

Governor Small's Indictment Has Been Upheld by an Illinois Court

MARSHFIELD MAN ELECTED AS PRESIDENT

State Teachers' Convention Elects Officers for Coming Year

VALE MAN NAMED AS VICE-PRESIDENT

Early Election of Teachers is Recommended and Private Agencies are Scored for Profiteering.

(By Associated Press) PORTLAND, Dec. 29.—The state teachers' association today devoted its session to departmental meetings and a general assembly, Mrs. Mary A. Fulkerson delivering the annual address.

C. A. Howard of Marshfield was elected president for the ensuing year yesterday, G. W. Ager of Vale vice-president; C. A. Rice of Portland, J. O. McLaughlin of Corvallis and O. C. Brown of Roseburg, members of the executive committee. Howard emphasized the need of the enactment of a teachers' retirement fund.

Fees Too High.

PORTLAND, Dec. 29.—At yesterday's session of the state teachers' association meeting active discussion centered about the report of the committee on teachers' appointment agencies, the general sentiment being against the private agencies, which were charged in many cases with exacting exorbitant fees. Representatives of several of the agencies were present at the meeting. The committee recommended that a standing committee be appointed to investigate irregularities in the conduct of private agencies, to formulate a code of ethics for teachers' agencies and to continue the investigation of teacher placement with the investigating committees of the association. It also recommended that the association work toward the bringing about the annual election of teachers not later than the first of March each year, so as to facilitate the work of county superintendents in listing vacancies.

American Legation Protests Against Chinese Going Home

(By Associated Press) PEKING, Dec. 29.—The American legation protested formally to the Peking government against the return to the capital of General Chang Ching-Yao, former military governor of Hunan province, whose troops killed Rev. W. A. Reinert, American missionary at Yenchow, in June, 1920, in an attack on the reformed mission while they were retreating before the pressure of southern forces.

Sportsmen Eat Deer Meat at Their Banquet

More than one hundred and fifty sportsmen of Union county, all members of the Wing, Fin and Fleetfoot club, gathered last evening at the Foley hotel and feasted on deer meat. "How did it happen?" Warden Walden first told the boys a couple of big bucks had been bad friends and in fighting out their differences in the hills had killed each other, hence the meat for the feed. But his old-time truthfulness asserted itself and he confessed that the deer meat was secured from the two deer killed by a couple of hunters who had transgressed the Oregon game laws, paid their fines and turned the meat over to the state. The club gave the state one dollar as a consideration for the two deer and the feed was held. It was a fine occasion and an excellent first experience for the boys.

Girl Is Homesick, Goes to Old Home While City Searches

A desire to see the farm where she lived until five or six years ago is believed to have been the cause of over a hundred men searching for 14-year-old Marjorie Massey until a late hour last night when she was discovered at the Boswick place in the Mt. Glenn district. About 3:30 yesterday afternoon her mother, with whom she is visiting at the home of her grandmother, Mrs. Anna Canfield, sent her to the creamery for milk. Alarm was felt following the failure of the girl to return and an investigation revealed that the girl had not gone to the creamery. The police and sheriff's office were notified immediately and a search was begun. It was feared that the child had been kidnapped and about 9:30 it was decided to press the volunteer fire department into service, a special alarm was sounded and the search begun anew. Besides notifying all parts of the county the officers notified Baker and Pendleton authorities to be on the lookout for the child. The search proved of no avail until a telephone call from Mt. Glenn to the sheriff told of the young girl being at Boswick ranch. Since moving away from here the Basseys have been making their home in Jackson, Wyoming. The girl has a quiet disposition and is rather bashful and had little to say regarding her leaving home yesterday excepting that she did not know how late in the afternoon it was and how far it was to the old home. She made the trip to Mt. Glenn district by the old red apple orchard road, a distance of about six miles.

PIONEER OF HILGARD HAS PASSED AWAY

James Beauchamp, Veteran of the Indian Wars, Died at Age of Eighty-six.

James Robinson Beauchamp, a pioneer of Hilgard, died Monday morning at his home. Mr. Beauchamp was 86 years of age and leaves a wife and several children.

He was a veteran of the Indian wars and has lived near Hilgard for over 25 years.

Funeral services were held in Hilgard today, interment being made in Hilgard cemetery.

