

IRISH LEAGUE PROTEST TO LEAGUE COUNCIL

Body Held to Be "Engine of Empire" in Document.

ENGLISH RULE CHARGED

System Declared Calculated to Prove "Worst World-Disturbing Factor" and "Curse."

PARIS, Jan. 16.—The council of the league of nations received the first formal protest to be presented to it almost before it came into being with today's initial sessions. The protest was from an "envoy of the elected government of the Irish republic" against "the unreal English simulation of an international league of peace."

No mention of the protest was made during the meeting of the council, but copies were handed to the newspaper correspondents after they left the foreign office. The document was signed "Quaklaugh Duffy." It registered objections to the pretended league of nations and declared the league to be an "engine of empire" designed to secure and perpetuate English hegemony throughout both hemispheres.

The protest insisted that the league was illusory and incomplete, lacking authority and sanction, and declaring that the United States stood out in indignation and repudiation of it.

English Scheme, Is Charge.
The constitution of the English-made league of nations as it stands is a subtle English scheme to obtain from other governments moral sanction for the English claim to hold and keep control of peoples and territories which in past centuries and in recent days England has by fraud and bloody conquest added to her empire.

"While purporting to be a great and all-powerful instrument for universal peace, it is, in fact, calculated to become one of the worst world-disturbing factors in history by throwing the mantle of right over the doing of wrong which threatens to be a curse to mankind."

League "Instrument of War."
"We deny to this league its claim to recognition as an instrument of peace. To judge by the league of England it already is an instrument of war, and we protest against the attempt of England to force upon the world an audacious imposture instead of establishing the responsible and impartial international assembly promised by President Wilson as the outcome of a war ostensibly fought for the freedom of small nations and the destruction of militarism."

"Therefore, on behalf of our own historic nation, whose struggle for liberty is an example of oppressed peoples throughout the world, we warn imperialistic governments against their league upon its present English model cannot last."

"We demand the establishment of a democratic league of nations founded upon the principles of justice and freedom, a league to whose courts of arbitration subject nations can have recourse with the assurance that right will be done."

BILL AGITATES ASTORIA

NORBLAD MEASURE STIRS UP CLATSOP RESIDENTS.

Amendment of Bill Demanded to Deprive Portland of Power to Levy Big Tax.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Jan. 16.—(Special.)—But for an amendment to Senator Norblad's bill, the Port of Portland measure would have been passed today. The Norblad bill would give the port authority the power to levy a tax of \$100,000,000 on the port of Astoria, and other things, but other port legislation was in process of enactment and these, together, would have given greater taxation powers to the port of Astoria. As soon as the situation was discovered, heavy Portland taxpayers protested vigorously and by a simple amendment, agreed to by Norblad, the Portland port was shorn of this power, while the Port of Astoria was left unmolested.

The rumor of difficulty reached Astoria and all day long distance telephone and telegraph messages poured into the state house protesting against the supposed attempt of Portland to interfere with Astoria. One Astorian telegraphed for list to be compiled of every Portlander fighting the Norblad port measure.

LABEL BILL PASSES HOUSE

Speaker Jones Defends Measure

Calling for Names on Cans.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Jan. 16.—(Special.)—"If Oregon fruits and vegetables are not sufficiently meritorious to warrant recognition by the consumers, it is the duty of the growers of this state to direct their energies in other directions," was the assertion made by Speaker Jones this afternoon in an address on the floor of the house in support of the bill providing that all persons, firms or corporations engaged in the business of packing fruits or vegetables, should label all containers to show that the contents were of Oregon production. The bill passed the house by a vote of 42 to 6.

"We want to see that the fruits to be labeled Oregon fruits," said Speaker Jones, "and I am surprised that there is any discussion of the bill regarding the passage of this bill."

TREATY COMPROMISE URGED

Senator Banks Introduces Resolution at Salem.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Jan. 16.—(Special.)—Urging ratification of the league of nations and the mutual concessions regarding reservations, is the object of a resolution offered today by Senator Banks. The resolution, in part, follows: "With victory comes attendant and correlative duties and responsibilities. In harmony with the noblest motives which led to our entry into the war, we are insistent upon a settlement which will preclude repetition of the horrors of 1914-1918, so far as human judgment can foresee. Some sacrifices of established precedents and policies are inevitable. Some form of international covenant which seeks to prevent war is a moral necessity. The differences between the president and the senate

HOUSE PASSES MANY BILLS

Act Providing for Labeling Oregon Products Among Measures.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Jan. 16.—(Special.)—The following bills were passed in the house today:

H. B. 27, by Burdick—Relating to increase in salary for district judges.
H. B. 34, by Mrs. Thompson—Providing for support of elementary schools.
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H. B. 40, by Bruns—Relating to terms of court in Walla Walla and Union counties.

