

LEGION POSTS UNITE TO FIGHT JAPANESE

Strong Campaign to Be Conducted in Central Oregon.

GRAVE MENACE IS SEEN

Ex-Service Men Warned of Speculators and Locators Who Place Settlers on Poor Land.

REDMOND, Or., Feb. 4.—(Special.)—Five American Legion posts in central Oregon took action last night emphatically to oppose the colonization of Japanese on irrigated farm lands in the Deschutes valley.

The decision was reached here at a conference of legionnaires representing the posts at Madras, Prineville, Bend, Sisters and Madras. An immediate necessity for action was declared because of efforts of speculators who are said to be endeavoring to settle Japanese on Chocho project lands near Prineville.

The legion representatives declared that the movement centering at Prineville is the initial step of a Japanese plan to establish Asiatics on lands in Jefferson and Deschutes counties.

Speeches Are Emphatic. The meeting was marked by emphatic speeches by prominent members from every central Oregon legion post.

It is not known as yet what action the central board will take to check the threatened invasion. If the plan suggested by Mr. Dobry, who is prominent in the anti-Japanese movement, is followed, expression of strong sentiment against colonization will be made and given wide publicity.

An active educational campaign to be inaugurated by each of the five interested posts was proposed by Mr. Skipworth.

Education is a good idea, but it is a fact that some of the most notable reforms were made possible only by the use of means other than peaceful.

Central Council Authorized. A motion made by E. W. Erskine and seconded by O. B. Hays of the Redmond post, authorized the formation of the central council.

An amendment offered by Frank Prince, providing that the appointees to be named by the executive board of the various organizations be made permanent.

Speaking on the duty of legion posts to prevent expropriation from being cheated on land purchases under the soldier state-loan law, Fred Hoelscher told of what is known as the "Prineville plan."

Mr. Erskine stated that the legion must take rather a middle course on settlement of central Oregon reclamation lands.

At one extreme, he said, was the propaganda spread by Portland and Willamette valley realty dealers to the effect that loans could not be floated on irrigation district lands where the district was bonded.

At the other, he said, was the local speculator, who would settle ex-service men on lands at prices upon which a reasonable return on the investment could not be expected.

Veteran Chided Wedded Life; Now Benedict.

Miss Rena Johnson, bride of Frank M. Moore, ex-Vice-Commander of Legion Post.

FRANK M. MOORE, former vice-commander of Portland post of the American Legion, is no longer a single man.

Yesterday afternoon a dart from Cupid's bow, sped a number of years ago when he met Miss Rena Johnson, 469 Salmon street, who is now the wife of Judge Martin Hawkins in the courthouse, at 4 o'clock.

Mr. Moore for a number of years has taken pride in the fact that he was a single man. He has chided his best friends and companions when they have "fallen" for matrimony.

Yesterday noon he appeared at the American Legion quarters for luncheon, as is his custom.

With Henderson and Lillian Van Dusen, who was to act as bridesmaid, the couple hurried to the courthouse, purchased a license in the county clerk's office and were married by Judge Hawkins.

Mr. Moore has been active in the

COMMERCE BODY ACTIVE

Aberdeen's Chamber Report Shows Achievement in 1921.

NOTED BARITONE TO APPEAR IN PORTLAND.

Retained Werrearrath. Few singers have had as broad an experience in the field of song recital as Reinold Werrearrath, the famous baritone, who will appear in concert at the Heilig theater February 22 under the direction of Steers & Coman.

Although his years as a public singer are comparatively few, he has sung up and down the length and breadth of the country, giving as many as a hundred concerts in a season.

