

LIGHT PENALTY ENCOURAGES BOOTLEGGERS

OTTAWA, July 26.—As long as profits from bootlegging are what they are, and the only deterrent is a fine of \$200 or so there will be big money in the bootlegging game and it will be very difficult for the authorities on either side of the international line to stamp out the traffic.

That is the summary of opinions expressed by Ottawa officials as to the situation regarding smuggling of liquor from Canada to the United States. Further, high officials of the royal Canadian mounted police say that while they are doing all in their power to check infractions of the federal laws in this respect, it is really for the American authorities to see that liquor does not reach the thirsty souls beyond the imaginary line 3,000 miles long.

The situation apparently is that from three provinces in particular there is a large trade in bootlegging to the United States. These are Ontario, Quebec and British Columbia. At the same time a respectable quantity of fiery liquid is finding its way across from the Maritime provinces and from Manitoba.

At Windsor and in the surrounding districts the mounted police are carrying on a constant campaign against the illegal liquor vendors, and many have been hauled into court and condemned to pay fines from \$200 up. One parched Detroit man, however, is said to have parted with \$500 for three cases of Scotch whisky, which reached him via the "underground route" a short time ago, so that the profits in the illegal trade are known to be enormous.

Information from Windsor and district intimates to the authorities here that some farmers in that vicinity have found it more profitable to smuggle liquor across the border than to farm, and have let their farms run to weeds while they pursue the elusive dollar via the bootlegging route.

Quebec, it is stated, is the mecca for thirty thousands of Americans every week-end, and automobiles passing back and forth carry their loads of human and other freight, bound for the Sahara across the border. Under these conditions, Canadian police authorities admit that it is practically impossible to enforce the stringent liquor laws at present in force.

The chief reason for the difficulty of enforcement, according to an official of the royal Canadian mounted police, who have under their jurisdiction the carrying out of all federal laws, is the fact that many people are not in sympathy with the liquor legislation, and the securing of contraband liquor is regarded in many quarters as an achievement rather than a disgrace.

However, if the carrying of liquor

GRANTS PASS LONES; MARSHFIELD GAINS

WASHINGTON, July 26.—Figures given out by the census bureau today place the population of Grants Pass, Oregon, at 3,151, a decrease of 728 since 1910, or 18.7 per cent.

Marshfield, Ore., is credited with a population of 4,034, an increase of approximately 1,900 persons over the 1910 census.

AUTO THEIEVRY IS ORGANIZED

Sheriff George Humphrey returned last night from Bend with Oscar Houston and C. Shutter, charged with stealing a car from John S. Shewry, manager of the Warren Construction company, in this city June 24, last. Sheriff Humphrey was accompanied by Sheriff Roberts of Deschutes county, who is on his way to Los Angeles after a man wanted at Bend on auto theft and Mann act violation charges.

In the arrest of Houston and his partner the officers believe they have jailed two members of a ring of organized automobile thieves operating in eastern Oregon, but complete evidence to prove the theory is so far lacking. The car taken from this city broke down on the way to Bend and was towed into that city by Houston and Shutter behind a car which the officers know was stolen in Pendleton. Houston claims to have purchased the car from a man named Jackson and showed a bill of sale.

Hearing of the charges against Houston and Shutter has been set by Justice Chapman for Wednesday.

DEPARTMENT CALLED TO CHECK FIRE ON BRIDGE

Fire, supposed to have been caused by a carelessly flung cigarette, called the fire department at 3 o'clock yesterday morning to the Link river bridge. The flooring was on fire about midway of the structure. It was quenched with the chemical engine. Little damage was done.

FATHER OF MRS. C. H. UNDERWOOD KILLED

Word was received here yesterday from Ashland of the death of H. C. Chamberlain. It was reported that Mr. Chamberlain, a contractor, who resided here for several years, was killed when he attempted to crank the truck he was driving while it was in gear.

He was the father of Mrs. C. H. Underwood, who with Mr. Underwood, is in the east at present. Mrs. Chamberlain was in Klamath Falls at the time of the accident, taking care of the Underwood home during the family's absence. She left at once for Ashland upon the receipt of the news of her husband's death.

