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WAGE INCREASES ARE GRANTED TO COAL MINERS IN REPORT OF BOARD

Majority Recommendation Gives a Twenty-Five Per Cent Raise, no Change in Hours or Conditions.

MINORITY HAS REPORT

Representatives of Miners Will Hand in Another Report Asking for Still Further Increases, it is Said.

WASHINGTON, Mar. 11.—By Associated Press—Twenty-five percent increase in the compensation paid to coal miners was recommended today in the report which was handed in by the commission appointed to investigate the conditions of the coal mines of the country. It is reported that a minority report containing still further increases will also be submitted.

Majority report declines to recommend any change in working conditions of the miners or alteration of the scheduled hours of work now in force. Representatives of the miners held for higher increases and did not agree to the report filed by the majority.

Wage increases granted will absorb the fourteen percent already granted making the net increase only eleven percent. The new scale will not be retroactive and will only take effect from the time that it is accepted. Recommendation was also made in the majority report for the establishment of a system by which the operators would collect the union dues from the miners that were retained.

It is not known what effect the refusal of the union representatives to agree to the report will have. It is known that their demands were considerably in excess of those granted in the report submitted. Action will probably be awaited until the minority and the majority reports have both been submitted and considered by the officials at Washington.

CONVENTION ENDS THIS AFTERNOON

Annual District Conference of Missionary Society Closes Here

Annual convention of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Eugene district which has been in conference in Albany for the past two days closed this afternoon at the Methodist Episcopal church. A symposium of five minute stories of the Mite box were the feature of this afternoon's session.

Those who spoke were Mrs. H. O. Boman of Portland, Mrs. T. J. Butler of Albany, Mrs. F. E. Allen of Marshfield and Miss Grace Blackwell of Portland. Devotions for the afternoon were conducted at 1:30 by Mrs. Ellen H. Fox of Albany. Mrs. George H. Alden, wife of Dean Alden of the Willamette University was the principal speaker of the afternoon.

The conference just closed was declared to be one of the most successful ever held in the state and the delegates were enthusiastic over the reception accorded to them by the members of the Albany society.

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New Classified

LOST—A Presto-Light tank, somewhere between Halsey and Albany. Finder please return to M. Hofflich, 1131 Ferry St., Albany, Ore. m11*
FURNITURE WANTED—We want all kinds of furniture, stoves, ranges, etc. Will buy any quantity and pay highest cash price. See us if you have anything to sell. Albany Furniture Exchange, 415-417 West First St., Phone 75-J. f12tf

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CURZON PICKS UNITED STATES AS "G O A T" FOR TURKISH PROBLEM

LONDON, Mar. 11.—By Associated Press—Blame for trouble in settling the Turkish problem was laid at the door of the United States by Earl Curzon, foreign secretary, in explaining the peace conference negotiations before the House of Lords today.

TWO AUTOS HIT ON LYON STREET

Car From Scio Has Mix With Local Auto; Damaged Some

Autos driven by Ray Taylor, of this city and G. W. Darby, of Scio, came together with a crash at Fourth and Lyon Streets just before noon today with more or less damage to the machines. Neither driver was injured.

Taylor was driving his Overland east on Fourth Street and Darby was running south on Lyon. Taylor claims that he had the right-of-way and was intent upon watching the blind corner west of the armory when the accident happened. Taylor's car received a bent frame, broken headlights, bent front fender and other minor damages. Two spokes were knocked from the rear wheel of Darby's Ford, the left rear tire was blown out and the fender and running board on the right side were bent.

INDIAN LANDS NOT FOR SALE

SALEM, Mar. 11.—By Associated Press—The department of the Interior will not dispose of lands in the Klamath Indian reservation, the secretary of the state has been informed. They will be held until the timber is sold. Department announced that a response had been made to the joint memorial of the Oregon legislature asking congress to open surplus lands.

LEAGUE COUNCIL MEETS IN PARIS

PARIS, Mar. 11.—By Associated Press—The council of the league of nations will meet here for the third time Saturday to consider a communication for the allies asking that the council take up the appointment of a commission to obtain impartial and authorized information concerning the actual conditions in Russia.

TORNADO KILLS THREE IN BLAST

JOLIN, Mar. 11.—By Associated Press—Three men were killed by a tornado which Nevada, Missouri, sixty miles northwest of Joplin, this afternoon, destroying part of a three story building occupied by the bank of Nevada and blowing out the courthouse windows.

MRS. McFARLAND'S FUNERAL FRIDAY

The funeral of the late Mrs. Jane McFarland will be held from the Methodist church at Tangent at 1 o'clock Friday afternoon. Rev. J. B. Needham will preach the sermon and interment will be held at Riverside cemetery.

