BRITISH TO MODIFY RULE OF BLOCKADE

Examination of Neutrals to Be Permitted at Port Outside of War Zone.

TRAFFIC IS NOT HELD UP

Minister Says Chief Effect of German Ruthless Campaign Has Been to Retard Trade of Non-Belligerent Nations.

LONDON, Feb. 20.—"The Western Atlantic, the North Sea and the Mediterranean are now outlaw waters. Murder may be committed on them, but the attempt to hold up all sea traffic there has not succeeded. It is the task of the Western powers and their allies to vindicate once again the freedom of the seas."

This was the reply of Lord Robert Cecil, Minister of Blockade, to the question of the Associated Press as to whether he could say anything with regard to the effects of the new submarine warfare.

Lord Robert Cecil added:

"So far, it has had little effect on the entry of supplies to this country, but it has to some extent retarded trade between neutral nations. For instance, you know, most of the vessels trading from Scandinavia and Holland to and from America put into the United Kingdom by agreement in order to avoid the trouble and danger of visit and search on the high seas. Some of these vessels are reluctant to continue this practice, foolishly, we think, since the danger of putting into a United Kingdom port is not serious and the practice is convenient for all neutrals.

"We desire to meet the wishes of neutrals in this as all other matters. Accordingly we are arranging in certain cases that they shall be examined at some other British port, such as Halifax. This course does not mean the abandonment of the right of visit and search. All it means is that we substitute one form of exercising that right for another, and, in order to make our action quite clear, we are declaring at the same time that vessels trying to run the blockade with goods to or from Germany, directly or indirectly, will expose themselves to condemnation in a prize court. We are adding that if they fail voluntarily to enter a British port for examination they cannot complain if their conduct exposes them to suspicion and, indeed, constitutes a prima facie case that they are engaged in enemy trade.

"In regard to Belgian relief ships, we will not place the slightest obstacle in the way of any agreement whereby they may be able to reach Rotterdam, even should such an arrangement mean a different route from that which they now pursue through the danger zone."

GIRL CLEARS JITNEUR

Mrs. L. J. Barnes' Charges of Attack by Driver Denied by Companion.

ROSEBURG, Or., Feb. 20.—(Special.)—After deliberation of less than 20 minutes a jury in the Circuit Court at noon today acquitted Gordon Gage, who was on trial charged with committing assault and battery on Mrs. L. J. Barnes, a prominent woman of this city.

Miss Hazel Goodman, a telephone operator, who was with Gage on the night of the alleged assault, was the chief witness for the defense. After her testimony had been given the prosecution practically gave up all hope of winning a verdict.

The courtroom was crowded during the closing arguments of the attorneys.

PAPERMAKER IS SCALDED

George Rissberger Is Victim of First Accident in 18 Years.

OREGON CITY, Or., Feb. 20.—(Special.)—George Rissberger, an employe of the Crown-Willamette Paper Company, was scalded seriously by the escaping of acid steam from one of the digesters of the paper mill this morning. He suffered from burns on the face, arms, thighs and feet. He was taken to the Oregon City Hospital, where he received medical aid. Mr. Rissberger will not be able to return to his work for about three months.

Mr. Rissberger has been an employe of the paper mill for the past 18 years and is suffering from his first accident.

RAZOR THREAT IS CHARGED

Mrs. Irma Ansley Asks Divorce and Third of $12,000 Estate.

James W. Ansley, of the Ansley Printing Company, is sued for divorce in an action filed in the Circuit Court by Mrs. Irma Ansley yesterday. Alimony of $35 a month and a third interest in property valued at about $12,000 is asked.

About a month ago, Mrs. Ansley alleges, Mr. Ansley threatened to slash her with a razor in such a manner that she would want to kill herself if she tried to secure a divorce from him. She says that in August, 1916, her husband started on a search for a neighbor who owed him some money with the avowed intention of attacking him with a razor. Luckily for the neighbor, she asserts, the man sought was out of the city.

Habitual intoxication is the chief complaint in the divorce action.

The Ansleys were married in 1907. There are no children.

Hester Burgett filed suit yesterday for divorce from Charles B. Burgett. Her husband deserted her in 1914, when she was confined to the State Hospital at Salem, asserts the plaintiff. She wishes custody of their son, William, aged 9.

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MRS. THOMPSON GUEST

BANQUET TO BE GIVEN IN HER HONOR AT MULTNOMAH.

