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WILSON-HITCHECOCK PLEA PLAYED OUT

Peace Obstructors' Last Prop Knocked Down.

GREY LETTER CLEARS ISSUES

Britain Is Willing to Accept Lodge Reservations.

FRANCE ALSO FAVORABLE

Treaty Will Be Ratified Before End of This Month, Says Senator Underwood.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU

WASHINGTON, Feb. 2.—Viscount Grey's letter has unquestionably knocked the last prop from under the contentions of President Wilson and Senator Hitchcock as to refusal to ratify the peace treaty with the Lodge reservations.

This was the view generally expressed today and which caused Senator Underwood, the most far-seeing leader on the democratic side, to say: "The treaty will be ratified and out of the way before the end of this month."

Following upon the Grey letter is expected to come some indication from the French government of its readiness to accept the Lodge reservations within the next few days. The irreconcilables, as first, as would be expected, say in Grey's letter, and in company with Mrs. Cora M. Spiker, the forgiving wife, and Guy Spiker, the ex-officer's brother who has promised to marry her, took the boat for Fall River, where old friends of her family are awaiting her.

Outlook Now Is Clearer.

Senator Lodge's notice today that he will move next Monday to take up the treaty means that the contest thereafter will simply be a question between 14 senators who are opposed to ratification of the pact carrying any kind of a league of nations covenant and 82 senators who favor the treaty with reservations.

There were perhaps two men in the United States who were not surprised yesterday by the position taken by Viscount Grey. These men were Senators Lodge and Borah. Senator Lodge was called into conference with Grey several times and made it plain to the British ambassador that it was out of the question to secure approval of the treaty without strong reservations. Viscount Grey told Senator Lodge that he appreciated the desire of the American people for strong reservations and the historic opposition in this country to anything that looked like an entangling alliance.

Ambassador Gets Facts.

Viscount Grey had not been in this country long until he saw that sentiment in the United States had been misrepresented in Europe. He did not accuse President Wilson of having misled Europe because diplomats approach international situations in such candid fashion. However, it was inferred that the nations across the water, and particularly England, had been led to believe by someone closer to the president's peace party in the United States. He said his time here would have been wasted if he were to go back and report conditions different from what he found just because such a report would upset a popular misunderstanding.

GUARD NOT FOR RESERVE

Emergency Officers and Reservists Barred From State Service.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 2.—Reserve officers cannot accept commissions in the national guard, nor can a member of the regular army reserve enlist or accept a commission in the guard, under a ruling by Judge Advocate-General Crowder, approved by Secretary Baker today.

VANCOUVER FIREMEN QUIT

Demands for Two-Platoon System Denied by Council.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Feb. 2.—(Special.)—All firemen of Vancouver's department quit yesterday. Today their demands for a two platoon system or more days off in each week were denied by the city council, which had not provided any increase for this department in the annual budget.

GLASS AFTER SMUGGLERS

Secretary Wants Two Millions for Force of Inspectors.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 2.—Secretary Glass today asked congress for two million dollars for use in stopping the smuggling of liquors into the United States.

LINER IN FROM GERMANY

First Passenger Ship Since 1914 Reaches New York.

NEW YORK, Feb. 2.—The first passenger ship to sail from a German port to the United States since July, 1914, and the first American passenger ship in many years to undertake a similar voyage, reached here today, when the American line steamer Manchuria docked.

DASHING 'SOCIETY BUD' IS \$10,000 EMBEZZLER

CASHIER WHO LED DUAL LIFE IS CAUGHT IN CANADA.

CHICAGO, Feb. 2.—The search for "Blue-Eyed Monda Rose," dashing bud of the north shore society set by night and \$25-a-week cashier in a wholesale leather house by day, has ended in Canada.

Monda Rose, whose daytime name is Rose Schweiburg, has been missing for several days and investigation of her books at the leather house was said to have disclosed a shortage of \$10,000.

Her employers announced today they have received a telegram from the missing cashier, filed in Winnipeg, Canada, stating that she was about to be married in Canada, and later the Canadian police reported her arrest.

While police were searching for the girl the leather company has caused Monda Rose's \$100 saddle horse, \$500 automobile and the furnishings of her luxurious apartment to be seized.

Her mother, who works for her living in a factory, told police today that the girl had gone to work when 12 years old to help support the family.

17,000 CASKETS ORDERED

War Department Starts on Policy to Return Bodies of Soldiers.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 2.—The purchase of 17,000 caskets at a cost of \$1,104,000 to be used for the return of army dead from Europe has been completed, by the war department, in accordance with its announced policy to return as soon as practicable the bodies of American soldiers buried in France to the next of kin for interment in this country.

