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MAY ERECT FACTORY HERE FOR CHEMICAL

Thomsen Chemical Company Representative Here to Look Over the Field to Supply Orchard Districts of Northwest With Chemicals.

CAPITAL OF CONCERN IS FIFTY MILLION DOLLARS

Greatly Impressed by Acreage in Fruit Here—Will Be Third Factory On the Coast.

The Thomsen Chemical company with headquarters at Baltimore and rated at \$50,000,000, being one of the largest concerns of its kind in the world, has turned its attention to the Rogue River valley and has a representative here looking over the field with a view of establishing one of its factories here for the purpose of supplying the orchard districts of the northwest with chemicals used by orchardists for spraying and the like. G. R. Cushman, representing the company is spending a few days looking over the valley in the company of Professor O'Gara.

The Thomsen Chemical company is in close touch with the department of agriculture and is given a high endorsement by the government furnishing all of the chemicals for the needs of the department. This fact alone tends to show that if a factory is established locally that it will be of great benefit to local fruitgrowers as all of the preparations will be in accord with formulas originating in the department.

Mr. Cushman spent the morning driving about the orchard district and was greatly impressed by what he saw. The total area planted to fruit was especially impressive as it is upon acreage that he will base his report to the company.

The Thomsen Chemical company has two factories on the coast both of them being in California. They are now seeking a location for a third one and geographically the Rogue River valley is favored. If Mr. Cushman finds that the valley orchard district is what he has been led to understand he will recommend the establishment of a chemical factory in Medford.

FATAL BATTLE IN COURT ROOM

Convicted Prisoner Shoots Judge Upon Being Sentenced and Wounds Three Others Before Being Shot Dead Himself.

CHRISTOPHER, Ill., Aug. 11.—In a desperate battle in the court room of Justice Morrison here today Martin Shadowen, a convicted prisoner, was shot dead and the magistrate and three other persons wounded. The trouble started when Justice Morrison committed Shadowen to jail. Immediately the man drew a revolver, shot the justice in the arm and tried to fight his way to freedom. Three others fell before his gun before a bullet penetrated his head. Charles Shadowen, a brother of the convict, was thrown from a window during the affray and fatally injured. Others wounded in the melee were Marshal John Stackrider and two deputies named Mackey and Hughes.

SHERMAN SIGNS BILL GRANTING STATEHOOD

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 11.—Vice President Sherman today signed the statehood resolution and it is now ready for the action of the president.

It is expected that one of Taft's first official acts after returning from his week end golfing at Beverly will be to veto the measure.

COMPROMISE ARRANGED ON WOOL TARIFF

LaFollette and Underwood Agree to Split Difference Between House and Senate Schedules Calling for Revision of Wool Tariff.

RATE ALSO APPLIES UPON WOOLEN SHODDIES AND RAGS

Agreement to Be Reached Settling Minor Points This Afternoon—To Pass It by Insurgent Help.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 11.—Settlement by the vexed wool question came here today when the house conferees, headed by democratic leader Underwood and the senate conferees, headed by Senator LaFollette, agreed on a 29 per cent tariff on raw wool. The agreement split the difference between the house and senate measures for revision of the wool tariff. The house bill provided for a 20 per cent duty and the senate's measure 35 per cent.

It was also agreed that the 29 per cent ad valorem rate should apply to woolen shoddies, rags, etc. Although some differences on the bill, remained unsettled, Underwood said he expected to reach an agreement on everything sometime this afternoon.

GATES SUPPORTED THIRTY DIFFERENT FAMILIES

NEW YORK, Aug. 11.—Although not especially noted for his beneficence, John W. Gates supported more than 30 families besides his own, according to statements made by friends of the late millionaire here today. It is said that he had a regular list to whom he mailed checks every month. His son Charles is credited with having told friends of this fact on several occasions.

EARTHQUAKE FELT AT SAN BERNARDINO

SAN BERNARDINO, Cal., Aug. 11.—An earthquake shook San Bernardino and vicinity at 10:15 this morning. The movement seemed to be north and south. No damage has so far been reported.

EAST WANTS VETO; WEST FOR SIGNING

CHICAGO, Ill., Aug. 11.—That the west generally is for revision of the tariff and that its desire is that President Taft sign the pending bills designed to accomplish that end is the gist of a poll of editors of the whole country which was completed today by the Chicago Tribune. The east, as a whole, is for the exercise of the presidential veto power.

In all, 1109 answers were received to the Tribune's query—556 republicans, 387 democrats and 156 independents. Of these 630 declared that the president should sign and 479 that he should veto the bills.

PRICES RISE SHARPLY IN STOCK MARKET

NEW YORK, Aug. 11.—Prices in the stock market rose sharply at the opening today, Canadian Pacific gaining 1 3/4 and Union Pacific, Southern Pacific, Great Northern and Rock Island preferred 1. The entire list showed a strong upturn and other issues advanced fractionally. A large part of the early gain went soon lost, many prices falling back to yesterday's closing level and a few below. Further declines were made later but prices recovered partially before the close, which was dull. Trading came almost to a standstill. Bonds were steady.

