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ENGLAND IS NOT WITH FRANCE

PROHIBITION SLOWS UP IN EAST STATES

Great Enthusiasm Over Dry Laws Seems to Be in West.

RECORDS SHOW LAST LEGISLATURES QUIET

New York State Holds Center of Stage for Wet Tendencies While Other Eastern States Are Indifferent.

NEW YORK, Aug. 2.—Of 11 states in the eastern part of the United States, six took action through their legislatures last winter toward more stringent prohibition enforcement. Notable among these was Pennsylvania. In four others no action was taken, while in New York the existing enforcement measure was repealed. A summary of the situation follows:

Delaware.—An effort to amend the Klu Klux Klan law at the last session of the Delaware legislature was defeated in the closing hours of the session when a bill introduced by Representative Joseph M. Brown, Democrat, died in committee. The measure was drafted by the Delaware State Medical Society and endorsed by the State Dental Society. It provided for a modification of the law to make it possible for physicians to fill prescriptions for medicinal purposes where the use of alcoholic stimulants was deemed necessary.

Opponents of the bill and many of those in favor of modification of the Klu Klux law expressed the opinion that the measure was too drastic, and that it practically would nullify the law.

New York.—Repeal of the Mullan-Gage state prohibition enforcement statute, adoption of a memorial to Congress requesting abolition of the Volstead act so as to legalize the traffic in beer and wine, and passage of a bill preventing search and seizure by peace officers of the state without a warrant, were the chief contributions of the New York legislature to the wet and dry controversy.

The bill repealing the enforcement statute was the center of the storm. Introduced on the opening day of the session, it revealed times failed to muster a majority of votes in the Assembly after a successful trip through the Senate, but finally was passed by a margin of one vote some hours before final adjournment, nearly fifteen weeks after its introduction. Its subsequent approval by Governor Smith and the memorandum in which he set forth the reasons for his action are now political history.

The governor, in his annual message to the Legislature, recommended adoption of the memorial to Congress. The search and seizure bill amended Civil Rights Law by making mandatory instead of permissive that section providing that the right of the people to be secure against unreasonable search and seizure should not be violated. The purpose of this amendment, it was generally understood, was to prevent search by state officials without warrants, of automobiles and other vehicles on the highways.

New Jersey.—The prohibition question was not taken up by the New Jersey legislature last winter.

West Virginia.—The West Virginia legislature, at its recent session, amended the present prohibition law fixing heavier penalties for violations. An added section provided a sentence of from one to three years for any person found to have firearms or other weapons on his person or in a vehicle at or within 100 yards of the place where intoxicating liquors are being unlawfully manufactured, transported or sold.

Connecticut.—During the last session of the Connecticut legislature there were introduced bills to repeal the present state enforcement laws and to increase the lawful alcoholic content of liquors, as well as

FIRST WHEAT FROM VALLEY READY TO GO

The first No. 1 wheat of this year's crop ready to market, was reported yesterday when Paul Knuts loaded out from the Abner Farmers' elevator the first Grande Ronde market shipment.

This was the first wheat cut and threshed this year in the valley. Almost every rancher is being surprised at the tremendous yield of his grain fields. Usually the estimate has been considerable over the actual yield, a condition which heretofore has been reversed.

GRANGE LEADER VISITS CITY

George A. Palmer, of Hood River, New State Master, Is Touring the State.

Palmer into Union county in the footprints which so often have been made by Charles Spence, the years master of the state Grange, George A. Palmer of Hood River, the new Grange leader, is feeling his way and investigating the farmers in a petting ground.

After visiting several granges in the valley he came to La Grande today and announced his decision to join in the campaign supporting the income tax bill and the other bill as passed by the last legislature, and which have been subjected to the referendum.

Mr. Palmer will no doubt visit this section of the state, as he resides in Eastern Oregon and is therefore familiar with Eastern Oregon problems.

LLOYD GEORGE IS COMING OVER

TORONTO, Canada, August 2.—Lloyd George is to visit Canada and the United States this fall, according to a statement made here today.

GIRL DIVER IN OLYMPIC GAMES

SAN FRANCISCO, Calif., August 2.—(A. P.)—After Bernard, 11-year-old diving prodigy who, with only three weeks' experience, defeated some of the most experienced aquatic stars on the coast at the Monte Carlo, recently, he being considered a possibility for a place on the American Olympic Games team which will compete in Paris next year.

Up to the time of the Del Monte meet, in which she captured the senior diving championship of the Pacific Association, A. A. L., her entire "career" had been limited to three weeks of practice under the tutelage of Phil Patterson, former national champion.

