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Plans Made for Yearly Meeting of Commercial Organization.

SPEAKER INVITED

Prof. Jardine of O. A. C. Expected to Make Address—Committee to Attend Tax Meeting.

The annual meeting of the Roseburg Chamber of Commerce will be held on December 14, according to arrangements made by the directors at their regular weekly meeting held yesterday afternoon. At this annual meeting the directors to serve for the ensuing year will be chosen, an evening dinner will be enjoyed, and an outside speaker will be brought in to talk on some subject of general interest.

Arrangements are in the hands of the house committee, composed of O. M. Berrie, Kenneth Quine, and James Goodman. They will take care of all details in connection with the dinner and program and will make their announcement of the place and time in the near future.

It is hoped to have Prof. Jardine of the Oregon Agricultural College present to make the address of the evening, and he has been invited to be here if possible.

A new plan for electing directors has been proposed and will be brought before the membership for consideration. It is proposed to increase the directorate from seven to eight, with four elected for a one-year term and four elected for a two-year term. The plan also provides that after a director has served a two-year term he is not eligible for re-election for one year. This plan absolutely does away with any possibility of clique domination, according to its sponsors, and also provides for frequent changes thus insuring new ideas and new forms of management at frequent intervals.

At yesterday's meeting a committee composed of L. L. Crocker, R. A. Buesenbark and T. H. Ness was appointed to represent the Chamber of Commerce at the meeting of the taxpayers league on Saturday. The chamber was asked by the league to have a representative present to take up matters in which the organization is interested and this committee will be empowered to represent the chamber at the meeting. They will be interested in the proposed county appropriation for library purposes, so that the public library may be opened free of charge to all residents of the county. The committee will also discuss the proposed inclusion of O. & C. lands in the forest area, will urge the continuation of the North Umpqua road and will favor the continuation of the full time health unit.

A committee composed of B. W. Bates and J. H. Booth was appointed to handle the matter of continuing the U. S. land office in this city.

H. S. JONES IS NEW VICE-PRESIDENT OF BYLLESBY-COPCO

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) CHICAGO, Nov. 25.—H. S. Jones has been elected vice president of the Western Gas & Electric company of the California-Oregon Power company with headquarters in Stockton, California, the Byllesby Engineering and Management Corporation announced last yesterday.

Henry Genacher of the Byllesby Corporation will succeed Mr. Jones as assistant general manager in charge of the operation of the Northern States Power company at Minneapolis. For 14 years Mr. Jones was president and general manager of the San Diego Consolidated Gas and Electric company.

WASHINGTON SENATE ACTS AGAINST GOVERNOR'S WISH

OLYMPIA, Wash., Nov. 25.—A bill repealing a half mill levy for the reclamation revolving fund for reclamation work in Washington was filed in the house of the state legislature today by 29 representatives. A measure transferring state reclamation work from the department of conservation and development to the land commissioner, was passed by the house Monday and by the senate yesterday. The bill received sufficient votes in both chambers to override a governor's veto. The half mill levy provides the money for reclamation work in the

FOR OF EUGENE SIGNS DURING TANT TANGLE

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) EUGENE, Ore., Nov. 25.—Mayor E. B. Parks, of Eugene, at a special meeting of the city council yesterday, tendered his resignation, which was accepted. Lawrence E. Simmons, president of the council, was automatically elevated to the position of mayor. The resignation is the outgrowth of discussion throughout the city regarding the alleged mishandling of more than \$13,000 in city warrants, which were obtained by George W. Read, contractor, before they were due him, and which have been assigned to the United States National Bank. Read has since disappeared. Mayor Parks has invited investigation of the affair. He has been mayor for two and one-half years, and prior to that time was a councilman for more than eight years.

GIRL TESTIFIES FOR FATHER THEN RUNS FROM COURT

MEDFORD, Ore., Nov. 25.—The testimony in the trial of Omar W. Murphy, well known local resident, charged with manslaughter, as a result of an alleged beating administered to his wife, Ella, last March, ranged today from the childish words of the 11-year old daughter of the defendant, and ponderous answers of medical men, to hypothetical questions that took three minutes to propound.

The little girl, Erlene Murphy, when the cross examination by the defense started, cried and ran from the court room, after giving evidence for her father.

