

'BIG ERUPTION' INSTALLED AT CRATER FEAST

The rumblings heard in Medford last evening between 6:30 and 9:30 was not an earthquake but emanated as a result of annual eruption banquet and coronation of the newly elected Big Eruption O. O. Alenderfer of the Craters.

Fifty-one of a membership of sixty were present and indulged in the songs, banquet, entertainment and business transacted. The invitation to attend in a body the one hundredth form of the Medford chamber of commerce on March 1st was accepted.

The coronation of the big eruption was the big feature of the evening and which was in charge of R. H. Boyd as installing officer whose very name implies that it was full of matter which he brought to a head.

The Craters pledged their unflinching support to the newly elected officers and the Big Eruption gave his pledge to at all times to be reasonable and just in his decisions and requests made of the Craters, that he would do his utmost at all times to avoid dissension and would use his influence for the advancement of Medford, Jackson county, the state of Oregon and the government of the United States.

As a further pledge, the big eruption publicly stated that he believed Medford to be a second Paradise, with climate unexcelled, that oil flows in the valley, that the court house rightfully belongs in Medford and that this city is now and ever will be the only gateway to Crater Lake.

Other officers installed were C. C. Lemmon as skipper of the Phantom Ship (vice president); Wm. Vawter as ward (treasurer); Paul McDonald as pilot (sergeant at arms); H. O. Frobbach as keeper of the trail (secretary), and as lords of the forest (trustees), Thomas Swen, Lawrence Mann, Dr. B. R. Elliott, A. J. Vance and John J. Buchter, whose official titles are pine fir, cedar, yew and spruce.

Trees were ordered purchased for the county fair grounds. Committee appointed to secure the balance of the signatures on bonds to assure the construction of the Medford armory this year. One hundred additional Medford automobile name plates were ordered the profit of the sale of which is to be used for some community benefit. Badges for use of the Craters when appearing in public were ordered.

Miss Lovely, the motion picture actress, who is to appear at the one hundredth forum was elected an honorary member of the Craters.

The banquet served by Earl Short included chicken a la Sparrow according to the menu cards which were printed on slabs of wood the product of the Tomlin Box Co. to whom a vote of thanks was extended.

HE FAILED TO MAKE CROSSING IN TIME

WENATCHEE, Wash., Feb. 15.—A car driven by J. J. Sparks, manager of the Wenatchee plant of the Standard Oil company was hit by No. 35, Spokane to Leavenworth local passenger train at 12:55 o'clock this afternoon. Mr. Sparks suffering a fractured skull and a possible injury at the base of the brain. He was thrown from the car as the train crashed into it at a crossing. Hospital officials stated that Mr. Sparks was to go on the operating table at 1:15 p. m.

LOOK!

For Our 'PAY-UP WEEK' SPECIALS In Friday Evening's Tribune CORNER BOOK STORE "Service" Ivan H. Corner 234 E. Main

We have in stock— "The Son of Wallingford" by Chester.

BALTIC SEA SOLID MASS OF ICE AND SHIPPING MENACED

STOCKHOLM, Feb. 15.—The Baltic sea has been converted into an isolated lake owing to the closing of the Cattegat and the sound by ice.

Five steamers, including the Thule from London, with 27 passengers, are held fast in a dangerous position off the Vinga lighthouse while other vessels caught by the pack off the Swedish coast bring the total of blocked-in craft to well above a score.

The pack ice which is blockading the Swedish West coast is of enormous thickness and the wind is continuing to press the ice against the shore, increasing the danger for the ships caught in the pack.

Two steamers already have foundered, their plates being crushed in by the ice. The crews escaped to other vessels.

The 3,500-ton Danish freighter Tranquebar from Galveston and Norfolk for Copenhagen and more than 20 other vessels are imperiled. Ice-breakers which ordinarily would go to the rescue of the imprisoned craft are themselves stuck in the ice.

PRIEST ON TRIAL FOR KILLING YOUTH FOR LIFE INSURANCE

MONTREAL, Feb. 15.—Laying aside his priest's costume for a suit of gray tweed, the Rev. Father Adolphe Delorme was arraigned today on a charge of slaying his half-brother, Raoul Delorme, an Ottawa university student, on January 6.

The priest was arrested last night after a coroner's jury returned a verdict accusing him of the slaying.

The youth's body was found in a suburb with six bullet holes in the head.

The prosecution announced it would attempt to prove that Father Delorme committed murder to obtain \$25,000 life insurance which young Delorme bequeathed him in a long-missing will discovered yesterday. Father Delorme has retained four of the city's most prominent lawyers to defend him.

WIND AND RAIN OREGON FORECAST

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 15.—Rain-fall in most sections of the Pacific seaboard, with a soft snow elsewhere throughout the region was predicted for the next twenty-four hours by the United States weather bureau here today. Strong gales, it was said, will prevail in Washington and Oregon, and storm warnings have been issued to seaports.