Dr. David Starr Jordan Will Be Among Speakers and Many Members of Legislature Will Attend.

Dr. David Starr Jordan and Mrs. Alexander Thompson will be the principal speakers tomorrow night at the banquet to be given in the Multnomah Hotel in compliment to Mrs. Thompson. The Oregon Congress of Mothers and the state Parent-Teacher organization will be hostesses to Dr. Jordan and

Dr. David Starr Jordan, Who Will Speak at Banquet in Multnomah Hotel.

Mrs. Thompson. The federated clubs of the state will assist the Parent-Teachers in dispensing hospitality. A large number of men, among them the entire Multnomah delegation, will attend.

A number of legislators from various parts of the state have made reservations. Mrs. Charles H. Castner, state president of the Oregon Federation of Women's Clubs, will come from Hood River to be present. Mrs. Thompson is secretary of the Federation.

Mrs. F. S. Myers is general chairman for the banquet. Mrs. C. W. Hayhurst, Mrs. Sarah A. Evans, Mrs. J. W. Tifft, Mrs. C. N. Rankin and several others are assisting her. Following are the patronesses for the function: Mrs. James Withycombe, Mrs. George E. Chamberlain, Mrs. Gus Moser, Mrs. Edgar Piper, Mrs. C. S. Jackson, Mrs. R. D. Cannon, Mrs. H. R. Albee, Mrs. S. B. Huston, Mrs. G. L. Buland, Mrs. F. Eggert, Mrs. Helen Ekin Starrett, Mrs. Helen Ladd Corbett, Mrs. C. B. Simmons, Miss Emma Wold, Mrs. W. J. Hawkins, Mrs. Vincent Cook, Mrs. Charles Allen and Mrs. Isaac Swett.

Mrs. Thomas Carrick Burke will have charge of the music, which will be an important feature. All who attend are asked to be on time, as the banquet will begin promptly at 6:30 o'clock.

Reservations may be made with Mrs. F. S. Myers, East 2320, C 1284; Mrs. James W. Tifft, Marshall 4215, or Broadway 4080.

FETE HELD BY PYTHIANS

IVANHOE LODGE OBSERVES TWO ANNIVERSARIES.

Founding of Order and Establishment of Insurance Department Celebrated With Programme and Dance.

Knights of Pythias and their friends gathered at Castle Hall, Eleventh and Alder streets, the home of Ivanhoe Lodge, last night to celebrate the 53d anniversary of the order and the 40th anniversary of the insurance department. It was an open meeting and there was a good attendance of both men and women.

The programme included a drill by the team of the Knights of Khorassan. Following a selection by the orchestra, there was the flag ceremonial. The opening address was given by Judge W. M. Cake, who presided.

An address on the insurance department was given by D. C. Herrin and the presentation of veteran jewels was made by E. D. Curtis. Songs were given by Miss Wheat and P. E. Holm.

The following members of Ivanhoe Lodge were presented with veteran jewels:

James D. Asher (P. C.), Chris Bomberger (P. C.), A. C. Carty, John M. Dunn, Edward Eland, James S. A. Henderson, Fred P. Holm (P. C.), Karl Klein, Thomas Kroenig, John J. Murphy, Jordan Jurvine, Louis Rosenblatt (P. C.), John B. Schaefer, H. Soderstrom, Oliver C. Thornton, Aaron Tilzer, Theodore Trautman (P. C.), Hance Tuthill, George Weatherly (P. C.), James E. Wilson (P. C.).

The evening's entertainment closed with dancing.

The members of Ivanhoe Lodge will visit Arion Lodge, No. 57, at Hubbard tomorrow night. They will go from Portland by special train, leaving the Union Depot at 6:45 P. M. and returning to Portland at the close of the meeting. Over 100 Knights will make up the party. Members of the committee in charge of the affair are A. K. Downs, H. J. Hunter and W. J. H. Clark. It is asked that all who want to join the excursion see a member of the committee promptly and secure tickets.

Grocers to Be Entertained.

The brokerage firm of Worsham, Vivian Company will entertain the Portland Retail Grocers' Association with a dinner and programme at the regular meeting of the association to be held at the Chamber of Commerce tomorrow night.

Lane Gives Place to Aggie.

EUGENE, Or., Feb. 20.—(Special.)—Claude C. Calkings, a graduate of the Oregon Agricultural College, has been designated as assistant to N. S. Robb, Lane County agriculturist.

