

HEMPHILL'S DEATH DUE TO POISON TAKEN IN CELL

EUGENE, April 16.—Potassium cyanide, one of the deadliest poisons known to the medical profession, caused the death of N. E. Hemphill, the Medford man who was found dead in the Lane county jail Thursday night after his arrest on the charge of arson. Dr. F. L. Shinn, professor of chemistry at the university, after analyzing the contents of a cup from which Hemphill had drunk, declared that the coffee which the prisoner had poured from a bottle contained enough of this deadly poison to kill several men. The coffee in the bottle which came from a restaurant was also analyzed, but nothing injurious was found.

How the poison was concealed by Hemphill is not known by the officers. When he was locked up he was carefully searched, and after he had told Deputy Sheriff Elkins that he was very despondent and to "look out for him," the deputy made a further search, believing that Hemphill intended to take his own life. Hemphill had worked in a mine near Medford and had probably secured there a quantity of the poison, which is used in treating ores. The tiniest speck of the poison, if swallowed will cause death, say physicians, and it would not be difficult for Hemphill to have concealed a small quantity of the powder.

It is learned from the officers that Hemphill had made a full confession of the crime of setting fire to the Strickfadden residence in Ashland one night last month. He is said to have told the officers that Mrs. Strickfadden and her sister, Mrs. Dryfoos, of Seattle, planned to burn the house to get the \$5000 insurance money. He said that Mrs. M. M. Garwood, who was arrested with Hemphill here, arranged with him to fire the house, acting for the owner and her sister. Hemphill is the one who placed the "plant" and fired it, according to the confession.

THOUSAND A DAY RECRUIT FOR NAVY

WASHINGTON, April 16.—Recruiting for the navy is bringing in more than a thousand men a day under the press of war emergency. Officers of the fleet are highly pleased with the character of the recruits.

"They are a fine lot of young men," said a letter from the commander of a battleship, made public today at the navy department; cheerful, patriotic and eager to learn, and they are getting knowledge in large doses and assimilating it. Results can be seen from day to day."

The record for Saturday's recruiting was a net gain of 1124 men, bringing the enlisted force that much nearer the 100,000 mark Secretary Daniels expected to reach by May 1.

PAYS TRIBUTE TO MEDFORD AVIATORS

A fine tribute to the Medford boys in the army aviation corps is paid by the veteran, Corporal Ross, of the U. S. army, who passed through Medford on Sunday en route back to the Vancouver barracks from San Diego. Ross had charge of transporting the large party of Medford aviators last week from Vancouver to the army aviation training station at San Diego.

"In all my seventeen years' experience in transporting recruits to various points," said Corporal Ross, "I never encountered such a fine all-round set of intelligent, well-behaved fellows as these Medford boys. They were the best bunch I ever handled. While they are full of life and pep, yet they are gentlemanly. During all that long trip last week not one of them caused me the least bit of worry and trouble."

"When I left San Diego they were all in good health and spirits, and eagerly taking hold of their tasks in learning to become army aviators. If we ever get into active warfare with Germany or any other enemy you're bound to hear from this bunch of flyers from Medford."

"By the way, that was a great demonstration at the depot here last Tuesday by Medford people in honor of the boys, and the lady were greatly pleased over it. I bet they're still talking about it, for it was their chief topic of conversation all the way to Frisco and San Diego."

MEDFORD ICE PLANT DOUBLING PRESENT CAPACITY

In anticipation of a bumper fruit crop of probably 2000 cars in the valley this season, the Medford Ice & Storage company is at work on extensive improvements and alterations at its Medford plant, which, when completed, will double the capacity of the present plant, giving it 150,000 cubic feet of space.

These improvements and alterations, which will be rushed to completion within eighty days, will give an ice-producing capacity of eighty tons daily, and the largest single ice storage room between Portland and Sacramento. This room will hold 3000 tons of storage ice and will have close to two miles of one and one-quarter inch pipe in coils.

A new thirty tons daily refrigeration machine will be installed to reinforce the two twenty-five tons each daily machines now in use.

Included in the improvements will be a 500-foot platform for icing fruit cars, equipped with conveyors and other apparatus, which will enable the plant to ice ten cars at a time.

The main new building, which will be for storage ice only, will be 70x70 feet in dimension with a thirty-foot ceiling. Another new structure, which will be used only for cold storage of perishable commodities such as eggs, meat and fruit, will be 30x30 feet and two stories high.

