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MR. COLEMAN ARRIVES, WILL SPEAK TONIGHT

DISTINGUISHED AMERICAN WAR
CORRESPONDENT AND AU-
THOR VISITS BROTHER

GUEST OF PRESS CLUB
AT BANQUET TONIGHT

Lecture to Company M and Hospital
Unit Will Be At Methodist Church
—Public Invited—Mr. Coleman Has
Been Through Many Wars and Has
Just Returned From the Western
Front.

Frederic Coleman, American war
correspondent, author and lecturer,
arrived in La Grande this morning to
visit his brother, Louis C. Coleman
whom he had not seen for 19 years.
Mr. Coleman is a big man, sturdy
and stocky and bubbling over with
life. He is busy, too. He has con-
tracted to write a 50,000 word book,
to write more articles for the Satur-
day Evening Post and to write an
article for the Century. He is going
abroad and he expects to turn out
this literary product or at least part
of it on the way across the pond. The
article in this week's Post he turned
out while on the way over. Which
leads one to believe that Mr. Coleman
doesn't believe in sea-sickness.

The Press Club, as represented by
Dr. Bouvy, took Mr. Coleman in tow.
He will be dined at the Foley Hotel
at 6:30 p. m.

And then at 8 p. m. at the Method-
ist church he will address the mem-
bers of La Grande Hospital Unit and
the members of Company M. The
lecture is also open to the general
public, who will be welcome. The
lecture will be illustrated with lantern
slides.

Here are some of the stunts that
Mr. Coleman has done in his busy
life. He didn't tell us these things.
We got the story from his brother.)
Served on the staff of the New
York Herald in the Philippines during
the Spanish-American War, and the
London Daily Express in China, and
of the London Daily Chronicle at the

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ALLIES WILL WITHDRAW FROM GREECE

Paris, July 27.—(United Press)—
The withdrawal of the allied forces as
possible from Greece, ending the mili-
tary occupation of the Greek prov-
inces of Thessaly and Epirus, was re-
solved at the Allied War Conference.

IRISH NATIONALIST EJECTED FROM PARLIAMENT

London, July 27.—(United Press)—
Lawrence Ginnell, an Independent
Irish Nationalist, was forcibly ejected
from the House of Commons and sus-
pended from his seat because he
charged the government was plotting
to kill him and to manufacture a con-
spiracy which it could blame to the
Sinn Feiners.

Bar Association Meets.

Seattle, Wash., July 27.—The joint
convention of the bar association of
Washington, Oregon, Idaho and Brit-
ish Columbia opened here today. The
convention ends Saturday. Several
hundred lawyers are attending.

Hi Gill, mayor of Seattle, welcomed
the attorneys this morning. Samuel
White, president of the Oregon asso-
ciation, responded. Gordon Hunter,
chief justice of British Columbia; Dal-
ton Riggs, of Portland, and William
Tucker, president of the Washington
association, were on today's program.
As guests of the Seattle Bar asso-
ciation, visiting lawyers this afternoon
are on a trip on Puget Sound. They
will go through the new Lake Wash-
ington canal, before returning, and
tonight will take an automobile trip
over Seattle's highways.

J. A. Jenkins, jeweler for Seigrist
& Co., has resigned and accepted a
position in Tacoma.

R. A. Eaton, of Iowa, has succeeded
Mr. Jenkins at Seigrist's.

Cholera Epidemic Reported In Germany

Copenhagen, July 27.—(United
Press)—It is persistently rumored
that a cholera epidemic is raging in
many German cities, particularly
Hamburg.

FRENCH SUCCEED IN DRIVING BACK GERMANS

GERMANS MAKE A NIGHT AT-
TACK, MOST VIOLENT
OF ALL

SEVEN DAYS OF FIERCE FIGHTING AT ONE POINT

Eleven German Balloons Are Sent
Aloft For Artillery Range Work
By Germans—Great Attack Is
Fruitless—French Recover Lost
Ground In Other Sections.

BY HENRY WOOD

(United Press Staff Correspondent)
French Headquarters, July 27.—
Two hundred and fifty guns were
massed over a two-mile front last
night when the German Crown Prince
tried his seventh successive night to
wrest ground from the French on
Chemin Des Dames.