The most damaging testimony given by the little Miss was ordered stricken from the records by the court upon objection of the defense. Erlene testified that she had been told to "tell the truth," and that her father had told her brother, Earl, in her presence: "I only gave her a spanking. She is just staying in bed for sympathy, and the neighbors will know all about it." Earl, the brother, was a witness at the morning session. Expert testimony was given by Dr. V. S. Geary, county health officer; Dr. C. R. Moser, of Grants Pass, and Dr. E. A. Woods, of Ashland.

Earl testified in response to a hypothetical question by the state, that all the vital organs being normal, as shown by an autopsy, death could only be caused by an embolism, or blood clot. An embolism, the physicians explained, was caused by bruises, and might not be detected in an autopsy, even with a microscope. An embolism follows the blood flow, and blocks the smaller veins, being fatal in three vital centers, the heart, the lungs and the brain.

FLOODS IN GREECE UNCOVER 38 TOMBS AND KILL SCORES

LONDON, Nov. 25.—More than one hundred persons are believed to have perished in the floods of Athens following a torrential rain of an hour and twenty minutes Tuesday night. The city of Athens is a ruin. Many houses in the refugee settlement collapsed. The inmates were buried in the ruins and many were swept away and drowned. Flood waters from Mount Lykabettos washed up thirty-eight tombs. Five mummies and numerous gold ornaments and vases were uncovered.

DOUMER UNABLE TO FORM A CABINET; HERRIOT TRYING

PARIS, Nov. 25.—France was still without a cabinet tonight to succeed the Painleve ministry which resigned Sunday following an adverse vote by the Chamber of Deputies on the government's finance bill. Refusal of the various groups in the Chamber of Deputies to promise support for his financial plans caused Senator Paul Doumer today to decline the task of forming a new ministry as it did M. Briand yesterday. Former Premier Edouard Herriot, radical leader and president of the Chamber of Deputies, was summoned this afternoon by President Doumergue but failure of his projected "concentration" cabinet of the left is considered likely in well informed circles. On leaving the Elysee Palace M. Herriot said: "I will do my best to meet the wishes of the president."

MITCHELL ENDS HIS DEFENSE AT COURT MARTIAL

Government Prepares for Rebuttal; 100 Officers Are in Readiness.

2 WEEKS ARE NEEDED

Mitchell Refused Leave of Absence to Visit His Children Over Holiday.

IRELAND NEARING ANOTHER CRISIS ON BOUNDARY ROW

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) BELFAST, North Ireland, Nov. 25.—Special armed police of the Ulster government in the Clady district, near Strabane, in county Tyrone, and facing the territory which by the reported award of the Irish boundary commission would be transferred to Ulster, have erected sand bags at their outposts.

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WASHINGTON, Nov. 25.—The navy's long investigation of the Shenandoah disaster came to a provisional end today, the provision being based on the possible summoning of Colonel William Mitchell who previously had declined to testify before the naval court of inquiry.

As the court adjourned today, subject to call of its president, Rear Admiral Hilary P. Jones, it was announced by Judge Advocate Leonard that should he find upon examination of Colonel Mitchell's testimony before the army court martial any matters germane to the Shenandoah inquiry he would seek a process to bring the Colonel before the naval tribunal.

GALLOWAY TO TAKE MURDERER LLOYD ON NEXT MONDAY

DALLAS, Ore., Nov. 25.—W. R. Lloyd, who was convicted of murder in the first degree in October for the killing of Clint I. Baum of Independence, will be hanged at the penitentiary next Monday, unless executive clemency is extended. So far as is known no move of importance has been made in his behalf. Attorney Will R. King has investigated the case with some thought of filing an appeal. King is understood to have the backing of anti-capital punishment forces. W. W. Harcombe, attorney who defended Lloyd, has no intention of seeking an appeal in the case.

ONE KILLED, TWO INJURED IN CURRY COUNTY EXPLOSION

BANDON, Ore., Nov. 25.—One man was instantly killed and two others seriously injured on the Sixes River in Curry county yesterday, when a boiler exploded in the Oscar Mather mill. Lewis Farrier, 19, was instantly killed. George Mather suffered a badly crushed leg and James Smith was badly scalded. The three men were just starting up to the mill when the accident occurred. No one knows the exact cause. Later in the day, with no watchman present, the small mill was destroyed by fire. The origin was not learned.

