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ARGENTINA LEAVES LEAGUE ASSEMBLY

Geneva.—The Argentine delegation withdrew from the league assembly. It was the first reef struck during the three weeks' deliberation which had been going on with reassuring smoothness until it got into a fog in the discussion of amendments.

Independence shown by Honorio Pueyrredon of Argentine in voting against postponement of consideration of the amendments and his breaking of the assembly's unanimity, with Senor Velasquez of Paraguay supporting him, were regarded as ominous of a stormy session, but the Argentine delegation's extreme action in withdrawing was unexpected.

There were two currents of opinion here. One is that the directing minds have too much neglected the feelings of the smaller powers and have erred in opposing discussion of the amendments; the other is that the Argentine delegation has been too precipitate in its action.

An amendment to the covenant to the league of nations eliminating article X, the most mooted section of the pact, was introduced in the assembly by Charles J. Doherty, Canadian minister of justice. The amendment will probably be referred to the committee on amendments.

BRIEF GENERAL NEWS

The Clarinda Trust & Savings bank of Clarinda, Iowa, voluntarily closed its doors because of slow collections.

Official reports from 45 states reveal a widespread industrial depression in spite of which no serious or general unemployment has as yet developed, the national industrial conference board declared in a statement.

Whiskey valued at \$85,000 stored in the government bonded warehouse at San Francisco was found to have been stolen when examination of the barrels in which it was contained showed them to be filled with water.

Thirteen countries have accepted the invitation of the Chilean government to send representatives to participate in the festivities early in December commemorating the 400th anniversary of the discovery of the strait of Magellan.

The interstate commerce commission has established a carload minimum of 50,000 pounds on all grains with the exception of oats, ear corn and corn in the shuck, upon which a minimum of 80 per cent of the marked capacity of the car was fixed.

Would Banish High Heels.

Boston.—A ban on high heels such as never carried puritan or pilgrim ancestors to church is to be sought from the legislature by the Massachusetts Osteopathic society. Announcement that the society would introduce a bill to stop the high heel at its source—the manufacturer—was made at its 19th annual convention.

Chile Denies Japanese Alliance.

Santiago, Chile.—Luis Aldunate Febeveria, the foreign minister, issued a statement emphatically denying as "absurd" rumors published in the European and American press regarding an alliance between Chile and Japan.

3908 Killed in Auto Accidents.

Washington.—A total of 3908 persons were killed in automobile accidents, or died as a result of injuries therefrom, during the last year, the census bureau announced.

Recognizes Mexican Government.

Rio Janeiro.—The Brazilian government has recognized the government of President Alvaro Obregon of Mexico. It was announced.

PROPOSED MEASURE WOULD END GAMBLING

Senator Capper Makes Public Bill Designed to Stop "Future" Trading.

Washington.—Senator Capper of Kansas has made public his proposed bill to stop gambling in foodstuffs and cotton.

A tax of 10 per cent, designed to be prohibitive on "future" trading in grain and cotton, except by actual owners or a limited class of traders under federal license, is the basic feature of the Capper bill, which is to be introduced in the senate by the author and in the house of representatives by Representative Tincher, republican, of Kansas. The 10 per cent would apply to options and the measure would affect grain products as well as raw grain.

"The bill will stop gambling in wheat, corn, cotton and other farm products," said Senator Capper. "It will eliminate the wheat pit and the blackboard. It will put out of business the thousands of wire-houses and bucket shops by making it impossible for gamblers and speculators to deal on boards of trade.

"The bill undertakes to preserve the legitimate 'hedge' but cuts out all gambling and manipulations."

Farmers, dealers and manufacturers buying or selling grain or cotton for actual delivery would not be restricted by the proposed law, Senator Capper said.

Penalties of 50 per cent of the proposed federal tax, a fine of \$10,000 and one year's imprisonment for violation of the bill's provisions are incorporated in the Capper bill.

