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LITHUANIA GIVEN MEMEL SOVEREIGNTY

Council of Ambassadors Grant Memel Jurisdiction to Lithuania.

FRENCH SOLDIERS WOUNDED IN CLASH
Tension at Essen Is Increased by Shooting; French Tanks Moved into City Today.

(By Associated Press)
PARIS, Feb. 16.—The sovereignty over the Memel district, the Baltic area detached from Germany and since the war under international jurisdiction, was granted Lithuania today by the allied council of ambassadors today.

Two Frenchmen Wounded.
(By Associated Press)
ESSEN, Feb. 16.—Two French soldiers were wounded here last night by German security police who interfered in a cafe altercation. The tension, already high, has been increased by shooting. The Germans moved tanks into the city today.

THE WEATHER
(By Associated Press)
PORTLAND, Feb. 16.—Tonight and Saturday rain or snow in the west; snow in the east portion.

Polish-Lithuanian Clashes.
(By Associated Press)
WARSAW, Feb. 16.—Clashes between Polish troops and Lithuanian irregulars occurred several places during the occupation of a neutral zone allotted to Poland by the council of ambassadors.

The greater part of the southern area and important sections of the center zone given to Poland is under Polish administration. The Lithuanians are still retaining the occupation of the remainder of the area.

TUTANKHAMEN TOMB OPENED

LUXOR, Egypt, Feb. 16.—The sarcophagus of Pharaoh King Tutankhamen was found when the inner chamber of the tomb was opened by British archaeologists this afternoon. Many articles of furniture were also found in the mortuary chamber. A large crowd of visitors and newspaper men assembled in anticipation of the unveiling.

PENDLETON DANCES TO BE SUPERVISED

PENDLETON, Feb. 16.—Public dance halls of Pendleton will be police regulated in the future as the result of an ordinance passed by the city council last night requiring dance managers to file notice of their dances with the recorder in advance, securing a permit and paying a sum of five dollars for the cost of police supervision.

The ordinance is the outcome of a desire on the part of those attending the dances and the dance managers themselves for cleaner dances. The council by the ordinance is given power to hire extra police as the occasion demands.

C. W. JOHNSON FOUND GUILTY

BAKER, Feb. 16.—C. W. Johnson, who was found guilty in the circuit court on a charge of forgery and today pleaded guilty to a second indictment was sentenced by Judge Gustav Anderson to 15 years in the penitentiary on the first charge and three years on the second. He will be taken to Salem tomorrow morning by Sheriff George A. Herbert.

Judy Ash & Mose Lyman Awarded Grid Letters

O. A. C., Corvallis, Feb. 16.—Judy Ash and "Mose" Lyman of La Grande, both sophomores in commerce, were awarded Orange "O" sweaters in student assembly this week. Both were members of the football team last fall. Lyman is a member of Omega Upsilon fraternity.

CORVALLIS, Feb. 16.—Football sweaters have been awarded to 17 men by Coach R. B. "Dick" Rutherford. Three sweaters, pattern three

Snow Causes Change in Plans to Attend Oregon Retail Merchants Meet

PORTLAND, Feb. 16.—Snow on the highways has caused a change in the plan for the delegates going to the state retail merchants convention in Eugene. Instead of an automobile caravan from Portland to Eugene, as had been formerly planned, a special Oregon electric train will leave the Northbank depot in Portland at noon Sunday arriving in Eugene at four o'clock.

MYERS GUILTY OF STATUTORY CHARGE, JURY

Jury Brings Verdict of Guilty at End of Fifty Minutes; Ebell vs. O-W. Starts Late Yesterday.

After remaining out fifty minutes, the jury in the case of S. L. Myers, charged with contributing to the delinquency of a minor, returned last evening at 4:30 with a verdict of guilty. Judge J. W. Knowles announced that sentence would be imposed Saturday morning at ten o'clock.

Myers, who was convicted and sentenced to serve a year in the county jail last June on the charge of larceny of which he has served nearly nine months, was charged with contributing to the delinquency of his nine-year-old daughter, Capitola, at Union, last spring.

Ebell Case Today.
The case of Zulu Ebell vs. the O. W. R. & N. company was begun immediately after the Myers case went to the jury and testimony is being taken today. The case is expected to take up the remainder of this week. Zulu Ebell is suing the O-W-R. for \$40,000 damages due to the death of Gerald Ebell, employed by the O-W-R. on November 20th, 1921. Her suit is based on two complaints, one on the "doctrine of last chance claim" and the other charging the railroad with negligence. Green and Hess, Ivanhoe and Ashwell, attorneys, represent the plaintiff, and A. C. Spencer and Crawford and Eakin represent the defendant.