Divorce Suit And Flat Purse Too Trifling To Keep Actor Tinney From Wife's Table

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) NEW YORK, Nov. 25.—Mrs. Frank Tinney, whose uncontented suit for divorce is pending, has a new boarder named Frank Tinney. At least, that's the way the comedian described himself when he went to his wife's Long Island home after his return Monday from London. As for that divorce—"what divorce?" demands Frank Tinney blandly every time he is asked about it. Mr. and Mrs. Tinney went shopping yesterday, accompanied by seven-year-old Frank Tinney, Jr., but Mrs. Tinney did most of the buying. Frank says he is broke. Afterward Mrs. Tinney drove home and the comedian hid himself to the Eika Club, where he borrowed a dollar from the doorman to pay his taxi fare. As for anybody named Imogene, the Tinneys don't mention her. Imogene, or "Bubbles" as Frank used to call her, was the cause of Mrs. Frank's suit. Imogene, a chorus girl, is now abroad.

Mrs. Myron Elias, Mrs. Tinney's daughter, explained the present relationship of her mother and stepfather as not quite a reconciliation. They have agreed to begin all over again, on a fifty-fifty basis," she said. "Mother wants to see him established on Broadway again." Mrs. Tinney confirmed this by saying she wanted to give him a chance on a fifty-fifty basis, but as for dropping the divorce suit, "things have not gone that far yet." Mrs. Tinney's name is expected to blossom in electric lights over a Broadway vaudeville house next week. Frank is ready to startle Broadway with his horn-rimmed glasses and blue raincoat from London.

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THANKSGIVING TO SEE CONTESTS ON EASTERN GRIDS

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) NEW YORK, Nov. 25.—The annual battle of Cornell and Pennsylvania at Philadelphia is tomorrow's eastern gridiron feature. A year ago "Gloomy" Gil Doble, Cornell coach, made the pre-game statement that Pennsylvania would beat his team, and Pennsylvania did 29 to 9. Noble is silent about tomorrow. His team has had a good season except for the air onslaught at Dartmouth when there were so many footballs in the air that his men were all at sea.

Pittsburgh and Penn State are primed for their annual battle at Pittsburgh. A capacity throng is expected at Pittsburgh's new stadium. West Virginia and Washington and Jefferson clash in Morgantown, Syracuse and Columbia meet at the Polo Grounds where Harlan Carr and "Shrimp" Foley will attempt to outrun the New York speedster, Captain George Peas. Jackson Keefe, flashy halfback, will lead Brown against Colgate at Princeton.

The east's leading scorer, Captain Eddie Tryon, is expected to stare a brilliant, individualistic game with Keefe. The army and the navy are putting finishing touches on the eleven that meet in the annual service classic in New York Saturday.

BENEFICIAL OFF TO ARRANGE EAST-WEST FOOTBALL GAME

EUGENE, Ore., Nov. 25.—For the purpose of selecting an eastern team and arranging for the Pasadena east-west football contest with the team selected, Jack Benefiel, graduate manager of the University of Oregon, has left for the east. He will be gone approximately two weeks. Benefiel has charge of the arrangements for the annual Rose tournament game this year. No intimation was given here as to the teams he is considering to represent the east in the big game.

ALICE'S NEGRO BLOOD TOLD TO KIP IN ADVANCE

Chauffeur Testifies That Rhineland Told Him He Did Not Care.

SUIT TITLE CHANGED

Sister of Alice Says She Was Kip's Companion Before Transfer of Affections.

MANCHU HOLD ON CHINA AFFAIRS STILL SLIPPING

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) PEKING, Nov. 25.—A serious revolt has occurred among the supporters of the Manchurian warlord, Marshal Chang Tso-lin, who are fighting each other at Lwanchow and Chinwangtao, in eastern Chihli, along the Peking-Mukden railway. The claims of the various parties, however, are conflicting. Some quarters assert that General Kuo Sung-Lien, Manchurian general, has captured Mukden, the capital, and imprisoned Chang, while others assert that Chang's loyal troops have broken the railway at Chinwangtao to hinder an advance toward Sung-Lien against Mukden. "Ching-lin," the civil governor of Chihli, is preparing to declare himself independent of Mukden and also is reported to have drafted a telegram urging Chang to retire. It is considered certain that the Mukden party has collapsed, at least temporarily, thus strengthening the hands of Feng Yu-Hsiang, the "Christian general."

