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J. BURROUGHS DIES ON N. Y. CENTRAL TRAIN

Foremost American Naturalist Passes Away En Route to New York Home—"How Near Home Are We?" His Last Words.

UTICA, N. Y., Mar. 29.—John Burroughs, naturalist, died on a New York Central train near Kingsville, Ohio, on his way home from California at 2 o'clock this morning. He had been very ill for six weeks with an abscess on the chest and heart and with kidney complications. He was so eager to get home that the long journey was undertaken with the hope that he could survive. The end came suddenly, a few minutes after he asked: "How near home are we?"

His physician, Dr. Clara Barrus, his granddaughter, Ursula Burroughs, and the Misses Eleanor and Harriet Burroughs accompanied him on the journey.

PASADENA, Cal., Mar. 29.—John Burroughs left here Friday for his home at West Park, N. Y., where he planned to pass his eighty-fourth birthday April 3. A short time before his departure he had left a hospital where he had received treatment for an abscess on the chest. He had divided his time during the winter between LaJolla, near San Diego and a cabin in Pasadena Glen. When he went east he was accompanied by a physician who acted also as his secretary.

Mills Pays Tribute

ESTES PARK, Colo., Mar. 29.—Enos A. Mills, in his home at Long's Peak Inn, when informed by the Associated Press of the death of Mr. Burroughs said America and the world had lost one of its greatest naturalists. "My personal loss in the death of a dear friend is overshadowed by the loss to humanity," said Mr. Mills, himself one of the most widely known naturalists in America.

"Mr. Burroughs and John Muir have succeeded better than any other men in interpreting the story of nature so that all may read and understand," Mr. Mills added. "They made the birds, the bees and the animals actually live for all of us."

Mr. Mills visited Mr. Burroughs at his home in West Park, Ulster county, New York, and in California several times and Mr. Burroughs was Mr. Mills' guest in Denver eight years ago.

Highest Type of Man

WEST ORANGE, N. J., Mar. 29.—Thomas A. Edison, a member of a small party of intimate friends who had accompanied John Burroughs on his annual camping trips in the last four years, expressed deep sorrow today upon learning of the naturalist's death.

"To me he always appeared to be one of the highest types yet evolved in the advance of men to a higher stage," the inventor said.

Other members of the camping party were Henry Ford and Hudson Maxlin. On their camping trips, wood chopping contests were always a matter of keen competition and in this sport Mr. Burroughs, notwithstanding his age, always acquitted himself creditably.

Ford Pays Tribute

DETROIT, Mich., Mar. 29.—Henry Ford, close personal friend and campmate of John Burroughs, made the following statement today on learning of the naturalist's death:

"The news of John Burroughs' passing is a great shock to me. The last time I saw him he was apparently in good health. I heard from him during his illness in California, but he took it lightly, making out that he had gone to bed merely for a 'rest cure.' Next Sunday would have been his eighty-fourth birthday. I have known John Burroughs about twelve years. We were brought together by our common interests in

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U. S. Steel Corp. to Ship Via Panama to The Pacific Coast

YOUNGSTOWN, Ohio, March 29.—Announcement by the United States Steel corporation of the establishment of a line of steamers to carry steel to the Pacific coast via the Panama canal is expected soon after the return of E. H. Gary, through the canal.

Steel manufacturers here say that the corporation is nearly ready to put into effect its plans for increasing export trade and that it has 20 vessels ready and five under contract. Steel makers are also watching with interest the progress of a river boat line down the Ohio and Mississippi to the canal and the Pacific coast.

Independent steel men admit that if the corporation establishes a line to the Pacific coast it will be able to lay down steel on the coast at a price with which the independents could not compete.

FARMERS PREPARE NATIONAL PLANS GRAIN MARKETING

CHICAGO, Mar. 29.—Conferences aiming at the unification of the several large scale plans for the co-operative handling of grain by farmers of the country began here yesterday. They are expected to continue through the week.

The hope is to arrive at a single plan to be presented to the ratification conference called here next week by the farmers grain marketing committee of seventeen, Aaron Sapiro of San Francisco, explained. "If a general plan for handling all grain is agreed on it gives promise of making the largest farmers' co-operative enterprise in the country."

