

8 NEW ARBITRATION TREATIES RATIFIED BY THE U. S. SENATE

President Pleased at Speedy Action Taken on Pending International Agreements.

(By the International News Service.)
Washington, Feb. 21.—Proceeding under an agreement to vote without further delays, the senate, five minutes after going into executive session this afternoon, ratified the eight pending general arbitration treaties. No roll call was taken. As soon as the action of the senate can be officially communicated to the president, a proclamation will be issued and the treaties will become effective.

As soon as this action was taken, the acting chairman of the foreign relations committee told the president of it over the telephone and the president expressed his gratification at the expedition with which the ratification had been put through the senate. The president said he had never doubted that the senate would agree to the treaties but rather expected the process would prolong the desired and somewhat longer than had developed.

Agreements Resumed for Five Years.
The treaties in each case are extended for a period of five years from the time of the expiration of the preceding conventions. All of the former treaties expired between June 2, 1913, and January 22, 1914. They are between the United States and Spain, Great Britain, Norway, Sweden, Japan, Portugal, Switzerland and Italy.

The first article of these treaties is the vital portion setting forth the kind of questions that are to be submitted to The Hague for arbitration. That article reads in part: "The parties to the present convention agree that they do not affect the vital interests, the independence or the honor of the contracting states and do not concern the interests of third parties."

Tolls Question Quite Different.
Many senators voted for the ratification of the treaties who will not vote for the repeal of the bill exempting American ships from paying tolls in the Panama canal and who do not favor the submission of the tolls question to international arbitration.

Senator O'Connor, speaking on this subject, said to the International News Service tonight: "The senate has ratified the general arbitration treaties but it is before it but they have absolutely no relation with the canal toll question. That is a matter the senate still has to fight out and I am of the opinion that the senate will sustain its previous action."

DETECTIVE AGENCY SUED FOR REWARD

To collect a reward of \$100 C. A. Knapp has filed suit in the district court against the Pinkerton's National Detective Agency. He alleges that the agency had a sign posted in the lumbermen's National Bank to the effect that the bank was a member of the Pinkerton's Bank & Bankers Protection and offering a \$100 reward for the apprehension and conviction of forgers, snafus, thieves, burglars and swindlers. On September 12 he alleges that he caused the arrest of N. E. Ayers in Vancouver, Wash., for passing a forged check on the bank and that Ayers pleaded guilty later. He alleges he is entitled to the reward.

MOTOR TRUCK WRECKS STREETCAR VESTIBULE

The vestibule of a Sunnyside car was wrecked shortly after noon yesterday when it collided with a gravel laden automobile truck, owned and driven by J. W. Patterson, at Eleventh and Salmon streets. Patterson sustained a cut ear and a woman in the car fainted. Motorman Homesty and Conductor Bowman were in charge of the car. The car was going north and the left half of the vestibule was caved in. Homesty had a narrow escape from injury. The truck was partially overturned and gravel covered the street along the car tracks for 75 feet.



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CHILD WELFARE FUND NETS OVER \$1000



Left to right—Mrs. Carl Stanley and Mrs. E. E. Coovert, who have taken active part in sale of flags.

Complete returns from the sale of flags in the fund raising campaign of the Oregon Congress of Mothers to carry on the child welfare work during the year were received last night by the ways and means committee in its headquarters at the Imperial hotel, and it was found that more than \$1000 had been realized as a result of the efforts of welfare week.

Satisfaction with the result was expressed by Mrs. Arlette Felt, state president, and others. The ways and means committee, consisting of Mesdames Thomas G. Green, chairman; Martin Wagner, T. C. Allison, R. E. Bondurant and Messrs. O. M. Plummer

and Frank S. Myers, drew up a resolution expressing thanks to the public, the many workers, the Imperial hotel and the press.

Mrs. Carl Stanley, wife of the manager of the Benson hotel, received the largest sum for any one flag, a \$20 gold piece being received for a miniature stars and stripes. Mrs. E. E. Coovert was another one of the women to receive a large price for one of the flags.

Mrs. J. H. Stanley, wife of the principal of Highland school, had the largest individual result for the week. During the five days' campaign, in which she worked nearly all the time,

she succeeded in getting more than \$75 from the sale of flags.

The 80 Parent-Teacher circles of the 52 in the city that worked during the campaign, and the many organizations allied with the state congress in other cities, are not expected to report before next week. The money is to be used for state extension work and for the parents' educational bureau, maintained in the courthouse.

