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AIM EXPLAINED

WASHINGTON, D. C. (Special)—The aim is to bring the burden to the man," said American Legion officials here in announcing a change advocated by the legion in the administration of the United States veterans' bureau.

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YANKTON, S. D. (Special).—Formation of an ex-service men's "vigilant squad," equipped with rifles and organized for defense in resisting landit attacks on banks or other establishments, is proposed by the American Legion post here.

Under the plan, cooperating with the regular police, bankers' association and telephone exchanges, the members of the vigilantes squad would be summoned in an emergency and would take post at designated but secret, strategic points.

BERSHMEI, Mich. (Special).—Because the government permits distribution of ordnance pieces only to G. A. R. posts, the American Legion post here from obtaining desired machine guns. C. H. Fournier, Sr., Bershmei's only survivor, "old war veteran," incorporated a "Lodge" as a G. A. R. post, drew the machine gun and promptly turned them over to his comrades of the Legion.

NEGAUNEE, Mich. (Special).—The American Legion post here has been authorized to open a civic center block which would be available to all citizens of Negaunee regardless of affiliations. The chamber of commerce has considered the project favorably.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind. (Special).—The American Legion endorsement fund campaign will open in a limited number of states immediately after January 1. It was authorized by today by National Adjutant Russell Creviston. Field secretaries who will conduct the campaign, will take the field at first-hand, and have completed their instructions.

Prominent people throughout the country continue to accept membership in the honorary committee for the fund. Among the latest to do so are: Hon. C. L. Lewis, former governor of Illinois; Kenneth M. Landis, commissioner of baseball; James H. Hargis, former president of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States; Mrs. Lou Henry Hoover, wife of the secretary of commerce; Marshall Field III, of the Chicago family; and Col. Albert A. Sprague of the Chicago city administration and formerly chairman of the Legion's national rehabilitation committee, are the latest additions to the committee.

Six past national commanders of the Legion have accepted membership on the committee. They are: Milton J. Foreman, of Chicago; Henry D. Lindsey, of New York; Franklin D. Miller, of Philadelphia; John G. Emery, of Grand Rapids, Mich.; Sanford MacNider, of Mason City, Iowa; and Arvin Wesley, of Dallas, Texas. The committee is headed by President Calvin Coolidge.

A fund of \$5,000 will be sought in a nation-wide campaign. The income from this fund will be used in work for disabled veterans of the World war, for orphans of veterans of that war and for child welfare in general.

Commenting on the campaign, Secretary of War John W. Weeks, a member of the honorary committee, wrote:

"I am pleased to endorse this worthy project. It is our duty to care for the orphans of soldiers who gave their lives for their country."

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COOLIDGE HOLDS BORAH'S PLAN IS NOT PRACTICAL

WASHINGTON (AP).—An international economic and armament conference with Germany and Russia included, such as has been proposed by Chairman Borah of the senate foreign relations committee is not favored by President Coolidge who feels that such a meeting would be too broad in scope to obtain practical results.

Mr. Coolidge has not studied any draft of Senator Borah's proposed resolution directing the president to call an economic and armament conference, but on the basis of preliminary descriptions of the resolution is inclined to regard it as too broad in scope to be practical.

The best results from a conference to limit further competitive armament, the president holds, would arise from a conference of limited scope. The question of economic conditions is too broad in its general application to be successfully considered at an international meeting, the president believes and therefore any meeting to discuss matters of an economic nature should be made specific as to its purpose.

Mr. Coolidge and Senator Borah have not conferred on the senator's proposal but the president believes that through such a conference it would be possible to frame a resolution acceptable to both.

STATE GETS \$91,375.13

RALEIGH, Ore.—Cash turnovers to the state treasurer by the state land board during December aggregated \$91,375.13, according to a statement issued today by George G. Brown, clerk of the state land office.

The items included: Common school fund principal payments on loans, \$44,788.22; common school fund principal, common school fund interest, \$2,194.85; common school fund interest, \$49,377.22; agricultural college fund interest, \$487.50; university fund principal payments on loans, \$331; university fund interest, \$433; rural credits loan fund principal, \$557; rural credits reserve fund, interest \$212; A. H. Burbank trust fund interest, \$125; and Apperawau fund, principal, \$209.

It doesn't take a bit more time to amount to something in the world than it does to amount to nothing.

A Memphis (Tenn.) fireman answered a call in pajamas. Luckily it was a good fire and not a false alarm.

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When California Scored



University of Pennsylvania played ten hard games last season, and travelled over 5,000 miles to California with the team that its goal line hadn't been crossed by a line back or end run. In the first ten minutes of play at Berkeley, Calif., New Year's, the California eleven did just this thing. Young California fullback, is shown going through the line for the first touchdown of the game that was for the western team, 14 to 0. Capt. Horrell of California, All-American guard, is shown showing a team player out of danger as Young follows him across the line. McGraw, Penn captain (No. 1) is shown making a vain effort to nail Young.