The department also made public a communication from the casket manufacturers' association of America, condemning "any plans for the general return of the bodies as impracticable, expensive and unsatisfactory."

WET CARGO TO BE SEIZED

Liquor Vessel Putting Back "For Repairs" to Be Raided.

NEW YORK, Feb. 2.—The \$4,800,000 cargo of whisky aboard the Black Hawk, a schooner, now in New York harbor, supposedly undergoing repairs, will be seized tomorrow, according to an announcement made tonight by James Shevlin, prohibition enforcement officer for New York.

The vessel, owned and operated exclusively by negroes, put out from New York for Havana the day before the prohibition amendment became effective, but turned back for "repairs."

LOST SHIP GOES ASHORE

Concrete Barge in Three Pieces Near Grays Harbor Jetty.

ASTORIA, Or., Feb. 2.—(Special.)—A wireless message was received today by the coast guard cutter Algonquin stating that one of the concrete barge while being towed to San Francisco by the tug Sleumer has drifted ashore near Grays Harbor Jetty. The hull was in three pieces and there was nothing to indicate its name.

The stranded craft, it is believed to be the Captain Colquhoun, which broke loose from the tug off the Columbia river lightship last Monday.

ORGY OF SPENDING LAID TO NEWBERRY

Trial of Senator Opens at Grand Rapids.

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TRIAL OF SENATOR OPENS AT GRAND RAPIDS.

Organization Accused of Scattering Coin Through Churches and Even Rival Party.

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ORGY OF SPENDING CHARGED.

Throughout the address, Mr. Dailey stressed the money which the government alleges was spent in violation of the law limiting campaign expenditures. He said Milton Oakman was hired as manager of the Detroit campaign, "at an enormous and staggering salary amounting to thousands of dollars." He charged that when the campaign started the Newberry organization "launched into an orgy of spending," and spoke "of great heaps and piles of currency" which he said were visible at the Detroit and Grand Rapids headquarters.

"The evidence will show," he shouted, "that this organization spent more money on an average every 48 hours (Concluded on Page 4, Column 5.)"

NEARLY ALL PUPILS ATTEND HIGH SCHOOLS

72 PER CENT OF GRADES TAKE HIGHER EDUCATION.

Oregon Is Believed to Lead All States in Percentage of Its Children in High School.

SALEM, Or., Feb. 2.—(Special.)—Seventy-two and one-half per cent of the boys and girls of Oregon who completed the eighth grade last June have entered the standard four-year high schools of the state this school year, according to a report completed today by J. A. Churchill, state superintendent of public instruction.

Mr. Churchill believes that Oregon leads any state in the nation with regard to the percentage of students completing the eighth grade who enter the high school courses.

Fifty-five per cent of all those entering the high schools will complete the full four-year course, as there are now 313 graded high schools in the state. Those completing the eighth grade course last year numbered 8306. There are approximately 6192 now enrolled in the ninth grade.

Including the number enrolled in the ninth year of the non-standard high schools, statistics show that 89 per cent of the boys and girls who completed the eighth grade last June are now attending high school. The total enrollment for the current school year in the standard high schools of the state is 21,989.

The five counties outside of Multnomah having the largest high school enrollment are: Lane, 1537; Marion, 1324; Clackamas, 1098; Linn, 1068; and Yamhill, 876.

The districts of the first class show high school enrollment as follows: Portland, 6291; Salem, 625; Eugene, 558; Corvallis, 446; Oregon City, 365; Albany, 344; Medford, 321; Astoria, 322; McMinnville, 321; Roseburg, 309; Baker, 302; Pendleton, 295; The Dalles, 288; La Grande, 276; Ashland, 205; Grants Pass, 203; Klamath Falls, 197; Newberg, 193; Marshfield, 175; Bend, 156; North Bend, 111; Dallas, 108.

Members of the senior class show the following enrollment for 1919-20: Portland, 1995; Eugene, 119; Salem, 105; Oregon City, 75; Medford, 69; McMinnville, 68; Corvallis, 67; Baker, 51; Albany, 49; Ashland, 50; Astoria, 46; La Grande, 46; Roseburg, 46; The Dalles, 33; Grants Pass, 35; Pendleton, 32; Marshfield, 31; Newberg, 28; Klamath Falls, 26; Dallas, 21; North Bend, 19; Bend, 18.

TRADE BALANCE GAINS

Exports \$5,185,980,350 With Imports Only \$750,569,784.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 2.—America's trade balance against Europe increased by \$4,435,410,566 in 1919, figures issued today by the department of commerce showing that exports from the United States were \$5,185,980,350, while imports were \$750,569,784.