MAY BE SPLIT IN CABLE CONFERENCE

Washington.—The American government has about reached the limit of the concessions it is willing to make to the allied and associated powers with regard to the disposition of the former German cables, it was stated by one of the American commissioners to the international communications conference now in session here. The commissioner said the negotiations had been dragging for some time without any immediate indication that an agreement would be reached.

The United States has insisted that the cable communication between the United States and Germany, which was interrupted as a result of the diversion of the German cables by the allies, should be restored. Great Britain is understood to have expressed a willingness to restore a cable which formerly ran from Emden to New York, but which has since been diverted to connect Penzance with Halifax, only on condition that it remains in British hands.

NO HOPE FOR EARLY RELIEF

"Consumers' Strike" Declared Basic Cause of Depression.

Washington.—No hope of early relief from business depression is held out in the monthly statement of the federal reserve board. Depression exists in most communities, the statement said, and one of the basic causes so far as the board could determine, was a "consumers' strike—an evident public determination to wait for prices to come down."

Manufacturing activities continued to fall off in November, the board said. A wave of "reduction sales" by retailers has not, it added, resulted in largely increased buying. "A corresponding decline in the buying power," reflected in the decreased volume of trade of all kinds also was noted.

The board attempted no forecast of future conditions. Lumber manufacturers reported dropping orders, despite paring of prices and likewise disclosed, in some cases, no more than half-time operation of mills.

Cancellation of orders, prevalent in the domestic trade, has a counterpart in the export trade, the board said.

Plebiscite Favors Former Ruler.

Athens.—The people of Greece have voted in favor of the return of Constantine to the Greek throne. Official announcement was made that Sunday's plebiscite resulted overwhelmingly in favor of the recall of the ex-king from Lucerne.

20th North Dakota Failure Reported.

Bismarck, N. D.—Notice that the Security State bank at Mohall would not open for business was received by C. E. Lethus, state bank examiner. This makes 20 banks closed in the state, all because of depleted reserves.

Allies Threaten Greek Reprisal.

London.—British and Italian embassies in Athens have been instructed to notify Premier Rallis that, in the event of Constantine's return all allied financial support to Greece will be withdrawn, nor will it be restored.

OREGON NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

Principal Events of the Week Briefly Sketched for Information of Our Readers.

Lane county farmers' week will be observed in Eugene December 14 to 18.

The budget for 1921 for Jackson county calls for an expenditure of \$600,000.

Ashland's city budget for the coming year is \$50,000, necessitating a levy of 23.5 mills.

The American National, fourth of Klamath Falls' banks, opened for business last week.

For county road and bridge purposes Lane county has expended during the year \$284,246.07.

Exports moving from Portland to foreign ports during October were valued at \$9,459,963.

Division state highway engineers from all sections of Oregon held a two-days conference in Salem.

During a roundup by the police in Salem 16 drunks and alleged bootleggers were taken into custody.

Twelve houses are quarantined in La Grande for scarlet fever, 19 for smallpox and 7 for diphtheria.

The people of Springfield are planning to hold a community Christmas tree on a prominent business street.

At the municipal election in Bend last week the 1921 budget of \$70,299.50 was adopted by a vote of 233 to 22.

The mills of the Eugene Excelsior company in Eugene will resume operation after having been idle for a number of weeks.

The Pendleton water department at present is laying nearly half a mile of new mains on streets where paving is to be done shortly.

The Yamhill Mutual Telephone company has filed application with the Oregon public service commission for an increase in rates.

There were two murders, four suicides and six deaths from accidental causes in Portland and Multnomah county during November.

First Lieutenant Amos O. Waller, medical corps, 5th Oregon infantry, has been advanced to the rank of captain in the national guard.

Earl Percy of Forest Grove has been elected president of the Oregon State Horticultural society to succeed J. O. Holt of Eugene.

A tide of 10 feet 7 inches last week flooded a large portion of the southern part of Marshfield and put several industries out of commission.

