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DECLARATION OF WAR RUMORED

Editorials on the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

AMERICAN newspaper correspondents in Europe report that Russia will export no more wheat, either this year or next. This is flatly denied by representatives of the soviet, who say that Russia can and WILL export more wheat.

So, once again, it is proved that you can't believe ANYTHING you hear about Russia.

IF you are a shrewd thinker, you will say to yourself:

"Russia's game is to keep the world SCARED of her. Dumping of commodities, including wheat, has been one of her instruments of fear. If the world is permitted to believe that Russia has no more wheat to dump it may jump to the conclusion that she is short on other commodities to dump, and so its fear of her will decline. That wouldn't be good for the soviet's purposes."

If you said that, the chances are you wouldn't be far wrong.

THE big news in the papers these days is the rising price of wheat. The price is rising because buyers believe the accumulated supply—the carryover, to use the technical marketing term—is declining and that in the not distant future demand will again surpass supply.

If that is true, better days are in sight for wheat growers.

RAILROADS in Oregon want more gasoline and oil tonnage, which has been going in large volume to the trucks, so they reduce the rates in order to get it.

Railroads all over the country applied some time ago to the Interstate Commerce Commission for permission to raise all freight rates a flat 15 per cent, and after long and careful consideration the commission DENIED the requested increase.

Probably it reasoned, just as the Oregon rail lines reason, that the way to get more tonnage for the railroads is to keep the rates down to the competitive level.

A CANDLE factory in Mira, in Italy, burned the other night, and we read in the papers that the sky for miles around was lighted up by the flames from the millions of candles stored in the factory.

Millions of candles, in one factory, in far-off Italy—and this in spite of the fact that for years the former place of the candle as an illuminant has been taken by the electric light.

THE statisticians tell us that more candles are burned today, in spite of the universal use of the electric lamp, than were burned a half century ago, BEFORE the electric light came into general use.

It isn't true, you see, that new things DESTROY the old.

THE motor truck, moving over improved highways built by the public, is now. It is carrying a vast volume of short-haul traffic that formerly was carried by the railroads.

But it isn't necessarily true that the short-haul competition of the motor truck will destroy the railroads.

The competition of the electric (Continued on Page Three)

36 Per Cent Slash In K. U. H. S. Budget For Year Ordered

All Salaried Employees to Get 10 Per Cent Cut; Board Takes Drastic Action.

Slashing right and left throughout the budget, but cutting deepest in the salary and personal service area, the budget committee and board of the Klamath Union High school district have achieved a 36 per cent reduction in the 1932-33 voluntary levy as compared with that of 1931-32.

The changes, which make material reductions also against the first budget announced and printed a few days ago, have been virtually decided upon and remain only to be confirmed at a meeting tonight of the budget committee as a whole. A ten per cent reduction in pay for teachers, administrators, and all other paid employees is a certainty.

MISCONDUCT PROBE FACED BY DREISER

Visit of Novelist to Coal Fields Leads to Scandal Reports.

PINEVILLE, Ky., Nov. 9. (AP)—Circuit Judge D. C. Jones today directed the Bell county grand jury in open court to investigate sworn charges that Theodore Dreiser and a young woman were guilty of misconduct while the writer was here with a committee of inquiry in the Eastern Kentucky coal fields.

Judge Jones in his charge to the grand jury, meeting in regular session, said witnesses swore to a warrant that Dreiser and a young woman lived together openly while here. The warrant was not served.

"If these facts are true," the judge said, "I suggest that the grand jury indict them."

Judge Jones did not mention the name of the woman to whom he referred. He said he was told a number of speeches on radicalism were made while the Dreiser committee was in the coal fields. He urged the jurors to investigate to see if the state criminal syndicalism statute was violated and (Continued on Page Eight)

NORRIS WANTS BIG U. S. ROAD PROGRAM

WASHINGTON, Nov. 9. (AP)—\$2,000,000 federal road program was proposed today by Senator Norris, of Nebraska, a leader of the Republican Independents, to meet unemployment.

