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OHIO GOVERNOR ASKS SEIZURE OF MEAT HOARD

Confiscation Of 2,420,000 Pounds Of Foodstuffs In Storage Is Urged.

PROSECUTION OF PACKERS ALSO STARTED

Active Drives To Uncover Profiteering Dealers Started Today.

St. Louis, Mo., Aug. 15.—Twenty million pounds of meats were reported to have been seized late today when federal authorities raided the Booth Cold Storage company here.

Large stocks of eggs, cheese and other foodstuffs were also said to have been located.

Officials had not yet learned who owned the stocks. Account of the supplies taken had not been completed.

Columbus, Ohio, Aug. 15.—Governor Cox of Ohio, today asked United States Attorney General Palmer to seize 2,420,000 pounds of meats stored in Ohio by several big Chicago packers on the charge of "wilful violation and open defiance of the law."

Cox said the meat was owned by Swift & company, Morris & company, Wilson & company and Brant & company. The governor urged Palmer to take immediate action to seize the meat to prevent its sale. In addition, 32 affidavits charging twenty three different Ohio persons with violations of the state food storage act were signed and sent out for service.

"Our investigation shows unmistakable evidence not only of wilful violation and even defiance of law on the part of the large packing houses particularly, but we have discovered that food supplies have been shipped from Chicago to Cleveland, returned again to Chicago and reshipped back to Cleveland. To what extent this process has been carried on, we do not yet know, but it is manifestly the part of a policy framed and shaped by the Chicago packers for the double purpose of deceiving the authorities in Ohio and Illinois and keeping food necessities off the market in order that deficiency and higher prices might come later."

"In behalf of the public interest, I not only urge you to seize this food at once, but suggest that you receive from the authorities of this state evidence now in hand, upon which I believe criminal prosecution can be had against the executive heads of the large packing corporations, who certainly are responsible for the artificial and unlawful practice of destroying in the first instance the law of supply and demand and then defrauding the consumers."

Grocers Grow Restless.

Chicago, Aug. 15.—Wholesale grocers here today gave first official indication that they have felt criticism directed at them as possible factor in high costs. A broad denial that they have profiteered and a specific showing on sugar prices were included in a statement issued today by their attorney, Robert Edelson.

Edelson said the wholesaler "actually took loss" in order to keep the retailer in sugar.

There is a sugar shortage, he claimed.

Milk New York Target.

New York, Aug. 15.—With federal agents searching for millions of dollars worth of food alleged to be hoarded here, the state today began a drive against high milk prices.

District Attorney Swann subpoenaed a number of milk distributors to appear before him today.

Sugar Raids Promised.

Chicago, Aug. 15.—A raid on hoarded sugar stocks in Chicago will take place this afternoon, Assistant United States District Attorney Milroy announced today.

The raid was to follow that of Milroy's department yesterday when large quantities of butter were taken.

Milroy announced that although reports have come to him that food prices are falling, the department of justice will continue its survey of food stocks in the city and prosecute the guilty.

Washington, Aug. 15.—Search for owners of more than \$50,000,000 worth of food hoarded in New York city is being made today by the federal trade commission and the United States dis-

GARAGE FIRE ENLIVENS ANNUAL ELKS' MEETING

Many Klamath Falls Guests Lose Cars In Big Blaze Thursday Night.

Klamath Falls, Or., Aug. 15.—The annual convention of the Oregon Elks was considerably enlivened here last night when fire destroyed a garage having been started by a gasoline explosion.

Several hundred of the conventioners assisted the department in battling the fire.

The blaze was of especial "interest" to Elks from Roseburg, Medford and Ashland, whose automobiles were in the burning garage. Fifty cars were saved, but about as many more were destroyed.

The loss amounts to approximately \$400.

The fire broke up the convention dance which was being held one block away.

Portland was the winner in the ritualistic contest, the first official event of the convention. Although Portland was returned the winner, the award was only by a small margin over Medford. Portland scored 95.4 points, while Medford obtained 92.1 points.

The contest was staged for a beautiful silver cup, donated by William F. McKenney of Portland, a man who has worked continuously for the success of

the state association. Although Portland lodge won the cup, it will be necessary for this lodge to win the cup next year to obtain permanent possession of the trophy.

