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OREGON WEATHER Tonight and Tuesday probably fair; easterly winds.

THE START OF AN INDUSTRY.

Thousands of people throughout the country will get a taste of the Grants Pass spirit and enthusiasm as they view upon the screen the turning of the first shovelful of earth upon the site of the new sugar factory. More than 2,000 people were present in South Grants Pass at 11 o'clock this morning when the ceremony of setting the corner stake and putting shovel to the soil was staged.

One of the features in the foreground as the picture was being made was the giant sugar beet, towering full six feet high, guarded by Master Bruce Smith, the "man with the hoe."

The day was like each day of the past two weeks—perfect. The sun was shining in full splendor, and the picture should be an excellent one.

JUDGE GRAHAM NOT TO TRY GEORGE

(By United Press Leased Wire.) Tacoma, Feb. 21.—"George Washington will not be tried in my court," was the declaration of Judge Frank H. Graham today.

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merely a preliminary hearing, he said, and that the case go to the superior court upon proper showing that sufficient punishment may be meted out if the defendant is found guilty.

The arraignment of Haffer, who gave himself up Saturday night and furnished bond of \$1,000, has been set for Wednesday, the day following that on which the nation will commemorate the birth of its first president.

POLICE HUNT FOR POISON SUSPECT

(By United Press Leased Wire.) New York, Feb. 21.—The maze of clues in the hunt for Jean Cronos, Chicago "poison banquet" plotter, baffled the police today.

While several letters purporting to be from him have been mailed here, a new turn today came with a letter signed Cronos from Washington. The writer of this declared, "I intend to lead you a merry chase, and then blow you all to hell. I want Governor Whitman, Captain Tunney and one man in Chicago."

Cronos was reported to have been seen in two sections of New York, but the clues have led to nothing. Precautions have been taken to prevent him from destroying any churches.

CHARGES CALIFORNIA G. O. P. WITH "SHADOW FIGHTING"

(By United Press Leased Wire.) Sacramento, Feb. 21.—Characterizing the proceedings of the republican state central committee Saturday as "shadow fighting," Governor Johnson today issued a statement denying that Meyer Lissner, progressive state chairman, had made any compromise proposition to the republicans. The governor announced that he would "go direct to the people" if he should ever be a candidate for office.

DOUBLE ELECTROCUTION IN PENNSYLVANIA

(By United Press Leased Wire.) Rockville, Pa., Feb. 21.—George Marsh and Rolland Pennington were electrocuted today in the western Pennsylvania penitentiary in the first double execution under the law substituting the electric chair for hanging as the penalty for murder.

Ladies: If you are interested in getting a method by which you can do your own washing without the drudgery and back ache, come to our store Wednesday, February 23, and we will show you how it can be done. Rogue River Hardware. 21

INNES MUST FACE FEDERAL CHARGE

Portland, Feb. 21.—Cleared of responsibility for the mysterious disappearance of Mrs. Eloise Nelms Dennis and her sister, Beatrice Nelms, Victor E. Innes and his wife must go to Atlanta, Ga., and face a federal charge of using the mails to defraud.

A year ago Innes was arrested on a ranch near Eugene, Ore. Taken to San Antonio, Texas, he denied responsibility for the disappearance of the Nelms sisters. After hearing a maze of contradictory evidence, a grand jury returned a not true bill on the murder charge.

Innes was once United State district attorney at Reno, Nev. There he met Mrs. Dennis and was her attorney in a divorce suit. Later he invested money for her and was said to have much of her money in his possession at times. In May, 1914, Innes and his wife rented a cottage in San Antonio for a short time. Mrs. Dennis arrived in the city shortly afterward. She was accompanied by her sister Beatrice, who had openly expressed her suspicions after Innes' efforts to induce her to invest in Mexican securities.

The sisters arrived in San Antonio and then disappeared. Not a trace was ever found of them. An empty perfume bottle of the kind Mrs. Dennis used and bearing an Atlanta label, was found in the back yard of the cottage Innes had occupied. Innes was shown to have bought a large quantity of acid in a nearby drug store. But there was nothing to show that the sisters had been killed.

Through the efforts of Marshall Nelms, brother of the missing women, Innes was arrested on a federal charge of using the mails to defraud immediately after the grand jury cleared him of the murder charge. Letters which he wrote to Mrs. Dennis were used, it is said, to show that he plotted to secure her money.