Mr. Sapiro is here representing the Northwestern Wheat Growers' Exchange which operates in Washington, Oregon, Idaho and Montana. Clifford T. Piore, counsel for the American Farm Bureau Federation, is representing the committee of seventeen of which he is a member. Mr. Jewett of Spokane, Wash., general manager of the Northwest Exchange, will be here Friday and the other leaders are expected. Preliminary conferences are chiefly among attorneys.

"The aims of all groups are identical," Mr. Sapiro said. "The question is one of working out the right machinery. There are ways of adapting any existing associations to this end, so long as the spirit of willingness to get together is shown, and that spirit is here splendidly manifest."

"If the dominant groups unite on their chief point of method, they can go into a big conference here April 6 and present a plan that will be adopted unanimously."

"There is no question that the farmers of the country will stand behind any program for the national co-operative handling of grain that comes out with practically unanimous support. What we all want to avoid is a split on details of method."

HARDING THANKED BY LORD MAYOR

DUBLIN, Mar. 29.—Expressions of gratitude for President Harding's support of the movement in America to raise funds for the suffering in Ireland has been cabled to the White House by the lord mayor of this city.

"The sad and afflicted people of Ireland," the cable message said, are sincerely gratified by your encouragement of the movement to give them financial support. America always was true to Ireland in her hour of trial. The funds are urgently needed to restore buildings destroyed and to relieve distress."

EX-2ND LIEUTENANT SENT TO M'NEIL'S ISLAND ON COMPLAINT OF O. A. C. GIRL

PORTLAND, Ore., Mar. 29.—Robert Douglas, former second lieutenant in the spruce division at Vancouver barracks, whose home is at Warsaw, Ind., was sentenced today in federal court to 13 months at McNeil's Island following a plea of guilty to a charge of using the mails to defraud. The complainant was a young woman, formerly student at the Oregon Agricultural College, whose name the authorities withheld, who charged she met Douglas in 1918 while eighteenth at Vancouver barracks, became en-

BERLIN GAINS BIG VICTORY OVER REBELS

Government Troops Capture Leima Plant With 1000 Prisoners and Large Supply of Ammunition—15 Rioters Killed in Essen.

BERLIN, March 29.—(By the Associated Press.)—The government believes it has effectually broken up the insurgent communist rising in the Mid Germany industrial areas with the capture of the main body of rioters at Leima and Ammendorf. Thus far 1400 communists have been arrested, and the others are reported either to be fleeing, leaving their arms behind, or surrendering.

BERLIN, March 29.—By the Associated Press.—An important gain was made today by the government forces engaged in dealing with the communist disorders in central Germany when government troops and security police surrounded the nitrogen plant at Leima, which has been a communist stronghold for the last five days and forced the insurgents to surrender.

The troops took 1000 prisoners and seized large supplies of rifles, machine guns and ammunition.

15 Rioters Killed

ESSEN, Germany, March 29.—(By the Associated Press.)—Fifteen rioters were killed and 40 others wounded in a clash with the security police here. The attempt to bring on a general strike in this region has so far failed.

An "exceptional status" has been proclaimed for Dortmund, Bochum, Gelsenkirchen and other points in Rhenish Prussia.

The "exceptional status" referred to is presumably similar to or identical with the "non-military state of siege" which has been put into force by the German authorities in parts of central Germany affected by the communist disorders.

With the exception of the minor outbreak in the American bridgehead region Monday, which was promptly and effectively dealt with by the American military police, the disorders reported in the foregoing are the first to be recorded in the Rhine area since the outbreak of the communist rising in Prussian Saxony. Whether or not these movements are connected does not appear.

Trouble in Berlin

Berlin dispatches filed late Monday night indicated some anxiety in governmental circles over the development of possible disturbances in the capital Tuesday, an attempt by the extremists to tie up the big industrial and other plants in a general strike being forecast. The Wilhelmstrasse was ordered closed to traffic and all the approaches to the foreign office and other government buildings were barricaded with barbed wire entanglements and guarded by troops.

Last reports from central Germany were that the situation had not materially changed, the principal trouble being sporadic outbreaks at points held temporarily by rioting bands, which the security police had as yet failed to control in the roundup of rioters in which these police forces were engaged.

SENATOR ANKENY PASSES AWAY

WALLA WALLA, Wash., March 29.—Ex-Senator Levi Ankeny died at 12:30 p. m. today.