Schwab An Interesting Witness Before Steel Trust Probers



MR. SCHWAB, IF MR. CARNEGIE WERE IN BUSINESS TO DAY HE WOULD NOT GET PRICES THE WAY HE DID.

Charles M. Schwab gave some interesting testimony before the special Congressional committee now engaged in prying into the secrets of the Steel Trust. Mr. Schwab spent a whole day before the inquisitors and amusingly told how J. Pierpont Morgan conceived the plan of the United States Steel Corporation after he had heard Schwab speaking at a dinner of the University Club, in New York, when Mr. Schwab outlined the possibilities of such a combination. Mr. Schwab will probably be called.

DENNIS VISITS LOCAL GROVES

English Fruit Buyer Is Visiting the Valley for the Fourth Time—Reiterates Praises of This Section and Its Product.

Reiterating his praise for the wonderful product of the orchards of the Rogue River valley, John W. Dennis of the firm of W. Dennis & Sons of London, is again in the valley to confer with fruit growers. While here Mr. Dennis is the guest of John D. Otwell.

Mr. Dennis has little to say for publication at this time but is loud in his praises of this fruit section which he states is the peer of all orchard districts the world over. This is his fourth visit to the Rogue and he takes great pleasure in his annual drive about the valley.

Mr. Dennis has little to say in regard to the outlook for prices but states that the English market is in need of fancy pears. From the general tenor of his remarks it can be judged that good prices will be paid in England.

Mr. Dennis' firm holds the world's record in the matter of securing high prices for green fruit. He sold the Comice from the Hillcrest orchard which brought \$10.08 a box in England.

\$2000 A YEAR FOR MEMBERS OF COMMONS

LONDON, Aug. 11.—A new era in representative government in England which is expected to make greatly for democracy opened today through the passage by the house of commons of a resolution to pay themselves \$2000 a year. This, it is believed, will open the doors of parliament to many workmen who before could not afford to aspire to a public career.

COMMISSION TO CONTROL TRUSTS

Perkins Advocates Federal Board to Regulate All Interstate Corporations Under Investigation—Where Fault Lies.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 11.—A federal trust commission, controlling all interstate corporations under investigation, was recommended today to the Stanley steel investigating committee by George W. Perkins as the solution of the trust and industrial problem.

Representative Littleton told Perkins, while the latter was on the stand, that he proposed introducing in the house a resolution providing for a comprehensive investigation of the industrial conditions preliminary to alterations in the Sherman anti-trust act, and that big business men and representatives of both capitol and labor would be called in to help settle in a broad way the present problems.

Perkins received this information enthusiastically.

"That's the best news I have heard in a long time," he said.

Representative Bartlett, resuming the inquiry, asked if the steel trust's attorneys were consulted before E. H. Gary and Henry Frick held their conference with President Roosevelt which resulted in the absorption of the Tennessee Coal and Iron Company.

JACK LONDON TO BE HERE TONIGHT

Left Grants Pass at Noon for Medford—Is On His Way to Visit Crater Lake—Says He Will Write 'Back to the Soil' Volume.

GRANTS PASS, Aug. 11.—Jack London, Mrs. London and their Japanese servant, Y. Makata, who accompanied the Londons on the cruise with the Snark, arrived here with his four horse team last evening and left at noon for Medford from where the party will go to Crater lake.

Mr. London, on being asked when he expected to write another book, stated that he would begin in October on a work of fiction, the theme of which will be "Back to the Soil," in which the noted writer will urge the return to the land of many thousands of intelligent mechanics and other wage earners in American cities.

EIGHT GRANDSONS ARE POLLBEARERS AT FUNERAL

LEWISTON, Me., Aug. 11.—His eight grandsons acting as pallbearers: the late Senator William P. Frye, until his death ranking member of the upper house of congress, was buried here today. State and municipal offices were closed as a tribute to his memory. Governor Plaisted and his official staff attended the funeral services.

PRESIDENT TAFT TO VISIT COAST

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 11.—President Taft will include coast cities in the itinerary of his proposed western trip and will be present at the groundbreaking ceremonies of the Panama Pacific exposition at San Francisco unless something unforeseen arises. The president's decision followed the receipt of hundreds of telegrams from various commercial organizations of the Pacific coast.

ASQUITH WINS GREAT VICTORY BY VETO BILL

Messages of Congratulation Pour In Upon Premier From All Parts of Empire—Peers Pass Bill Rather Than Have New Peers Created.

COMMONS SOLE FACTOR IN RUNNING GOVERNMENT

Liberal Control Perpetuated as Conservatives Are Demoralized—Home Rule for Ireland.

LONDON, Aug. 11.—Messages of congratulation today are pouring in on Premier Asquith and other liberal leaders from every part of the empire in consequence of the passage of the lord's veto bill.