TWO JAILED FOR HAVING LIQUOR

"Duck" Goodell and Charles Plum were arrested by Patrolmen Wynne and Barnett Saturday night on charges of having liquor in their possession. Hearing in both cases is set for tomorrow.

Goodell is said to have had eight quarts of whisky concealed in a barn on East Main street, near the country club. He is an old resident of the city, having conducted a barn on Klamath avenue, near Payne alley, until its recent condemnation by the health board when he moved to the new location.

Plum is a comparative stranger. He had a gallon and a half of "moonshine" whisky in his home on Look-out street, according to the police.

WEATHER REPORT

Oregon—Tonight and Tuesday fair; moderate northwesterly winds.

into the United States from Canada is to be prevented, it is intimated that it will have to be done by an army of customs inspectors and police on the American side of the line rather than in Canada.

CLUB PICNIC IS CLEARING HOUSE FOR MANY IDEAS

Co-operation of the entire community in furthering progress and production and solving the problems of the farmer and farmer's family was the keynote of speeches by heads of various activities connected with community progress at the farm bureau and boys and girls club picnic at the Stambart grove near Merrill yesterday.

Despite the busy season—many farmers working yesterday in the hay fields—a large crowd was present. A bountiful dinner was served by the ladies, spread upon the grassy carpet of the grove, and every one did the meal ample justice.

E. H. Thomas, county agricultural agent, told of the accomplishments of the farm bureau since its organization last fall, and outlined the plans for the coming year, urging upon his hearers the necessity of co-operation from all the farmers of the community. He said that women in other counties were taking active part in development of the farm bureau and advocated the same activity by the women of Klamath county.

T. L. Stanley, new secretary of the Klamath county chamber of commerce, made his first address to a Klamath county gathering and outlined the plans for making the organization an active factor in community development.

W. H. Mason, Judge C. C. Brower, Miss Twyla Head, county superintendent, and Frank Sexton, county club leader, were other speakers. Miss Head spoke of the relation of proper food to the development of the growing child, also of the prevalence of communicable disease among children of school age and consequent need of more thorough health supervision.

Mr. Sexton, who was chairman of the meeting, closed the speaking program with an argument for a permanent fair ground site and a plea for votes for the one-mill tax to provide a fund for site and buildings, which will be upon the ballot this fall. Mr. Sexton asserted that there was no central gathering place in the county for fairs, farm bureau picnics and similar gatherings. He declared the intention of the fair board, if the fund is provided, to buy a site, conveniently situated, erect buildings, plant shade trees and make a recreation center for the entire county.

The day's entertainment concluded with a ball game between two picked teams. The game went six innings. It was a red-hot exhibition, the score of which varied according to the side from which the information on that point was obtained.

HELD FOR ALLEGED MANN ACT VIOLATION

R. J. Wittzell was held to action of the federal grand jury, after hearing before Bert C. Thomas, this morning, on a charge of violating the Mann white slave act. His bond was fixed at \$2,500. Wittzell says he hopes to raise the bond through the influence of his uncle, whom he claims is a well-to-do stock-raiser at Paisley, Oregon.

Wittzell's accuser is August Rose of Chico, Cal., who alleges Wittzell brought complainant's wife here from California, and that they registered at a hotel here and lived together as man and wife. Mrs. Rose, says her husband, left three small children behind her, but brought the youngest of her family, an infant in arms, with her.

Mrs. Rose was allowed to accompany her husband back to California, on the understanding that she would appear as a witness when needed.

MERRILL SEWING CLUB MEETING

A meeting of the Merrill standard sewing club was held at the home of George Wilson last Saturday and the work done by the members was exhibited. Frank Sexton, county clerk, Miss Doris Ady, Mrs. George Wilson, Alma Wilson, and Miss Audrey Tolle were present.

The parents of the members and showing much interest in the work and as this is the largest sewing club in the county, a splendid exhibit may be expected from Merrill at our county fair this fall.

The following members were present: May Tolle, Mary Barry, Ora Offield, Velma Ady, Olive Hill, Faye Jinnette, Arlene Taylor and Opal Taylor.