The trade balance in favor of the United States over the United Kingdom piled up during the year was \$1,989,988,748, that over France \$769,497,887 and that over Italy \$183,623,356. A trade balance of \$82,137,085 also was registered over Germany.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE HITS NEW LOW LEVEL

BRITISH, FRENCH, BELGIAN AND ITALIAN PAPER DROPS.

NEW YORK, Feb. 2.—New low records for British, French, Belgian, Italian and Danish exchange were established in the local market today on a resumption of recent pressure to sell. The pound sterling at \$2.43 1/2 was 4 1/2 cents under its previous minimum for a discount of about 29 per cent from the normal of \$4.85 1/2.

Exchange on Montreal duplicated its recent premium of 12 1/2 cents at this center, dealers reporting heavy offerings of grain bills. In the more remote markets slight improvement was shown by rates to Japan and the East Indies.

The exchange situation was the engrossing topic of discussion among bankers, overshadowing all other matters in the financial markets of the world.

An interesting sidelight on some of the old world's important industries was furnished by advices from Switzerland, which declared that government intervention might be urged to save that country's watch and clock-making interests from the serious exchange situation.

EX-WIFE DEMANDS SPUDS

Clarke County Man Accused of Ignoring Contract.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Feb. 2.—(Special.)—When Anton Zink was divorced from his wife, Mrs. Victoria Zink, in 1919, it was agreed that he should supply the plaintiff with potatoes. Mrs. Zink says that she needs four sacks to supply her until July 1, 1920, and that to date Zink has given her none. Now she has secured an order from the superior court of Clark county requiring him to appear before the judge and show cause why he has not delivered the potatoes as agreed upon.

It is understood that the two live on opposite ends of a 12-acre tract, of which Mrs. Zink owns five acres, and that they enjoy quarreling as much now as they did when they were husband and wife.

DUCHESS IS BETROTHED

Granddaughter of Prince of Monaco to Wed Count De Polignac.

PARIS, Feb. 2.—Announcement is made of the engagement of the Duchesse de Valentinois and Count Pierre de Polignac, son of Prince Max de Polignac. The duchess was recognized in May, 1918, as the adopted daughter of Prince Louis of Monaco, only son of the Prince of Monaco, ruler of that tiny principality.

She has full rights to succession to the throne of Monaco, and her marriage will not affect her status.

PRESIDENT TELLS MYERS TO VACATE

Postmaster, However, Refuses to Budge.

SENATE'S ACTION AWAITED

Mr. Starkweather Appeals to Washington to Act.

MORE TROUBLE IS BREWING

Thorough Investigation Demanded and Charges Against Democrat May Be Well Aired Soon.

President Wilson has issued an order removing Frank S. Myers from the office of postmaster at Portland. This information was telegraphed to Robert H. Barclay, postoffice inspector in charge of the Portland postoffice, yesterday afternoon.

Said Mr. Myers last evening: "The law on removals clearly states the order of removal must be signed by the president and concurred in by the senate."

With this terse reply, Mr. Myers hung up the telephone. The deduction is that Mr. Myers is still determined to fight for his \$6000-a-year job until the senate concurs in the presidential order of dismissal.

But if Mr. Myers makes himself a nuisance around the postoffice, Inspector Barclay is empowered to file a complaint against him with the United States commissioner.

Mr. Myers Keeps Office.

Apparently, it is Mr. Myers' next move. Very much isolated was Mr. Myers, insofar as official business was concerned at the postoffice yesterday. Inspector Barclay had assembled the heads of the office and informed them that they were to take their instructions from him. Mr. Myers, however, continued to occupy the private office and Mr. Barclay did his direction of operations from the office of the postoffice inspectors, room 251.

Meanwhile Harvey G. Starkweather, state chairman of the democratic committee, lined up with Mr. Myers as a reserve force and is attempting to have the Myers case investigated by the senate committee on postoffice and postroads, of which Charles E. Townsend, United States senator, is chairman.

The whole situation points to a continuation of Mr. Myers' determination to hold onto the job in the face of presidential opposition and all other opposition.

Myers Ordered to Move.

Following is the telegram received by Mr. Barclay from Washington telling of President Wilson's action: "Telegraph sent to Mr. Myers by postmaster-general stating: 'Replying to your telegram, order has been issued by direction of president removing you from office as postmaster at Portland, effective January 31. I have exercised authority given in section 262, postal laws and regulations, and placed an inspector in charge of the postoffice.'

"The rights of the department in such case have been fully determined by the courts.

"You must have nothing further to do with the office."

Mr. Myers did not say whether he had received his copy of the message. His attorney said he had heard of "a purported message" received by Inspector Barclay. Anyway, Mr. Myers is still a doubling Thomas and contends that the law of removal has only functioned 50 per cent; the president may have signed, but the senate is still to be heard from.

Starkweather Sends Appeal.