Four cases still remain on the calendar and are: City of La Grande vs. Mrs. L. McNulty, appealed; State of Oregon vs. Grace Andrade, charged with obtaining money on false pretenses; State of Oregon vs. William Kessler, charged with manslaughter; and the State of Oregon vs. A. J. Howell, charged with obtaining money on false pretenses.

WANTS BAKER MAN ON BOARD

(By Associated Press)
SALEM, Feb. 16.—The governor today announced the appointment of William Tollman of Baker as a member of the state highway commission, succeeding W. B. Barrett.

SALEM, Feb. 16.—William Tollman, banker and cattleman of Baker, is being urged by Governor Pierce to accept an appointment on the state highway commission. This announcement was made by Mr. Pierce this evening upon the arrival of Mr. Tollman at the state house, states a special dispatch from the Oregonian.

Mr. Tollman has the matter under advisement, but says his private affairs are such that he does not see just how he can accept. So anxious is the governor to have Mr. Tollman serve that the commission has been made out and awaits only the decision of the banker.

That Mr. Tollman was slated for a position on the highway commission was political gossip in the campaign. He was urged as a matter of course to accept the appointment by the administration of Governor O'Leary. In the campaign of last fall, Mr. Tollman was one of the principal supporters of Mr. Pierce and wrote several thousand letters to business acquaintances throughout the state, urging them to rally to the support of the cattle man.

Stripes each, three going to Captain Percy Lacey, Marcus McFadden and Ed Clark. Five sweaters went to two year players and nine to winners for the first time.

Sweaters were given to Captain Lacey, Marcus McFadden, "Ed" Clark, "Hughie" McKenna, "E" Miller, Reginald Towner, "Lake" Gill, Millard Scott, Dean McKelwell, Fred Teln, "Harris" Rick, "Dick" Garber, "Judy" Ash, "Mose" Lyman, "High Pockets" Hallett, "Babe" McGart and "Bert" Wang.

CONFERENCE IN LONDON SUCCESSFUL

Law Gives Transportation Facilities in Cologne to French.

MAY TRANSFER PART OF AREA TO FRENCH
British Hesitated to Grant Facilities as Action Would Give Briton Approval to Ruhr Occupation.

(By Associated Press)
LONDON, Feb. 16.—Prime Minister Law at a conference with the French, which ended today, is reported to have reached transportation facilities for the French forces through the British zone at Cologne. He is understood to have offered, however, to transfer a small section of the zone to complete French control.

An earlier report stated that the British hesitated to grant the facilities to the French as such action would give the British approval to the Ruhr occupation.

MAN-WOMAN IN A STREET ROW

Map, Alleged to Be V. Good, has row with Woman on Adams Avenue About Noon Today.

A street row, between a man and a woman, occurring about noon today on Adams avenue resulted in the arrest of the man. The policeman who made the arrest could not be found before the Observer went to press today and particulars were obtained from eye-witnesses, who state that the man's name was V. Good. The woman's name could not be ascertained.

According to an eye-witness, Good and the woman met in front of the postoffice and exchanged words. What the woman said is not known, but the man is reported to have replied to her, "Get out of my sight; I never want to see you again." Whereupon he went on down Adams and she followed shortly afterwards. Midway in the block between Depot street and the postoffice he is said to have stopped and waited for her and upon her arrival a row resulted that was stopped by some business men. Policeman Jim Nelson then took Good to the police station, where he is being held pending further action.

A LITTLE EARLY



President Harding to Visit Idaho and Other West States in Summer

WASHINGTON, Feb. 16.—President Harding told Senator Gooding Thursday he is planning to visit Idaho sometime during the summer, but has not arranged his western trip and has as yet no tentative itinerary. He probably will not go west before early summer, his plans depending largely on Mrs. Harding's health. If she is able to travel the president wants to make a thorough tour of the west, states the Idaho Statesman.

AVIATOR SHOT TO DEATH BY UNKNOWN MAN

(By Associated Press)
LOS ANGELES, Feb. 16.—Earl Remington, electrical engineer and aviator, was shot to death shortly after midnight in the yard of his home in an exclusive residential district, the wounds being inflicted by a shot gun.