The Nebraskan would raise the funds through a long term government bond issue, and pay off these by increased rates on the higher brackets of income and estate taxes.

He proposes the gigantic road program in place of charity, but says if charity is necessary, the federal government should meet its share.

Norris said the people of the middle west were cheered somewhat by the good crops this year and the recent rise in prices, but he said there was "very much dissatisfaction" with President Hoover.

27 Extra Postal Workers To Be Hired to Handle Xmas Mail

Twenty-seven extra temporary postal workers will be employed to assist in the handling of Christmas mail in Klamath Falls, Postmaster John McCall stated Monday. There has been appropriated \$1,087.01 for this purpose.

No applications for the temporary positions of 12 clerks and 15 carriers will be received until November 17 and Postmaster McCall states that none will probably be put to work before December 16.

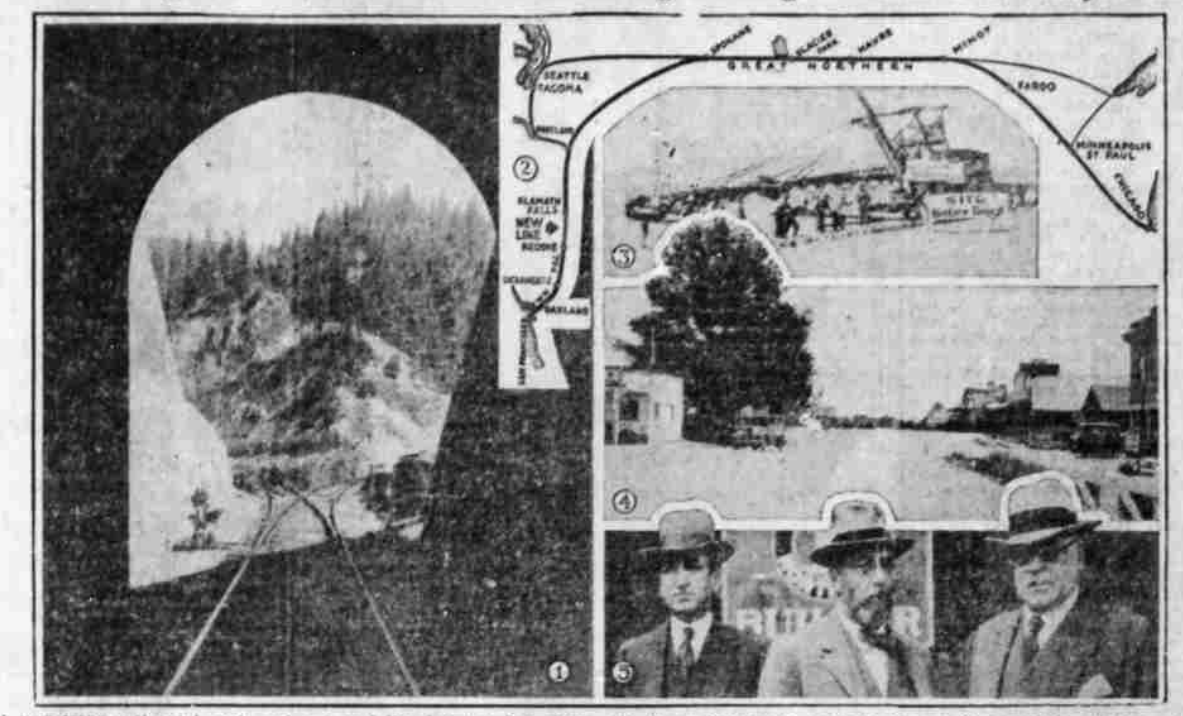
In addition the regular employees and the substitute carriers and clerks will receive extra money in the form of pay for overtime work put in during the holiday rush. The monthly payroll of the

post office clerks and carriers in this city is now about \$6,000 a month, McCall states, while in the neighborhood of \$9000 will probably be paid out in the month of December.

