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## NEW RECLAMATION POLICY IS URGED

Secretary Work Declares Enduring Policy Should Be Established.

Cheyenne, Wyo.—A new program in reclamation should be adopted by the government, Secretary Work declared in an address here, asserting that no new projects should be undertaken until an enduring policy is established.

Responsibility for the success of federal reclamation, he said, lies first with the people in communities and states directly affected; second, with the reclamation service, and finally with Congress.

"If federal reclamation is to be regarded as a source for obtaining government money to be spent locally, instead of first aid in settling a permanent community, it will fail as it already has in some instances," he continued.

All government irrigation projects, Secretary Work said, should be organized into districts, managed and operated by the people living on them, who would decide all local questions themselves.

He expressed the hope that the next congress would pass legislation requiring states to assume part of the financial risk and responsibility for every new project undertaken within their borders.

## WAR DEBT TANGLE IS CLEARING UP

Washington, D. C.—Representations by this government to France and Czechoslovakia regarding their debts to the United States are having their effect. It is expected that both countries will begin funding negotiations very soon, it was learned authoritatively.

Conclusion of a satisfactory arrangement with France would be regarded by officials here as settling one of the most important and vexing foreign problems now confronting the administration. That nation is America's largest debtor, owing \$4,212,000,000, and recurring official reports that she was ready to arrange for funding her obligations during the last few years never have resulted in any real action.

Czechoslovakia owes the United States \$118,000,000, and funding negotiations are expected to begin not later than similar discussions with the French.

Italy will start negotiations here soon for the funding of her \$2,900,000,000 debt, and Belgium will send a commission to Washington for the same purpose in July, it has been announced. With France and Czechoslovakia coming into line, and Great Britain, Finland, Hungary, Lithuania and Poland already having concluded satisfactory arrangements, this government could consider the major part of its debt problem as settled.

## EDW. P. KEMMER



Edward P. Kemmer of Tacoma, Wash., is general director of the Pacific Northwest Commercial and Industrial exposition to be held next year in New York City.

## LEASE ON TEAPOT DOME HELD LEGAL

Cheyenne, Wyo.—The Teapot Dome naval oil reserve lease granted Harry F. Sinclair by Albert B. Fall, former secretary of the Interior, was obtained without conspiracy or fraud. This decision was rendered by Federal Judge T. Black Kennedy in an opinion on the equity suit wherein the United States government sought to annul the lease Sinclair has on the \$50,000,000 naval oil field.

Judge Kennedy declared the Sinclair lease was a good contract for the government and dismissed the government's bill of complaint.

Judge Kennedy absolved navy officials, including former Secretary Denby, from culpability in the negotiations for the Teapot Dome lands. He also said the government suffered no material damage.

Judge Kennedy said the charges of secrecy in connection with negotiations between Fall and Sinclair were not substantiated. Dozens of department officials of both the navy and interior departments, he said, were thoroughly familiar with all the plans. He said the fact that congress was not consulted was not significant.

## MACMILLAN OFF FOR ARCTIC

Arctic Explorer Is Given Ovation at Maine Port.

Wiscasset, Maine.—From this sleepy inland whaling town on the Sheepscot river Commander Donald B. MacMillan's arctic expedition set out for unknown lands in the frozen north.

Bidden Godspeed by officials of the American government, the state of Maine and by thousands of country folk who drove the old gray mare or the family silver down to Wiscasset to see the departure, MacMillan and his comrades turned the prows of their staunch little vessels, the Perry and the Bowdoin, toward the open sea.

If all goes well, it will be the latter part of September before this most ambitious of American arctic explorations since Peary's day returns to the rock-bound coast of MacMillan's home state.

Unrest in China Reaches Hongkong.

Hongkong.—Chinese unrest spread to Hongkong when native seamen left ships while land disturbances were characterized by continued student strikes.

# FIELD DAY

## Experiment Station Moro, Oregon

June 28th, 1925  
1:30 P. M.

Every body in Sherman County is invited to be present at the Moro Experiment Station Sunday afternoon, June 28th.

On the Station this year is one of the largest Grain Nurseries in the United States, with thousands of different varieties under observation.