H. B. 50, by Martin—Providing for labeling of Oregon products.
H. B. 51, by Gallagher—Relating to irrigation districts.
H. B. 52, by Thrift—Fixing salaries of Cook county officers.

H. B. 53, by Woodson—Fixing salaries of officers in Morrow county.
H. B. 56, by Westerlund—Act to provide relocation of county seat.
H. B. 57, by committee on military affairs—Prohibiting impersonation of soldiers, sailors and marines.

H. B. 60, by Linn county delegation—Fixing salaries of Linn county officers.
H. B. 62, by committee on roads and highways—Giving highway commission the right to repair roads.

H. B. 70, by Wright—Relating to designation of certain roads in Sherman county as state roads.
H. B. 74, by committee on roads and highways—Relating to matching state and federal funds for construction of rural and post roads.

H. B. 79, by Edwards—Providing for construction of bridge across Nestucca river.
H. B. 87, by Mrs. Thompson—Relating to duties of county courts regarding dance-halls.

H. B. 88, by corporation committee—Providing for corporate existence of private corporations.
H. B. 89, by Mrs. Thompson—Pertaining to dance-halls and duties of county courts to regulations.

H. B. 90, by committee on game—Appropriating money to liquidate claims against game farm.

COLLEGES REACH COMPROMISE

Millage of One and Two-Tenths Favored by Committee.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Jan. 16.—(Special.)—Compromise has been reached between the Oregon Agricultural college and the University of Oregon over the millage fight at a late hour tonight. The ways and means committee recommends a millage for the Oregon Agricultural college and the University of Oregon on a basis of four to three, and 66 mill for the Normal school at Monmouth.

On this basis the Oregon Agricultural college will receive \$85,720 and the university \$514,280. The college wanted .5 of a mill and wanted the university to be 10 to 1. A bill by Kuhl was on a 50-50 basis for the two institutions.

WOMAN'S FUND IS AIDED

Ways and Means Committee Approves \$50,000 Appropriation.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Jan. 16.—(Special.)—The ways and means committee tonight approved an appropriation of \$50,000 for the women's fund at the state university. The bill will be reported back to the house tomorrow.

Sponsors for the proposed measure are Representatives Graham and Bean.

EMERGENCY IS PROVIDED FOR

Senate Adopts Resolution on Filling Gubernatorial Vacancy.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Jan. 16.—(Special.)—The senate tonight adopted a resolution to fill the vacancy in the gubernatorial office until the next general election. The bill was adopted by a unanimous vote.

House Passes Post Road Bill.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Jan. 16.—(Special.)—Representative Wright's bill, designating certain roads in Sherman county, starting at a point on the Columbia river highway and extending to the south line of Sherman county, as a post highway, passed the house tonight. Representative Wright said the county already had voted more than \$400,000 for the improvement of the road. The bill would be asked at the present time. Representative James Stewart also gave his approval to the bill.

County Seat Bill Recalled.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Jan. 16.—(Special.)—The bill passed in the house today providing that the question of removing county seats may be referred to the voters upon petition of 25 per cent of the number of electors voting at the last preceding general election, was recalled from the senate tonight and indefinitely postponed. The bill was prepared by Representative Westerlund and met bitter opposition at the hands of Representatives James Stewart and Kuhl. Fight for passage of the bill was led by Representative Gore.

House Passes Gasoline Bill.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Jan. 16.—(Special.)—The so-called gasoline bill, which has for its purpose the repeal of the present 56 gravity test and the 56 gravity test, passed the house tonight. The bill was introduced by Representative Westerlund and met bitter opposition at the hands of Representatives James Stewart and Kuhl. Fight for passage of the bill was led by Representative Gore.

Revolving Fund Bill Passed.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Jan. 16.—(Special.)—The revolving fund of the state highway commission, increased from \$20,000 to \$75,000 under a bill passed by the house tonight. The bill was introduced by the committee on roads and highways.

CENSUS ADDS CHILDREN

"House of David" Swells Denver Population by 700.

DENVER, Colo., Jan. 16.—Biblical institutions added and two-day deadlock between Roady Kenenah, district census supervisor, and "Children of the House of David" here today.

As a result 700 names were added to Denver's list.

"Render unto Caesar the things that are Caesar's," was the ultimatum wherein leaders of the body found warrant for answering the enumerators' questions.

Bank Robbers Get \$30,000.

