planted shows an increase of 671,500 acres. Indications are that the crop will be 138,000,000 bushels smaller but 19,000,000 bushels larger than the five-year average.

**5000 DRAFT EVADERS  
HAVE BEEN CONVICTED**

Washington.—Five thousand draft evaders have been convicted in federal courts and given sentences of from 30 days to one year in prison, according to reports compiled at the department of justice. Thirty thousand cases remain to be investigated.

The result of the investigation shows about 10,000 cases of failure to register and an equal number of false questionnaires.

About 25 per cent of the men listed as delinquents were found to have enlisted in the American or allied armies without the knowledge of their local boards. About 40 per cent are accounted for on the score of the floating population. Some 20 per cent are considered those who failed to perform their duties in made up of cripples and willful delinquents.

Empire's Gradual Dissolution.  
"Holy Roman Empire" was the name given to the Germanic empire of the middle ages, supposed by a fiction to be a continuation of the universal dominion of the Romans and the Kaisers, the successors to the world-wide sovereignty of the Caesars. Charlemagne was crowned emperor of the west by Pope Leo III in 800 A. D. In 900 Otto the Great was crowned as emperor of the Romans by Pope John XII and the "Holy Roman Empire of the German Nation" formally proclaimed. This fiction was continued under one form or another for centuries, both the empire and the power of the overlord becoming more and more mythical, until in Napoleon's time the shadow of the empire, which Voltaire said was neither holy nor Roman, nor an empire, disappeared.

Old-Time Cobblers.  
It used to take the old-time cobblers a day and a half, working steadily, to manufacture one pair of coarse boots; and the cost was \$4, writes Frank G. Carpenter, in "How the World Is Clothed." Suppose we go back to the days of the colonies and see how the footgear of our forefathers was made. Thomas Beard was the first shoemaker to come to Massachusetts. He arrived in the Mayflower in 1620, bringing a supply of hides with him. Others of his kind followed and they soon began making boots and shoes of American leather. At that time it was common for the cobblers to journey about from one farm to another, staying at each house long enough to make the home-tanned skins into shoes for the family.

Found Out What Allied Him.  
Billy's mother had bought some apple tarts for company, and when Billy spied them he said to his mother: "I have such a funny feeling in my stomach. I don't know whether I am thirsty or hungry." His mother said, "Take a drink of water," after which he said, "No, that isn't it. I still feel that way." Whereupon his mother gave him one of the tarts and after eating it he said, "That was it, mother, I was hungry."

### PALOUSE STORM SEVERE

Farm Buildings at State College Destroyed With Loss of \$50,000.  
Spokane, Wash. — Violent wind storms, accompanied by a cloudburst, wrecked buildings and did damage to grain which will run into hundreds of thousands of dollars all over the Palouse district of southeastern Washington at 6 o'clock Wednesday night.

Pullman, Winona, Wawawai, Union Flats and a half-dozen other towns in Washington reported farm houses unroofed and barns demolished. The Washington State college farm at Pullman sustained damage to buildings and crops estimated at \$50,000. At Lewiston, Idaho, heavy rain and lightning put the power plant out of commission.

The heavy winds in the vicinity of Moscow, Idaho, isolated that town from the outside world for five hours, but the town itself suffered only a heavy rain.

No loss of life was reported from any point.

Robber Suspects Captured in Duel.  
Pendleton, Or.—After an all-day chase and a pistol battle, Sheriff Taylor and Deputy Sheriff Martin of Umatilla county captured Jim Owens, alleged "bad man" of Billings, Mont., and Neil Hart, who halls from Idaho. Owens was wounded in the fighting. The arrests came after a series of daring robberies in the Pendleton district, culminating Monday night in the hold-up of Eugene Lyman, a concession operator at the annual Cayuse Indian celebration, when Lyman while driving from Cayuse to Pendleton was stopped by a fusillade of shots.

Why "Leap Year."  
The name "leap year" is supposed to have grown out of King Henry's proclamation making February 28 and 29 legally one day, Father Time being conceived of as leaping the gap from the 28th day of February to the first of March.

Army Now Numbers 209,801 Men.  
Washington.—The strength of the army, July 1, was 209,801, according to estimates given out by the department. Of this number, 15,522 were officers and 194,378 were enlisted men.

Danes Rejoice at Return of Schleswig.  
Copenhagen.—The signing by King Christian of the treaty effecting the reunion of Schleswig with Denmark was made the occasion of a holiday.