

EXPERIMENT WITH SMUDGE POTS IN CRATER LAKE SNOW

The work of removing hard packed snow from the main roads in Crater National park and its entrances, to make ready for the official opening of the Crater Lake season, July 1st, a task more difficult this year than for years past because of the great depth of the snow, was gotten under way today when George Hitchcock, park overseer, with a crew of four laborers left this morning for the park via Klamath Falls and Klamath.

This work is being begun three weeks earlier than usual because of the excessive snow, which a phone message received here Monday from Ranger Oard at the park, said was about 14 feet deep at the rim about the lodge, and 11 feet at Anna Spring camp. Thirty-five and one-half inches of snow fell at the park during the month of April.

The small crew of laborers which started today for the Crater National park will be augmented gradually from time to time, and they will work with T. N. T. shovels and snow plows in loosening up the snow on the roads and getting it out of the way for auto travel by July 1st.

However, independent of this work Colonel C. G. Thompson, accompanied by E. C. Jerome will leave for Crater Lake Thursday to conduct an unique experiment there, which if successful may prove that smudge pots can be used to much advantage in clearing away heavily packed snow on the park roads.

Each year some new experiment or experiments are always tried out in the way of removing the snow, but this is the first time that the orchard heater idea is being tried out. Mr. Jerome is accompanying Superintendent Thompson in order to try out a new type of special orchard heater for snow thawing use.

The scheme to be tried out by Superintendent Thompson, and one which he has had in mind for months, is that of setting the orchard heaters on top of the snow on the road at short distances apart. These heaters will burn kerosene, and it is figured that as the fuel burns the heaters will gradually sink down in the snow, forming deep holes. Then it is thought that the wind and sun will connect up these holes, leaving a loose mass to be thrown to one side of the road.

If the plan works the annual problem of getting the roads open in Crater National park in time for the season's opening will not only be much simplified, but will be much less costly than the blasting power, pick and shovel and snow plow plant.

WOMAN ADMITS BLOWING HUSBAND UP WITH DYNAMITE

COEUR D'ALENE, Idaho, May 12.—A charge of first degree murder was filed today against Mrs. R. J. Miles, who has confessed to dynamiting a shack in the rear of her home here in which her husband was asleep Sunday night. Miles died soon afterward.

In a newspaper statement today Mrs. Miles declared she bought the dynamite with the intention of blowing up the shack to prevent her husband taking it away to go with another woman. She said she found a note from a woman to her husband Sunday evening and that this had caused her to set off the explosive. She lit the fuse, she said, and she stood by until just before the explosion.

Mrs. Herman Walters, a neighbor, said yesterday she had written notes to Miles with the intention that Mrs. Miles should find them, because she had evidenced jealousy of their friendship.

CENSORSHIP ON MOROCCO.

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when the French are ready to attack, probably a week hence, the Rifians have only to fall back onto the Spanish zone to escape. There they could await another opportunity or simply move through Spanish territory to a point opposite a more vulnerable section of the French line.

PARIS, May 12.—(A. P.)—Premier Painleve, after a cabinet meeting today during which the Moroccan situation was discussed, declared that French posts still surrounded by the attacking Riff tribesmen would soon be relieved.

Painleve said the Moroccan situation was delicate but not so serious as were the operations previously conducted in Morocco. He assured questioners that the French losses have been small.

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A RECORD VOTE IS EXPECTED AT SCHOOL ELECTION

So much interest is being manifested in the special school election site for the new high school, which is to take place next Friday between the hours of 2 p. m. and 7 p. m., that it is confidently predicted that by far more votes will be cast at this election than ever before at a school election.

The school board members and others anticipate a vote of not less than 2000; some think the vote may reach as high as 3000. All qualified electors of the city, and that means all local voters on the registration lists, can vote at this election. It is known that hundreds of men and women who never voted at a school election before will do so this time. An election of its kind has never been held in Medford before.

To facilitate the expected big vote next Friday, which must be cast in practically a half day's time, the school board has arranged for two double election boards of active members, which will insure fast voting.

The election will take place in the high school lobby as usual, with one booth on each side of the entrance. The voters will enter the building by the front entrance, and will divide up at the two polls. Those at the south polls, after voting will pass on out of the building by the south side entrance, and those voting at the north polls will leave by the north side entrance of the building.