Werrearrath has long been the most ardent champion of the American composer and of songs in English and other languages, sacrificing in any way his attention and belief in the classics of Germany, Italy and France.

dean chamber of commerce, as submitted at the annual meeting last night by Secretary Morris, enumerates the following accomplishments:

Successful protesting, twice, of the United States shipping board's order banning Grays Harbor as a port of call for shipping board vessels; organization of Jersey and Holstein breeders' associations; formation of the Grays Harbor County Egg association; clearing away a part of the obstacles which are now retarding the Grays Harbor-Willapa harbor highway project; conferences between the committee and representative workmen, resulting in clearer light being shed upon existing conditions; support of support lent Aberdeen community service, and aid rendered towards securing a state appropriation for the Aberdeen armory.

Minimum Price \$60 a Case. A standing price has been agreed upon for whisky delivered within a certain limit and a graded scale from there on. The minimum at the boundary line is \$60 per case, which costs the shipper \$38 here.

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Sessions will be held at Lexington and Ione during the same period and meetings will be held at Boardman and Irrig on Thursday, Friday and Saturday. The programs has been arranged by C. C. Calkins, county agent, working with a committee of the Moro county farm bureau.

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BOOT LEGGERS SHUN DRUG DISTRIBUTION

Aid to Officers in Capturing Vendors Pledged.

CUSTOMERS SEIZE LIQUOR

Run Ranners of Vancouver Plan to Form Association to Protect Goods on Boats.

VANCOUVER, B. C., Feb. 4.—(Special.)—At a meeting of nine of Vancouver's principal bootleggers held this morning in the cabin of one of the boats riding near Gillie wharf on the coast harbor here, it was decided that these men operating in the carrying of liquor would go on record as opposing the distribution of drugs in any form and would do all they could to assist the police and secret service men to capture the sellers of opium, cocaine and all classes of drugs that are undermining the manhood of the North American continent.

Their intention has been conveyed indirectly to the police and, while no names have been given, considerable satisfaction is felt that white men, in the eyes of the law, are criminals and not entitled to the protection of the law, they nevertheless have the manhood in the prevention of national destruction.

Customers Capture Liquor. Another matter dealt with by this little meeting of run-runners was the pirate question. It has recently been ascertained that men in Bellingham and Seattle have been ordering Scotch whisky through the Vancouver "shadow" dealers and in such small quantities that it has been sent out in small boats with only one or two men aboard. The very men who ordered the liquor later put out in a boat manned by five thugs and captured the little boat that was to have delivered the 50 cases of whisky under contract.

Large orders will also be covered in future by an armed guard following in another boat and this guard will make and the money paid. In one instance lately where there were 1000 cases in the shipment and only three men making delivery, the receiving boat came to the meeting place with eight men aboard and after the whisky was transferred refused to pay the money, steaming away with nothing but laughs ringing out across the water.

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NO ONE HURT IN WRECK

YOUTH STEALING RIDE OWES LIFE TO POLICE.

PORTLAND YOUTH TAKEN FROM TRAIN

At The Dalles Which Later Left Tracks Near Cello.

THE DALLES, Or., Feb. 4.—(Special.)—George Rabel, 19, of Portland, who was stealing a ride, owes his life to the action of a The Dalles policeman in pulling him from his position on the back end of the tender of a freight train No. 4 Friday night. The engine, tender and baggage car were wrecked at Cello Friday night, and had Rabel been on the tender he would most certainly have been killed, railroad men declared today.

After striking a rock which was rolled from the track, but did not go into the chink, the engine of train No. 4 pushed it ahead of the pilot for a distance of 100 yards to the switch at the Oregon Trunk physical connection, where engine, tender and baggage cars were derailed.

The engine and tender continued another 100 yards on the ties, tearing up the track as they went, before leaving 30 feet into the ditch at the south side of the track. Neither Engineer Wilson nor Fireman Williams, both of Portland, was injured, although both stuck in the wreckage until the final crash. The baggage car side swiped to about a 45-degree angle on the track, but did not go into the ditch. A wrecker and crew from The Dalles cleared up most of the wreckage, but the engine and tender, which had been about 150 feet of track, where the engine and tender had demolished it after leaving the rails. All scattered wreckage was routed over the westbound main line.

NORMAL WORK IS PRAISED

GOVERNMENT EXTENSION MEN INSPECT HEALTH SYSTEM.