The Nelms family is prominent in Atlanta.

CHAMBERLAIN O. & C. LAND BILL ENDORSED

(By United Press Leased Wire.) Washington, Feb. 21.—Settlement of the Oregon-California land grant question along the lines of the Chamberlain bill was endorsed before the house public land committee today by Constantine K. Smith, the government's special counsel in the forfeiture suits against the railroads. He said there is no limitation on the power of congress to take back the lands, paying the railroad \$2.50 an acre, and then disposing of them as may be desired.

Legal blanks. Courier office.

CORONER PROBES ILLINOIS TRAGEDY

Lake Forest, Ill., Feb. 21.—While William Orpet, college student, impatiently waited in another room, Frank Lambert told a coroner's jury today what he knew of the tragedy surrounding the death of his daughter, Marian Lambert, for which Orpet is held.

"When Marian did not return home on that Wednesday, I thought she had eloped with Orpet," said the father. "I then called in her chum, Josephine Davis, but she did not know where Marian was. Then I telephoned to Madison to learn if Orpet was there, but I could not locate him.

"My wife said there was a 'man in the case,' and she thought of Orpet right away."

Lambert then related how he had searched the woods on Thursday and had finally come upon the frozen body of the girl. She had been in good health and high spirits for two months before her death, Lambert said.

After telling of her keeping company with Orpet for two years, Lambert remarked:

"We did not object; we merely hoped that the case would not become serious."

As for the cyanide of potassium used in the greenhouse of the estate where Lambert worked, he declared it was kept locked, and that Marian never went to the greenhouse unless she wanted a bouquet. He denied, as the defense had suggested, that the girl used cyanide in developing pictures.

A friend of the Lamberts testified that the father had sobbed and thrown himself beside the girl's body.

While the inquest was proceeding Orpet was in a room apart, fretting at the delay in hearing the outcome.

"I wish they'd get through," he said. "I'm sick and tired of the whole business."

Neither Orpet's mother nor the girl's mother attended the inquest.

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SITUATION STILL TENSE WITH GERMANY

Washington, Feb. 21.—The German-American controversy is as grave now as it was before Germany made concessions in the Lusitania case, the state department affirmed today. This gravity is due to the Teuton proclamation of war on armed enemy merchant vessels. The department admitted the possibility of a crisis arising with Germany.

Such a crisis might arise from the death of Americans in the sinking of an armed merchant ship, or thorough an indefinite postponement of the Lusitania settlement.

Though officials decline to discuss the personal antagonism between Secretary of State Lansing and Ambassador von Bernstorff, arising from German "propaganda," it was said any plans Lansing may have about dealing with the envoy and his alleged publicity work would not be made public until the two men had discussed the situation.

The next United States move in the general diplomatic situation depends upon Berlin's reply to Bernstorff's last communication, explaining that the United States insists that Germany comply with international law, which gives merchant vessels the right to arm for defensive purposes.

When Lansing was asked directly today if he contemplated calling von Bernstorff to account for "propaganda" work, he evaded a direct answer. His face was grave, and then

after two minutes he remarked: "If I did contemplate such action, I would not make it known before hand through the press." It is understood the United States proposal to the allies seeking disarmament still stands unanswered by the allies. The state department course toward Germany will depend upon the allies' replies to this proposal, but this is being delayed while the matter is thrashed out in the various capitals.

AUTO STEALING RING OPERATED IN FRISCO

San Francisco, Feb. 21.—Following revelations that an auto stealing ring has been operating here, police today started a search which is expected to uncover many of the stolen cars.

A statement by Clarence Tierney, under arrest here, indicated that a gang of thieves has been stealing cars, making them over, and selling them.

Their business is believed to have been comparable to the operations of auto thieves in New York, which was practically stamped out by action of police and federal authorities.

BILLY SUNDAY ENRAGED BY \$31,000 OFFERING

Trenton, N. J., Feb. 21.—With more than 10,000 persons added to his list of "sawdust trawlers," Billy Sunday, evangelist, today had available for deposit an offering of more than \$31,000 presented by his listeners at the close of his soul-saving campaign here.

Said the Critic, "Give us TRACTION, without FRICTION!"



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