WALLA WALLA, Wash., Mar. 29.—No change is reported in the condition of former United States Senator Levi Ankeny, who is critically ill at his home. Senator Ankeny is very weak and the end may come at any time. No hope is held out for his recovery.

OVERLAND PLANT RESUMES WORK

TOLEDO, O., Mar. 29.—Between 6000 and 7000 employees will return to work at the Overland automobile plant here Monday, Vice President Charles B. Wilson announced today. The plant closed November 1, 1920.

Asks U. S. Court to Cancel Etheridge's Citizenship Papers

PORTLAND, Ore., March 29.—The United States district court was asked today to cancel the citizenship papers of John L. Etheridge, former president of Morris Brothers, Inc., now under state indictment on four charges of embezzlement from the funds of the now bankrupt bond house.

Federal District Attorney Lester W. Humphries alleged in the complaint that Etheridge entered the United States army under an assumed name, after having served time in England on conviction of perjury.

He also charged Etheridge concealed from the court when naturalized in 1918 all information concerning two prison terms in the New Jersey state penitentiary.

CLAIMS PROOF STILLMAN IS FATHER CHILD

John E. Mack, Guardian for Guy Stillman, 28 Months Old—Declares Positive Proof Is Forthcoming—"Outsider" Expected to Testify.

POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y., Mar. 29.—John E. Mack, guardian ad litem for Guy Stillman, 28 months old infant, whose legitimacy is questioned by James A. Stillman, president of the National City Bank of New York, in his divorce suit against the former "Fifi" Potter, announced today that he was in possession of proof that the banker is the child's father.

"At the proper time," he added, "we will establish this fact by competent evidence."

This statement was made while both were awaiting decision of Supreme Court Justice Morschauser on alimony and counsel fees. It was understood here that "competent evidence" of Guy's paternity would be presented either at referee hearings or before a court by several witnesses, both men and women. Some of these, it was understood, will be servants in the Stillman household. But at least one is said to be an outsider who visited the banker's home early in 1918.

Previous to his statement today Mr. Mack had not claimed possession of positive proof that the financier was the father of the infant, who, Mr. Stillman alleges, was born to his wife by Fred Beauvais, an Indian guide employed by the banker.

During recent arguments heard in the case at White Plains, the guardian replying to a charge by Mr. Stillman's counsel that Guy Stillman was illegitimate, said there was not "one bit of evidence to prove that any party other than Mr. Stillman was the father of the infant."

4 KILLED ASTORIA AUTO ACCIDENT

ASTORIA, Ore., Mar. 29.—Two men, a woman and a child, were killed and another woman and a child were injured when an automobile plunged from a bridge on the lower Columbia river highway yesterday.

August Donnerberg, age 55, Portland, Mr. and Mrs. Gladstone Dawson and their five-year-old daughter, Nan Dawson of Clatsop Plains, are dead. Mrs. Donnerberg and the 18 months old son of Mr. and Mrs. Dawson were brought to St. Mary's hospital here. Mrs. Donnerberg was painfully hurt.

Apparently the steering gear of the car driven by Dawson broke as the automobile was approaching the bridge over St. Mary's creek.

ASK VENIZELOS TO SETTLE JAP CRISIS

ATHENS, Mar. 29.—Former Premier VenizeLOS is going to Japan to be the guest of the mikado, who has asked him to arbitrate difficulties pending between Japan and the United States, says a London dispatch in the newspaper Patris.

CHICAGO WAREHOUSE BLOWN UP, 10 KILLED

Mysterious Explosion in Loop District Throws Crowds Into Panic—Police Scent Bomb Plot—Building Only Pile of Plaster.

CHICAGO, Mar. 29.—An explosion which wrecked a warehouse building at 779 Barber street today caused ten deaths and injuries to several scores of other persons.

Effects of the explosion were felt for blocks. A big department store at Twelfth and Halsted streets was the scene of a panic when the concussion shattered plate glass windows and startled clerks and shoppers.

The neighborhood confusion hampered police and firemen until the five lines were established, men and women running about the streets, screaming about "bombs."

Of the building where the blast originated there was left only a pile of broken timbers and plaster.

The police were informed that the warehouse contained a wholesale grocery stock, including considerable starch and flour.