LUMBER PRICES HELD UP

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been prominent in the maintenance of a box bureau, through which prices of boxes and box material have been fixed by concerted action. The prices so fixed have been a direct charge upon the fruit growing industry of the so-called inland, Empire and mountain states, as well as upon the meat packing industry centered at Chicago.

"In order to make up the uniform prices promulgated by the association effective not only at point of shipment but at destination the members have adopted a common freight basing point. This frequently involves addition to mill prices in addition to prices arbitrarily calculated freight charges.

"As an adjunct to maintenance of uniform prices the association has endeavored to standardize the discounts from the official prices which its members allow wholesalers. Powerful retail concerns have been given the advantage of these wholesalers' concessions."

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 15.—Executives of the Western Pine Manufacturers association in Portland characterized the report of the federal trade commission to congress today as "one of the periodical outbursts" from the commission.

"It is the limit of inaccuracy," commented A. W. Cooper, secretary manager of the Western Pine Manufacturers' association. "This report is full of misstatement of facts and conclusions based thereon. Members of the association are disgusted with this outburst of bunk from the federal commission as they have been with similar effusions from that source. It is true that lumber manufacturers are endeavoring to standardize size of lumber, and that is all."

DEMOCRATS SAY HARDING HOLDS WILSON'S WHIP

WASHINGTON, Feb. 15.—The position of President Harding was explained at the White House while the senate was in the midst of a discussion of the bonus question and while Senator King, democrat, Utah, was charging that republican leaders in congress had put the whole bonus matter up to the president.

"Not long ago," said Senator King, "the republicans were denouncing the democrats for subservency to President Wilson. It was charged that we were rubber stamps when the president submitted the Versailles treaty. We are not rubber stamps but heroes now when we are told to stand still until President Harding acts."

The bonus situation, Senator King declared, "was a pitiable, pitiful, lamentable spectacle." He predicted that the republicans would authorize the bonus and order bonds issued to meet the cost while it should be met, he said by taxes.

MAY APPEAL TO HARDING FOR AID PORTLAND TRIAL

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 15.—The public health service inquiry into charges against Dr. Wayson, yesterday took up the evidence of a disabled soldier who ended his life after Dr. Wayson was alleged to have said to him: "The trouble with you, is that you are a nut and ought to be locked up in an asylum."

The morning was consumed with the reading of charges and counter-charges as to the fitness or unfitness of the hospital of Dr. Henry Waldo Coe for the treatment of insane soldiers. Dr. Coe testified the soldier had come to him evanescently that Dr. Wayson might have the power "to railroad him to an asylum." A few days later the man shot himself.

In a telegram sent by Mrs. George L. Williams, president of the Disabled Veterans' auxiliary to Senator C. L. McNary, it was stated that if Surgeon General Hugh S. Cummings does not grant the auxiliary request that the prosecution be permitted an attorney instead of a physician, "the matter will be taken up first with the secretary of war, then with President Harding and finally with other disabled veterans' auxiliaries with a view to demanding a congressional investigation of the entire public health service."

FACES FROZEN ON TRIP TO TOP OF SNOWY MT. RAINIER

TACOMA, Feb. 15.—(By telephone and courier from Paradise valley on Mount Rainier). The four men who Monday scaled Mount Rainier in the first mid-winter ascent ever made of its 14,500 foot peak, last night told of the perils of their climb.

Jacques Landry, who reached the summit with Jean Dandry and Jacques Bergues, Swiss Alpinists and Charles R. Perryman, a photographer, suffered a frozen face that caused a fever and in addition fell into the crater of the peak, his companions revealed. He was hauled out by means of the rope attached to him by his companions and suffered only slight injuries.

High above the clouds the four men forged upward across the ice fields after surmounting ice covered rocks of Gibraltar. So hard was the ice that it was "difficult to get footholds with the steel pointed creepers bound to the soles of their shoes and axes had to be used in the steeper places to cut steps. An icy wind blowing almost a gale added to the difficulties of their climb.

FRENCH FILE CLAIMS FOR OVERCHARGES

WASHINGTON, Feb. 15.—The French government today filed with the inter-state commerce commission a series of complaints against various railroads and the director general of the railroad administration asking a return of overcharges on shipments of war munitions during the war, aggregating more than \$300,000.

Most of the difficulty, according to the complaint, arose after the armistice when materials purchased in the United States by France were held for long periods at ports and the French agents and the government and the railroads disagreed as to the basis on which penalties were to be assessed.

START WORK UPON NEW SERVICE PLANT ON RIVERSIDE AVE.

The work of erecting a new public service station, the sixth to be established in Medford was begun this morning. The new station will be erected on the site of the old Adkins residence on North Riverside street, just south of the Natorium, by L. D. Jones, who recently located in the city from Roseburg, where he operated a service station for three years.