Incidentally, Portland lodge will meet the winner of the ritualistic contest staged by the Washington Elks' association at North Yakima, next week, in an inter-state contest between Oregon and Washington.

On every hand one hears compliments bestowed upon the members of Klamath lodge for their hospitality. Hotels and private residences have been thrown open to the lodges and their families.

The executive committee, headed by E. B. Hall, manager of the White Pelican, arranged for the opening of the new court house in which 1909 sets were installed for the accommodation of the Elks.

Another saw court house, for he it known that Klamath Falls has three court houses, one in use and two others awaiting the decision of the circuit court for disposal, will be utilized if it becomes necessary.

Many of the visiting lodges are camped in the grounds prepared by the local committee. Hot and cold water has been piped to them for the convenience of the visitors.

A review in brief of the accomplishments of the Elks lodge during the progress of the war was given by George L. Baker, mayor of Portland, principal speaker at the opening of the victory celebration at the Elks' temple last night.

MANIAC RUNS AMUCK THROUGH SANTA ROSA

Crazed Miner Subdued Only After Being Shot; Crowd Stones And Clubs Him.

Santa Rosa, Cal., Aug. 15.—George Alessandree, 35, a powerfully built Red Bluff miner, went suddenly insane early today and ran amuck through the streets of Santa Rosa. After he had engaged in several fierce fights he was shot and probably fatally wounded, while a crowd stood and clubbed him.

Alessandree broke into several homes and finally tried to enter the bakery of Ignatio Garayalde.

Garayalde was awakened by the beating on his door. He fired a shot gun at Alessandree. The charge lodged in the wild man's abdomen. As the man reeled back a crowd of 100 persons began stoning and clubbing him. Garayalde ran to the sidewalk and was forced to club Alessandree with the butt of his gun before the steel bluff miner could be subdued.

Alessandree first attacked Nage Angelo Guirrotti, owner of the hotel where the miner was stopping. He forced his way into Guirrotti's room. The latter awakened to see the man standing over him, brandishing a knife. Guirrotti sprang from his bed and grappled with Alessandree. After a breathless struggle Alessandree suddenly leaped from the room and out of the hotel.

The miner spied two men in the street. He chased them several blocks. Then he stopped before the home of Mrs. Mary Ross.

Alessandree broke into the Ross home; only to be met by her two sons, who engaged in a life and death struggle. Again Alessandree unexpectedly gave up the fight and dived out of the house.

Then he made for the main business street. By this time the racket had raised a large crowd which trailed him at a respectful distance, throwing stones.

Alessandree's next stop was at the Garayalde bakery.

He is now in a hospital.

200,000 Coast Shipworkers Vote On Wage Agreement

San Francisco, Aug. 15.—Two hundred thousand shipbuilders on the Pacific coast will now vote on the acceptance of the compromise agreement whereby they receive an increase of eight cents an hour.

The agreement does not authorize the closed shop, and the figure is much lower than the 25 cent increase demanded by the iron workers. For these reasons much opposition to its acceptance is expected.

Labor leaders predicted, however, that the rank and file finally would ratify the agreement, making it effective October 1. It provides for the Saturday half-holiday and no strikes or lockouts for six months.

Conference Of Labor And Capital Being Considered

Washington, Aug. 15.—The senate education and labor committee is giving careful consideration to the Kelly-Poinder resolution for a joint conference of labor and capital to be held at Washington, Senator Keayon, chairman of the committee declared today.

"We have already had hearings and probably will take the measure up again shortly for a report to the senate," he said. "Some objection to the naming of delegates in the resolution has arisen, especially from organized labor, but that probably can be changed."

Other than this, objection, Senator Keayon knew of no other opposition.

LIBERTY BOND QUOTATIONS

New York, Aug. 15.—Liberty bond quotations: 3 1/2's, 99.50; first 4's, 94.10; second 4's, 92.00; first 4 1/2's, 94.24; second 4 1/2's, 93.20; third 4 1/2's, 95; fourth 4 1/2's, 92.10; victory 3 1/2's, 99.78; 4 1/2's, 99.74.

CONFERENCE OF PACT NOT TO BE CONFIDENTIAL

Wilson To Meet Foreign Relations Committee Of Senate On Tuesday.

MEMBERS FREE TO TELL ALL THAT TRANSPIRES

Stenographers To Prepare Full Record Of Session For Public Benefit.

