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PLEBISCITE IS WON BY GERMANS

STATUS OF UPPER SILESIA OVERWHELMINGLY TOWARDS GERMANY.

RETURNS FROM TWO DISTRICTS MISSING

Rich Mine Region Is a Prize and Germans Were Well Manned to Take Care of the Sovereignty, if Possible - Few Untoward Incidents Occur.

BERLIN, Mar. 21.—Germany won an overwhelming victory in the plebiscite in Upper Silesia yesterday, which was held to determine the future national status of that region, according to the official returns. Returns from two districts are still missing, but the count showed 876,000 votes for Germany, and 389,000 for Poland. The plebiscite, generally, was without untoward incidents.

The plebiscite was held in Upper Silesia to determine whether the rich mining region of 50,000 square miles should be under the sovereignty of Germany or Poland. From distant parts of the world Germans and Poles ex-residents and others entitled to vote, had journeyed.

The plebiscite, it was estimated, involved the pilgrimage of 140,000 Germans. Special trains were furnished at the expense of the Germans and the trains were so crowded that many passengers were obliged to stand. Among the last contingents were 40 from South Africa, completing the representation of nearly every country except the entente.

Approximately 2,500,000 Germans and Poles were expected to cast ballots and the propaganda agencies of both countries have worked to the utmost. Each voter received two ballots, one Polish and the other German. After marking one, both ballots were dropped in the ballot box. This method, it was expected, would delay counting the votes. Even prisoners were entitled to vote.

Concentrations of Polish and German troops were reported on the frontiers and it was thought in some quarters fighting would occur, although the council of ambassadors had notified Germany full responsibility would be on her should disorders occur if German troops entered the zone. Poland also was warned that the allied plebiscite forces alone were responsible for the maintenance of order.

J'ever Hear This?

Where He Was Going. Two colored soldiers returning from war were discussing what they intended doing upon their arrival on the good old U. S. A. soil. "Joe, thisyer's what I'm gwine tuh do: I'm gwine git me a white suit."

PRESIDENT HARDING WANTS EMERGENCY BILL PASSED QUICKLY

WASHINGTON, Mar. 21.—President Harding has suggested to Chairman Fordney that the house ways and means committee sound out the senate Republicans as to the feasibility of the early passage of the emergency tariff protecting the farmers. The committee discussed the proposal at length, but reached no conclusion. The President desired to avoid the embargo and to limit the bill to a very few items, including meat and wool.

"Y" DRIVE UNDER WAY

TWENTY-FIVE MEN OUT AFTER FUNDS FOR INSTITUTION.

Good Results Expected—Reports of Committees To Be Made At Dinner This Evening.

The Y. M. C. A. campaign for \$5,000 is well under way, eight committees having gone into the field this morning to solicit subscriptions. The final arrangements were made at an enthusiastic dinner yesterday evening at the Foley hotel. A this dinner the pledge cards were distributed among the team members.

The campaign will last three days. Daily reports will be made, the committees meeting every evening at 6:15 at the Foley hotel where the progress of the campaign will be discussed at dinner. Although no estimate can be made at the present time as to the amount of pledges being received today, those members of the various teams who have been approached on the subject today all express themselves as well pleased with the results and expect to find no difficulty in securing the proposed amount.

The general committee in charge of the drive is composed of C. E. Short, chairman, Elmer Stoddard, and Howard K. O'Brien. The 25 men who were selected to do the actual work of soliciting are divided into the following teams: S. D. Crowe and Elmer Stoddard; C. E. Short and T. J. Scroggins; Dr. H. S. Brown and J. L. Cramer; A. C. Hampton and Sherwood Williams; G. L. Larison and Bruce Dennis; Floyd McKennon and Howard K. O'Brien; H. E. Dixon and Fred Kiddle; A. R. Hunter, F. L. Meyers and George Palmer.

GIRLS' GLEE CLUB TO APPEAR HERE

WILL GIVE CONCERT IN HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM.

Concert Will Be Under the Auspices of Local University Club—22 Singers In Club.

The Girls' Glee club of the University of Oregon, composed of 22 singers and musicians, an assemblage of musical talent which represents the best in the University, will make its second appearance of the Oregon Easter vacation tour in La Grande on March 29. The members of the club have been selected from 90 applicants and have been training since last fall. Friederike Schilke, daughter of Frederick Schilke, of La Grande, is a member of the glee club.