GIRARD Ala., Jan. 16.—Four masked robbers held up officials and patrons of the Phoenix-Girard bank here today and escaped with approximately \$30,000 in cash and securities.

REVOLI THEATER HAS SUSPICIOUS OPENING

Mayor Baker Makes Formal Dedication Address.

MR. GUTERSON PRAISED

Musician, Director-General, Is Introduced to Audience by Film, and Then Appears.

With a line of persons stretching the ticket window around the corner down to Stark, and then halfway back again to Washington, for the second show, and every seat in the house filled with expectant, enthusiastic motion-picture fans, the formal opening of the Rivoli theater last night was unusually pretentious.

Mayor Baker made the formal dedication address. "Portland for two reasons is particularly fortunate in having Misha Guterson make heavy investments in Portland, as he and his associates have done in buying the Strand and opening the Rivoli theater," said Mayor Baker.

"A theater backed by Mr. Guterson is assured of being a musical center within a community. Mr. Guterson is known nationally for the high type of music associated with the motion-picture theaters in which he has played. Secondly, and just as important, Mr. Guterson's name has always been connected with pictures of the cleanest and most entertaining type."

"I have been criticized for the censoring of motion-picture entertainments. I can stand the criticism. Nothing is finer than a clean motion-picture program, and I am glad every house in Portland where the showing wholesome pictures is an ideal."

Introduction Is Unique.
Misha Guterson, director of the Rivoli orchestra and vice-president of the Rivoli board of directors, was introduced in unique manner. E. Marshall Taylor, manager, came on to the stage and told briefly of Guterson's ideals for music in a cinema house.

Guterson believes that appropriate music is all important to the proper showing of a motion picture," said Mr. Taylor. "He does not intend that music shall predominate in concert numbers. The entire purpose of the music during the showing of a picture is to raise the picture to its highest and best of eloquence, and to make more sympathetic and expressive its theme."

"Something has delayed Mr. Guterson. He must be here right away, and while waiting for him I ask you to be patient and watch a little play which shall be immediately thrown on the screen."

With this conclusion a motion picture of Mr. Taylor outside the Rivoli wildly looking for the missing director was shown. The audience waited in vain. The director went on to show Manager Taylor down at the Portland union depot waiting for a train bringing in Mr. Guterson. With its arrival he was seen hurrying up to Mr. Guterson and hastening him into a waiting car.

The car drove the two to the entrance of the Rivoli, where it was discovered that Mr. Guterson, upon entering the building, was always in a business suit instead of formal evening attire, as were other members of the management for the opening night.

Mr. Guterson Appears.
Mr. Guterson, in the continuation of the picture, went back into the picture and immediately reappeared in the formal "fish-and-soup" dress. At that point the lights were flashed on him and Mr. Guterson appeared in person. He was enthusiastically received by a crowd which, by ardent applause, signified a desire for speech. His only answer other than numerous bows was the waving of his hat to the crowd.

Titles for the novelty film by which Mr. Guterson was introduced were in Limerick form and were written by Linton L. Davies, a Portland author and picture director.

Rhapsody Is Played.
The orchestra, under Mr. Guterson's direction in the "Hungarian Rhapsody," demonstrated remarkable contrasting tone shades. The pianissimo effects, followed and preceded by magnificent ensembles, gave a delicate dramatic atmosphere to the execution of the selection. A harp solo and a cello solo added to the richness and wide range of appeal of the composition. In this selection Mr. Guterson himself played.

The orchestra played "Monte Carlo" and the American service men who visited it on leave preceded "The Golden Trail," the principal recreation of the evening. "The Golden Trail," a picture made in Portland last summer, was enthusiastically received. At its conclusion Jean Herscholt, accompanied by his small son Allen, appeared in person. Mr. Herscholt played the heavy character roles in the picture and his small son had the juvenile part.

The cast list theater board of directors is composed of J. Aronson, president; Misha Guterson, vice-president; W. H. Butchart, treasurer; Frank S. Bayley, secretary; E. Marshall Taylor, assistant treasurer.

Its management personnel includes Misha Guterson, director-general; E. Marshall Taylor, manager; A. Aronson, assistant manager; J. Goldsmith, auditor; Gus Jenkins, stage manager.

COLLEGE FEDERATION AIM

Professor to Start 10 Weeks' Tour of American Institutions.

NEW YORK, Jan. 16.—A ten weeks' tour of first-class colleges and co-educational institutions in furtherance of the plan for an international federation of college women will be made by Professor Caroline E. Spurgeon of the University of London and Mrs. Ida Smedley Maclean, research workers for Lister's institute, it was announced tonight.