BRYAN'S ISSUE WILL BE FOUGHT

WASHINGTON, Mar. 11.—By Associated Press—J. H. Mithen, manager of the Hitchcock for president club states that the senator's friends welcome the issue raised by Bryan and will meet him in every precinct. Bryan opposes Hitchcock because the latter opposed suffrage and prohibition.

ANOTHER NATION ENTERS LEAGUE

SAN SALVADOR, Mar. 11.—By Associated Press—Congress of the republic of Salvador ratified a decree by which the nation becomes a member of the league of nations.

Tangent Ladies Entertain—The Ladies Missionary Society of the Tangent Methodist church will hold a cooked food sale at the Jenks store Saturday.

GRAIN CORPORATION PROBE IS ATTEMPT TO THROW MUD ON WAR TIME OFFICIALS SAYS SENATOR

INVESTIGATION ORDERED TODAY DIRECTED AT HOOVER AND OTHERS WHO RENDERED VALUABLE SERVICE TO COUNTRY CHARGES ASHURST REFERRING TO REED MEASURE.

WASHINGTON, Mar. 11.—By Associated Press—A scathing attack upon the resolution offered by Senator Reed of Missouri demanding an investigation of the United States Grain corporation was made today in the senate by Senator Ashurst, of Arizona following the action of the senate in ordering the probe.

Ashurst characterized Reed's motion as an attempt to discredit Herbert Hoover and part of the policy of Reed to throw mud on those who had rendered valuable service to their country during the late war. He intimated that the whole affair was merely a political move to be used in the coming presidential campaign.

The grain investigation was ordered by the senate and will be made by a manufacturers committee of which Senator Lafolette was appointed chairman.

ISSUE ON WILL IS BEING HEARD

Eltha Turner Seeks to Enjoin Sale of House and Lot in Albany

Suit to prevent the sale of a house and lot on Fifth street in Albany formerly owned by Dr. D. M. Jones of Portland, and now in the possession of his children, was begun today in Circuit Judge Bingham's court.

Action was begun by Eltha Turner, employed by Dr. Jones as a housekeeper when he lived here in 1917. She avers Jones entered into a contract with her by which in return for her services as housekeeper he would make a will leaving her the property in question. She alleges that he made the will but that since has deeded the property to his children, Dr. Lowell M. Jones of Portland, Silas Jones of Portland, Mrs. Nancy McAfee of Portland and D. W. Jones of Foster.

Present action is to restrain children from selling the property until the rightful ownership is established. Case was continued this afternoon for filing of amended complaint. Hill and Marks are representing the defense.

DEBATE OVER PROPOSED OPENING OF ARMY STORE HERE ENLIVENS MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL

DEFEAT OF MEASURE THRU MOTION OF COUNCILMAN BEAM AVERTED; COMMITTEE WILL ACT ON METHOD OF CONDUCTING STORE; LOCAL FIRM MAY HANDLE PRODUCTS.

Animated discussion over the proposed opening of an army surplus store under municipal supervision arose last night at the regular meeting of the city council. Proposition was laid before the board by H. C. Conway, who has been conducting a similar store at Salem and who requested action in the course of the next few days.

Virtual refusal of the request was contained in the motion of Councilman Owen Beam to defer action for two weeks until the license committee could investigate and report. The motion was carried on Beam's lone affirmative. The others declined to vote.

An immediate protest from Conway that the motion would bar any chance of the store being opened here by him as he could not wait two weeks brought support to his contention from Councilmen Fortmiller, Williamson and Calavan, who declared themselves in favor of the project if it offered the public a chance to combat in a slight measure the high cost of living.

Mayor L. M. Curl also said that he advocated the prospect of having such a store as he realized it would be a benefit to the community. He said the only problem that existed was whether to allow it to be conducted by Conway or to give the chance to a local concern. It was stated that one Albany merchant was willing to

TRUST PROSECUTIONS TO CONTINUE DESPITE STEEL CASE DECISION

WASHINGTON, Mar. 11.—By Associated Press—The department of justice will prosecute all corporations alleged to be trusts regardless of the decision of the United States Supreme court in the suit against the Steel corporation it was announced here today.

ONLY FOOLING IS WORD THAT VILLA SENDS AMERICANS

Says His Captives Are Honored Guests

WASHINGTON, Mar. 11.—By Associated Press—Relatives and friends of Americans kidnapped by Pancho Villa need not fear for their safety of ransom, according to a note received today and transmitted unofficially to army intelligence officers.

Villa says that he has only adopted a practical means of holding a friendly conversation with representative Americans who cross his trail and that he will treat them with consideration as guests and return them safely.