This probably was the most concen-
trated, violent assault of the seven
days' violent fighting.

Eleven German balloons were sent
aloft for artillery range work.

The German guns were massed only
a few hundred feet apart, pouring an
inferno of fire on the French.

The great attack was fruitless.

The Germans failed to gain new
positions.

The French recaptured lost ground
in other sections.

RUSSIA'S WOMEN FIGHTERS WIN GLORY ON BATTLE FIELD

WHEN MEN COMRADES TURN
TAIL AND RUN, LEGION OF
DEATH CHARGES FOR-
WARD.

GREAT HEROINISM SHOWN

They Advance Over Shell-Torn Field
and Take 102 Prisoners—Dozen Are
Wounded, Among Them Mme.
Bochkariova Commander—Bravery
and Impetuosity of the Women
Shame the Unstable Men.

Petrograd, July 27.—(United
Press)—Charging fearlessly over the
shell-torn field when their men com-
rades deserted, Russia's women fight-
ers in the first battle took prisoners
one hundred and two.

Front dispatches added to the glory
of the Women's Legion of Death.
They gave an additional casualty list,
of a dozen wounded, among them
Mme. Bochkariova, commander.

The girls charged the enemy with
fierce impetuosity, firing as they hur-
ried forward, utterly without fear.

Their example shamed the un-
stable troops nearby.

For Food Economy.

Portland, Ore., July 27.—A cam-
paign to promote practical food econ-
omy is being conducted here today by
City Chemist Callaway. After spend-
ing several weeks studying Portland's
wasted food, Callaway now is urg-
ing that every housewife not only
practice strict economy in preparing
food, but also that she see to it that
all scraps reach the poultryman or
farmer. He has issued the follow-
ing suggestions:

"Substitutes: Rye bread, oatmeal,
cornmeal mush and cookies for bread.
"Eat more vegetables, fruit, fish,
milk and dairy products and less
bread and cake.

"Provide a covered pail for all
table scraps that may be fed to chick-
ens or pigs. Through the garbage
man this material will find its way
into the market. All spoiled food,
crab shells, fish bones, nut shells and
non-edible scraps should be wrapped
in paper and placed in the garbage
can with the scraps and rubbish. But
all feeding material should be kept
separate for the use of poultrymen
and hog feeders.

"In some sections of the city where
chickens are kept the housewife and
poultryman can strike a bargain that
will be mutually advantageous.

"The scraps should be collected two
or three times a week to insure good
feeding.

KERENSKY IS BATTLING FOR THE REPUBLIC

RUSSIAN PREMIER SEEKS TO
PREVENT RETURN TO OLD
REGIME.

TIME IS RIPE FOR
A COUNTER REVOLUTION

Premier Tells the Soldiers, Workmen
and Peasants of the Danger—Any
Attempt to Restore Monarchy He
Warns Them, Will Receive Severe
Treatment.

Petrograd, July 27.—(United
Press)—Premier Kerensky and Pro-
visional Government are waging a
battle against discordant elements
which promises to become a fight to
prevent Russia's return to the Old
Regime, with rule of absolutism and
oppression.

Premier Kerensky senses the peril
of a counter revolution coming after
the military breakdown.

The government is determined not to
allow a relapse into the old regime.
He told the workmen's soldiers'
and peasants' council:

"Any attempt to return to mon-
archy will receive the severest treat-
ment. The breakdown at the front
created a fruitful soil for a counter
revolution."

Seattle Car Strike Not Settled Yet

Seattle, July 27.—(United Press)—
James Duncan, head of the Con-
ference Committee denied the Seattle
Street Car strikes were settled at a
secret conference. One hundred and
sixty-two more strike breakers ar-
rived this morning.

NEW YORK'S BOY MAYOR AGAIN FUSIONIST FAVORITE

New York, July 27.—(Special)—
John Purroy Mitchell is apparently
going to be pardoned for the crime of
being a "boy."

After much backing and filling by
the complicated elements of the fu-
sion movement here it now seems cer-
tain that he will be renominated for
mayor.