Postmaster-General Burleson's message to Mr. Myers, as received by Inspector Barclay, shows that when Mr. Myers refused to resign, as directed, the president's order was issued summarily removing Mr. Myers on the date his resignation was wanted.

State Chairman Starkweather, who has been allied with the Myers faction of the democratic party in Oregon, sent the following message to Senator Townsend yesterday: "High-handed attempt is being made to remove Postmaster F. S. Myers of Portland, to please a faction of the democratic party in this state. He has made an excellent postmaster, and if any charges have been made against him he has had no opportunity to answer them.

"When the matter comes before the senate please have it referred to your committee and have a thorough investigation made, so that Postmaster Myers may have his day in court."

Charges Not Revealed.

The charges on which were based the request for Mr. Myers' resignation and his ordered removal by President Wilson have never been made public. They comprise an extensive report prepared by two postal inspectors who were in Portland several weeks last summer investigating Mr. Myers and conditions in the local postoffice. If Mr. Starkweather has his wish, this report will become public property if the committee on postoffices and postroads makes an investigation.

The faction of the democratic party referred to in Mr. Starkweather's telegram (Concluded on Page 2, Column 2.)

TWO MORE AVIATORS DETAINED IN MEXICO

FLIERS, LOSING WAY, FORCED TO LAND IN SONORA.

Lieutenants Usher and Wolf Are Placed Under Technical Arrest in Nacoari.

DOUGLAS, Ariz., Feb. 2.—Lieutenants Usher and Wolf, aviators flying from El Paso to Nogales, Ariz., made a forced landing today near Nacoari, Sonora, 19 miles south of Douglas. They are reported to be held by the municipal authorities of Nacoari.

Lieutenants Usher and Wolf are members of the 12th aero squadron, stationed at Fort Bliss, Texas.

The men were en route to Nogales, Ariz., and it is reported they mistook the Nacoari railroad leading south from here for the railroad leading south from Fairbank, about 40 miles west of Douglas, to Nogales.

Upon arriving at a point on the Sherman ranch, approximately 85 miles south of Douglas in an air line and ten miles further by rail and road, the plane had engine trouble and the men were forced to land. In descending they were unable to choose a landing place other than a rough field and one plane of their machine is reported to have been broken.

Just how the two men reached Nacoari is not known here. They reached Nacoari at 2 o'clock this afternoon and were at once placed under technical arrest, being taken to the office of Presidente Municipal Francisco M. Peraza and detained there. The president is said to have lost no time in dispatching a telegram to Adolfo de la Huerta, governor of Sonora, at Hermosillo, the capital, requesting that he report the occurrence to the central government and followed instructions as to disposition of the two American officers.

It is reported also that the two officers were afforded the courtesy of sending a telegram to their commanding officer at Fort Bliss, Tex., relating their experience.

Nacoari is the seat of the Mocuzuma Copper company and has an American population of about 200 persons.

LAREDO, Tex., Feb. 2.—Lieutenants E. F. Davis and D. E. Grimes, American army aviators who returned from Mexico yesterday after their release by Mexican authorities, said today they had been shown "every attention" by the people of Cuernavaca, Mexico, near which city they were forced to land last Wednesday when the gasoline supply failed. At no time were they under guard or in confinement, they said.

HAIRCUTS ARE 65 CENTS

Rise Expected to Make Up Loss on Alcoholic Hair Tonics.

MODESTO, Cal., Feb. 2.—Barbers here today increased the price of haircuts to 65 cents and shaves to 25 cents.

One reason given is that prohibition has sent the price of hair tonics so high that customers prefer to grow bald rather than pay for treatments, and the rises on haircuts and shaves are expected to take care of the loss.

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HUSBAND AWAITS UNWED MOTHER

Miss Emily Knowles Set Free at Ellis Island.

NEW YORK, Feb. 2.—(Special.)—Pretty blue-eyed Miss Emily Knowles, the English wartime sweetheart of ex-Lieutenant Perley M. Spiker, with her five-month-old baby, was freed from Ellis Island late this afternoon, and, in company with Mrs. Cora M. Spiker, the forgiving wife, and Guy Spiker, the ex-officer's brother who has promised to marry her, took the boat for Fall River, where old friends of her family are awaiting her.

STRANGE ROMANCE MOVES ON

Forgiving Wife Foremost Figure in Unusual Drama.

While awaiting impatiently her liberation, Miss Knowles let it be known that she would accept the offer of marriage made by her former affinity's brother.

BROTHER TO BE HUSBAND

Lieutenant Perley R. Spiker's Unwise Love Affair in England Blame Fair to Have Happy Ending.

So great were the crowds curious to see the principals in a romance that has stirred the city, that the boat from Ellis Island was delayed for 20 minutes past its usual time.