CONG. HAWLEY IN SPEECH AT SALEM RAPS SOCIALISM

SALEM, Ore., May 12.—Speaking on "the relation of government to business," at the Oregon State Jewellers' convention here this morning, Congressman W. C. Hawley declared that business enterprises engaged in by the government had been found to be a losing proposition and that the tendency is more and more one of disapproval among both republicans and democrats in the United States senate and house.

The government should, wherever possible leave business projects to private concerns, Hawley stated.

Touching on the subject of taxation the speaker stated that the government should levy the minimum amount of taxes necessary to secure funds for carrying on the government. Federal taxes were reduced by \$350,000,000 in 1924, he claimed, and indications are that they will be reduced more than \$300,000,000 more in 1925.

"I believe the jeweler pays a disproportionate amount of our present taxes," said Hawley.

Shades of St. Patrick! Snake 2 Feet Long Is Found in Dublin

DUBLIN, May 12.—(A. P.)—Notwithstanding the legend that St. Patrick banished all the snakes from Ireland, one has been discovered in Dublin and is now on exhibition in the national museum. It is a very small specimen, less than two feet long and of the harmless variety. News of the finding caused much comment in the press. Snakes have occasionally been brought into Ireland from overseas, but they never have been known to breed here.

PRESIDENT'S FATHER FAINTS AWAY, BUT IS SOON REVIVED

PLYMOUTH, Vt., May 12.—(By Associated Press.) Colonel John Coolidge, father of the president, does not remember anything about a fainting spell he was reported to have suffered early yesterday at his farm house here, he told inquirers today.

His health, he said, "is about as usual."

After an examination of his patient last night, Dr. Albert W. Cram of Bridgewater, the Coolidge family physician, pronounced Colonel Coolidge's condition to be better than for weeks. Pulse and blood pressure, the physician said, showed marked improvement.

Persons close to Colonel Coolidge maintained, however, that there was a collapse yesterday and that the 89-year-old man, faced with duties to which he has not been accustomed, is paying in failing health for the prominence he has achieved since his son entered the White House.

Daily entertainment of throngs of visitors to the president's boyhood home and a heavy correspondence that keeps Colonel Coolidge at work far into the night are blamed by his friends for the condition that now exists.

Miss Aurora Pierce, housekeeper to Colonel Coolidge, admitted today that he fainted early yesterday while posing on the porch of his home for photographers. He was carried into the house and revived quickly. A few minutes later he was able to receive a delegation of Kiwanis club members.

Send Lady Bugs to Border.

BERKELEY, Cal., May 12.—Two tons of lady bugs are being sent from the American river region of California to eat aphids—minute fruit pests in the Imperial valley on the Mexican border. It was announced today by the entomological department of the University of California.

PEDIGREE OF BRITISH LION DECLARED TO SHOW JEWISH BLOOD

LONDON, May 12.—(By the Associated Press.)—The pedigree of that redoubtable beast, the British lion, occupied the attention of the house of commons yesterday.

The question was solemnly raised by Colonel Asplin, conservative, who was distressed because he was convinced that the conventional lion adopted as the emblem of the empire at the Wembley exposition, was a representation of the lion of the tribe of Judah, instead of the old British beast of time-honored heraldic tradition. Accordingly, he called upon the government to explain.

A. M. Samuel, parliamentary secretary for overseas trade, proclaimed the government's irresponsibility but assured the questioner that he had reason to believe the Wembley lion was not the lion of Judah, that animal having a shorter, rounder body and curlier mane. Amid general hilarity Mr. Samuel cited various authorities, including Aristotle and Pliny.

Another speaker, Lieutenant Commander Kenworthy, liberal for Central Hull, claimed that the Scottish heraldic lion was the real lion of Judah and was willingly chosen because the ancient kings of Scotland claimed descent from the kings of Judah.

The discussion ended in laughter, leaving the world still ignorant whether the beast has a Semitic strain.

INDEPENDENTS TO FIGHT COMBINE OF MOVIE PRODUCERS

MILWAUKEE, Wis., May 12.—Declaring themselves in a fight for survival, independent producers and theater owners last night took the first formal step in a move to compel the "big three combine" of film makers—Famous Players-Lasky, Metro-Goldwyn and First National—to cease purchasing new theaters and give up those they already own.

Into this plan too, was injected a proposal to select some dictator for the independent group who shall "out Hays" Will Hays.