That the explosion was caused by gas or a bomb were the early theories of the police.

The warehouse was a one-story brick structure with a thirty-five foot frontage and about 150 feet in length. The explosion apparently occurred in the rear of the building.

Substance was given the police bomb theory when a percussion cap was found in the ruins and firemen searching the ruins were reported to have found parts of a supposed bomb.

Searchers continued to take from the ruins parts of bodies. The upper half of a body so mutilated that it could not be identified was taken out and a mutilated leg was also found and removed to an undertaking establishment.

A branch of the Chicago public library was converted into an emergency hospital and twenty-nine men, women and children were quartered there.

Harry Weil, son of Joseph Weil, proprietor of the Weil and Sons paper house, was taken into custody by the police and taken to a police station for questioning. Other subjects were also taken.

GREEK VICTORIES ARE CONTINUED

CONSTANTINOPLE, March 29.—Large Turkish forces in Armenia have been recalled by the Turkish nationalist government at Angora to oppose the Greek offensive. Martial law has been proclaimed in Angora, and general mobilization has been ordered.

LONDON, March 29.—Greek troops have occupied Eski-Shehr, capturing many prisoners and a large quantity of war materials, says a Central News dispatch from Athens. Eski-Shehr was one of the most important objectives of the Greek offensive in Asia Minor which began last week. It is the junction of the main line of the Bagdad railway and the road running southeast to Kermis. The capture of this city by the Greeks unites the armies operating east of Smyrna and Brussa, and opens the way for an advance on Angora, 140 miles to the east.

B. FALLS HEARING MEDFORD, APRIL 9

SALEM, Ore., Mar. 29.—The public service commission will hold a hearing at Medford April 9 on the application of business men of Medford to allow the use of the rails of the Pacific & Eastern railroad from Medford to Butte Falls for a motor car carrying mails.

MRS. GEO. M. PULLMAN DIES IN PASADENA

CHICAGO, Mar. 29.—Mrs. George M. Pullman, leader of Chicago's society, one of the world's richest women, who with her husband, was one of the founders of the present Chicago, and who died in Pasadena yesterday, believed in teaching children old fashioned arts. Cooking, sewing and housekeeping were the best foundations for a girl's education, in her opinion.

Nearly 2 Millions Turned Over to the State Highway Fund

SALEM, Ore., Mar. 29.—The sum of \$1,716,843.14 has been distributed by the secretary of state's office to the state highway fund and to the counties, representing receipts from motor vehicle, operator, chauffeur and motor vehicle dealers' licenses from September 6, 1920 to March 25, 1921 inclusive.

SALEM, Ore., Mar. 29.—A controversy over the route of the West Side highway that has existed for more than a year between the Polk county court and the state highway commission is now completely settled, according to an announcement today by the highway department. The commission's chosen route through the county leaves both Dallas and Independence off the main West Side Pacific highway, but connects them with the highway by a hard-surfaced spur road. The agreement also means the Salem-Dallas highway will be completed.

ASHLAND JOYRIDERS JUMP MEDFORD BAIL

The entire joyriding Doe family of Ashland came to grief in Medford at a late hour last night when they fell into the clutches of the local police on charges of intoxication. The widely known party consisted of four women, two of them married, and four men. They refused to give their names and consequently the local officers had to fall back on the time-honored cognomen of Doe.

The well-dressed joyriders arrived in this city in a large Buick car, singing and shouting and otherwise hilarious, thus disturbing the peace and contentment of a large section of the city and the slumbers and composure of the night police. When the latter closed in on the party the joy changed to grief. The women cried, and there were heart-stirring appeals to be allowed to go home—dear old Ashland—and they never would be seen here again, etc.

Patrolmen Hemstreet and Adams then called up Chief Timothy by phone and he consented to accept cash bail for the appearance of the party in police court here at 10 a. m. today. Then the officers allowed two of the John Does to hire a taxi and go over to Ashland long enough to raise bail money, keeping the four Jane Does and other two John Does as hostages. They returned an hour later with \$120 cash and a railroad man's check which they declared was all the cash they could secure up at that time of night—it was then about 2 a. m.

As this made \$15 cash bail for each member of the party it was accepted, and the frightened and now thoroughly sober men and women were allowed to depart home. Of course not one of them showed up in Judge Taylor's court today and the city and county is therefore \$120 or more better off.