Enterprise, Baker, Pendleton, Heppner, and Hood River are included in the girls' itinerary through the Eastern Oregon counties. The club will travel in a special car on the main line of the O. W. R. & N. The organization, which is to visit the eastern section of the state this year during the spring recess at the University, has been built around a nucleus of members of last year's club which made a successful tour of Southern Oregon during the spring recess. This is the first time in several years that a girls' glee club of the state university has scheduled a trip into Eastern Oregon.

The appearance of the club here will be under the auspices of the La Grande University Club. A special committee, composed of H. M. DuBois, general chairman; May Neil, Jessie Farris, R. W. Oakley and Roy Currey, is making arrangements for the concert, which will be given in the high school auditorium.

FAIL TO APPEAR IN COURT. ONE GETS FORTY DOLLARS.

James Parker and Bart Brown charged with being drunk, each forfeited \$15 by failing to appear before Municipal Judge R. J. Kitchen this morning to answer to the charge. D. K. Ford, who had put up a \$10 bond on a similar charge early in the week, also forfeited his bond.

PROHIBITION HAS ANOTHER CONTROVERSY

ENTIRELY NEW ATTACK MADE ON VALIDITY OF PROHIBITION AGREEMENT

BASED ON REQUIREMENT WITHIN SEVEN YEARS TIME

J. J. Dillon, of San Francisco, Files Brief in the Supreme Court—Says Provision Attacked Was First Offered When He Was Senator—Dillon Is Charged with Violation.

WASHINGTON, Mar. 21.—An entirely new attack on the validity prohibition agreement based on the requirement that it be ratified within seven years, was made today in the supreme court in a brief by J. J. Dillon, of San Francisco, who is charged with violation of the prohibition law. The provision attacked was offered first by Harding when he was serving as a senator. The section making the entire prohibition article inoperative, unless ratified within seven years, the brief asserted, specifically violates article 5 of the constitution, which gives Congress no power to impose the limit on the ratification, "or to otherwise attempt to control what the legislatures shall do." The brief quotes Senator Harding in offering a provision as to have "clearly stated his vote for a resolution was on condition of this provision being approved," and quotes Senator Borah as having called attention then to the unconstitutionality of the section.

MAJOR GENERAL LIGGETT RETIRED

SAN FRANCISCO, Mar. 21.—Major General Hunter Liggett was retired today after forty-two years of service.

PARTY LEADER IS ELECTED

LONDON, Mar. 21.—Austin Chamberlain, chancellor of exchequer, was elected unionist party leader in the house of commons today. He succeeds Andrew Bonar Law, who retired last week.

DAUGHTER IS HEARD FROM. During the past several days, Coroner Hal Behnenkamp has received two telegrams from Mrs. G. Doane of Endicott, N. Y., daughter of the late Daniel Lane, whose charred remains were found in the debris of his burned home several mornings ago. Mrs. Doane is as yet undecided as to the funeral arrangements, but it may be that the remains will be shipped east for burial.

WEATHER FORECAST. Tonight and Tuesday, showers.

INDICTMENT OF MORRIS HAS BEEN DISMISSED

PORTLAND, Mar. 11.—The indictment against Fred S. Morris, charging that he unlawfully aided John L. Etheridge in obtaining naturalization papers in 1918, by concealing the prison record of Etheridge, was today quashed by Federal Judge Bean, who held that it did not charge an offense.

DALTON REWARD IS AGREED ON

CONSTABLE WHO MADE ARREST WILL GET \$5,000.

Two Boys Who Brought About the Youth's Capture Will Divide Equally the Remaining \$21,000.

BLOOMINGTON, Ill., March 21.—An amicable settlement over the disposition of the reward of \$25,000 offered by the Northern Trust Co. of Chicago, for the capture of William Dalton, and the return of \$772,000 of bonds he stole has been reached, according to announcement made here. The youth was arrested at Heyworth, near here.

Constable Jack Draper, who actually made the arrest will receive \$5,000. Paul Draper, his son, who brought about the youth's capture and James W. Dennis, who gave the first information about Dalton's whereabouts and who started suit for an injunction against the paying of the full amount to Paul Draper will divide the remaining \$21,000. The suit was dismissed.

ISLAND CITY LADS IN CLUB

PIG CLUB FORMED—MUCH INTEREST SHOWN.

Will Raise Pured Pig and May Later Go Into Corn-Raising End As Well.

The pig club, composed of junior members of the farm bureau, at Island City, was re-organized at a meeting Friday afternoon, Harry Aver, county agent, being in charge of the re-organization work. Eight members constitute the new club, three of whom are old members.