The Pacific coast institutions. The tour will include the University of California, Stanford University, and the University of Washington.

WAGE AGREEMENT TOPIC

Coast Metal Trades Consider Basis of California Strike.

TACOMA, Wash., Jan. 16.—To clear the way for final action on a wage agreement of officers tomorrow night, the convention of the Pacific coast district metal trades remained in session until late tonight. Committee met afterward to complete their reports. Only routine business was transacted on the floor, the press committee announced. The principal interest of the day centered in the executive board's consideration of the coastwide blanket agreement on the 8-cent raise and the basis of the strike now in effect in California shipyards.

One proposed change, providing that the six-hour day be included in all future working agreements, was referred to the resolutions committee and then brought back to the floor of the convention, where it was finally disposed of by being referred to the policy board.

Final reports are to be submitted to the convention tomorrow morning by the finance committee, executive board and organization committee.

REDS CLAIM VICTORIES

CONTROL OF NORTH SIBERIA HERALDED FROM MOSCOW.

Soviet Reports Revolutions Imminent and Surrender of Garrisons Over Wide Russian Area.

LONDON, Jan. 16.—All of north Siberia beginning at Tulun and all the Lumsky district is occupied by red forces and the soviet government exists everywhere, in conjunction with the central soviet, according to irrefutable evidence forwarded from Moscow by wireless. The soviet statement says:

"On the night of January 10 a bloodless revolution occurred at Petropavlovsk in Kamchatka province. All of the garrison has gone over to the people and all of the officers, heads of the district and other officials were arrested."

"Between Vladivostok and Khabarovsk and Alaman the troops of General Kalyukof are cut off on all sides."

"Between Vladivostok and the Ussuri region we are occupying everywhere and revolutions are expected from the people and all of the officers. The authorities are fleeing from Vladivostok, Khabarovsk, Nikolaevsk and Blakovschensk."

TEACHER'S HOME RAIDED
Professor Resigns Because of Alleged Radical Views.

GAINESVILLE, Fla., Jan. 16.—After federal agents raided the home of Sewell L. Sims, professor of sociology and political science at the University of Florida, it became known that the professor's resignation had been requested because of alleged radical views.

Federal agents made public a letter they say Professor Sims had written last spring to A. S. Hensley, a missionary in Africa, in which the United States government was denounced and the Russian soviet system praised. The letter was seized and destroyed in London, he said, and was sent to the United States department of justice.

"The whole procedure is a piece of foolery," Professor Sims said today. He asserted he was a "liberal," but not a bolshevik or radical, and declared he was not in sympathy with any of the radical movements. He denied that the literature found warranted the allegations made by federal agents.

POLAND SEEMS SECURE
Imminent Menace From Red Attack Not Indicated.

LONDON, Jan. 16.—Poland's situation as regards the possible soviet military onslaught seems to be fairly secure at present, in the opinion of leading experts. It is always in danger of a concerted red attack against the Poles, they point out, but there are no indications of an imminent menace.

Most of the bolshevik front and energy are in the southern front and are being devoted to an effort to defeat General Denikin, who is fighting doggedly and apparently is still strong in the Crimea. There is plenty of trouble, therefore, it is considered problematical whether the reds will attempt any big drive against the Poles at present.

MANY LOST ON VESSEL
Terror-Stricken Pray While Other Passengers Are Calm.

PARIS, Jan. 16.—Georges Metayer of Bordeaux, the possible passenger rescued of the 474 aboard the steamer Afrigue, wrecked Sunday in the Bay of Biscay, said today that he and others might have been saved, but that they refused to enter the boats as the ship with a hole in her side steamed in a tempest toward land. He described the scenes aboard the vessel when terror-stricken Senegalese prayed and many passengers tore at their clothes, believing that sight of the steamer Ceylon, summoned by wireless, would save them.

Captain Ledy stayed on the bridge to the end, as did the wireless operator, Mezier, who for 24 hours had the receiver to his ears.

BOY ROBBED OF CLOTHES

Ralph Coates, 14, Stripped of Suit and Shoes by Two Men.

Ralph Coates, 14, was robbed of his coat, trousers and shoes by two men who stopped him two blocks from his home at 1327 Wilbur street last night, according to a dispatch received by the Butte Miner.

Soon after his release several of his city limits, it is reported, stripped his body to the waist and administered a severe lashing. Gordon's clothes were unbuttoned. Then each member of the "committee" contributed money to enable Gordon to leave the vicinity. The dispatch adds, "The lad had just descended from a St. Johns street car at Greeley and Holman streets. He described the robbers as similar in appearance—both tall, slim, very dark and wearing mustaches."