Strict selection and supervision will be used in employing the extra holiday help, McCall stated, after receiving orders from the post master general in Washington, D. C.

It is not necessary for the postmaster to employ those on the civil service lists although this may be done if they come under the other regulations. The workers must be between the ages of 18 and 45, have dependents, be physically strong and able to do the strenuous work. (Continued on Page Five)

All Is Ready for Bieber Celebration Marking Joining of Rails of Two Systems



A new transcontinental route and a second line between San Francisco and Portland, Ore., will be opened Tuesday, when the extensions being built by the Western Pacific and Great Northern in northern California are linked at Bieber. (1) Junction of the 200-mile "link" with the Western Pacific's main line between San Francisco and Salt Lake. (2) Map showing how new rail routes were created by construction of comparatively small mileage.

BUDGET COMMITTEE HEARS ROAD WANTS

Numerous Projects Come up; Ticknor Presents Five Resolutions.

Petitions for road construction and betterment work from residents of outlying districts consumed most of the opening session of the county budget committee at the courthouse Monday morning. The board will continue until it hears all proposals in connection with the 1932 budget.

A. M. Mutschbacher, representing citizens of Merrill and the Lower Klamath Lake district, asked the budget committee to consider a road from Merrill to Midland, following the old shore line of Lower Klamath Lake.

R. E. Alexander asked for construction work on a section about two miles in length on the Rock Creek road on the west side of Upper Klamath Lake.

According to County Judge Fred R. Goddard, Alexander has cooperated with the county court during past winters, keeping the Rock Creek road open at his own expense many times.

C. D. Long, member of the governor's relief committee, and in behalf of the Central Labor Council, petitioned for an appropriation to alleviate unemployment, recommending especially the construction of an armory.

Jerry McCartie, of Bonanza, asks for improvement work on a three mile section of a road running east from the town of Bonanza. McCartie stated that there was considerable settlement in this vicinity, and that the school bus is carrying 27 children over this road into the town of Bonanza. Earl Brown (Continued on Page Eight)

Leading Rail Officials to Arrive Today for Chamber Banquet, Bieber Ceremony

This evening at 6 o'clock Arthur Curtis James, chairman of the board of directors of the Western Pacific and large stockholder in the Great Northern, President Ralph Budd of the Great Northern, and a large party of other prominent officials of railroads will arrive at the Great Northern depot from St. Paul via Spokane and Bend.

They will attend a Chamber of Commerce and Service club banquet at the Hotel Willard this evening at 6:30 o'clock and tomorrow will take part in the celebration at Bieber when the Great Northern and Western Pacific railroads will be joined, completing the 200-mile Klamath Falls-Keddie, Calif., extension of the two railroads and giving the Pacific Coast another north and south transcontinental railroad.

Elihu H. Balsiger, president of the chamber of commerce, will preside at the banquet tonight, and R. C. Groesbeck will act as toastmaster for the occasion. Community singing will be led by John Houston, with Walter Sheets at the piano.

Speakers of the evening will be Arthur Curtis James, chairman of the board of directors of the Western Pacific; Ralph Budd, president of the Great Northern; Stephen Baker, chairman of the board of directors of the Bank of Manhattan, New York City; F. E. Williamson, president of the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy; Joseph Chapman, director of the Great Northern and Minneapolis banker.

Tomorrow morning at 8 o'clock a special train will leave Klamath Falls at the Great Northern depot for Bieber, carrying interested Klamath Falls citizens who wish to attend the celebration in the former cow-town of California, which has been turned into a modern city with the advent of railroads.

The train will leave Merrill at 8:30, and Malin at 9 a. m., and will reach Bieber at noon, where a luncheon will be given at the Guthrie company construction camp.