The company does all the icing of cars for the Southern Pacific railroad between Roseburg and Ashland, in addition to supplying the valley with ice for ordinary consumption. All cars of fruit originating in the valley are iced at the Medford plant of the company, and all re-icing of through cars of fruit and perishable commodities is done at its Ashland plant.

"Our company is spending much money in backing up its faith in this season's coming crops by getting ready to properly handle them with dispatch, and in general valley conditions," said H. K. Tomlinson, manager of the Medford Ice & Storage company, on Monday. Present indications are that there will be close to 2000 cars of fruit to be shipped out from the Rogue River valley this coming season."

All of the stock of the company is owned by citizens of Medford, Ashland and the valley. It is understood that plans are being considered for enlarging and improving the Ashland plant also.

AMERICAN WARSHIP SCORPION INTERNED

LONDON, April 16.—An official statement issued by the Turkish office says that the American gunboat Scorpion has been interned.

WASHINGTON, April 16.—The internment of the Scorpion has been expected here for some time and is perfectly in accord with the rule necessitating such action for a belligerent war vessel not leaving port within a prescribed time. About two weeks ago the navy department, through the state department, called Ambassador Elkus suggesting that the Scorpion leave Turkish waters for the Black sea, but Turkey objected to this on the ground that the sea was practically dominated by Russia, an enemy of Turkey's ally, Germany. Departure through the Dardanelles was thought impossible, and as a result a part of the crew went through Austria into Switzerland before the break with the former enemy.

RESERVE BRANCH PLAN FOR PORTLAND

WASHINGTON, April 16.—Plans for a northwest branch of the Federal reserve bank of San Francisco with three offices at Spokane, Seattle and Portland, Ore., are under consideration by the Federal reserve board. A definite proposal will be made to the board within the next ten days.

Establishment of the three branches would be followed in a few months, it is believed, by the establishment of a fourth branch of the San Francisco bank at Los Angeles. The entire program, it is said, is in the hands of the San Francisco bank, but would have to be approved by the board.

HILL DISCUSSES EFFECT OF SMUDGE UPON FRUIT TREES

By DILLON R. HILL. Orchardists and farmers of the Rogue River valley have wisely begun a system of co-operation that will surely result in great advantage and increased profit to all who will avail themselves of the favor of its conditions. I am among those who welcome this admirable innovation very heartily. One of the features of discussion in this new situation is the use of means for the prevention of frost damage.

It may as well be conceded now that, as long as danger arises to fruit buds and bloom from frost, difference of opinion will exist as to the best means of meeting it most profitably.

There is no divergence of opinion on the fact that the opposite of cold is heat; that the only way to combat the danger from excessive cold is to provide the danger zone with warmth. Along with that concession arises the problem of obtaining the heat, at a cost within the reach of those whose orchards need it. Inventive genius is now engaged in attempting to solve that problem all along the Pacific coast.

A Dangerous Substitute.

The smudge that envelops the orchards in a dense cloud of smoke arising from imperfect combustion of the fuel used has been the popular means of prevention because it is the simplest and, probably, the least expensive, so far as invention has determined the matter; but, since it has been discovered scientifically that the real damage it entails is greater than the good it does, the problem of overcoming that fault becomes interesting and of great importance.

In the citrus belts of California the orchardists have made greater progress than have the fruit growers of the northwest, because their losses from frost have been greater and, conversely, they have suffered more from faulty means employed to overcome the first loss. Hence, they have gone to great pains and expense to invent a process of supplying the heat without the smudge. They have made some progress and will eventually succeed, I firmly believe, in eliminating the smudge altogether.

No Doubt on One Point.

There is no doubt in the minds of the foremost investigators in that region that imperfect combustion of oil fuel produces damage against which they must make immediate and permanent provision. They have discovered that the longer they use the primitive oil smudge the greater and more permanent becomes the damage, not only to the fruit-bearing boughs, but to the wood fibre itself, until finally it will, if persisted in, destroy the productive life of the tree. The reasons for this condition are wholly scientific. They may be traced practically in the orchards of this valley from season to season so clearly that, to the matter-of-fact fruitist, there is no denying them. They are self-evident. The practical cultivator may not be able to discern them; but the scientific fruitist can point them out so positively, marking the stages of deterioration from one budding season to another so clearly that there ought to be no dispute over the fact that the smudge works an absolute injury, not alone to the orchardists who employ it, but to his nearby neighbors.

The Premise Laid Down.

