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OBREGON WILL NOT GUARANTEE EXTENDED AID

PARTIAL ASSISTANCE WILL BE FORTHCOMING IN SPITE OF NO AGREEMENT.

GLENN SPRINGS SCANDAL VIGOROUSLY DENIED AGAIN

Three American Prisoners at Acapulco Released on Demand of Uncle Sam—Carranza Charged With Attempt to Squash Villareal. Involved in Glenn Springs Scandal.

American Base, Mexico May 15.—(Via Wireles).—American troops, under Lieutenant Patten, killed three Mexicans when they attacked the Rubio ran. There were no American casualties.

Washington, May 15.—Antonio Villareal wrote today to the United Press denying Arredondo's charges that he instigated the Glenn Springs raid. He said he condemned, with all energy, the acts of the raiders which only add to Mexico's misfortunes. He said the campaign of abuse against him was directed because the Aguascalientes convention tried to elect him provisional president. He charges Carranza with trying to suppress him.

The navy department announced three Americans imprisoned at Acapulco had been released. They were charged with burning the schooner Nariscal. The state department demanded their release.

Gen. Scott today presented Secretary Baker and Lansing with a report that, although Obregon and refused to guarantee full co-operation in writing, he offered assistance which will be helpful. The report confirmed the recent optimistic feeling regarding Mexico, although it included opinions of many El Pasoans who believe a general Mexican house-cleaning will ultimately become necessary. Baker said General Scott believed a favorable situation was created as a result of the Obregon conferences.

BANK DEPOSITS GAIN

Following Panic in 1907 Banks Have Made Steady Gain And Still Grow.

Salem, May 15.—How the bank deposits in state and national banks in Oregon have grown from \$85,000,000 to \$127,000,000 since 1908 is shown on a chart which has been prepared by S. G. Sargent, state superintendent of banks. Following the panic of 1907 in this state there were 191 national and state banks and now there are 261 banks of which 84 are national and 177 operate under a state charter. Nine years ago there were 59 national banks and 182 state banks.

From 1908 to 1910, inclusive, banks deposits in the state rose steadily without fluctuation. From \$85,000,000 to \$119,000,000. From the first of 1911 to the close of 1913 deposits in national and state banks showed slight fluctuation with a rising tendency. At the close of 1913 deposits in Oregon touched their high mark with a total of \$133,000,000. With the outbreak of war in Europe a decrease resulted, until at the beginning of 1915 the deposits aggregated only \$117,000,000. Since then, however, conditions have steadily improved, and the gain in deposits has been steady until now they total \$127,000,000.

The national banks in 1914 began to gain in deposits while state institutions fell off. This fact is accounted for, according to Superintendent Sargent, because in 1914 the Security Savings & Trust company, of Portland, was consolidated with the First National of Portland. The decrease in state bank deposits at this time was approximately \$10,000,000. Since the third call of 1915, however, deposits in Oregon state banks have risen steadily, gaining about \$5,000,000 in the last six months.

State bank deposits now a total approximately \$49,000,000 while deposits in national banks of the state total approximately \$78,000,000.

INSTITUTE DATES SET

Executive Meet at Baker Saturday Hears Important Affairs

The Eastern Oregon Teachers' institute, to be held in La Grande by vote of the prior institute, has been set for October 27-29 inclusive. This was decided at an executive committee meeting held in Baker Saturday.

The matter of obtaining some very prominent man as the chief speaker, was deferred, but the matter of dates, transportation and committee work came up for final consideration at the Baker meeting.

B. W. GRANDY CRITICALLY ILL

HOPE FOR RECOVERY RAPIDLY ABANDONED.

Family Being Called to Bedside—Lived Here 52 Years.

Hope for recovery of Ben W. Grandy from a sudden attack of critical illness, is fast being abandoned. He is dangerously low and his sons and daughters are being summoned to the bedside.

Mr. Grandy has lived in La Grande 52 years, and was married here 51 years ago last March. He went to California in 1843 with Joseph Palmer, and returned by water to Iowa, and then both men and their families started for Oregon in 1862 and camped in La Grande, making their home here continuously since. Mr. Grandy is close to 80 years of age.

CHAPMAN IS HEARD.

Urges Support to Commercial Organizations of the State.

C. C. Chapman, erstwhile Portland Commercial club manager, and now editor of The Oregon Voter, was the principal speaker today at a Commercial club luncheon in the Foley grill. A. C. Ruby of Portland and a Seattle man were booked as additional speakers but failed to put in an appearance. Mr. Chapman was introduced to the gathering by George T. Cochran, president of the Union County Good Roads association. Mr. Chapman spoke along the line of concerted organization of commercial interests to forestall disastrous legislation, to look after and help directing taxation but above all to keep an eye on matters of legislation "which often," he said "is adopted before it is tried out, and then, generally, found to be unable to stand the test of time."

This afternoon Mr. Chapman and a group of Good Roads association heads visited Cove and go to Union tonight at which places the bond issue will be discussed.

Prior to the introduction of Mr. Chapman, Mr. Cochran recited the rough skeleton of the 1916 chautauqua program which looms up as far better than last year's splendid attraction.