A rail in front of the station site at Bieber has been left unfastened, and will be taken out and respiked at the ceremony here at Bieber, carried by the Oroville, Calif., Rotary club. (Continued on Page Eight)

MOORE FUNERAL IS HELD ON MONDAY

Funeral services for the late Rufus Scudder Moore were held Monday afternoon at the Earl Whitlock Funeral Home, with services of the First Church of Christ Scientists being read. Honorary pall bearers were Marlon Hank, Silas Oberchain, Wilham Baldwin, D. V. Kuykendall, A. L. Leavitt and A. M. Collier.

The remains will be taken to Oregon City where commitment services will be held Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at the graveside. Vault entombment will be made in the family plot.

Taxation Subject of Tonight's Meet

The Taxpayers Protective Association will meet tonight in the county court room of the court house, according to S. D. O'Neill, chairman of public relations committee of the association.

More than 400 taxpayers are expected to attend the meeting which is held for the purpose of discussing taxation and relative matters.

K. I. D. ELECTION SET FOR TUESDAY

Elliott and McCulley in Final Race; Polls to Open at 8 a. m.

Land owners of the Klamath Irrigation district will vote Tuesday to elect a director to the board of directors of the district to replace J. L. Jacob, Malin, whose term of office will expire in January, and to serve with E. M. Hammond, chairman, and Sam Dehlinger, director.

John R. McCulley, Malin, and J. R. Elliott, Mt. Laki, are the candidates in the order in which their petitions were filed.

Polls in the six voting places of the district will open at 8 a. m. and will close at 5 p. m. Klamath Falls voters may vote at Merrill and catch the Great Northern special train to Bieber there, leaving their cars, if they wish. The district office is making preparations for transportation and a number of citizens who wish to vote and also to attend the Bieber celebration are planning on voting at Merrill.

Both McCulley, war veteran and prominent homesteader-farmer of Malin, and Elliott, pioneer Mt. Laki farmer, are well known to the voters of the district. McCulley's supporters argue that since Dehlinger is a resident of the Mt. Laki district and Hammond is from Merrill that Malin should be represented.

Elliott's supporters, many of them members or former members of the Klamath Water Users' Protective Association of (Continued on Page Eight)

GANDHI DECLARES HE IS THROUGH

LONDON, Nov. 9. (AP)—Mahatma Gandhi told the Associated Press tonight that the Indian round table conference was doomed to failure and that he would sail for Bombay November 29.

"Only a miracle which we do not expect to happen can save the conference from failure," he said, "and therefore I have decided to abandon the European tour I intended to make and will sail for Bombay from Genoa on the 29th."

Bank Shuts Down on Warrant Purchases

BEND, Ore., Nov. 9. (AP)—Pointing to a \$100,000 tax shortage in Deschutes county, officials of the Lumberman's National Bank of Bend announced Saturday they will purchase no more county or school warrants or make any further loan to school districts.

This policy will remain in force until delinquent tax payments bring county receipts to the level of the past few years, F. S. McGarvey, president of the bank, said.

BOMBARDMENT OF JAPANESE IS UNDER WAY

One Chinese General Said to Have Formally Announced War.

Gunfire Crackles in Outskirts of Tientsin; Japs Prepare Note.

(By The Associated Press) Unconfirmed advice says the Chinese general Ma Chuan-Shan had declared war on Japan and was bombarding the Japanese position at Taining, Manchuria, stirred Tokyo today. The Japanese government decided to reinforce its troops in the new battle area, it also prepared a sharp reply to the latest League of Nations note and framed an answer to the American government's secret communication regarding the situation.

Riots broke out in Tientsin, North China. Chinese charged the trouble was instigated by Japanese, and that the Japanese had bombarded the native part of the city with 40 shells. Foreign guard units at Tientsin, including the Fifteenth United States Infantry, were called out to protect the foreign section. One Japanese soldier was reported killed by a stray bullet.