Once he was called "The Boy May-
or" with reservations as to his fitness
at the tender age of 34 to direct the
affairs of a city of 5,000,000 people.
He can still qualify as a "boy," re-
latively speaking, being now only 38.
But he has proved himself a most
precociously capable boy and quite
able to rule again, though his do-
minion, according to federal estimates,
now numbers 6,500,000 souls and has
become, since he took charge, the fi-
nancial capital of the world.

His is indeed an unusual record of
precocity. Sixteen years ago he was
just finishing law school at the age
of 22, having also to his credit a four-
year classical course at college. Five
years later found the 27 year old law-
yer a special counsel for New York
City and the next year he was made
Commissioner of Accounts. In 1909
he became President of the Board of
Aldermen and was Acting Mayor, ow-
ing to Mayor Gaynor's absence all the
following summer, then being only 31
years old.

During his term as Mayor he has
carried out many reforms based on his
researches as Commissioner of Ac-
counts and the recommendations of
the Bureau of Municipal Research
which he has worked closely. Many
unnecessary municipal positions have
been abolished by the consolidation of
offices. The city's purchasing meth-
ods have been modernized, effecting
large economies. Improved methods
of contract and public letting have
been installed. He has brought about
better control over maintenance of
highways, sewers and public build-
ings. The Controller's Department
has been completely reorganized and
the office of the President of the
Board of Aldermen been made more
effective.

His reform of the Police Depart-
ment has been most marked, despite
the present effort of his enemies to
discredit him in the "White Slave"
investigation. He had no delusions
as to this problem when he attacked
it. It is related that when he sent
Arthur Woods over to headquarters to
take up the duties of Commissioner,
that young enthusiast expressed the
conviction that he could clean things
up.

Mitchell listened gravely then as he
shook hands in farewell at his office
door, said:

"Good-bye and God bless you, you
fool!"

GERMANS MOW DOWN RUSSIANS BY THOUSANDS

ADVANCE CONTINUES AND
MANY RUSSIAN TOWNS ARE
CAPTURED.

KAISER WATCHES HIS
VICTORIOUS HOSTS

Washington Dispatch Says News Has
Been Received by Russian Embassy
That Fresh Troops Are Sent to the
Front in An Effort to Stem the
Russian Advance.

Berlin, July 27.—(United
Press)—Mowing down thousands
of the Russians, Germans cap-
tured the towns of Kolomes,
Gneizena, and the Sereth River
Crossings at Trembowla and Sko-
moczcz, it was officially stated.
The Kaiser is watching the
Germans advance.

Washington, July 27.—(United
Press)—Fresh Russian troops are
being rushed to the Galician front to
stem the German advance past Tar-
nopol, the embassy cables say.

The Teutonic forces continued un-
checked in their drive north from
Tarnopol. At other points the Rus-
sians stood firm and repulsed the
enemy.

Geo. M'Gill, Y.M.C.A. Secretary, Is Here

George McGill, traveling secretary
of the Y. M. C. A. for the Pacific
Coast, arrived in La Grande today.
He is one of the big men of the Y.
M. C. A. and is much interested in
the Army Y. M. C. A. work. He will
be tendered a dinner tonight by Sec-
retary King, at which the Board of
Directors will also be guests.

Red Cross Notes

The Red Cross spirit has taken hold
of the women in the jurisdiction of
La Grande Chapter.

Word comes in from the outside
auxiliaries of the large number eager
to work. Yesterday Joseph had fifty
women sewing. Imbler and Sumner-
ville auxiliary has presented her
soldier boys with well furnished com-
fort bags. The College Girls Auxil-
iary of La Grande has made over
forty bags for the La Grande boys.

The second auxiliary composed of
young women was organized yester-
day at the home of Miss Helda An-
derson. This auxiliary will be made
up of teachers and business women
largely. Their officers are Miss H.
Short, chairman; Mrs. Silas Gilbert-
son, vice-chairman; Miss H. Ander-
son, secretary, and Miss Huffman
treasurer.