TIGERS MEET IMBLER TEAM AT MID-WEEK

La Grande Hoopsters to Take on Grande Ronde Valley School Wednesday Afternoon.

The first real basketball game of the season will be played Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock between La Grande and Imbler. This game was recently scheduled by E. T. Towler, principal of the high school and is expected to serve as a practice game preceding the meeting with Willamette here next Friday night.

The lineup of the La Grande team is still very uncertain. Assistant coach of the high school, Ed. Taylor, stated this morning that he expected to make some changes in the team this week.

Although the team showed up well against the Imbler last week a good deal of work is yet needed in order to put a team on the floor capable of winning its way through the eastern Oregon tournament.

VETERAN COACH SOUNDS WARNING TO GRID CIRCLES

CHICAGO (By the Associated Press).—Holding it, Yost, for 24 years a famous gridiron coach at the University of Michigan, taking inventory Sunday night of the imponderable athletic situation of the nation, sounded a warning against post-season intercollegiate games, voiced his objections to athletic professionalism and declared that not more than four football games a season should be scheduled. That would require the players to be kept up to the highest pitch mentally and physically.

Yost, the Wolverine director of athletics, set forth his views in an article in the "Administration of Intercollegiate and Intercollegiate Games." He felt the veteran coach says that sport is good only as sport; that when it interferes with studies, such results are likely to follow.

Yost opposes the idea of post-season games because he says they establish a bad precedent and any attempt to determine a national championship is wrong because there are too many good teams in the country to consider in such an attempt.

Yost, while heartily opposed to professionalism in football, says all college athletes are based on the principle of "pay for play's sake" and the influence of athletic professionalism makes youth desert to play the game for its own sake and leads them to regard athletic prowess as a mercenary commodity, destroying the real purpose of athletics.

Harry Greb Matched to Fight Johnny Klesch

DAYTON, Ohio. (AP).—Harry Greb, middleweight champion of the world will battle Johnny Klesch of Cleveland before the North Star and Metcalf clubs on the night of January 12 at the middleweight limit of 145 pounds according to announcement of May Vinson, fight maker, Saturday night. The fight will go 12 rounds to a decision.

Pendleton Quintet Is Loser on Idaho Trip

LEWISTON, Ida. (Special).—Pendleton high school's basketball team was defeated here Friday night by Clarkston by a score of 27 to 19.

A boxer who was knocked over the head by a rubber in Chicago was given no chance to get back on his feet.

In New Orleans a giant snake was found in a cage of bananas, he may be, he slipped in on a banana skin.

You never can tell when pneumonia or alimony will get you.

UNION OPENS HOOP SEASON WITH VICTORY

Boys and Girls Teams Defeated Cove, Squads Friday Night; Schedule Given.

UNION, Ore. (Special).—The Union high school opened its basketball season Friday night with a double header against the Cove boys and girls squads. Our girls have about the same lineup as last year and when they went against the Cove girls who are all new players this year, the game was rather one-sided. The only score made by the visitors was one foul basket out of two tries. Union made 22 points, 21 in the first half and 12 in the second, during which most of the shots were given a chance to play at least a quarter.

The boys' game was somewhat more interesting, although here again the advantage was with Union. Pitts used several extra players during the game which resulted in a victory of 17 to 5 for Union.

The girls will be unique in that it will be the first time a champion has stepped up two classes to meet another champion. Although Walker will enter the ring lighter than McTigue, there will not be any great difference in the weight. Walker will make over the 120 mark, while McTigue will likely weigh between 140 and 160.

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'KID' KAPLAN PLANS VISIT TO THE WEST

Featherweight Champion in List of Active Title Holders; California Is Objective.

NEW YORK (By the Associated Press).—Louis (Kid) Kaplan, the Meriden, Conn., "huzz saw," who won the world's featherweight championship by knocking out Danny Kramer of Philadelphia in the sixth round in a title match at Madison Square Garden Friday night, will join the ranks of the active champions, Dennis McElhannon, his manager, has announced.

Kaplan, who generally credited with forcing Johnny Dundee, former champion, to relinquish his title by persistent attempts to force him into a title match, will take a 10-day vacation in Montreal before embarking on a tour which will take him to California. He left Saturday for Meriden to attend a demonstration in his honor by fellow townsmen.

Kaplan, who scored two knock-outs in his three matches in the tournament featured by the state athletic commission, will meet any and all comers who can make 125 pounds, McElhannon said. He will leave for the Pacific coast in a month to engage in several matches in California under the new boxing law, which went into effect the first of the year legalizing decision matches of 12 rounds in length. He will not engage in a title match in the east before going west, nor will he risk his title in the west, McElhannon said, confining his activities to matches in which his title is not involved.