The boys who have been in the club before have all been in for several years, and one of them, Albert Bockett, had some mighty fine registered stock, one of his sows being worth several hundred dollars. Recently he bought two Poland-Chinas at a sale in Nampa and he has now a pretty good start toward becoming a pured stock raiser.

The boys will also raise pured stock and much enthusiasm is being shown, several other boys planning to join at an early date. The boys are now talking about forming a corn club and raising their own feed. This will receive consideration at a later meeting.

WASHINGTON HAS POLL TAX

OLYMPIA, Wash., Mar. 21.—Governor Hart has signed the bill imposing a five dollar poll tax on every person between the ages of 21 and 50, for funds which will be retired for the million dollar soldier bonus bonds.

PACKERS AND EMPLOYEES MEET DAVIS

BOTH SIDES OF WAGE DISPUTE PRESENTED TO THE SECRETARY OF LABOR.

HOOVER AND WALLACE ARE ALSO CALLED TO MEETING

President Gompers Announced Before Today's Conference, That the Moral Support of the Federation Would Be Given to the Employees in Their Fight.

WASHINGTON, Mar. 21.—The spokesmen for the packers and employees have presented their side of the dispute over the wages and working conditions at a conference with Secretary of Labor Davis. This preceded a joint conference at which Secretaries Hoover, of Commerce, and Wallace of Agriculture, sat with the labor secretary.

Dennis Lane, secretary of the Amalgamated Order of Meat Cutters and Butchers' Workers, and R. S. Brennan, attorney for the order, who will represent the employees, last evening conferred with Samuel Gompers and Frank Morrison, president and secretary of the American Federation of Labor.

President Gompers announced that the employees would have the moral support of the federation in their attempt, as labor leaders said, to compel the packers to observe the wartime working agreement.

Labor officials attached considerable importance to the conference, which might set a precedent for settlement of controversies involving discontinuance or abrogation of wartime agreements. The proceedings and the results attained by Secretary Davis will be watched closely also in official circles.

Mr. Gompers declined to indicate whether the federation would give more than "moral support." It was said further action would require the vote of the executive council.

Mr. Lane conveyed to President Gompers and Secretary Morrison the decision of the organized employees in the packing industry to strike if necessary to assist the meat cutters and butchers' union in obtaining continuation of the agreement.

It was stated definitely that the union's instructions would admit of no withdrawal of the insistence of the employees that the packers reinstate the arbitration agreement adopted during the war. The union delegates were expected to put this point even ahead of their objection to the wage reduction of from 12 1/2 to 15 per cent.

"The one big point involved," Mr. Lane said, "is the validity of our contract. This is the real question."

UNION COUNTY STOCK HIGHEST

SEAFOOD QUEEN III BRINGS TOP PRICE AT KLAMATH.

Union County Shorthorn Breeders Consigned the Bulk of Stock Offered For Sale.

KLAMATH FALLS, Mar. 21.—Seafood Queen III, owned by S. A. Hemp, of Union, Ore., brought the top price for cows, \$275, at the second annual farm bureau Shorthorn sale held last week. Oliver Martin, of Merrill, was the purchaser.

Avulsion Primrose, entered by O. Garrett, of Glendale Ore., sold highest of the bulls, bringing \$450. The animal was purchased by the First National bank, which offered it as a prize to the first man to secure the sale of all the bulls.

The sale attracted a big crowd. One female and thirty steers were sold. The average price was \$211. Union county breeders consigned the bulk of the Shorthorn local stock was offered.

MAY INDICATE GREEK OFFENSIVE ON FORCES OF THE NATIONALISTS

LONDON, Mar. 21.—The calling by King Constantine of Greece of the three classes of the colors, has been announced in Athens. This presages a Greek offensive against the Turkish Nationalists, said M. Gounaris, Greek minister of war here, today. The decree is the consequence of the attitude of Turkey, who has again refused to accept the proposals of the London conference, and is demanding Thrace and Smyrna, said Gounaris.

SWIMMING TO BEGIN SOON

PLANS BEING MADE TO TEACH ALL BOYS TO SWIM.

Indoor Gymnasium Work Practically To Cease After Current Week.

Preparations are being made at the Y. M. C. A. for the swimming season. After this week practically all the gymnasium class work will be over, and swimming and outdoor athletics will become popular. Special attention will be laid on the work among the boys, and every possible effort will be made to get all the boys in the city into one of the classes.