FIREMEN CAUGHT BY WALL
Falling Structure Injures Several, Probably Fatally.

SOLONS DESERT SENATE

"Everybody but Congress Interested in Wiping Out Illiteracy."

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16.—Noting that only four senators were on the floor, Senator Kenyon, republican, hour, moved adjournment today and adjournment was taken for the following time, and shortly after he began an explanation of his Americanization bill, which is before the senate for action.

Sewer Drains Seized Liquor.
DULUTH, Minn., Jan. 16.—While prisoners and others looked on with envious eyes police officers at midnight seized \$20,000 worth of seized liquor into the sewer at the city jail here.

Police Detain Pair.
Patrolmen Nichols and Abbott last night arrested Charles Graham, 22, and Richard Linville, 26, at Fifteenth and Jefferson streets on charges of carrying concealed weapons. The police say each of the men carried a revolver. They were locked in the city jail and the time of the funeral will be announced later.

WILSON TO GET ANSWER
Senator Lodge to Take Up Jackson Day Message.

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Addresses will be made by the three senators. Colonel George Harvey will be toastmaster.

WRITING PAPER GOES UP
Higher Price Is Attributed to Greater Cost of Production.

HOLYOKE, Mass., Jan. 16.—An increase in the price of paper amounting to 20 per cent was announced today by the American Writing Paper company effective January 19.

The reason given is "the advanced and advancing cost of raw materials and labor and the operating exigencies with which the fine paper industry is faced."

Lipman Wolfe & Co.
"Merchandise of a Merit Only"

Today--Last of the Overcoat Clean-up!

Every Coat in Our Stock Is Reduced to One of Three Remarkably Low Prices

The Sale Started Yesterday With 204 Garments
They Are Priced to Close Out Today at

\$29.50 \$39.50 \$49.50

We could readily sell many of these coats next spring for MORE than the REGULAR prices have been. That's how the clothing situation stands today.

—But we will not carry over an overcoat, because we will show our customers NEW GOODS ONLY for next season. We now cut the prices on these most desirable of all medium and heavy weight coats.

Stein-Bloch
Fashion Park
and Langham

Belted, Raglan, form-fitting and Chesterfield coats, ulsters and ulsterettes, have all been included in this sale, and to guarantee immediate and certain clearance, some of these coats have been

Priced as Low as Half

TODAY—YOUR BEST CHANCE—YOUR LAST CHANCE TO PROFIT BY SUCH A SALE—COME!

Fifth Floor—Lipman, Wolfe & Co.



PIONEER ATTORNEY DIES

LAW HERE 40 YEARS.

Member of Bar Association Came to Portland from California in 1879.

VICTOR K. STRODE PRACTICED

Victor K. Strode, a member of the Bar association of Oregon and a practicing lawyer in Portland for more than 40 years, died yesterday at his home, 867 Kelly street, following a brief period of illness. Mr. Strode was 67 years of age and had lived in Portland practically continuously since 1879.

Mr. Strode was born in Missouri on August 23, 1852, and went to San Francisco, Cal., where he was admitted to the bar. He was a young man when he came to Oregon, and he has since been a resident of this state.

For some years he was associated with Jarvin Veach, conducting a legal practice. He was later associated with Charles N. Waite. At the time of his death he was carrying on a law business by himself, being located in the Panama building.

In 1887 Mr. Strode married Kate Weagans, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Weagans, prominent early pioneers of Portland. Mrs. Strode and two sons, Charles J. and Victor W., all of this city, survive. Arrangements are in charge of J. P. Finley, the son and executor of the funeral will be announced later.

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NURSES TO BE HONORED

Nine Governors Set Aside Day of Tribute to Army Nurses.

CHICAGO, Jan. 16.—Nine governors have answered the appeal of wounded soldiers at Fort Sheridan to set aside Sunday, January 25, as a day of tribute to army nurses, it was announced tonight.

The tribute outlined includes the wearing of white roses.

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BRIDEGROOM IS DETAINED

Frank Cabler Faces Charge of Subornation of Perjury.

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Frank Cabler of Hillsdale, Or., was brought to Portland and locked in the county jail last night by Deputy Sheriff Kendall, who had arrested him at Mosier, Or., on a charge of subornation of perjury in connection with his marriage to 16-year-old Mabel Land. The warrant was sworn out by a Portland attorney, who said that Cabler had persuaded E. W. Cullison, who was his witness in obtaining the marriage license, to swear that the girl was 18 years old and a resident of Multnomah county.