The trouble in Mukden is expected to lead to changes in the cabinet in Peking, since Chang Tso-lin is the principal supporter of the present regime. It is believed that the members of the government belonging to the Anfu party of which the present chief executive, Tuan Chi-jui, is the chief, will be compelled to resign, and also the representatives of Mukden. This, it is expected, will be followed by the installation of a cabinet representing the Kuomintang group, or "nationalist army" party, which acknowledges Marshal Wu Pei-fu as leader.

Justice Morschauer this afternoon granted the plaintiff's request to amend the original complaint over the objections of defense counsel. The amended complaint now charges Alice with defrauding young Rhineland negatively, in not telling him she was of negro blood. Mr. Davis objected on the ground that the amendment had been made too late in the action and that it did not constitute a proper cause of action. Justice Morschauer, however, cited the legal precedents under which he granted the motions and told Mr. Davis that he would be given ample time to meet the new issues.

The new turn in the case is expected to necessitate further cross-examination of the plaintiff's witnesses, including young Rhineland. Davis told the court that he thought he would be able to meet the new contentions in a short time.

STATE ASKS EAGLE POINT REGION FOR BETTER SHOWING

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) SALEM, Ore., Nov. 25.—The Eagle Point irrigation district of Jackson county will have to wait a little longer before the state irrigation securities commission promises to extend the guarantee of interest on its \$400,000 bonds. The commission told representatives of the district yesterday that it would do so if the cooperation of the people of Jackson county can be obtained. An extension of 12 years in the guarantee is asked, increasing the present guarantee to five years.

The commission received crop estimates from Jackson county projects showing that crop returns this year from the Medford irrigation district were \$2,509,000 and from the Talent district \$909,000. The former project was developed at a cost of \$19,906,000 and the latter at \$1,225,000. It was declared that the Eagle Point district should make an even better showing considering the development cost.

FORMER RESIDENT OF DRAIN DIES AT ST. LOUIS, MO.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Nov. 25.—(Special to the News-Review).—Word was received here yesterday of the death of Charles E. Hassard, who was a former resident of Drain for many years, but the past nine years a resident of Portland. He first resided on a farm near here and later engaged in the mercantile business, following which he was appointed postmaster which office he held about eleven years; his last term expiring in 1916. He then moved to Portland where he has resided since.

Mr. Hassard was a highly respected citizen and was a member of the Masonic and Odd Fellows orders. His death occurred at St. Louis, Mo., while he was on a visit to his boyhood home in that state and burial may take place there. He was about 68 years of age and is survived by his widow and one daughter, Mrs. Wm. Upton and two grandchildren, who reside in Portland.

CHURCHES WILL HOLD THANKSGIVING SERVICE TOMORROW

The usual Thanksgiving church services will be held at the Christian church tomorrow evening at 7:30 o'clock, according to arrangements made by the ministerial union. The Christian church is now engaged in an evangelistic campaign and the evangelist, Rev. Kellems, will speak on a suitable Thanksgiving topic, and all of the churches of the city will join in the union service. The schools are observing their holiday today. In nearly every grade school program was held. At the high school a general assembly was called this afternoon and an address made by Dr. Banks. Schools were dismissed this afternoon and will not convene again until Monday. Practically all stores will be closed tomorrow, all day. The post office will observe the usual holiday mail service.

SYRIAN CITY OF RASHDIYA SCENE OF BLOODY FIGHT

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) BEIRUT, Syria, Nov. 25.—Fourteen naturalized American citizens who reached Beirut today with about 2,000 refugees from Rashdiya, west of Damascus, where fierce Druse attacks were ended yesterday by the relief of the French garrison, say that in the hand to hand fighting between the Druses and Christian volunteers the rebel tribesmen killed many women and children. Martial law has been proclaimed in the districts of Damascus and Hauran as the result of numerous recent acts of brigandage.

The authorities announce that the step was not taken because of any recrudescence in the activities of the rebels, but merely to permit the government to restore order more rapidly. The French reinforcements yesterday fought through the valley of El Hika, near Mount Lebanon, and reached Rashdiya from the north after suffering comparatively small losses. The Druses attacked the rebel tribesmen, but are reported to have lost heavily.

Further spirited Druse outbreaks in south Lebanon are reported today. Colonel Robert C. Foy, American military attaché in Constantinople, has arrived at the scene of the fighting and is preparing a report for the War Department in Washington on the military situation.