Two bullet holes penetrated a large portfolio which Remington had evidently held before his breast as protection. No attempt was made to rob the house or loot the body. His wife was asleep in the house at the time of the shooting and the body was found near an automobile by Charity Dawson, a negro cook employed by the Remingtons.

DOKIES FLOCK TO PENDLETON

PENDLETON, Feb. 16.—Dokies from La Grande, Walla Walla, Milton, Weston and other places are expected to call Pendleton "home" for several hours when they come here tomorrow for a big ceremonial which the Khaled Temple No. 170, of La Grande, will conduct at the Bagley-Woodman hall.

A farol of special scenery is to be brought to Pendleton for the affair. The ceremony will be held in the evening and will start at 7:30 o'clock prompt. Four hours probably will be required for the work, and at 11:30 o'clock a banquet will be served.

Local members of the fun order of the Knights of Pythias declare that between 25 and 40 teams have already been signed to take the work.

APPROPRIATION TO REPAY TAX

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, Feb. 16.—Additional appropriations of \$78,656,000 to cover repayments of taxes illegally collected was asked today by the budget bureau.

EXTRA

GROUP BILL OPPOSED.

(By The Associated Press)
SALEM, Feb. 16.—The Senate compromise bill, which passed the Senate yesterday, reached the house today to find two groups opposing it. Which will be victorious was problematical early this afternoon.

The compromise income tax bill is being suggested in senate circles as a way out of the tangle caused by seven pending measures.

The Senate today passed a bill appropriating \$15,000,000 annually to honor the battleship "Oregon" to Portland.

WELTERS ARE READY TO DON THE LEATHERS

Allie Nelson and Bus Barrie Ready for Go Tonight; Nelson Given Decision by Idaho Commission.

"Reversal of the decision rendered in the twelve-round boxing bout held here recently between Allie Nelson, of Portland, and Bus Barrie (Bus Barrie), has been ordered by Thomas Sherlock, of Boise, chairman of the state athletic commission. At the close of the bout Barrie was declared the winner by the referee, who glanced hurriedly at the score cards of the two judges. The cards were misread, however, as each of the judges gave Nelson a shade the best of the argument."

That is the account received in La Grande in regards to the disputed outcome of the Barrie-Nelson match, in Pendleton, Idaho, some time ago. The decision gives Nelson the junior welterweight title for Idaho and Utah.

According to Nelson, who arrived in the Observer office this morning looking in the pink of condition, the fight "was a tough battle from start to finish."

Nelson Confident.
"I want to win all the more tonight," stated Allie, "mainly to decisively prove that the decision handed down by the Idaho commission was correct. I anticipate a tough battle, but feel that I can come out a winner."

Barrie arrived in La Grande today and expects to defeat Nelson and as a result the fans here are looking forward to a fight that will rank head and shoulders above any scheduled here this season. Nelson and Barrie had met twice before the Pendleton bout and both fights had ended in a draw. Barrie is classed as one of the fastest welterweights in the Intermountain district and has fought many times on the coast, although he is a native of Idaho.

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Eastern States in Grip Of Cold Wave; Loss Is Reported to Be Heavy

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, Feb. 16.—A continuation of the present cold spell east of the Mississippi Friday and Saturday was predicted by the weather bureau Thursday night. The bureau said that subnormal temperatures existed throughout most of the United States and northern Canada. Temperatures continued to fall Thursday in the southern and in the Atlantic states but there was a reaction to somewhat higher temperatures in the Missouri valley, the plains states and the Rocky mountain region.

LA GRANDE TO PLAY HAINES THIS EVENING

Team, Reinforced, Will Then Go to Baker for One of the Critical Games of the Season.

Ray Lynch, James Coker, Clifford Blokland, Owen Price, Robert Garrity, Joe Funk and Earl Larson, all members of the basketball squad, accompanied by their coach, Cecil Snow, left this morning on No. 24 bound for Haines where they will play the Haines basketball team this evening in the first game of a series of two in Baker county. George Garrick and Ralph Webb also accompanied the team. Haines was defeated in La Grande two weeks ago 51 to 9 and La Grande is easily favorites over their adversaries.

Tomorrow evening, strengthened by Floyd Smith, Bernard Hummel, Captain Glenn Metcalf and Eugene Metcalf, the squad will play Baker in one of the most critical games of the season. If Baker is defeated it practically clinches the divisional championship if Baker wins, curtains for La Grande! "Dad" King's proteges, although getting off to a bad start, are going at a much faster rate and local dopesters, figuring on Baker's present strength and La Grande's showing against the dopesters, believe that the Blues should win decisively. However, dope is merely dope, and many times is upset. The probable line-up at Baker will be Price, Lynch and Hummel forwards; Smith, Garrity or Funk, guards.