Basketball Season Will Reopen Again After Holidays

Until after the holiday season the city basketball league and the minor leagues will not play any games. It has been customary to play one game per week in the city league and several games in the intermediate, graders and scouts leagues by the "Y" officials thought best to postpone them until after the first of the year. If Union becomes a member of the league, this will give them time to arrange a different schedule and make other necessary arrangements. After the vacation the teams are expected to come back fresher and ready to show a classier brand of ball than heretofore.

Joseph Now Has Light At All Hours Of Day

(Special to The Observer) JOSEPH, Dec. 29.—Joseph has at last been able to look herself in the face after dark and see just how big a smile a real light will reveal. The new plant of the Enterprise Electric at the head of the lake is finished and in use and the very badly needed current available after months when the strain was so great on the old plant that the use of electricity was anything but a joy.

WINTER WHEAT FAVORABLE IN MIDDLE WEST

Crop Report For First Half of December Indicates Good Conditions in Oregon.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—Crop conditions for the first half of December are covered in reports received by the Bureau of Markets and Crop Estimates, United States Department of Agriculture, from its field agricultural statisticians in the different states.

The hauling of the corn crop is nearing completion and but little of the crop still remains in the field. The yield has generally been good throughout the country but the quality of the crop is being damaged by ear worm and mold throughout the North Central States. The crop is being marketed very slowly and in many sections a tendency is being manifested to feed a larger percentage than usual.

The condition of the winter wheat crop continues favorable throughout the Eastern and North Central States. The unfavorable outlook in Kansas has been considerably improved by the snow of December 2 and 3 although more moisture is needed in the north central counties. More rain is also needed in Oklahoma and eastern New Mexico. Growth is backward and irregular in the Rocky Mountain States due to insufficient moisture. Recent rains have benefited conditions in Washington and Oregon but seeding is still being delayed in California due to lack of moisture and will continue into January.

The condition of the winter rye crop is generally good and excellent stands of vigorous growth are reported.

The picking of the cotton crop is practically completed and the bulk of the crop ginned. Many gins have already been closed for the season. Although the yield is generally low the late estimates are proving to be considerably better than earlier expectations.

The Irish potato crop is practically all harvested and very little frost damage has been reported. Much of the non-irrigated acreage in Colorado was practically a failure due to the dry summer and fall. The preparation of the ground for the planting of early potatoes is well advanced.

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LIMITATION OF SUBS IS BLOCKADED

Naval Committee Passes Decision to Experts Because of Friction

GREAT BRITAIN IS BEHIND THE U. S.

Unlimited Building of Aircraft With Throttling for Use in War is Suggested.

(By Associated Press)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—The direct issue of whether the future submarine warfare shall be conducted under civilized rules was raised today by the American delegates before the arms conference naval committee. They urged the adoption of the Root resolution and won the support of Great Britain, but the French, Japanese and Italian delegates urged the reference of the matter to a commission of experts.

The Root resolutions, which would regulate the use of submarines against merchant craft, were the subject of spirited debate at the morning session.

The unlimited construction of aircraft, but sharp limitation of their use in war was recommended by the sub-committee of aviation.

Portland Will Not Have Fair Alone Is Meier's Statement

(By Associated Press) PORTLAND, Dec. 29.—Chairman Meier announced today that the exposition committee will take no legal action to force Ritter or Hean to sign the fair bills, but that court action may later be taken to test the two measures. He declared that the exposition will not be held without a portion of the funds necessary raised outside of Portland.

PLUNKETT IS OPTIMISTIC ON TREATY

Old Troubles of Ireland and England Buried, Says Famous Leader Now in New York.

(By Associated Press) NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—Horace Plunkett, arriving Wednesday, predicted that the Irish treaty would be ratified and that Ulster would join in formation of the Irish free state.

Asked how he knew the treaty would be ratified, he replied: "Because even if the Dail cannot, on account of the pledges of its members to an Irish republic, agree to another form of government, it will have to consult the people and they will be for the treaty."

"The terms of the treaty are substantially those I have advocated for two and a half years, so I am naturally happy about them. So also should Irishmen and friends of Ireland in America feel."

"Insofar as the Irish question is concerned the old conflict between Britain and Ireland I believe it to be buried. Of course there will remain many Irish questions which will take a long time to settle. In this respect we are in the same position as every other civilized people."