PERSHING FACING HARD JOB IN CHILE

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) ARICA, Chile, Nov. 25.—General John J. Pershing, head of the Tacna-Arica Plebiscitary commission, said today that despite grave differences in the attitudes and opinions of the Chilean and Peruvian representatives, hope was still entertained that discussion would lead to a solution of the controversy and enable a continuance of the plebiscite commission's labors. Although such official optimism was considered encouraging, observers asserted that they would not fence the end of the threatened deadlock which since last Saturday has arrested the work of the commission.

One of the highest of the Chilean plebiscitary officials said he could see no solution and he authorized a statement that the deadlock was hopeless unless the Americans granted the demands in Augustin Edwards' note notifying the plebiscite commission which would be notified of the withdrawal of the Chilean delegation. This statement, it is thought, must be interpreted in the light of the probable contents of General Pershing's response to Senator Edwards' note, but it seems undoubted that the Chileans intend to stand firm upon their demands for the immediate promulgation of election laws, the commencement of registration and the holding of the plebiscite by February 1.

The withdrawal of the Peruvian delegation is thought to be impending owing to a report by Colonel Marchand, commander of the Carabiniers, in which Peruvian boundary delegation is accused of instigating the murder of a carabiner.

CHAPMAN GIVEN REPRIEVE; NEW LEGAL POINT UP

Coolidge Commutes Prison Sentence, Murderer Turns It Down.

THUS AVOIDS NOOSE

Federal and State Lawyers Now to Contend, With Life of Criminal in the Balance.

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(Associated Press Leased Wire.) HARTFORD, Conn., Nov. 25.—Gerald Chapman has informed his counsel that he will not accept presidential commutation of his robbery sentence.

HARTFORD, Conn., Nov. 25.—Gerald Chapman, mall robber and murderer, will be relieved from death sentence set for December 3 until March 3, 1926, by Governor Trumbull probably tonight, by agreement reached between States Attorney Alcorn and Joseph Freeman of counsel for Chapman. The date was agreed upon at a conference this afternoon and the necessary papers to be offered the governor prepared. Meantime legal points to be raised in new angles in the Chapman case based upon the writ of habeas corpus and the refusal of Chapman to accept a presidential commutation of sentence as a mall robber will be taken to the United States supreme court.

HARTFORD, Conn., Nov. 25.—The federal sentence of Gerald Chapman has been commuted by President Coolidge. The executive order terminating the sentence of 25 years imposed in federal court at New York for the robbery of a mail truck, was signed by the President Monday and was made public today when the document was delivered to Warden H. K. W. Scott, for service on Chapman. The action marked another step in the efforts of the state of Connecticut to execute Chapman for the murder of Policeman James Skelley of New Britain, on October 12, 1923.

It is understood, in absence of official statement, that the commutation will be the state's answer to the writ of habeas corpus served on Warden Scott yesterday, ordering the immediate commutation of sentence as a mall robber before Federal Judge Thomas in court at the state prison next Monday.

Question For Court

WASHINGTON, Nov. 25.—Department of Justice officials here expect Gerald Chapman's attorneys to fight through the courts the question of whether he is compelled to accept the commutation of federal sentence signed by President Coolidge. The Department holds that there is no law to obligate the government to keep custody of a person whose sentence has been commuted, but nevertheless it was said today that the courts would have to pass on it at the instance of the Chapman defense.

MESSAGE FROM THIEF TELLS WHERE AUTO WAS LEFT

"By the side of the Dillard-Umpqua Bridge stands a little tin gun on wheels, tag 15,521. A man when he has to, steals. "Ashland Ex." The above notice carefully printed on a government postcard, mailed on the Southern Pacific train between Dillard and Ashland and addressed to Chief of Police Ketch at Roseburg, was received by the officer this morning. Acting upon the information that Chief of Police and Constable Dillard went to the bridge and there found an abandoned Ford car, bearing the license plates as described. The car was towed to Coos Junction and is being held there while an effort is being made to locate the owner. The Ashland authorities were notified and are endeavoring to trace the sender of the message, but as the handwriting was well disguised, and the card was mailed on the train, it is a difficult clue to follow.

Charles Olson, Elgarose rancher, was a business visitor in this city for a few hours yesterday.

Mrs. John Snyder, of Oakland, who has been recuperating from a major operation at Mercy Hospital for the past two weeks, has sufficiently recovered to return to her home yesterday evening.

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