RUSHING SADDLE MOUNTAIN MILL

The Saddle Mountain Lumber company will start sawing lumber by September 1, said H. H. Edmonds to a Herald representative Saturday evening. Mr. Edmonds is now at the mill on the Sprague river directing the activities of the large force of men who are rushing work on the construction of buildings and logging a big supply of timber for the opening.

Nine millwrights are busy on the mill and machinery. The logging crew is piling up logs at the rate of 50,000 feet daily. Steel is being laid on the Strahorn road at a rapid rate. Mr. Edmonds also reports, and it is hoped that by the time the mill is running that the means of transportation will be finished.

TEN ARRESTED FOR INSURANCE FRAUD

WASHINGTON, July 26.—The District of Columbia grand jury today took up the investigation of an alleged conspiracy of certain employees of the war risk insurance bureau to defraud disabled service men of compensation legally due them. Ten persons have already been arrested.

PLANE COMING HERE DAMAGED AT LAKEVIEW

The airplane which caused the death of Sigurd Thorsten Meyerhoffer at McArthur, California, on July 21, in making a return journey to Klamath Falls, was badly damaged at the landing field in Lakeview yesterday.

E. C. Mouton, a French ace, was piloting the machine, accompanied by his mechanic, W. B. Randall and I. C. Hunt, one of the owners of the plane, when the accident happened. Partly due to the fact that there was no flag up to give the direction of the wind a faulty landing was made and a tire blew out, causing the ship to turn an aerial somersault, and light upside down.

All three men were thrown out of the ship, but none of them sustained any injuries. The propeller of the ship was broken and one wing badly damaged by the crash. The report says that it is expected that repairs will be made within two or three days and the journey to Klamath Falls will be continued. The pilot asks that a flag pole with a white flag flying from the top of it be placed in the landing field as a wind guide in order that the landing here be made safe.

H. J. Sheehan, director of the Catholic academy campaign, this morning received a wire from Mr. Hunt saying the plane will arrive here Wednesday. It will be used in publicity work of the campaign.

YACHT RACE CALLED OFF

SANDY HOOK, July 26.—With the Resolute two miles in the lead, the yacht race was declared off at 5 o'clock because a dying wind made it impossible for the sloops to finish within the six hour limit.

The Shamrock took the lead at the beginning of the race and crossed the starting line a minute ahead of the Resolute. The Resolute, however, had a time allowance of six minutes and 40 seconds over the Lipton boat. There was a 10 mile wind blowing.

FERRY DELAP TAKES BRIDE AT CONVENTION

Ferry DeLap, of DeLap & Hayden, was married Friday in Salem, where he was attending the Elks' convention, to Mrs. Vesta Richmond. Mr. DeLap telegraphed that he would be home with his bride tonight.

Mrs. DeLap is a sister of Mrs. E. H. Jefferson to this city. The wedding comes as a surprise to the friends of the couple.

MARKET REPORT

PORTLAND, July 26.—Choice steers, \$10.50 to \$11; prime hogs, \$17.25 to \$17.75; medium hogs, \$16.75 to \$17.25; eggs, 44 to 45.

VILLA READY TO SURRENDER, REPORT

EAGLE PASS, Texas, July 26.—Francisco Villa is at Sabinas today in telegraphic communication with President de la Huerta at Mexico City to arrange his surrender, according to advice received here. Sabinas is 90 miles south of here.

MEDFORD WAREHOUSE BURNED; LOSS \$100,000

MEDFORD, July 26.—Eads brothers' warehouse burned early this morning. The loss is \$100,000. Over 300 Medford people had property stored there. Specimens of the cause of the fire are being examined.

L. A. GETTING USED TO TREMBLOR SHOCKS

LOS ANGELES, July 26.—A sharp earthquake shock woke Los Angeles at 4:12 o'clock this morning. Reports to the fire department and police indicated that it was apparently felt chiefly at Los Angeles and to a lesser degree at Inglewood and Redondo Beach, the former about 12 miles and the latter about 22 miles southwest of here.