Yesterday morning the new work-
room in the Elks Building was opened
for the making of surgical dressings.
The room is light, airy and cool.
Plenty of space for eight tables.
Twenty young women were on hand
at 9 o'clock sharp eager for work
and ready to follow the arbitrary
rules for accuracy which govern the
making of surgical dressings.

This morning the tables were filled
with ladies from the Eastern Star,
L. D. S., W. C. T. U., Presbyterian
Aid, St. Peters Guild, Neighborhood
Club and others having no special
affiliations. Each table is superin-
tended by a captain who gives the
lesson and inspects the work before
it leaves the table. The captains are
Mesdames Grady, Ritter, Bouvy, Don-
ohue, Andrews, and Larison.

Dr. Dora Underwood gave the first
lecture of the course this morning.
She gave a very clear and interesting
talk on the uses of surgical dressings
and the necessity for accuracy in the
preparation of the same and illus-
trated the uses of the varieties of
bandages. Dr. Underwood will give
a lecture every Tuesday morning at
9 o'clock. There will be no lecture
on Thursday morning but the ladies
are to meet for the work.

Wednesday morning the tables will
be filled by young women. There are
now two auxiliaries composed of
young women who will occupy tables,
but there is room for others and any
will be welcomed.

Dr. A. L. Richardson will give the
lectures to this class.

Not To Wrestle.

Jack O'Neill, the local wrestling
champion, announces that he has no
intention of wrestling Benardi, the
visiting wrestler.

Bill To Draft Aliens In The Senate

Washington, July 27.—(Unit-
ed Press)—The Senate Military
Affairs committee voted unani-
mously to recommend the Sen-
ate immediately to pass Senator
Chamberlain's resolution permit-
ting the draft of aliens.

POLITICS BUZ, WHO WILL BE NEXT GOVERNOR

GOVERNOR WITHYCOMBE HAS
NOT ANNOUNCED CANDIDACY
BUT WILL PROBABLY RUN

BEN W. OLCOTT WILL
PROBABLY RUN TOO

Gus C. Moser, President of the State
Senate, Bob Stanfield, George J.
Cameron, Ex-Mayor Albee, Rufus
C. Holman, Tom Kay, Are All Men-
tioned as Likely to Throw Their
Hats Into the Ring—Farmers Non-
Partisan League Looming Up.

Salem, Ore., July 27.—(Special)—
By glancing at the calendar 'most any
body can see that it is the latter part
of July, approaching the first of Au-
gust.

But by watching the political per-
formers these days the observer might
think that it was next April and the
primaries were going to be held next
week or week after next.

The boys certainly are getting busy.
Time and circumstances make no dif-
ference to them. Even the war and
preparations for war do not halt or
hinder the activities of the lads who
want to get themselves elected to of-
fice next year.

And of all the offices that are to
be filled by election none seems to be
more attractive than the governorship.

At least a dozen prospective candi-
dates now have their lightning rods
up waiting for the call of the people
to strike.

In the first place it is generally pre-
sumed that Governor Withycombe will
be a candidate to succeed himself.
He hasn't said so yet, but his friends
insist that his record during his first
term merits re-election. When the
governor went into office he said he
wanted only one term, but apparently
the job agrees with him and it is ex-
pected that he'll be in the race at the
Spring primaries. Any good listener
can perceive that he is making a
noise like a candidate these days.

But the governor is not going to
get the Republican nomination with-
out a struggle.

The man most frequently men-
tioned as his most formidable prob-
able opponent is Ben W. Olcott, sec-
retary of state. It is certain Olcott will
run.

Olcott was re-elected to his present
office last year by the biggest vote
any man ever received in the state.
He defeated Charles B. Moores, prob-
ably the strongest old line Republican
in the state, at the primaries by an
overwhelming vote. If he runs he is
going to get some strong support. He
belongs to the progressive wing of
the party. Some of the stand-patters
call it the "democratic—George
Chamberlain—Oz West wing" of the
party. They say that the Jackson
Journal and Oswald West wants Olcott
for governor. But this may be
just airy persiflage or just a plain,
common garden variety of knock.

Governor Withycombe's friends say
that he is a member of the "progres-
sive wing of the party and his friends
point to his political performances.
They say he needn't worry about cut-
ting into Olcott's strength.