The new champion is the elder of three brothers. He was born in Russia 23 years ago. At a former age he came to this country and his family settled in Meriden, Conn., where his father is a junk dealer. His two brothers, Noah and Israel, are ambitious to follow in his pugilistic footsteps. Kaplan started his boxing career in a boys' club in Meriden and gradually developed as a fighter, due to his unusual strength and ruggedness.

CHAMPIONS TO MATCH SKILL

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Fast Tracks In Kentucky Aid Racers OREGON, O.A.C. PLAN DEBATE

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP).—Race horses found the track at Latonia much to their liking during the 1924 season, two official world records going down under the flying hoofs of stepping runners, a review of records made on Kentucky tracks reveals.

In addition to two world records, Sarazen, Mrs. William K. Vanderbilt's three-year-old colt, established an official record of 2:09 4/5 for the mile and a quarter in winning the third International Special Oct. 11. Available records credit Wisk Brown with going the distance in two minutes flat at Belmont Park, N. Y., on June 25, 1913. The time, however, was unofficial. G. Babin was atop the Vanderbilt colt in this great race.

Chilhowee, Gallahue brothers' great three-year-old, lowered two world records and one track record during the autumn meeting. He started his record breaking Oct. 8 by lowering the track record for the mile and one-sixteenth to 1:42 4/5, bringing it to within one-fifth of a second of the world record.

Six days later, on Oct. 14, this horse broke the world record by topping one-fifth of a second from the best previous time for the mile and an eighth. He negotiated the nine furlongs in 1:48 3/5, carrying 115 pounds as compared with the previous time of 1:49, made by Under with 84 1/2 pounds up at Belmont Park on June 16, 1921. Grey Flag bucking 122 pounds equaled Under's record at Aqueduct, N. Y., July 7, 1921.

Then on Oct. 18, with only three days' rest, Chilhowee cut the world time one second to 2:04 3/5 for the one and three-quarter mile route in winning the Latonia Championship Stakes. Rockminster had set the 2:04 2/5 record at Latonia Oct. 12, 1922. Each horse carried 125 pounds in his race. Jockey Mack Garner had a leg up on Chilhowee in all of these events.

Record Fell Twice. The mile and a quarter track record came in for two crackings during the season. On July 5 Belmont broke a new track time of 2:02 2/5 for the distance. Sarazen's 2:09 4/5 of course beat that time considerably.

Revenue Agent on June 15 lowered the mile at Latonia to 1:36 2/5. Zov, winner of the 1923 Kentucky Derby and greatest money getter of all time, totting 129 pounds, against 167 on Revenue Agent, equaled the latter's time on Oct. 18.

Sun Felt sprinted to a new track record in the six furlong event in 1:09 4/5 on June 28. The world record for the distance is 1:09 2/5. Actuary completed the killing at the spring meet on July 4 by establishing the track time for the mile and three-sixteenths at 1:55 4/5, just one-fifth of a second slower than the best time anywhere for the route. M. Garner was the jockey.

New Year Baby at Marshfield. MARSHFIELD, Ore.—Baby Denhoff, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Denhoff, the first baby born here in 1925, first saw light at the Kaiser hospital. A number of "cos bay" merchants annually give presents for the first baby born on the bay. Mr. and Mrs. Denhoff are residents of Heedsport, so the prize, so to the Umpqua river, after all.

OREGON, O.A.C. PLAN DEBATE

H. OF O., Eugene, Ore. (Special).—The University of Oregon will hold a "home and home" debate with O. A. C. next Thursday night, January 8, on the question, "Resolved, That Congress by a Two-Thirds Vote Should Have Power to Overrule Decisions of the Supreme Court Declaring Acts of Congress Unconstitutional."

Sol Abramson of Portland and Benoit McCord of Salem will represent the University; the affirmative side of the question in Eugene, while on the same evening at Corvallis the U. of O. representatives, Herschel Brown of San Pedro, Cal., and Curtis L. Brown of Eugene, will uphold the negative.

Abramson represented Oregon in the Pacific Coast intercollegiate extemporaneous contest at Palo Alto recently. McCordley is a freshman at Salem high. He and an associate won the state interscholastic debating championship last winter. Brown debated against Stanford last year. This is the first year of intercollegiate debating for Oregon.

Robber Gets 15 Years. MADRAS, Ore.—Walter Fisher, who pleaded guilty Monday of the crime of assault and robbery of the cashier of the Madras bank, was sentenced by Justice T. E. J. Duffy to 15 years in the state penitentiary. Edna Denton and William Galt, charged with complicity in the robbery, are awaiting a verdict. The case went to the jury.

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