The Klamath Logging company, recently organized with a capitalization of \$250,000, will build a saw mill in Klamath Falls next spring.

Damage estimated at \$210,000 was wrought by a fire which started in the basement warehouse of the General Cigar company in Portland.

Reports of the Eugene banks show that the deposits of the three institutions increased more than a million dollars during the past year.

Next year's convention of the Oregon State Hotel association will be held at Astoria. It was decided at the recent session held at The Dalles.

The Salem Floral society has changed its name to the City Improvement league and has announced a program of city beautification and betterment.

Lake county has 549 farms, a decrease of 163 from the number in 1910. However the number of acres of improved land shows a large increase.

All street work in Klamath Falls has stopped for the winter. During the summer and fall approximately \$185,000 was spent by the city on paving.

Naval radio men engaged in testing receiving apparatus at Tongue Point, near Astoria, last week picked up a radio call from Nauyas, in northern Germany.

The Oregon Humane society estimates, in figures filed with the secretary of state, that its needs from the state for the next biennium will be about \$6000.

The annual poultry and pet stock show of the Oregon Poultry and Pet Stock association will be held in the municipal auditorium in Portland December 13 to 18.

L. D. Roberts of Turner met with a loss when his herd of five milch cows broke away, got on the railroad track and were all run down and killed by a railroad train.

Ranches bordering the banks of Coos river will be served soon by a highway skirting the southern bank of the river from Eastside to the fork, a distance of eight miles.

A convention will be held at Dallas on December 18 to nominate a candidate for county judge, after which petitions will be circulated for the recall of Judge A. B. Robinson.

There were four fatalities due to industrial accidents in Oregon during the week ended December 2. The victims were Victor Marlow, trouble-maker, Portland; Floyd Hardy, truck driver, Portland; Joseph E. Caldwell, laborer, Parkersville, Ky., and Harvey Straw, rigger, Powers. A total of 456 accidents were reported.

Santa's Recommendations

- Ice Skates
- Roller Skates
- Sleds
- Coaster Wagons
- Pocket Knives
- Foot Balls
- Tools
- Erector Sets
- Tennis Goods
- Base Balls
- Ball Gloves
- Air Rifles
- Thermos Bottles
- Percolators
- Electric Irons
- Lunch Kits
- Carving Sets
- Silver Ware
- Electric Heaters
- Hunting Coats
- Dog Collars
- Chafing Dishes
- Roasters
- Food Choppers
- Electric Sewing Machines
- Watches
- Clocks
- Guns
- Safety Razors
- Scissors
- Fish Poles
- Auto Chains
- Auto Tires
- Auto Cushions
- Gas Lamps
- Electric Sweepers
- Flash Lights

From our original stock

Taggart Hardware Co.

Our 1921 Calendars are here

Only 13 Shopping



The New Cafe

White Management-White Help. Back of First National Bank. A Share of Your Patronage is Solicited



Congregational Bazaar

The Ladies of the Congregational Church will give their bazaar Friday and Saturday, December 10th and 11th. We will have for sale dainty and useful articles suitable for Xmas gifts. Refreshments will be served. There will also be held a cooked food sale these days.

Look These Prices Over

and then come in and look the goods over—

Then Buy

I think we have what you want in a dress shirt, all kinds at the right price.

- Army Blankets \$6.25 two for \$12.00.
- Overalls and Jumpers \$1.85.
- Work Shirts .85, \$1.25 and \$1.50.
- Dress Pants for men and young men \$2.85; \$7.50
- Dress Shirts \$1.95 and up.
- Boys Overalls from 3 to 17 years \$1.50.
- A nice line of Ladies Skirts priced right.
- Work Shirts, 85c, \$1.25 and \$1.50.
- Come in and look over our Suits.

THE HUB

Where you can buy for less and care to come again

THE ARGUS PRINTS BUTTERWRAPS