The Tillage Experiments to determine best summer fallow methods for winter wheat production will interest all farmers.

Notwithstanding the severe winter killing last December, there may be seen on the Station many winter wheats, including the new smut resistant varieties.

Delegations of farmers from Wasco and Morrow counties will be present.

1:30 P. M.  
SUNDAY AFTERNOON  
June 28th

## J. T. SCOPES



Prof. J. T. Scopes, teacher of science in the Dayton, Tenn., high school, who is to be tried for alleged violation of the state law against teaching evolution in the schools.

## JURY HOLDS KELSO EDITOR MURDERED

Kelso, Wash.—Death at the hands of an unidentified person was the verdict of the coroner's jury in the case of Thomas Doversy, Kelso newspaper publisher found dead with a bullet wound in his throat.

Doversy was editor and owner of the Cowlitz County News. His body was found on a sidewalk with a gaping wound from a .41 caliber bullet from throat to shoulder.

The only clue to the identity of the possible murderer is the gun found about fifty feet from the spot where Doversy fell.

Doversy's activity in support of A. Ruric Todd, recalled as mayor June 3, whom he supported strongly in his paper, assailing Todd's opponents, is believed by some to have aroused enmity of some individual.

Others scout this theory and hold strongly to the hold-up supposition. Officers believe Doversy was victim of an attempted hold up, and that the thief ran, leaving Doversy's watch and several dollars in silver, which were not touched.

## BRIEF GENERAL NEWS

Canadian prohibitionists have appealed to Premier Mackenzie King to stop liquor smuggling across the American line.

A decree of the Mexican government prohibits all foreign colonization in Lower California. This would eliminate the soviet and Japanese colonies.

Former Senator Ball of Delaware was designated by President Coolidge to supervise general survey of Veterans' bureau activities throughout the country.

J. E. Davidson, vice president of the Nebraska Power Company, Omaha, Neb., was elected president of the National Electric Light association at the final session of the convention in San Francisco.

Ousted Kelso Mayor Demands Office  
Kelso, Wash.—A Ruric Todd, deposed mayor of Kelso returned here Monday from Seattle, announced that he was still Kelso's legal mayor, issued an ultimatum to the present city administration ordering them to turn the reins of government over to him. The murder, last Friday night, of Thomas J. Doversy, editor of the Cowlitz County News and spokesman for the Todd faction, was the cause for the deposed mayor's return to the scene of his former defeat. Mr. Todd, in statements declared that Mr. Doversy was murdered for political reasons.

## LA FOLLETTE HONORED BY HIS HOME STATE

Late Wisconsin Senator Laid to Rest Beside His Parents.

Madison, Wis.—Robert M. La Follette came back to his own people Saturday to receive from them a last sorrowful tribute before going to his final resting place beneath the elms of Forest Hill cemetery, beside his parents.

His body reposed in the state capitol, where it was taken immediately after its arrival here from Washington, then to lie in state in the rotunda beneath the mammoth dome of the statehouse, while crowds who knew and loved him gazed upon his countenance for the last time.

The funeral services Monday were simple. They were conducted in the capitol rotunda by the Rev. A. E. Hayden of Chicago.

The honorary pallbearers included a committee from the United States senate, all the Wisconsin representatives, Governor Blaine and other state officers, members of the state supreme court, federal judges of this district, officials of the University of Wisconsin and the state normal schools, members of the various state departments, former state officials and a large number of citizens from this and adjacent states.

The Wisconsin senator, last year an independent candidate for president, died at his home in Washington, D. C., a victim of heart attacks, from which he had been a sufferer for a decade, bronchitis and bronchial asthma.

## FOREIGN SETTLEMENT IN CANTON FORTIFIED

Canton.—Shameen, the artificial island which is the Canton foreign settlement, was in a state of siege Monday.

Two gunboats, one British and one French, held commanding positions in the creek separating Shameen from the city. All approaches to the island were fortified, with piled up sandbags and quick firing guns testifying to the preparedness of the foreign forces for emergencies.

All Europeans have been warned not to enter Canton itself. In Shameen it is believed they will be safe. The placing of the two gunboats is supposed to make impossible any landing by Chinese on the island.