It is probable that the Governor
could have avoided the threatened op-
position of Olcott. When Olcott was a
candidate for re-election the governor
and his advisers raked the state with
a fine tooth comb to get someone to
run against him. Every wise politi-
cian shied at the job until Mr. Moores
finally was persuaded to tackle it. He
evidently considered it a duty or some-
thing like that and waded in. The
people of Oregon love Charley Moores
personally but they could not stomach
his stand-pat associates. The result is
not pleasant for Mr. Moores and his
friends to contemplate, even to this
day. Everyone realizes now that it
was a mistake for the governor and
his supporters to mingle in the sec-
retary of state fight.

Had they remained out it is prob-
able that Olcott would have been
nominated without opposition and the
governor now would be spared the

VIOLENT EARTH- QUAKE IN CHILE

GREAT DAMAGE IS BELIEVED TO
BE DONE BY INTENSE
SHOCKS

MANY WALLS ARE SHAKEN
DOWN IN THE CITIES

Details Are Lacking But It Is Known
the Tremors Were Felt in Santiago,
San Luis, Mendoza, Rosario, Tucuman—Shock Is Described As the
Strongest in Years.

Buenos Aires, July 27.—(United
Press)—An earthquake of great in-
tensity is believed to have caused
great damage in Chile.

It is reported from Santiago.
Details are lacking but known trem-
ors were felt in Santiago, San Luis,
Mendoza, Rosario, Tucuman.

Many walls were shaken down.
The populace of several cities fled
from the houses.
Considerable property damage is re-
ported.

The shocks were described as the
strongest in years. Slight tremors
were noticeable here.

Year's War Bill Will Be Fifteen Billion Dollars

ON THIRD ANNIVERSARY OF
THE BEGINNING OF THE
GREAT WAR, THE U. S.
SPEEDS UP

Washington, July 27.—(United
Press)—America's War Bill for nine-
teen eighteen will amount to fifteen
billion dollars, it is officially an-
nounced.

Estimates for this staggering sum
were compiled by government depart-
ments, and sent to Congress by Sec-
retary McAdoo.

The budget includes approximately
twelve billion dollars for various de-
partments.

Adding to this the three billion au-
thorized for the Allies the total ex-
penditures will reach fifteen billions.

On the third anniversary of the be-
ginning of the war the United States
is rushing war measures to overcome
the pessimism in the Allied capitals.
Secretary Daniels announced the
navy department was building "more
destroyers than we ever dreamed we
could build."

Secretary Redfield announced the
Vaterland, the gigantic German vessel
which was seized, was now ready.

Twenty-six other German vessels
have been repaired.

The food bill, the conferees hinted,
might be ready to report to the House
and Senate Monday.

threatened danger of Olcott running
against him.

But the situation promises to be-
come further complicated by a multi-
plicity of candidates.

"Bob" Stanfield, the Eastern Ore-
gon sheep man, and speaker of the
last House, will be a powerful factor
if he runs, but it is not likely that he
will run if Olcott runs. Nor will Olcott
be likely to run if Stanfield runs.

It is pretty well understood that
Olcott and Stanfield have an agree-
ment on this point. A few days after
the close of the last legislature a
group of about 30 members of the
House and Senate met informally and
by chance in the Imperial hotel here.
They took a straw vote on their
choice for the governorship. The result
was a decisive first choice for
Olcott with nearly all the remaining
votes for Stanfield.

Most of the boys in that party have
strong political connections at home
and it is believed that by using them
they could throw a big vote either to
one or the other of these men.

Within the last few weeks it has
been whispered around Portland that
Ex-Mayor Albee may throw his hat
into the ring. And anyone who min-
imized Albee's strength isn't wise.
He is strong in Portland, but an un-
known quantity outside.

Rufus Holman, county commissioner
in Multnomah county, has been run-
ning for governor for the last two or
three years but appears to have run
himself out. He isn't as strong now
as he was a few years ago. In fact he
may have a hard time getting his old
job back if he runs.

Then there is the possibility that
Tom Kay, state treasurer, may run.
Kay now is serving his second term in
his present office and the law forbids
him another term. He would like to