DRYS ARE WARNED TO KEEP ON ALERT

Enforcement of New Law to Be Big Problem, Say Some at Rally of Workers.

M'ARTHUR ASKED TO AID

Telegram Calling for Support of National Prohibition Amendment Is Sent—Leaders Review Campaign at Salem.

Just because Oregon has passed a bone-dry law is no reason why those who obtained prohibition for the state should rest on their oars was the warning sounded last night in a "dry" rally at Centenary Church.

In fact, it was the composite assertion that the fight had only begun and all zealously interested should keep watch for infractions of the law and at the same time do all in their power to bring about National prohibition.

The first speaker introduced by R. P. Hutton, state superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League, was Mrs. Jennie Kemp, state president of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union. She was introduced as coming direct from the "smoke of battle" at Salem, where she took great interest in the passage of the bone-dry law.

Mrs. Kemp said it was interesting to note how dry the Legislature was when the people had voted the state dry, and referred to the "soppy seven" members of the House who voted nay on the bone-dry law.

Author Praises Dry Bill.

J. P. Newell, of the union dry committee, reviewed the campaign at the last election.

Dr. J. E. Anderson, member of the lower house from Wasco County and chairman of the House alcoholic committee, who introduced the prohibition law into the 1915 Legislature and also the bone-dry bill, reviewed the main points of the new bill and characterized it as a "thoroughly good, sane and workable bill, the best that could be framed under present conditions."

Dr. Anderson expressed the opinion that Oregon would never again see the licensed saloon.

Dr. E. C. Moore, assistant general superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League of America, in whose honor the meeting was called, paid tribute to the Woman's Christian Temperance Union for keeping the temperance work alive when the "manhood of the country would do nothing against the liquor traffic."

Northwest Vote Helps.

One of the biggest factors in creating new dry territory, he said, was the fact Portland, Tacoma, Spokane and Denver had once voted wet and at the succeeding election reversed their vote. He said it was making business men all over the country realize that prohibition did not adversely affect business interests.

"The crushing of the liquor traffic is a business of the church, because the church is the friend of humanity and the saloon its foe.

"So far we have won along the lines of least resistance. It is for us now to create an alert public sentiment to back up law enforcement, for the saloon will not obey the law unless it has to."

Sixty-eight business and professional men at a luncheon for Dr. Moore at the Multnomah Hotel yesterday sent a telegram to Representative C. N. McArthur asking him to use his influence for the National prohibition amendment. The Bankhead bill, which closes the mails to liquor advertising, and the bill to make the District of Columbia dry also were urged.

Attached to the telegrom were the following signatures:

L. H. Alexander, A. L. Veazie, John W. Loder, J. S. Greenfield, George H. Himes, C. A. Wooddy, W. H. Morrow, Dr. C. R. Templeton, W. T. Milliken, A. M. Petty, C. A. Snell, W. M. Jackson, W. F. Norman, John A. Bell, J. F. Newell, J. Allen Harrison, Rev. A. C. Brackenbury, Rev. W. W. Youngson, Rev. A. A. Hoist, Dr. T. W. Lane, W. H. Markell, Frank H. Hilton, Rev. A. R. MacLean, Dr. Joshua Stansfield, J. K. Gill, H. F. Johnson, E. L. Lathrup, Walter M. Pierce, R. P. Hutton, Mayor H. R. Albee, J. R. Anderson, Robert Livingstone, Judge R. G. Morrow, Rev. A. J. Montgomery, A. J. Robinson, J. E. Werlein, Dr. Emmet Drake, Wilson Benefiel, Dr. H. H. Thacker, Dr. Herbert C. Miller, L. R. Bailey, D. O. Davidson, H. W. Hopkirk, A. S. Pattullo, H. W. Stone, Judge J. W. Bell, S. W. Steele, J. C. Mann, C. N. Wonacott, L. E. Carter, C. G. Wilson, S. A. Wilson, D. A. Pattullo, R. J. Paterson, J. T. Wilson, E. A. Baker, C. L. Smith, C. C. Cignoux, William McMurray, Rev. R. E. Smith, E. E. Ericson, Dr. W. H. Vese, Charles H. Thompson, Jacob Krieger, J. W. Andrews, W. L. Mallory, J. W. Day, Rev. M. Eagelganz.