Hygienic Methods at State School Surveyed by Visitors, Declared Great Aid to Students.

OREGON NORMAL SCHOOL. Month-long, Or., Feb. 4.—(Special.)—Representatives of government extension work from 11 states to the number of 49 visited the Mountain View rural center yesterday and witnessed a program showing the results of the health project which has been conducted since last October. The visitors arrived from Corvallis at 4:30 o'clock. After a brief welcome by Mrs. F. L. Coleman, project leader for the community, Miss Smith, nutrition expert of the Oregon Agricultural college extension service, who has had supervision of the work, explained the health program and introduced the pupils who in the presentation of a unique programme left no doubt of their earnestness in forming correct health habits.

On the programme were the "jolly ten health squad" compositions on "How I Play the Game of Health," presentation of health posters made by the pupils and individual charts showing each pupil's gain by a graphical representation.

Members of the extension committee commended the work being done, both for its effect upon the pupils and the splendid training given the student teachers of the state normal school.

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OREGON ILLITERACY FALLS IN 10 YEARS

Percentage Placed at 1.4 Per Cent in Report.

GILLIAMS' RECORD BEST

People Declared Aware of Educational Benefits and Schools Functioning Properly.

SALEM, Or., Feb. 4.—(Special.)—Despite the substantial growth in population during the past few years, illiteracy in Oregon is decreasing, according to a report prepared today by J. A. Churchill, state superintendent of public instruction. Copies of the report will be distributed to school superintendents in the state.

In 1910, according to the report, there were 10,504 so-called illiterates in Oregon, while the census for 1920 disclosed 3217 illiterates. In 1910 the percentage of illiteracy was 1.9 per cent, while in 1920 it was 1.5 per cent. During the same period the population of the state increased from 672,785 to 732,239.

"The chief purpose of the school system is to eliminate illiteracy," Mr. Churchill said in his report. "The fact that illiteracy is decreasing would indicate that the schools are functioning properly, and that the people are fully aware of the benefits to be derived from education. To keep ahead of ignorance the educational institutions must progress in common with other lines of activity."

Gilliam's Record Best. "It has been proved that illiteracy does not tend to promote good government, and on the contrary has furnished material for persons who would overthrow our public institutions. The people of Oregon should do more to encourage their schools and should give more time and thought to making their schools efficient if they would overcome the effects of illiteracy."

Statistics relating to the subject of illiteracy in Oregon follow: Total number of illiterates, 10 years old and over, 3217; native white illiterates, 2216; foreign born white illiterates, 1172; negro illiterates, 89; illiterate males of voting age, 6387; illiterate females of voting age, 3548; rural illiteracy, 4215; urban illiteracy, 5001; percentage of illiteracy in the state, 1.5.

Illiteracy given by counties, as reported by the state superintendent, follows: Gilliam ..... 301 Tamhill ..... 112 Crook ..... 171 Butte ..... 122 Wheeler ..... 26 Union ..... 108 Morrow ..... 42 Coos ..... 197 Tillamook ..... 42 Columbia ..... 174 Sherman ..... 40 Baker ..... 162 Benton ..... 40 Lane ..... 162 Wallowa ..... 281 Grant ..... 21 Klamath ..... 276 Wheeler ..... 70 Washington ..... 282 Harney ..... 71 Clackamas ..... 368 Jefferson ..... 490 Polk ..... 88 Marion ..... 507 Jefferson ..... 87 Multnomah ..... 2035 Hood River ..... 108

Illiteracy, as recorded by cities, in Mr. Churchill's report, follows: Astoria ..... 304 LaGrande ..... 66 Tualuma ..... 9 Washouville ..... 9 Portland ..... 802 Marshfield ..... 31 Salem ..... 307 Newberg ..... 14 Albany ..... 26 Oregon City ..... 21 Ashland ..... 24 North Bend ..... 21 Baker ..... 20 Corvallis ..... 23 Bend ..... 17 Pendleton ..... 203 Grant ..... 27 Roseburg ..... 122 Hood River ..... 67 The Dalles ..... 30 Klamath Falls ..... 17

High School Forms Band. GRANTS PASS, Or., Feb. 4.—(Special.)—Grants Pass high school has organized a band of 16 pieces. It is hoped to increase the organization to include 35 instruments.