Japs Hit Suggestion Suggestions that other powers withdraw their diplomatic representatives from Tokyo as a means of lending force to the League of Nations stand were branded by Japanese authorities as "diplomatic intimidation" and as nonsensical propaganda. The Japanese note was expected to protest against the situation as coming from circles of the league secretariat and also against the league "becoming a propaganda bureau for the Chinese government."

Japanese sources said the seppuku preservation society and artist organization called the set up an independent Chinese provincial government at Mukden tomorrow.

AMERICA MAY AOT WASHINGTON, Nov. 9. (AP)—Another move in the Manchurian situation is being considered by the American government. Secretary Stimson conferred (Continued on Page Eight)

CONGRESS MAY LOOK INTO NAVY BATTLE

WASHINGTON, Nov. 9. (AP)—President Hoover's naval policy bore the approval of his special committee today, but that did not remove the possibility that congress will look into the matter when it meets in December.

Already there have been grumblings from big navy advocates at some of the cuts the President proposes to make in naval expenditures.

Chas. Hale, of the senate naval committee, and Representative Britten of Illinois, chairman of the last house naval committee, have joined in proposing a building program which is outside the bounds of the President's list of suggested expenditures.

Presumably the next step is Gardner's and the league's to take, since the chief executive's five-man board headed by John Hays Hammond Saturday held the league, through its president, has uttered "many inaccuracies, false assumptions and erroneous conclusions." It is Gardner's turn to act upon President Hoover's demand that he make a "public correction of his mistakes and an apology."

LATE NEWS

NEW YORK, Nov. 9. (AP)—Another vigorous rise in the price of bar silver today carried the price to a new 1931 high at 35 1/2 cents an ounce. This was the fourth consecutive trading day on which the spot silver quotation has registered a new high for the year. Today's advance amounted to 1/2 cents an ounce.

PHOENIX, Ariz., Nov. 9. (AP)—Winnie Ruth Judd, charged with slaying Mrs. Agnes Anne Le Roi and Miss Hedvig Sommers, appeared for preliminary hearing today before Justice of the Peace Clarence E. Ice. Justice Ice after the small courtroom had been filled, ordered the doors locked. No one was allowed to enter or leave the room.

NICE, France, Nov. 9. (AP)—The Nizam of Hyderabad, reputed to be the richest man in the world, today gave \$200,000 in cash and a million dollars worth of jewels to Prince Abdul Medjid Effendi, former caliph at Istanbul, and supreme spiritual ruler of 300,000,000 Mohammedans, in return for the marriage of the former caliph's daughter and niece to the Nizam's two sons.

LOCAL PLANE IN FORCED LANDING

A local Eaglerock plane, piloted by Bill Van Buskirk, made a safe landing on an old lake bed between Dorris and Klamath Falls Sunday night, after the motor had gone dead.

Clarence Snodgrass was in the plane with Van Buskirk at the time, but neither he nor the pilot was injured, and the plane was only slightly damaged.

Temperature Hits Lowest Point of Year During Night

The lowest temperature of the year was recorded Monday morning when the mercury dropped to 25 degrees above zero.

Hardy flowers which have withstood light frozes of early autumn, succumbed Monday, and the few leaves remaining on the trees fluttered to the ground.

icy streets made driving precarious, and motorists proceeded with caution to avoid accidents.

WEATHER

The Cyclo-Stormograph at Underwood's pharmacy shows a slight downward trend in barometric pressure today, and a continuance of unsettled weather is probable.

The Tycon recording thermometer registered maximum and minimum temperatures today as follows: High, 55 Low, 23 Forecast for the next 24 hours: Cloudy and warmer tonight. Conditions favorable for rain or snow.

Pendleton Voters Favor Levee Work

PENDLETON, Nov. 9. (AP)—Overwhelming approval of a \$10,000 bond measure to provide employment for jobless men and improve the Umatilla river channel levee, was given by Pendleton voters here Saturday. The vote was 802 to 129.

The levee will be re-strengthened as a flood protection measure.