SIX ARE IN SEATTLE RACE

NOMINATIONS FOR COUNCIL MADE AT PRIMARY ELECTION.

Three of Those Named to be Elected March 6—Hesketh, Erickson and Dale Seek Re-election.

SEATTLE, Feb. 20.—The primary election today resulted in the nomination of the following candidates for the office of Councilman: Robert B. Hesketh, Oliver T. Erickson, W. D. Lane, Allen Dale, William T. Calhoun, Bryon Phelps. Three of this number will be elected to three-year terms at the city election on March 6.

Hesketh, Erickson and Dale are members of the present Council. Hesketh is widely known as a labor union leader, being an international officer of the Cooks' and Waiters' Union. Erickson is prominent as an advocate of the single tax and municipal ownership. Lane was a Progressive party leader in the House of the State Legislature of 1915. Phelps is a former Mayor of Seattle. On the March ballot the names of the candidates will be printed in the order in which they finished today. Generally the high men in the primary have an advantage in the elections.

Returns from 205 out of a total of 276 precincts give Hesketh 11,044, Erickson, 10,522; Lane, 6970; Dale, 6565; Calhoun, 6214; Phelps, 4864.

J. H. Murphy, Druggist, Fined.

J. H. Murphy, proprietor of the Harrison-Street Pharmacy, pleaded guilty to selling alcohol without affidavits, before Presiding Judge Gantenbein Monday. He was sentenced to six months in the County Jail and to pay a fine of $300, but all of the sentence except $50 of the fine was suspended during good behavior. Murphy had appealed from a five months' sentence in the Municipal Court.

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DEATH TO BE PROBED

BODY OF MAN WHO DIED AT STATE HOSPITAL BRUISED.

Superintendent Steiner Says Fall Just Prior to End May Have Broken David Kilgore's Wrists.

SALEM, Or., Feb. 20.—(Special.)—Superintendent Steiner, of the Oregon State Hospital, left for Ashland tonight, where he will enter into a detailed explanation with the Mayor and citizens of that city of the death of David Kilgore, who died suddenly at the hospital a few days ago. The Mayor of Ashland filed a complaint with the Governor's office today that when Kilgore's body arrived at Ashland Saturday it was badly bruised, that both wrists were broken and that other injuries were visible.

Complaint was lodged with District Attorney Gehlhar, of Marion County, by officials at Ashland and he made an investigation of the circumstances surrounding Kilgore's death, reporting to Ashland authorities that there were no suspicious circumstances surrounding it.

Dr. Steiner said that Kilgore, who was 66 years of age, died suddenly from heart disease and complications. He had been ill in bed for two weeks prior to his death. He was apparently harmless and was in a ward of harmless patients, he said.

The night of his death, says Superintendent Steiner, Kilgore apparently had arisen from his bed and gone into an adjoining room. There he was found, sprawled out as though he had fallen. A contusion was noticed on his face, apparently from the fall.

Superintendent Steiner said he is satisfied that there was nothing irregular in connection with Kilgore's death and what injuries he sustained were from the fall.

WAR BEST PREPARATION

ELLSWORTH BENHAM SAYS EUROPE IS STRONGER THAN EVER.

Steady Propaganda to Awaken Citizens to Need for Adequate Defense Is Advocated.

"The only successful defense of the Monroe Doctrine ever made against a great foreign power was made by the United States immediately after the Civil War," said Ellsworth Benham, former delegate from Portland to the National Security League convention in Washington, who addressed the Rotary Club at its luncheon yesterday.

"This was made when we were 'exhausted' by war, but were in better trim as far as fighting men and equipment were concerned than we have been before or since.

"Those who say that Europe will be 'too exhausted' to be a menace after the present war may pay attention to this fact. Europe will be stronger in a military sense than she has ever been before in the history of the world.

"We need in addition to acts of Congress a steady propaganda to reawaken the citizenship to the truths of patriotic duty so that they will back up and help carry through effectively the preparedness programme that has been authorized."

A committee will be named by the Rotary Club to investigate the matters touched upon by Mr. Benham and to recommend in the near future a method by which the club can cooperate in the Nation-wide propaganda of the National Security League.

Dewey's Estate $255,000.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20. — Admiral Dewey's estate was valued at $255,000 in a petition for letters of administration filed today by his widow and son.

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Baked Mashed Potatoes Brussels Sprouts
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