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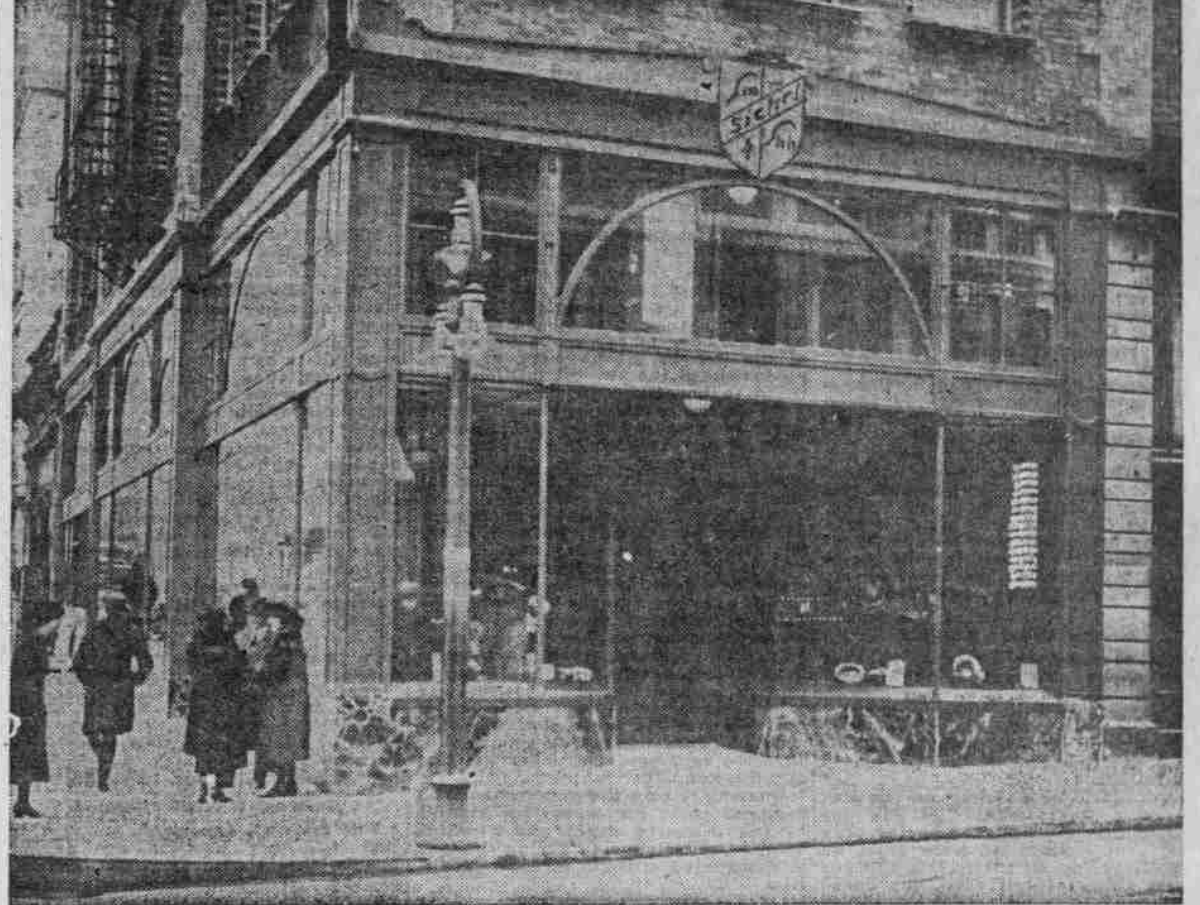


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