The initial step was taken when a number of independent producers and exchange men allied themselves with the independent producers and distributors' association, headed by L. E. Chadwick of the producing organization that bears his name and decided to form an alliance with theater owners "for absolute protection from the monopolistic tactics of the combine."

Group conferences to iron out various suggestions were being held far into the night and the formal plan is to be presented at the opening session of the motion picture theater owners' convention today.

FIGHT FOR ESTATE OF MAN KILLED IN MOTOR CAR CRASH

VANCOUVER, B. C., May 12.—A fight for the estate of Mr. and Mrs. John Chapman of this city, killed at Cloverdale, B. C., Thursday, when their car went into a ditch on their way to attend the tulip festival in Bellingham, Wash., was in preparation here today.

Mrs. John Chapman, Glace Bay, N. S., sent word to a lawyer that she was married to Chapman and never divorced from him, but that he left her and a small daughter when he enlisted at Glace Bay early in the war.

Mrs. Chapman wrote that her husband was discharged at Halifax, N. S., in 1918 and wrote her she would never see him again. Mrs. May Landry of Portland, Ore., a sister of the Glace Bay wife, was in Vancouver visiting a daughter and read of the tragedy in the newspaper. She identified Chapman's body.

VON HINDENBURG INAUGURATED

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sands of cheering persons as the new executive drove by.

When the president arrived at the German "White House," he was received by a crowd of several thousand and again the "Deutschland Uber Alles" was struck up.

BERLIN, May 12.—In a manifesto to the German people this afternoon President Von Hindenburg said:

"True to the oath I will devote all my energies to guarding the constitution and laws. Let us strive through honest, peaceful work to gain the recognition of other nations to which we are entitled and to free the German name from the unjust stain which still lies on it today."

The president added that his office did not belong to one clan, one religious persuasion or one party alone, but to "the people in their entirety."

Reds Retire Quickly

"Down with monarchism, long live the soviet republic!" was the shout raised by the communist deputies as

the president-elect entered the Reichstag chamber. They withdrew immediately afterward and the rest of the ceremony proceeded without a hitch.

The president-elect left for the chancellery's palace where he had spent the night at about 11:45 a. m., for the reichstag building where the inaugural ceremony was held.

At the door of the reichstag Von Hindenburg was greeted by the vice-presidents and the administrative director who conducted him to the waiting Herr Loeb.

The marble steps leading to the chamber were decorated with deep blue hydrangeas, the new president's favorite flower, with laurel trees on either side.

At noon Von Hindenburg, accompanied by Loeb entered the chamber which was bare of decorations except around the president's table. Behind the president's chair hung a huge tapestry bearing the German coat of arms, which was encased in laurel wreaths interwoven with the republican colors of red, white and gold.

The president's table at which Von Hindenburg stood while being sworn in to office, was covered with a large republican flag and was flanked on either side by hydrangeas.

The inauguration took place in the presence of the members of the reichstag, whose socialist members wore red carnations.

General Ludendorff, war commander of Von Hindenburg, in charge of Germany's military affairs, was in his place as a reichstag member—the first time he has been present since the new reichstag assembled.

For his inauguration President Von Hindenburg wore civilian clothes with a black frock coat. He wore no decorations.

BERLIN, May 12.—(By the Associated Press.)—President Von Hindenburg after his inauguration today issued a manifesto to the army and navy. In it he said:

"To the wehrmacht (defensive power): The German people have placed me at the head of the republic. According to the constitution I take over this day the command of the wehrmacht. I greet the army and navy with pride."

"From my seclusion of Hanover," I have watched the development of the wehrmacht. Straight ahead and undeterred it has led the German people on the only road upon which reconstruction was possible, namely through hard discipline and loyalty in every detail to accomplishment and success."

"It is built upon the old principle of duty and sacrifice. Its activity is intended, for the present and future,

of the service of the people and the state, true to its symbols and the tasks imposed by the constitution."

"With unswerving faith I rely upon the German wehrmacht in my work for the fatherland's peace and prosperity."

FRENCH HERO DEAD.

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"General Mangin was one of the great commanders of the allied war. After the March offensive in 1918 he commanded large bodies of American troops in battle and his high words of praise of their conduct in action are treasured as his memory, in the hearts of the American soldier. He was a man of great versatility and culture as well as a master of practical military science."

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