But more grief awaited the erstwhile joyriders at Ashland, for while they were on their way to that city the Ashland police called up Medford by phone and declared their intention of arresting the party for joyriding, singing and shouting on the Ashland streets before they came to Medford.

Gorman Gets Decision

NEW YORK, Mar. 29.—Joe Gorman of Portland, Ore., was awarded the decision in a 15-round bout with Frank Edwards in Brooklyn last night.

PREST HARDING APPOINTS DAWES TO LEAD IN PROBE TREATMENT EX-SERVICE MEN

WASHINGTON, Mar. 29.—A committee of eleven, headed by Charles G. Dawes of Chicago, who served as a brigadier general with the American expeditionary forces was appointed by President Harding today to conduct an inquiry "into the administration of the war risk insurance board for vocational training and care and treatment of wounded or impaired service men generally."

The committee will meet April 3 to organize. In addition to Mr. Dawes the members are Franklin W. Galt, health, Jr., national commander of the American Legion; Thomas W. Miller of Delaware, alien property custodian; Theodore Roosevelt, assistant secretary of the navy; Mrs. Douglas Robinson of New York, a nis-

INEFFICIENCY IS CAUSE OF R. R. DEFICIT

Consulting Economist of Labor Organizations Scores the Management of American Railways—Billion a Year Could Be Saved.

CHICAGO, Mar. 29.—The root of the railroad problems is not national agreements but in the inadequacies of management, declared W. Jett Lauck, consulting economist of labor organizations, in beginning presenting of railroad employes exhibits before the United States railroad labor board today.

"Conservatively stated, if railroad management was characterized by reasonable efficiency and had available for its use proper capital or credit labor costs would have shown a radical decline under national agreements," Mr. Lauck declared. "Savings in operating expenses of at least one billion dollars annually would be made. We shall demonstrate this fact by reports prepared by reputable railroad engineers and experts. We seek to establish these facts:

"1.—The policy of establishing national agreements or uniform rates of pay and working conditions is in conformity with custom and precedent in the transportation industry and in accordance with the best public policy, as shown by the awards of boards of arbitration and the acts and recommendations of other official bodies during the pre-war period.

"2.—In other leading industries of this country collective bargaining on a national scale, and national agreements as to working conditions and relations have been found to be the best means of stabilizing the conditions, promoting industrial peace and accelerating production.

"3.—In Great Britain these facts have become particularly recognized by both employes and employers that national agreements are encouraged by the Consolidated Industries and Federation of Trades unions as a whole and the effort is being exerted to make them compulsory upon all employes and employers in a given industry.

"4.—That the former railroad administration in entering into national agreements therefore merely recognized a tendency which had almost reached complete development prior to the war and which was sanctioned by enlightened opinion both within and without the transportation industry.

"5.—That the representatives of the railroads have given their sanction to national rates of pay and working conditions of engine and train crews.

"6.—We shall further show that the arguments of the railroads are the same which have been urged in all past years to prevent the establishment of human standards in industry and shall demonstrate that the railroads are now consciously and deliberately taking advantage of temporary industrial depression to destroy human standards which are sanctioned by the thought and practice of the leading industrial nations of the world."

SAN FRANCISCO, Mar. 29.—An unidentified man entered the office of the San Francisco Bulletin today, demanded \$5,000 from R. A. Crothers, the publisher, and then committed suicide by shooting himself through the head.

The demand was made upon Mr. Crothers in his private office. When a call for the police was sent in, the man stood off three employes of the newspaper with a revolver. Upon the arrival of the police he turned the weapon on himself.

ter of Former President Roosevelt; John L. Lewis of Indianapolis, president of the United Mine Workers of America; Franklin O'Flaherty of Philadelphia, former national commander of the American Legion; Mrs. Henry B. Hea of Pittsburgh; Milton J. Foreman of Chicago; Henry S. Berry of Hendersonville, Tenn.; and T. V. O'Connor of Buffalo, head of the longshoremen's union.

In announcing selection of the committee, White House officials issued a brief statement, which said: "The president thinks the inquiry will clear the situation, enable congress and the administration to fix upon a policy which looks far into the future, and reveal a way to correct inadequate hospital service."