NEW PROTEST WILL BE SENT

UNCLE SAM TO CONTEST ENGLAND'S ACTIONS.

Seizure of American Mails Topic of New Diplomatic Notes.

Washington, May 15.—President Wilson is preparing a vigorous message to England regarding her seizure of mails. Secretary of State Lansing is collecting a mass of figures showing how far the British have gone in the seizures. He stated this morning the entire subject of confiscated mails is under consideration. This is interpreted as meaning a new protest is planned. It is believed the last British memorandum was unsatisfactory. It is expected the administration will insist on entire freedom of passage for American mails.

It is learned authoritatively the President is impatient at continued holding of mails. It is expected the note will be completed soon. The government has received many protests from American businessmen abroad regarding inconveniences resulting from mail delays.

NEGRO IS BURNED.

Indignant Texans Rush to Court House and Put Negro to the Stake.

Waco, Tex., May 15.—Storming the court house, a mob of thousands seized Jess Washington, a negro aged eighteen, and burned him to death in the city hall square. He was charged with murdering Mrs. Elizabeth Friar, a farmer's wife.

PREPARE FOR CONCLAVE.

First Degree Given to Convention Class Here This Evening.

In preparation for the district Knights of Pythias convention which meets here June 2nd, Red Cross Lodge No. 27, tonight begins initiation of the class which will receive the rank of knight on this date. The class is a large one and takes the rank of page this evening.

Dr. Phy Visits Hot Lake.

Hot Lake, May 14.—(Special).—Dr. W. T. Phy and Mrs. Fay of Spokane were guests at the sanitarium over the week end. The well known medico was busily and happily engaged in renewing old acquaintances at the popular resort which knew him so well for many years. Amongst the prominent guests to meet him and Mrs. Phy were Ex-Governor John Haines of Idaho. Senator Walter Pierce of Oregon, County Judge J. F. Phy, of La Grande, Dr. and Mrs. McCown of Cove and Mr. and Mrs. Fred L. Meyers of La Grande.

ROGER CASEMENT PUT ON TRIAL FOR TREASON

Hearing Preliminary Merely--Had Several Invasions in Mind.

London, May 15.—Clad in a seedy and frayed suit, Sir Roger Casement went on trial today in the Bow street police court on a charge of treason. On entering the courtroom he smiled at acquaintances. The little court room was jammed.

Daniel Bailey, a soldier also charged with treason, accompanied Casement.

Prosecutor Smith read the charge and declared Casement planned the Irish rebellion and plotted to land several expeditions in Ireland on the British coast. He said the German auxiliary sunk when Casement landed, carried 20,000 rifles, a million pounds of ammunition, machine guns and bombs.

An exchanged Irish prisoner testified Casement attempted to induce Irishmen imprisoned in Germany to desert. He said some accepted the overtures and enlisted in the German army.

This is merely a preliminary hearing. The crown reserved much evidence for presentation at the formal trial but enough evidence was submitted today to show Casement had planned to land several expeditions in Ireland.

SALEM STUDENTS EXPELLED. Drunkenness Charged to Three After Colleagues Vent Spleen.

Salem, May 15.—Three students were expelled from Willamette university charged with drunkenness today after their classmates ducked them in a creek. They are A. Irvine, Salem; H. Edwards, Eugene; Dean Adams, Idaho.

ROANOKE OVERLOADED. Quartermaster Declares Dacinnus Were Used for Immense Cargo.

San Francisco, May 15.—Quartermaster Elb testified in the government probe in the Roanoke disaster that the steamer was overloaded and the crew feared for her safety. He said cabins were cut away to make room for an immense cargo of dynamite, wheat and oil.

AGED MAN DEAD. Former Idaho Resident Comes to La Grande Shortly Before Death.

Carl Petzrick, aged 72, who came to live with his daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Haddon, 1613 X avenue, about six weeks ago, from Juliet, Idaho, died last night. The funeral will be held tomorrow from the Bohnenkamp undertaking parlors at 2:30 o'clock.

Aside from Mrs. Haddon, Mr. Petzrick is survived by several children who reside in the vicinity of Milwaukee, and who will not likely be present at the funeral.

"TWO PRESS AGENTS"



Publicity Manager Dick (left) of Democratic party and "Press Agent" Tumulty, Secretary to President Wilson. Both men are "Press Agents" at a lively clip right now.

SAY SHE'S A DICTATOR



Miss M. Carey Thomas, President of Bryn Mawr

Right on the eve of commencement, when the sweet girl graduate of Bryn Mawr will carry all before her, thirteen professors of the college have rebelled at what they call the dictatorial methods of Miss M. Carey Thomas, president. This, one of the most famous of American women's colleges has been torn apart, and investigations are to be held.

MARINES LAND TO STOP RIOT

SANTO DOMINGO TROOPS MARCH ON CAPITOL.

Withdraw, However, on Approach of American Marines.

Santo Domingo, May 15.—Rebels retired from the capitol today under threat of American intervention. Congress is preparing to elect a successor to President Jimenez.

American Marines Landed.