IN MOODY BIBLE INSTITUTE WORK

CHICAGO, MARCH 11.—(Special)—Dr. W. P. White, of nineteen years pastor of the First United Presbyterian Church of Albany, Oregon, recently resigned to become Regional Director of The Moody Bible Institute of Chicago for Bible conferences up and down the coast and in British Columbia.

Dr. White's pastorate in Albany is the longest coast record for a continuous pastorate save one. He has been forty-seven ministers come and go in Albany while serving there. He has been associated recently with Dr. James M. Gray in Bible Conferences on the coast, also with Drs. W. B. Riley and A. C. Dixon, is well-known in the East as a deep student of the Bible and has made a name for himself by lectures on Biblical archaeology.

MEETINGS WILL BE COMMENCED

Community meetings under the auspices of the Farm Bureau and leadership of county agent S. V. Smith are soon to begin as the flu epidemic which caused the postponement of the meetings is now becoming a thing of the past. The farm bureau, of Spring branch on Hamilton Creek, has notified Agent Smith of their intentions to hold a meeting at the first opportunity.

Meetings are in prospect at Crawfordville, Sweet Home, Waterloo, Crowfoot, Lacomb, Jordan and McFarland school house. The purpose of the meetings are to select one or more projects to be carried out during the year by the combined efforts of the citizens of the community.

TRIAL DELAYED BY THE DEFENSE

MONTESSANO, Mar. 11.—By Associated Press—The I. W. W. murder trial was delayed today by the non-arrival of witnesses for the defense in sur-rebuttal. Judge may not instruct the jury until tomorrow. Arguments are expected to take up most of the session Friday and the case will probably close late tomorrow afternoon.

NOMINATIONS ARE GIVEN TO WILSON

WASHINGTON, Mar. 11.—By Associated Press—Labor nominations to the railroad labor board submitted to the president today and consisted of 10 names of which two are from the shop crafts. Names were not made public. Union groups except the shopmen are reported to be far from unanimous. Each is said to be fighting for his own choice.

POST IS GIVEN ANDREW FOSTER

WASHINGTON, Mar. 11.—By Associated Press—Andrew J. Foster, was nominated today as receiver of public moneys at Lakeview, Ore.

FAILURE OF NAVY TO SEND VESSELS ASTOUNDING SAYS SIMS AT HEARING

Charges Department with Holding Back Craft Early in War to Keep Main Body of Sea Strength Intact.

FIRST STATEMENT MADE

Admiral States Heads Unwilling to Divide Fleet; Hoover to be Called as Witness for Sims.

WASHINGTON, Mar. 11.—By Associated Press—Indications that the navy department withheld sending available craft to European waters early in the war because of a desire to keep the main body of sea strength intact for possible eventualities, were contained in Sims testimony today before the senate investigation committee.

The first definite statement of the policy, which he termed astounding, were received June 10, when the department announced its unwillingness to separate any division from the main fleet but declared themselves willing to send the entire battleship fleet to act as a corresponding unit when the emergency was needed.

Sims stated that the request which the allies were seeking to have granted was for the smaller vessels more mobile than the larger ships which could be used for convoying and for waging war on the submarines. He told how this request was refused through the policies which the heads of the navy department decided upon.

It was learned today that Herbert Hoover, former food administrator would be called as a witness to substantiate the testimony of Rear Admiral Sims regarding the gravity of the situation that arose of the policies inaugurated by Daniels. Hoover will testify at Sims request.

LEGION TAKES UP VARIED MATTERS

Local Post Passes on Several Important Issues During Their Session

Community center house, bonus measure, boxing commission and date for the distribution of the French war certificates were among some outstanding measures discussed at the meeting of the local post of The American Legion at the armory last night.

As regards the community center house the members at the meeting agreed that anything that the citizens of Albany saw fit to do in the erection of such a structure as a memorial to the service men of Linn county would be gladly accepted. It was emphasized that the house would serve for the present. It was also put forward that it could serve as a meeting place for any local gatherings and would not in any sense be confined to meetings of The American Legion.

Local legionnaires after discussing the question agreed that probably the most suitable form of additional compensation that the government could bestow would be in the form of a bill authorizing loans for home building and the purchase of farms. This was held to be more desirable to the great majority than a simple gift in a lump sum.

April 4 was set as the tentative date that the distribution of the

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COUNT LEO TOLSTOY WORE A FROCK COAT

and went about bare-footed. It made him hardy then, but 'twould make him foolhardy now for innumerable body comforts are inexpensively obtainable thru an Ad in the Democrat Classified Columns!