UMATILLA CO. SHERIFF SLAIN

PENDLETON, July 26.—Albert Lindgren, one of five persons who escaped from the county jail yesterday, when Sheriff T. D. Taylor of Umatilla county was killed, was captured by a posse at Cayuse early this morning.

A posse of about 300 members is trailing the other four men, including Neal Hart, a half-breed Indian who is alleged to have shot Sheriff Taylor.

According to Lindgren the jail break was planned for several days. Taylor was sheriff of Umatilla county for more than 15 years.

Two men believed to be Jim Owens and Neil Mart, escaped Umatilla county prisoners, are reported surrounded in a wheat field five miles southwest of Pendleton. A reward of \$1,000 for the men dead or alive is offered by the city of Pendleton.

SALEM, July 26.—State officers and officials today expressed regret at Sheriff Taylor's death in the Pendleton jail break yesterday. Governor Olcott said, "He was a man's man" and the whole state grieves with Umatilla county in its irreparable loss."

SOVIET ASKS FOR A CONFERENCE

PARIS, July 26.—The proposal of the Russian Soviet government for a conference in London with all the Allies, as reported in last night's dispatches, will be the subject of an exchange of views between France and England. It is possible that Premiers Lloyd George and Millerand will meet during the present week, for a discussion of their reply.

WILL ATTEMPT TO SALVAGE TREASURE

LONDONDERRY, Eng., June 27. (By Mail).—Efforts will be resumed this summer to recover the \$4,000,000 of gold still lying in the wreck of the British auxiliary cruiser Laurentic which was sunk by a mine off the mouth of Lough Swilly in January, 1917, while on her way to New York. The hull is in bars each of which is worth \$1,200. Altogether the Laurentic carried about \$7,000,000 in gold when sunk. It is estimated that about \$2,000,000 of the gold has been recovered.

ITALIAN DESTROYER HITS MINE; SCORE ARE DROWNED

CONSTANTINOPLE, July 26.—Eighteen sailors and one officer of the new Italian destroyer, Alberto Carlo Rocca, were drowned when the vessel struck a mine today and sank in the Black Sea, near the entrance to the Bosphorus.

ADVOCATES 70 MORE MEMBERS OF CONGRESS

WASHINGTON, July 26.—Unless the membership of the house is increased from 435 to at least 500 to meet the increased population shown by the 1920 census, 10 states will lose one or more representatives, according to Representative Sigel, of New York, chairman of the census committee which will frame the new apportionment bill. Those states are:

Indiana, Iowa and Missouri, which will lose two congressmen each; and Illinois, Kentucky, Maine, Maryland, Nebraska, Vermont and Virginia, which will lose one congressman each.

Mr. Sigel explains that if the house membership is retained at its present figure, it will be necessary to increase the population basis in each congressional district beyond the 214,000 or major portion thereof now fixed. If this is done, he says, the 10 states named will lose one or more of the present districts because their populations have not increased in proportion to those of other states.

On the basis of the estimated population of 106,000,000 for the whole country in 1920, an increase of approximately 14,000,000 in 10 years, Mr. Sigel says 65 or 66 new seats in the house must be created if the states are to retain their present numerical representation. While precedent warrants the increase, Mr. Sigel declares there is strong opposition to it on the part of some of the present representatives, while others favor reduction to as few as 300 members.

Mr. Sigel expects the work of framing the new apportionment bill in accord with the new population to begin with the reconvening of congress in December and he anticipates that the measure will be passed early in 1921.

Every decade since 1790, with the single exception of 1840, the house membership has been enlarged to keep pace with the growing population. Now the house floor is crowded when all members are present; seats nearly fill the chamber; the old individual desks have been discarded and an increase in membership probably will have to be solved by narrowing the width of the seats.

Ten years ago the house membership was increased from 391 to 435 on the basis of a population of 81,972,266 and the only exception to such a procedure occurred in 1840 when 10 congressmen were knocked out by the apportionment, the membership being fixed at 232 after having been 242 for 10 years.

The last apportionment kept intact the numerical strength of all state delegations (aside providing for certain increases, but even then several congressional districts fell short of the maximum basis of 311,000 population.