Spanish-American Vets Looking for Members of Duffield's Brigade

Commander Henry J. Ritter of the local Spanish-American Post has received word from Saginaw, Michigan telling of a reunion of the Duffield-Brigade celebrating the twenty-fifth anniversary of the war in the Philippines. Commander Ritter requests any veteran who was attached to this brigade which consisted of the 24th Street and 24th Michigan Vol. Inf. to please communicate with George Milbrodt at Saginaw, Michigan.

Livestock Market

PORTLAND, Aug. 2.—Cattle and hogs were steady today. Lambs were a little higher. Feeding, with choice valley lambs \$10 to \$12.50. Hogs were firm, better steady at 2 cents advance late yesterday. Extra

Little Boy Drowned in Irrigation Ditch in North Part of the City.

Le Roy Blomquist, three year old son of Mr. and Mrs. David Blomquist, was drowned last evening in the irrigation ditch in north La Grande. Yesterday evening about five o'clock the little boy said he was going to the store which is on the corner of Second and Division streets where the ditch crosses underneath the street. About dark he was missed at home at 905 Lake Street and a search was made for him which resulted in the drowning of the ditch and his body was found about fifty feet from where the stream comes from under the street. It is believed that he was drowned near the store and his body was washed under the street. He is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. David Blomquist, two sisters and six brothers. Mr. and Mrs. Blomquist have been residents of this city for twenty years. The funeral will be held tomorrow afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from the Holmquist chapel and interment will be held in the L. D. S. cemetery.

ANNUAL FISH FEED DATE IS NEXT MONDAY

Methodist Ladies to Prepare the Fish for the Dinner.

SUNDAY AND MONDAY DAYS TO DO FISHING

Wing, Fin and Fleetfoot Club Members Anxious for the Great Contest of the Year.

Sunday and Monday, August 5 and 6, an annual angling contest and fish feed will be staged by the Wing, Fin and Fleetfoot club. Only members of this club will be eligible to enter this contest. Contestants are asked to not only enter their prize but their whole catch to be used for the feed which will be held Monday night at 7:00 p. m. sharp in the basement of the Methodist church, with the Methodist ladies serving. Every red-blooded sportsman is invited to enter this contest in order that they have sufficient fish for the banquet when they expect to serve the people. Several guests have been specially invited to this banquet. They are: Gov. Walter M. Pierce, H. A. Harcourt, state game warden, J. W. Maloney, of Pendleton, member of the state game commission, Carol Mitchell, Baker, John Walden, Union County game warden, George Rogers, Wallawa County game warden, and the Federal game warden for this district who is stationed at Baker. Prizes: Largest Rainbow Trout—1st, \$100; 2nd, \$50; 3rd, \$25.00. Largest Wrapped Fish—1st, \$25.00; 2nd, \$10.00; 3rd, \$5.00. Largest Eastern Brook—1st, \$10.00; 2nd, \$5.00; 3rd, \$2.50. (Continued to Page Five.)

MEYER THINKS FARMERS ARE PULLING OUT

CHICAGO, Aug. 1.—Agriculturists in the middle west are in better condition financially than is indicated by cursory observations of the political campaign speeches, Director Eugene Meyer, of the War Finance Corporation, asserted today after a conference with representatives of corporations dealing with his department from ten states.

Farmers are gradually liquidating their debts to the banks in agricultural sections which is gradually improving their position, he says. Steady improvement is expected except in areas devoted more or less to exclusive growing of wheat.

Spokane Doctor Forced Back to Nature Because He Broke His Automobile

SOUTH BEND, Ore., Aug. 2.—Lodging in an emergency "village of grass" pending repair of their automobile after a serious breakdown on the forest trail near here, Dr. V. V. Buzon, of Spokane and a party of eastern tourists have reported a unique experience recalling primitive jungle life in strange contrast with their modern means of transportation.

Neither spare parts for the automobile nor hotel accommodations for the tourists were available in the woods where the breakdown occurred. The party, making the best of the situation, set to work to build their "huts" out of hemlock boughs, grass, and sticks, and enjoyed their primitive village until repair parts could be sent for and received.

Base Ball Results

American League—Chicago 9, Boston 6. St. Louis 6, Washington 5. National League—New York 3, Pittsburgh 2. Brooklyn-St. Louis, 7-6.

Wheat Market

PORTLAND, Aug. 2.—Hard White sold for \$1.04 and Western Red for 95 cents today.

CAPTAIN AND WOMEN HURT BY SOLDIERS

PERIN, August 2.—In a fracas about the American steamer, Alton Dollar, when a crowd of Chinese soldiers boarded her at Yeping and demanded free transportation the captain of the ship and three women, including the wife and daughter of one of the owners of the Dollar line, were injured, according to a report received here today.

BAND PROGRAM IS A GOOD ONE

Director Loney Announces Numbers to Be Played Tomorrow Evening.

At the corner of O and Second streets tomorrow evening at 8 o'clock the Municipal band will render a concert which has for its program excellent numbers.