The structure will be of concrete block material with plate glass windows, and a rest room for women on one side and for men on the other. It will stand well back from the 100-foot frontage of the 100-foot square lot which will house it, and which Mr. Jones leased from F. E. Merrick, and will have a circular drive all around the building.

Mr. Merrick recently razed the old Adkins house and had the material hauled away, which he will use in the construction of a dwelling on a lot he owns in another part of the city.

EXTRADITE EX-CHIEF NON-PARTISAN CLAN

SACRAMENTO, Cal., Feb. 15.—A warrant for the extradition of John J. Hastings, former banker of Fargo, N. D., and one-time secretary of the non-partisan league of North Dakota, who is charged with embezzlement, will be issued at 4 o'clock this afternoon, it was announced today at the office of Governor Stephens. Delay was asked by counsel for Hastings in order that he might consider institution of habeas corpus proceedings.

ALASKA, FAMED FOR 'HOOTCH,' NOW DRY

WASHINGTON, Feb. 15.—Alaska, the land that "made hootch famous," now is dry, Governor Bone of Alaska today told Prohibiting Commissioner Haynes.

Governor Bone told Mr. Haynes that prohibitive enforcement conditions in the territory were excellent and that splendid coast operation was being shown by the coast guard although there was some difficulty in overcoming liquor smuggling across the Canadian border.

Editor Seattle P. I. Is Victim Heart Failure

SEATTLE, Feb. 15.—Arrangements for the funeral of Harold Gardner Nicholas, managing editor of the Seattle Post Intelligencer and veteran newspaper man today are awaiting word from relatives in San Francisco and Los Angeles. Mr. Nicholas was stricken suddenly Monday night while in conference with assistants and died before a physician could be summoned. Death was caused by heart disease.

Mr. Nicholas was born 51 years ago in Constantinople where his father, an American newspaper man, was in the service of the United States government. Mr. Nicholas served on the staffs of newspapers in Washington, D. C., St. Louis, Dallas, Denver and San Francisco and was a member of the Associated Press staff in St. Louis in 1904. Before coming to Seattle last October, he was assistant managing editor of the San Francisco Examiner.

BONUS AWAITS HARDING

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Over the names of ex-service men, an appeal is made to the public and congress to oppose the proposed soldier bonus legislation. Many of those whose names appear in the advertisement are members of local posts of the American Legion.

"We, the undersigned," the advertisement reads, "ex-service men, members and non-members of the American Legion, regard the soldier bonus as contrary to the ideals which prompted our military service and economically unsound. We believed the wounded and disabled ex-service men should be immediately and adequately provided for by the government."

A local American Legion post has adopted a resolution in protest against the advertisement, which, according to the resolution, does not express the views of ex-service men in general.

Sure Relief FOR INDIGESTION
BELLANS FOR INDIGESTION 25 CENTS
6 BELLANS Hot water Sure Relief
BELLANS
25c and 75c Packages Everywhere

PACIFISTS NEST AT THE HAGUE AGAIN OPEN TO BUSINESS

THE HAGUE, Feb. 15.—(By the Associated Press)—The peace palace which cynics during the war labeled "closed owing to bankruptcies" was the scene today of the inaugural session of the permanent court of international justice, the cornerstone of the League of Nations. The event was hailed by adherents of pacifist ideals as a new milestone in the evolutionary progress of the world toward peace, or in the words of Lord Curzon, "the beginning of a new era of peace and concord among nations."

At the opening session, the judges were to take an oath to fulfill their offices "honorably, faithfully, impartially and conscientiously."

In the circular sittings they are expected not only to clear up such doubtful points of international law as may come before them, but also to create laws whenever their need is apparent. Members of the court represent twelve nationalities of eastern and western worlds.

The representative of the United States is John Bassett Moore.

Goldfish are gathered by dredges.

Last Victim But One Dies, Texas Mystery


WACO, Texas, Feb. 15.—The death early yesterday of Homer Turk, 13 year old boy, struck down by the as-

sauntins of W. H. Barker and his wife in their store at Concord, Saturday night, eliminates possible evidence as to the identity of the slayers except through the 14-year old Barker girl, the only living member of the family. Detectives cannot find a motive. Five of nine negroes arrested are still being held.

If you have a cold sore, would you not like to have it cured quickly. We have a remedy that we guarantee will do it in from 24 to 48 hours.

Heath's Drug Store
The San-Tox Shop
109 East Main Street

SURE! IT'S 'THE SON OF WALLINGFORD'



But his dad, "J. Rufus Wallingford," the gay old rascal, and his partner, "Blackie Daw," are also there—and with bells!

WRITTEN AND DIRECTED BY LILLIAN AND GEORGE RANDOLPH CHESTER

NOW SHOWING!

Oil stock—gushers, real and fake—a fine love story—spectacular scenery. A whole city used to stage a pageant—a lake of burning oil—and a splendid cast!

RIALTO

Sunday ANITA STEWART in "Playthings of Destiny."