Baker is reported to be in poor condition and play Prairie City this evening at Baker. Their line-up, as announced in the Baker Herald for tomorrow evening, will be Oxman and Stoddard, forwards; Reider and Moody, guards, and Shepherdson, center. Grant, Kirkland, Warren, Payne, Leishman and Langrell will also be in uniform. Of the first team line-up Stoddard is undoubtedly the best man. Fast and sure on baskets, he is expected to be Baker's ace in the hole with Reider counted on backing him up to the limit. The purple and gold supporters are counting upon Baker to beat La Grande and wipe away the football score that Baker packed home with them Armistice Day.

NO BIDS ON TIMBER

(By The Associated Press)
PORTLAND, Feb. 16.—The National Forestry Service is reported to have no bids received for the \$300,000,000 feet of timber offered in the Stahleberg tract. Timbermen said that the minimum price of \$2.75 per 1000 feet asked was too high.

WHEAT QUOTATIONS

PORTLAND, Feb. 16.—Wheat was \$1.20 to \$1.25 today.

Westbound Train Derailed Near Ontario; None Hurt

West bound train No. 23 was derailed at Ontario last night, the cause being announced by railroad authorities as a split frog. Five cars are reported to have left the track but no one was injured and no material damage was reported. No train, with the exception of No. 23, was delayed. No. 23, which is due in La Grande at 6:40 p. m., arriving here shortly after 8 o'clock this morning. The passengers were transferred to No. 19 last evening.

ONTARIO, Ore., Feb. 16.—Five cars, the engine and tender of Oregon Short Line train No. 23, westbound, left the track shortly before 2 o'clock Thursday afternoon when a brass rod is believed to have dropped loose and struck a switch block, throwing the train onto a sidetrack half a mile south of here. Passengers were shaken up but none was injured and the entire train was left upright. One fullton, the last in the string, still stood on the main line when the train halted.

With the airline unbroken, the five passenger cars were left in an unbroken string along the right of way after passengers were transferred to No. 19, also westbound, at 6 o'clock Thursday afternoon to continue their journey.

Wrecking Crew Arrives.
A wrecking crew which arrived

SHIP'S FATE UNKNOWN AT EARLY HOUR

Tuscan Prince Believed to Have Foundered; No Trace Found.

CREW OF 43 MEN MAY BE DROWNED

Fate of British Freighter Remained Unknown Early Today; Shipping Men Are Fearful.

(By Associated Press)
SEATTLE, Feb. 16.—The fate of the British freighter Tuscan Prince and her crew of 43 remained unknown today. Shipping men express fear that the Tuscan Prince foundered.

SHIP ASHORE

(By The Associated Press)
VICTORIA, Feb. 16.—A Japanese fisherman at Uclulet, Vancouver Island, reported that a large steamer was ashore on a village point off that port, said a telegram this afternoon to the Canadian department of the marine and fisheries agent here. It was thought that his might be the missing Tuscan Prince.

SENIOR PLAY CAST SELECTED

Eleven Seniors Picked to Represent the Comedy Drama, "Come Out of the Kitchen."

"Come out of the Kitchen" and see the Senior play March 2-10 in the auditorium of the city from now on. "Come Out of the Kitchen" is the title of the three-act comedy that will be staged by the Senior class in the high school auditorium on the above dates, having been secured specially from Stannard Smith of New York. A. E. Anderson is the author.

The cast has been selected and rehearsals have been commenced and within a short time the intensive rehearsals will get under way. Eleven students are named in the cast and are as follows: Lucille Bergert as Olivia Danglefield; Jane Harland as Elizabeth Danglefield; Genevieve Hanna as Mrs. Falkner; Dorothy Krouse as Cora Falkner; Lucille Craig as Amanda; T. C. McDonald as Burton Crane; Jess Bean as Thomas Letford; John Robinson as Solon Tucker; Floyd Smith as Paul Danglefield; Donald Rohan as Charles Danglefield and Raymond Payton as Randolph Weeks.

"The comedy drama is considered one of the best that is being presented to the public today," states the coach, "and the students are confidently expecting this play to be one of the biggest successes of the year."

RESIGNATION ACCEPTED

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, Feb. 16.—The President accepted the resignation of Colonel Forbes as director of the Veterans' Bureau, to become effective on February 28th.