Washington, Aug. 15.—(United Press)—President Wilson today accepted the suggestion of the senate foreign relations committee, that nothing said at his conference with the committee at the White House next Tuesday shall be confidential.

In a letter to Senator Lodge, committee chairman, the president said he would have a stenographer at the meeting and suggested that the committee bring with it a second stenographer.

At the White House it was announced that the stenographer's transcripts would be made in duplicate and given out in sections as rapidly as the work of transcribing can be done. Newspapers, however, will not be admitted to the conference.

"I have received your letter of yesterday and in reply hasten to express the hope that the committee on foreign relations will give me the pleasure of seeing them at the White House on Tuesday morning next, the 16th, at 10 o'clock."

"I also welcome the suggestion of the committee that nothing said at the conference shall be regarded as confidential. In order that the committee may have a full and trustworthy record of what is said, I shall have a stenographer present and take the liberty of suggesting that if you should wish to bring one of the committee's stenographers with you that will be entirely agreeable to me. The presence of the two stenographers would lighten the work."

"It will be most agreeable to me to have an opportunity to tell the committee anything that may be serviceable to them in their consideration of the treaty."

"It was intimated that the decision to have the stenographers at the meeting was a result of events following the meeting between the president and senate and house committee after the president's return from his first trip to Europe. At that time league opponents and supporters gave widely different versions of what was said. This, it was pointed out, would be impossible, with the actual words spoken taken down and given out to the public.

The foreign relations committee having arranged to meet with President Wilson next Tuesday met today to take up amendments to the peace treaty.

Action on any amendments was expected to be delayed, however, until after the committee hears what the president has to say about the treaty. Information to be obtained from him may throw a new light on some of these propositions, it was believed.

It was predicted the president and the committee might have several conferences before all the information desired has been obtained from Wilson. Secretary Lansing and other officials who have already testified in the hearing on the peace treaty, said Wilson was the only man who could answer many questions with regard to the proceedings at Paris, and there is much the committee wants to know.

Senator Borah said today he might revise his effort to summon Colonel House from Europe to be questioned by the committee. The proposition of calling House, Henry White and General Bliss, American delegates, was defeated yesterday when all three were voted on together. Borah may now bring up House's name alone and seek reconsideration.

1,000 PLANES BEING MASSED ON BORDER

Change In Attitude Of U. S. Toward Mexican Outrages Seen In New Policy.

Sacramento, Cal., Aug. 15.—Evidence that the United States intends to establish a powerful air patrol along the Mexican border is seen in a telegram received by Postmaster Fox from Senator Phelan.

Phelan said Mather Field here will be demobilized temporarily while the government assembles 1909 aviators on the border.

Washington, Aug. 15.—Whether the United States will continue its diplomatic correspondence with Mexico over the murder of American citizens south of the Rio Grande, was promissorial today.

The exchange of notes resulting from the death of Peter Catron at the hands of the Mexicans has left the situation rather tense, according to belief here, with the United States threatening a change of policy and the Carranza government stating that it regarded America's attitude as menacing.

Carranza's desire to maintain order is not doubted here. His ability to keep order is doubted.

Plans of the war department for a possible Mexican campaign are ready. There are thousands of seasoned troops on the border.

The senatorial investigation of Mexican affairs, ordered by the foreign relations committee will not be affected by the latest developments, Senator Phelan, New Mexico, declared today.

"The inquiry will develop many valuable facts which will enable congress to consider Mexican problems intelligently," he said.

Flames Sweep Forests Of Idaho Along 40-Mile Front

Lewiston, Idaho, Aug. 15.—Forest fires are raging on a forty mile front along Locksaw Creek, fanned by high winds. A crew of 230 fighters is battling the flames. It is powerless to stem the flames. This fire burned over 2000 acres of valuable white pine in a few hours yesterday evening. New fires were reported from Gospel Creek, Mailard and Lightning creeks and in the Nez Perce reservation.

846 Trapshooters Contend In Big Tourney Event Today

Chicago, Aug. 15.—(United Press)—Eight hundred and forty-six trapshooters contended against each other here today in the annual 100 bird sixteen yard grand American handicap, blue ribbon event of the shotgun world.

Shooting began at 8 p. m. It was expected the entire day will be required to decide the winner. Weather conditions were ideal.

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