In this introduction I have submitted only the premise on which I desire to discuss the logical conclusions in subsequent issues of the Mail Tribune, if its editor will generously grant me the space. I feel that it is a very important matter and one that ought to be discussed dispassionately and in a most friendly way among those who are so profoundly interested in conserving the life and productivity of the fruit trees of this valley and the profit they ought to bear to those who, at great expense, are maintaining them. Properly cultivated and protected from every danger, including that from our own faulty methods, the orchards of Jackson county ought to be a source of great wealth, the annual production of which should run into the millions.

In another article I will undertake to discuss the facts.

NOTICE.

All members are requested to be at Masonic hall at 2:30 Tuesday to attend the funeral of Brother Jacob Klippel.

SCOTT'S DRIVES OUT COLDS SEMULSION

ARMY SEEKS MORE MEN TO ENLIST FOR DURATION OF WAR

Sergeant W. M. Fore, who has charge in southern Oregon of recruiting for the regular army, calls attention to the urgent need of obtaining more recruits. He has received by telegraph a war department telegram stating that the army is in need of recruits for the infantry, artillery, signal corps and aviation sections, and that men will enlist for the war period only. After peace is declared they will be freed from the service.

"This latest order should result in inducing many young men now on the fence to enlist," said Sergeant Fore on Monday. "Under the law passed a couple of months ago the regular army enlistment was for seven years—three in active service and four in the reserve. Quite a number of young men in Medford and vicinity have held back from enlisting because they did not want to quit their jobs and be tied up to active army duty for seven years, when peace might come in six months. Now that the enlistment is for the war period only, there should be a rush of applicants."

Sergeant Fore's recruiting office is at the Holland hotel, where he will receive applicants day and night. Sunday he enlisted Charles A. Rogers, 18 years old, who has been working in a mine near Medford.

Klamath Falls was in a fervor of patriotism last week, according to Sergeant Fore. "In the three days I spent there I enlisted thirty-seven

men," said Fore, "and Postmaster Delzell enlisted nine men for the navy. Last Tuesday there was a big patriotic parade in Klamath Falls with civic organizations and the public school students in line. The schools were given a half holiday."

"Several young business men enlisted with me, as did the head of the fire department. I didn't have to do hardly any persuasive work to obtain the thirty-seven enlistments. Patriotic business men and citizens generally just rushed the applicants around to me. Many more young men of Klamath Falls have signified their intention of enlisting in the near future."

BIG TANKER SUNK OFF IRISH COAST

NEW YORK, April 16.—The British tank ship Narragansett, a ship of 9106 tons, and one of the largest carriers of bulk oil ever built, has been torpedoed and sunk somewhere off the Irish coast, according to word brought here today by officers on a British ship.

The Narragansett was owned by the Anglo-American Oil company, represented here by F. A. Eames. At the offices of the company it was said no word of the vessel had been received, although several reports that she had met with disaster had reached here from unofficial sources.

The Narragansett was last reported when she left here for a British port on March 5. She was built in 1903 at Greenock, Scotland, was 512 feet long and could carry 11,000 tons of oil.

WIRELESS PLANTS ORDERED SEIZED BY GOVERNMENT

WASHINGTON, April 16.—All wireless telegraph stations not operated by the government were ordered dismantled during the war today by direction of the secretary of the navy. Failure of owners to comply with this order will result in confiscation of equipment.

The action was taken under the executive order recently issued by President Wilson directing that the navy department take over all radio stations. The department's statement says:

"All licenses for radio stations on shore are suspended for the duration of the war. The secretary of the navy has directed that during the war all radio sending and receiving stations, other than those operated by the United States government be closed. A station is considered closed only when its antenna is lowered, coiled and sealed; ground connections broken and the apparatus dismantled and packed away. It is incumbent upon the owners themselves to close their stations. Failure to close stations will result in its apparatus being confiscated by the government. The owners of a station operating in defiance of this order will be under suspicion of being an enemy alien. It is requested that full publicity be given this notice in order that all persons may be acquainted with these requirements."

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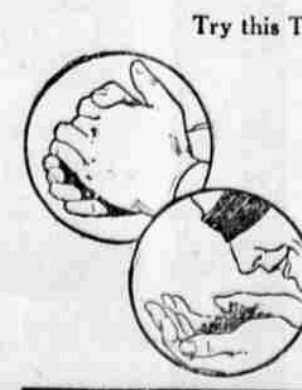
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