Washington, May 15.—American marines have landed at Santo Domingo. Admiral Caperton has reported. The number is not stated, but Caperton commands 500 men.

Big Cash Prize Offered.

New York, May 15.—A thousand dollars in cash awaits the boy, girl, man or woman artist in the United States who sends the design most truly symbolizing America's Electrical Preparedness in case of war, to the Society for Electrical Development. Poster Committee, 29 West 39 Street, New York, before June 1. This prize winning design will be reproduced millions of times and displayed throughout the United States before, during and after the hundreds of Electrical Shows in the cities and towns of the country December 2 to 9. Teachers of art throughout the country in high schools and colleges have assured the National Poster Committee, 29 West street, New York, of many hundreds of original drawings by school students, on Electrical light, heat and power.

Through parades, pageantry, illuminations and exhibits, the electrical industry plans to show the part electricity plays in the world's war and peace, also the ability of the electrical men of America to quickly organize their industry into a potent arm of the nation's business defenses.

The prizes are the largest yet offered for poster work in the United States. The winning emblem will receive \$1,000. The second Prize is \$500. That design which is the popular favorite at preliminary exhibits to be held in Boston, New York, Pittsburgh and Chicago will receive \$300. The best original done by a student of an art school will be awarded \$200 and \$200 additional will be divided in to five prizes for the best designs entered by the pupils of High Schools.

Wild West Spirit Strikes Gotham

John Spain, the bronco buster, was exhibiting today some descriptive matter of a round-up which the world's greatest city, New York, is framing up to take place in August. It is to be called the "Stampede" and will be some show, continuing for eight days with fabulous prizes. It is designed to present all the thrilling features of the regular western shows of this kind.

CZAR'S ARMY PRESSES OVER TURKISH FORCE

CLOSE APPROACH TO KUT MADE BY DASH INTO TURKISH TERRITORY

PERSIAN INVASION HAS EXTENDED WITH SPEED

Czar Apparently Outwits His Adversaries and Pulls His Troops Far Into Turkish Territory Bringing Them Close to Bagdad and Into Kut District, Says Dispatches.

Petrograd, May 15.—Developing a swift offensive, Russians smashed across the Persian frontier southwest of Urumiah within 80 miles of the Turkish lines south of Bagdad, and reached the region of Rowanduz, several miles inside of Turkey and are now marching toward Nineveh and Mosul. Unless checked within a fortnight they will threaten to cut off Turks holding British near Kut.

For weeks the official communiques have been silent regard progress of operations in Urumiah. It is believed Nicholas outwitted the Turks.

Paris, May 15.—French captured a first-line German trench near Evillers a commune stated. Heavy bombardment at Avocourt woods is practically the only activity at Verdun.

ORPET TRIAL OPENS.

Wisconsin Student Faces Charge of Murder.

Waukegan, Ill., May 15.—William H. Orpet went to trial here today for the murder of Marian Lambert.

The mystery that surrounded the love and death of Marian, the pretty high school girl, whose body was found February 10th in Helms woods at Lake Forest, has resolved itself into the question of murder or suicide, which must be answered by the jury which will try Orpet as the girl's slayer.

Orpet, a junior at the University of Wisconsin, has steadfastly maintained his innocence since he was jailed on Feb. 11. It is his contention that Marian committed suicide.

State's Attorney J. Daly, who is leading the prosecution, bases his case on the theory that Orpet gave Marian Cyanide of potassium, pretending to her that it was abortive medicine.

The defense, led by Former United States District Attorney James Wilkerson, planned today to contest every bit of circumstantial evidence that Daly will produce.

Because of the wide publicity given the case and the opinions that have been formed by Lake county citizens as to Orpet's guilt or innocence, it was expected that the selection of a jury would occupy at least a week.

Marian was pretty and 18. She and young Orpet, who is of the Byronic, almost "pretty" type of boy, had been friends since childhood. In recent years the two had trodden the primrose path.

Orpet was 21 only a few weeks ago. He had planned to marry Miss Celestia Youker, daughter of a minister at Barrington, Ill., and herself an instructor in chemistry at the state Normal school at DeKalb.

After arranging an alibi to conceal the fact that he had left Madison, Orpet went to Lake Forest on the night of February 8.

The next morning Orpet met Marian by appointment in the woods, told her he was "through" and was going to marry Miss Youker.

Marian, Orpet declared, sobbed, called him back, and evidently swallowed poison when he refused to return. At any rate, he declares, she fell to the snow-clad ground and when he reached her side, she was dying.

Marian died in his arms, Orpet said. The boy admitted that he fled back to Madison and made every effort to conceal his departure.

Marian, Orpet stated, had told him she was fearful of her condition. An autopsy showed there was no basis for her fear.

Friends of Marian stated she had admitted to them that she knew she was not in the condition she told Orpet. Orpet admitted he had sent Marian abortive medicines some months prior to the tragedy.

Marian's body was found by her father, Frank H. Lambert, superintendent on the Jonas Kuppenheimer estate at Lake Forest. There were no marks of violence on the girl and the cause of her death remained a profound mystery, until an autopsy disclosed cyanide of potassium in the

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