There will be classes for beginners, classes for those more advanced wishing to learn additional strokes and diving, classes for life-saving and also instruction for those wishing to qualify as instructors. And every boy attending these classes will be given proper credentials when he shows that he has mastered the art of swimming to the required degree.

With the winding up of this week will be done during the spring at the Y. M. C. A. will be individual work, so there will be plenty of time to devote to swimming classes.

CHANGES MADE IN LOCAL WARD

DAVID I. STODDARD ACCEPTS CHORISTER APPOINTMENT.

Clyde Metcalf Takes Place of Second Counselor in Bishop Black of La Grande Ward.

The sessions of the L. D. S. Conference held yesterday were marked by a large attendance of members and friends. Interesting and instructive addresses were made by the visiting representatives Elders Rudger Clawson and Heber C. Iverson.

As matters of business, David I. Stoddard, who has been acting for some time past as second counselor to Bishop Black, of La Grande Ward, was released to accept the appointment of Stake Chorister, left vacant by the death of Professor L. D. Edwards. Clyde Metcalf was sustained as counselor to Bishop Black in the place left by Mr. Stoddard.

To fill the vacancy in Baker Ward caused by the resignation of Bishop Wm. A. Roundy, the following were appointed: James W. Eardley, as Bishop, with C. Lewis Shurtliff and Clayton Y. Nelson as Counselors.

A number of out-of-town members were in attendance. The music under David I. Stoddard was well rendered. Mrs. Nellie Bean rendered a solo which was much appreciated.

RESIDENTS OF MATEWAN FREED

WILLIAMSON, Va., Mar. 21.—The jury today acquitted the sixteen Matewan residents who were being tried for the killing of Albert C. Felts, private detective, in a street battle in Matewan last May.

At 7:35 p. m. Saturday, the jury in the case of the State vs. Chin Mon Ben, alias Chin Bill, and Mrs. Charlie Jones, brought in its verdict, having retired at 12:04 p. m. Mrs. Jones was declared not guilty according to the verdict, and Chin was declared guilty of manslaughter, Judge J. W. Knowles setting 10 o'clock Wednesday morning for pronouncing sentence.

Both Mrs. Jones and Chin Bill received the verdict calmly. The verdict was brought in shortly after supper and the court room which had been packed with spectators during the entire week was practically empty. With the exception of the attorneys and officials there were only about half a dozen spectators present.

Public Forewarn Verdict. Interest in the case of the part of the public lagged Saturday largely because of the general opinion that the evidence in favor of the defendants was so strong that little doubt existed in their minds on the probable outcome, at least so far as Mrs. Jones was concerned, the interest in this case, as in every case where a woman's life is at stake, having centered almost entirely around the woman in the case.

Just Like Women. Jurors are sworn to secrecy and they deliberate in a leak-proof room. But 12 men can no more keep a secret than two women. So it is now generally known that it took just generally three minutes to arrive at a verdict of "not guilty" in the case of Mrs. Jones.

Just how long it took them after that to arrive at a verdict in the case of Chin Bill is not known, but probably the greater part of the afternoon. Indications are that a decision was reached some time close to supper-time, the court being notified immediately after supper that a verdict had been reached. Those wise to the way of juries always take an after-supper verdict as an indication of agreement having been reached shortly before supper, all jurors seeming to prefer to render their verdict on a full stomach.

Because of the inability of 12 men in a leak-proof room to keep the public from knowing just how their decision was reached, it is understood that there was mighty strong sentiment in favor of a verdict of acquittal in the case of Mrs. Jones' co-defendant. The deciding factor in determining the verdict is believed to have been the alleged threats made against Chin Bill's life by his fellow-Chinamen. Death on his release from the county jail is said to have been threatened against him and it is believed that this factor moulded the sentiment of those favoring acquittal early in the afternoon, until finally the 12 men who had the fate of Chin Bill in their hands arrived at a verdict agreeable to all.

J. C. Binger was foreman of the jury. The other members were J. A. McKenzie, Walter E. Pratt, G. Klippenstein, Aric Rysdam, J. A. Gaskill, F. E. Greinet, C. H. Blystone, Wm.

MRS. JONES IS A FREE WOMAN

HER CO-DEFENDANT GETS MANSLAUGHTER VERDICT.

CHIN BILL TO BE GIVEN JAIL TERM WEDNESDAY

Jury Was Out 7 Hours, 9 Minutes—Believed That Verdict In Mrs. Jones' Case Was Reached Quickly, and That Sentiment Was Strong For Acquittal of Chinaman.

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