In future the house of commons will be the sole factor in the budget in deciding the rate of taxation and really running the government. The passage of the bill makes constitutional government in Great Britain a reality and probably will perpetuate liberal control of the country for many years, as the conservatives are hopelessly divided.

Unbounded enthusiasm has been aroused among the Irish members by Asquith's victory, which is taken to mean a rapid realization of the national dream of home rule.

The passage of the veto bill is believed to have killed all chance of William Waldorf Astor becoming a peer. Astor bitterly opposed A. J. Balfour and Lord Lansdowne in their conduct of the fight.

BAILEY ONCE AGAIN RESIGNS IN HUFF

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 11.—Senator Joseph Weldon Bailey of Texas resigned today as a member of the monetary commission. The resignation was presented when the senate was engaged in a spirited filibuster to kill the Cummins bill to end the monetary commission. The Texan, becoming disgruntled at some of the things said about the commission, tendered his resignation. It was accepted without objection.

The filibuster was begun by Senator Burton (republican, Ohio), also a member of the commission. Bailey aided in the fight on the Cummins measure.

CAPTAIN BLAMED FOR SANTA ROSA WRECK

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Aug. 11.—Responsibility for the wreck of the steamer Santa Rosa today was laid at the doors of Captain J. O. Faria and Third Officer Thomas, formal charges of negligence being made by Federal Inspectors Bolles and Bulger, and the cases against the accused officers will be taken up Monday morning in San Francisco.

The charges of the inspectors came as the result of their exhaustive examinations.

SOUTHERN PACIFIC PAYS OVER MILLION IN TAXES

SACRAMENTO, Cal., Aug. 11.—The Southern Pacific company paid the first half of its 1911 corporation tax into the state treasury today. The payment amounted to \$1,235,114.37 and was in gold.

There were 65 sacks, weighing 75 pounds each, making a total of more than 4800 pounds. The total corporation tax for the Southern Pacific this year is \$2,470,228.74.

TO COURTMARTIAL ROMANTIS SOLDIER

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 11.—The war department today issued orders for a courtmartial of George Peters, a coast artillery private, who is alleged to have told his sweetheart he was a spy in the employ of the government of Austria. The department believes Peters was deceiving his sweetheart but desires to ascertain the truth of his statements.

PEACE FORCED; STRIKE RIOTS LONDON END

Famine and Impending Financial Ruin for Strikers and Employers End Labor War That Threatened Welfare of Empire.

BOARD OF TRADE BRINGS EMPLOYERS TO TERMS

Docks Piled High With Food for Which Public Clamors—Traffic Still Paralyzed.

LONDON, Aug. 11.—Fears of bloodshed in London were allayed early today when it was announced that the carmen's strike, which has caused most of the rioting in the present labor war, had been settled. Cavalry from Aldershot detraind in the city soon after dawn.

Famine and impending financial ruin for the strikers and their employers' respectively, have been the principal means of forcing peace. Of the workers thousands are literally starving. The pawnshops, their shelves glutted with pledges, are refusing further loans, the heat is intense, the hospitals are filled, and the price of ice has soared to prohibitive figures, largely due to the difficulty of transporting it through the streets where traffic is still paralyzed.

Every industry in the city is affected by the labor war and the employers are being brought to terms by the board of trade, which foresees general ruin for its members unless peace comes. Even the mint has been closed, as there are no wagens obtainable to haul its bullion.

Along the water front the situation is unprecedented. Every dock is piled high with food, for which the city is suffering; the Thames is simply blocked with laden ships, and, until the employers settle, virtually not a pound is being moved or a blow struck by the workmen who have grimly resolved that if they starve others shall share their sufferings.

Among the cargoes held up by the strike are scores of fruit shipments, one of which is a giant consignment of California fruit which is rotting on the steamer Minnehaha.

SHOP STOCKADE AT ESPEE SHOPS

Preparation Made at Sacramento to Isolate Railroad Yards in Case of Strike Among Employees—All Strangers Forbidden to Enter.

SACRAMENTO, Cal., Aug. 11.—A gang of carpenters are today completing a 10 foot board fence surrounding the Southern Pacific shops here. On top of the board are heavy posts from which four strands of barbed wire have been strung. Gates are being made at only the principal places of entrance and exits of the shops and all strangers are forbidden to pass through.

Division Superintendent Sheridan is out of the city today but other officials in charge when asked for a statement regarding the fence merely replied that they followed instructions from headquarters.

Shopmen today say they have a better understanding of the situation following a meeting last night in the labor temple where leaders of the federation explained in detail the demands made and just what their effect would be on the employers and employees. Little was said about striking, the men preferring to wait until official action is taken on their requests.

WALLA WALLA, Wash.—Heeding the "call of the land" President Penrose of Whitman college accompanied by Mrs. Penrose is en route to Twin Falls, Idaho, to take up a homestead. "I may come to be a farmer yet," said Penrose shortly before his departure.