"The Ulster difficulty is no longer an issue in British party politics, I am confident there will be a wholly new spirit in Ireland in regard to this difficulty."

"It would be in the best interests of the Unionists of the northeast corner of the island to join hands with the great majority of their fellow countrymen as the southern Unionists have done, in building up the Irish free state."

"But if they do not come in at once I have no doubt that the will do so very soon."

BULLETINS

(By Associated Press)

PEARL RIVER, N. Y., Dec. 29.—Four bandits shot and killed the assistant cashier and a clerk of the First National Bank here today. They escaped in an automobile after wounding a railroad guard.

(By Associated Press) SALEM, Dec. 29.—Declaring them not of such urgency as warranted consideration at the special session of the legislature, the governor yesterday vetoed five house bills and two senate bills.

(By Associated Press)

LISBON, Dec. 29.—Two were killed and five wounded today through an explosion of bombs being manufactured in a building belonging to the Lisbon General Confederation of Labor. Some arrests have been made.

(By Associated Press)

BUTTE, Dec. 29.—The mines and smelters here in Great Falls and Anaconda, will resume operation on January 16. A wage cut of 50 cents a shift has also been announced.

(By Associated Press)

PORTLAND, Dec. 29.—Livestock was steady today, eggs two cents lower, buying price being 35 to 44 cents, butter weak, with a lower tendency, and wheat \$1.05 to \$1.09.

TRIAL IS SET FOR EARLY IN JANUARY

Nine out of Thirteen Counts Are Upheld by Decision of Court

OTHERS INVOLVED WITH THE GOVERNOR

Conspiracy to Operate Confidence Game With Millions of State Funds Alleged.

(By Associated Press)

WAUKEGAN, Ill., Dec. 29.—The prosecution this afternoon dismissed the embezzlement charge against Governor Small, the only charge remaining against the governor being conspiracy to defraud.

(By Associated Press)

WAUKEGAN, Ill., Dec. 29.—Judge Claire C. Edwards, circuit judge of Lake county today upheld the indictment charging Governor Len Small with embezzlement of \$500,000 from state funds, and nine of 13 counts of indictment charging the governor, Lieutenant-Governor Fred E. Sterling and Vernon Curtis, banker of Grant Park, Ill., with conspiracy and operating a confidence game involving two million dollars of state money.

The court ordered the trial of the governor for January 9 on the embezzlement charge. The court quashed the indictment charging Small, Curtis and Sterling with embezzling \$700,000 and three counts in the other joint indictment.

Wife of Mt. Glenn Man Passed on at Early Hour Today

Mrs. Anna Spiers, wife of James Spiers of the Mt. Glenn district, died this morning at 7:30, following an illness covering a period of several years. Besides her husband Mrs. Spiers leaves four children. Funeral arrangements are indefinite but will probably be held at Island City Saturday.

The remains are at the Bohnenkamp chapel.

MILLIONS FOR TOYS

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—More than \$100,000,000 was spent by the American people for toys and games during 1921, the National City bank has figured. The value of toys made here in 1915 was given as \$45,000,000, compared with \$14,000,000 five years previous, when Germany sent America great cargoes of toys.

Capital invested in the American industry advanced from \$19,000,000 in 1914 to \$25,000,000 in 1919.

Exports of American toys jumped from less than \$1,000,000 in 1913 to \$4,000,000 last year.

Heavy Jail Sentences Given Drunks in Baker

BAKER, Dec. 29.—Christmas cheer was responsible for a number of cases in police court Tuesday morning, and Judge J. R. Smurthwaite dealt out fines and sentences with his usual impartiality. Following are the cases disposed of: Bert Perry, Dan Roden, L. O. Ginger, Charles Corner, Jack Hamilton, P. Hansen and Bert Cavataugh were each fined \$25 and given a sentence of 30 days for being intoxicated; John McCarty was fined \$50 and given 30 days for being drunk and carrying concealed weapons; R. C. Shortridge was fined \$50 and given 30 days for illegal possession of liquor; John Leachy from Burnt River was given the stiffest sentence—100

days in jail and a fine of \$200 for having in his possession two suit cases containing six gallons of fire water; Billy Berens, Baker's champion boxer, and W. Intyre were relieved of \$50 each and 60 days in jail for being drunk and disorderly in the Senate cafe.



Tonight and Friday rain in the western portion of the state and steady in the eastern portion.