As a special compliment to the Campfire Girls, who are giving a lawn social that evening at the home of C. E. Short, near where the band will play, several popular numbers will be interspersed throughout the program.

The program follows:
March from "Aida" Verdi
Ballet Egyptian Luigini
(a) Allegretto
(b) Andante Sostenuto
(c) Andante Espressivo
"Parade of the Wooden Soldiers" (Characteristics)
Concert Waltz "Waltz of the Winds"
Overture, "Post and Billie" Ruppe

PING PONGED THE BIG BEAR

Sherwood Williams and His Family Enjoy Fine Trip Over the Northwest.

City Commissioner Sherwood Williams and family have returned from a very delightful automobile trip which included Yellowstone park, Salt Lake City, back to La Grande for a day to get more oil, gas and money—Portland and Newberg.

In Yellowstone park they camped and found it very pleasant with the exception of the extreme trailiness of the bears, which inhibit the park. On one occasion the city commissioner or his son while at the head of a good natured bear who was about to devour all the family food, "reviewing" a store at the bear he succeeded in scaring him away. No shooting is permitted in the park and these animals are so tame that no one would think of using a firearm on them.

From Yellowstone the Williams family went to Salt Lake City and spent a few days there, traveled into the Grande canyon between sun and not again before any other business could be thrust at the commissioner.

The trip to Portland and Newberg was also delightful and in the language of Mr. Williams, "we would like to go again right away for a review of the trip and to enjoy an automobile over these fine roads."

Meet at Longview

RENTLE, Aug. 2.—The mid-year meeting of the West Coast Lumbermen's Association will be held at Longview, Wash., about August 17th; the association's headquarters announced today. Standardization of the size and grades of lumber are to be discussed.

Base Ball Pennant Hangs Dangling Over Three Clubs

Baker's baseball team will play no more ball with La Grande and Corvallis.

This was decided hurriedly in a letter received by Manager Crews of the La Grande team from the manager of the Baker players. The reason for the decision was not given, but all who have been following the games and who have expressed themselves today state they believe Baker is through.

Should this be the case, then where is the pennant going to go? That is a question. Where is the bus and where is the team going to fall?

Corvallis team has offered no explanation as to its intention and up to noon today the baseball pennant fluttered restlessly in a breeze of uncertainty.

Only one thing seems to be absolutely certain and that is, La Grande will play either of the teams any place at any time. Manager Crews was firm in his stand today that his team was anxious to play the string out, win or lose, for he insisted that it is the public to have the final games played. He expressed appreciation of the interest in Eastern Oregon this season and he believes that if the team is played the team next year will get even a greater support from the general public.

BALDWIN VERY FRANK ABOUT STATE DANGER

LONDON, Aug. 2.—Great Britain and France stand even further apart on the reparations issue than the British people and the world at large have understood.

This conclusion is drawn from the explanations Prime Minister Baldwin and Foreign Secretary Curson gave the two houses of parliament today.

The ministers revealed a deadlock in that latest communications from France and Belgium furnished no material for an allied answer to the German reparations proposals.

Neither French nor Belgian reply even mentioned the draft of a note to Germany which Great Britain had submitted to the allied governments.

The ministers expressed fear that while the allies debated, all prospects of reparation payments may sink into irretrievable ruin.

Premier Baldwin promised to publish the British note to impress the world with the gravity of the situation.

Cheers in the house of commons greeted the announcement by Baldwin that Italy, while sending no written reply, had verbally agreed to the British views.

LONDON, August 2.—Lloyd George speaking on reparation in the House of Commons this afternoon, scored the government for lacking definite policy.

WARMHOLTZ INVITES ALL

Final arrangements for the N. O. M. picnic to be held at Riverside park near Suther, August 11th, have been completed by the officers of the association with fair weather conditions a further attendance is expected, or former Kansans, Oklahomans and Minnesotans and their families. Bring your filled basket and caps, said H. Warmholtz, one of the picnic promoters. The association furnishes ice cream, coffee, sugar and fruit. "Set in with us," he continued, "and new fraternal ties of friendship and have a pleasant time together on this our annual picnic day."

Ship Goes Ashore

SEATTLE, Aug. 2.—The motor ship, Bonanza, from San Pedro to Seattle in ballast, went ashore for twenty miles west of Port Townsend today. It is not believed to be in danger.

May Recognize.
WASHINGTON, Aug. 2.—The Mexican-American commission at Mexico City reported today that it is near an agreement to have the way for recognition of Mexico.

Swims Lake Erie Legs are Paralyzed

LOHAIN, Ohio, August 2.—Charles W. Wadsworth, 34, of this city, who has been swimming across Lake Erie, arriving here at 11:30 this morning from Point Pelee where he temporarily paralyzed in the legs.