Foreign residents in the Y. M. C. A. in Canton itself have been urged to leave for some safer lodging.

Anti-foreign feeling is especially strong against Japanese and British nationals and interests. The Americans are reported receiving better treatment.

## VETERANS IN CONVENTION

Disabled Ex-Soldiers Hold Fifth Annual Meet in Omaha.

Omaha, Neb.—Battered "buddies" of the World war met in Omaha Monday for the fifth national convention of the Disabled American Veterans. The initial session was comprised largely of prayer and tribute to former comrades. D. A. V. wreaths were placed on the tombs of the "unknown soldier" at Arlington, Rome, London, Paris and Brussels.

General Frank T. Hines, director of the bureau, and General James A. Drain, national commander of the American Legion, and Royal C. Johnson, representative in congress and chairman of the veterans' committee, are among the speakers.

## OREGON NEWS ITEMS OF SPECIAL INTEREST

### Brief Resume of Happenings of the Week Collected for Our Readers

Plans are being made for a Fourth of July celebration and race meet in Enterprise on July 5 and 4.

All union plumbers in Eugene walked out on strike, demanding a wage scale of \$8 a day instead of \$7.

Miss Pauline Kline of Corvallis was reappointed a member of the board of child labor inspectors for five years.

The annual state convention of the professional and business women's clubs of Oregon was held in Salem.

Bankers from all sections of Oregon attended the Oregon State Bankers' association convention at Corvallis.

A record cut for eight hours was set at the Whitney company sawmill at Garabaldi when 306,540 feet of logs was cut on one headrig.

Joshua E. Hardy, 92, oldest resident of The Dalles and a wagon train pioneer of 1852, died at The Dalles from complications of old age.

The seventh annual group meeting of rural Sunday schools held by the American Sunday School union will be held at Waterloo, June 28.

Port Orford expects between 250 and 300 delegates to the Spanish-American war veterans annual convention there July 23, 24 and 25.

Auspicious snow conditions may permit the opening of the Mount Hood loop highway by the government to travel the last Sunday in June.

Between 4000 and 5000 acres of growing wheat were damaged in a district centering around Helix by a hail storm that lasted for about 15 minutes.

Despondency over unsuccessful efforts to obtain work is given by friends as the reason for the suicide at Baker of Mike Murphy, aged 40, and unmarried.

An extraordinary feat was performed by Charles Smith of Stevenson when he shot the rapids in the Columbia River at Cascade Locks in a small motorboat.

Fire losses in the state of Oregon, exclusive of Portland, for the month of May, aggregated \$483,793.32, according to a report by Will Moore, state fire marshal.

Resolutions urging the coming of both the Southern Pacific and Hill lines to Klamath county were adopted by unanimous vote at a mass meeting in Merrill.

Caught under a carload of rock which turned over, a man whose name

## THE MARKETS

Portland  
Wheat—Hard white, soft white, northern spring, \$1.60; hard winter, \$1.58; western white, \$1.57; western red, \$1.55.  
Hay—Alfalfa, \$19@20 ton; valley timothy, \$20@21; eastern Oregon timothy, \$23@24.  
Butterfat—4c delivered Portland.  
Eggs—Ranch, 29@33c.  
Cheese—Prices f. o. b. Tillamook: Triplets, 26c; loaf, 27c per lb.  
Cattle—Steers, medium, \$8.00@9.25; Hogs—Medium to choice, \$12.50@14.25.  
Sheep—Lambs, medium to choice, \$9.50@11.25.

Seattle  
Wheat—Soft white, \$1.54; western white, \$1.53; hard winter, \$1.53; western red, \$1.51.  
Hay—Alfalfa, \$24; D. C., \$28; timothy, \$26; D. C., \$23; mixed hay, \$24.  
Butterfat—43c.  
Eggs—Ranch, 32@38c.  
Hogs—Prime, \$14.25@14.60.  
Cattle—Choice steers, \$9.25@9.60; Cheese—Oregon fancy to retailers, 29c per lb.; do standards, 25c; Washington fancy triplets, 25c.  
Spokane.  
Hogs—Good to choice, \$13.00@13.35; Cattle—Prime steers, \$8.00@8.50.