About 100 women worked at various times during the campaign, some every day. Members of the ways and means committee were much gratified Saturday when 45 teachers of the Portland Grade Teachers' association donated their services for the day.

HILL DENIES GRAY WILL LEAVE G. N.

Reports of Resignation Are All Wrong, Says James J. Hill's Son.

(Special to The Journal.)
Spokane, Wash., Feb. 21.—That Carl R. Gray has not tendered his resignation from the official board of the Great Northern is the statement made by Louis W. Hill, who passed through here Friday night on his way to the coast. It was reported some time ago that Gray was to resign to accept the presidency of the Boston & Maine railroad.

"These reports are all wrong," said Mr. Hill. "Gray is not leaving the Great Northern and if I have my way he will never leave it. Mr. Gray stands very high in the estimation of my father, and I'm sure no one regards him higher than I do. You may be sure that if Mr. Gray were about to resign and I was to become president that I would not go to California now for my vacation."

BLACKSMITHS CONCLUDE ANNUAL CONVENTION

Closing with a banquet at the Imperial hotel last night, the State Association of Master Blacksmiths and Blacksmiths held a two day session yesterday. The convention it is believed will bring about a much closer relationship between the blacksmiths of the state.

F. S. Gunning, county judge of Wasco county and one of the organizers of the association, was reelected president by unanimous vote. Mr. Gunning has worked steadily in the interests of the association and his re-election was a testimonial from his fellow members.

Other officers elected were J. Franz of Eugene, first vice president; J. A. Postle of Lafayette, second vice president; R. F. Jorgensen of Salem, secretary; and George Nelson of Eugene, treasurer.

GROCCERS HELD LIABLE TO EXTENT OF \$2500

John H. A. Fink and George S. Lewis, grocers at 514 Mississippi avenue, yesterday were assessed \$2500 damages by a jury in Circuit Judge Biggs' court in favor of Antonio Sanchez, a Spaniard. Sanchez sued for \$25,125 damages on the ground that the grocers delivered to a messenger he sent for coal oil a can of gasoline. He charged that the gasoline exploded when he attempted to use it in a lamp, thinking it was coal oil and that he was burned seriously. Sanchez was cook for a railroad construction camp. The grocers alleged that the can was plainly marked and that the accident was due to Sanchez' own negligence.

MARRIED MEN OUT OF WORK HOLD MEETING

Discussion of methods of securing employment and distribution of the work secured for next week will be considered by the members of the Married Men's State Industrial league this afternoon at a meeting to be held in Room H of the public library. Some situations will be available through the opening of the third camp of the Columbia River Highway the last of the week, besides a number of local positions that will be open soon. President W. H. Black of the league asks that all married men out of work report at the meeting this afternoon at 2 o'clock. The general public is also invited.

PORTLANDER VICTOR IN CONTEST OVER LANDS IN ALASKA

Interior Department Says 80 Rod Strip Along Streams Need Not Be Reserved.

(Washington Bureau of The Journal.)
Washington, Feb. 21.—The first assistant secretary of the interior has rendered an important decision which will greatly benefit many Alaskan mineral claimants. He holds that the law does not require the reservation of lands 80 rods wide and 80 rods long between mineral claims abutting navigable waters in that territory as was recently held by commissioner of general land office.

Portlander Forces Issue.

On July 17, 1913, the interior department issued a regulation which required these 80 rod strips to be reserved to the government between all mineral claims extending more than 80 rods along navigable waters in Alaska and in applying this regulation the commissioner of general land office declined to issue a patent to Francis Clarno and others of Portland, Or., on their application for a valuable marble mine near Ketchikan, Alaska, known as the Shamrock group.

Clarno Awarded Patent.

Clarno appealed to the secretary and in consideration of his case the first assistant secretary held that the law did not justify the regulation mentioned and reversed the commissioner's decision, ordering the regulation revoked as to mining claims and directed patent to issue to Clarno and his associates.

There are a large lot of similar claims and this decision will relieve them from heavy expense and much embarrassment which the enforcement of the regulation would have imposed. Judge James W. Witten, former chief law officer of the general land office, was attorney for the Portland claimants.

McMinnville Knights Celebrate.

McMinnville, Or., Feb. 21.—The founding of the order of Knights of Pythias was fittingly observed by Pythias lodge of this city, by a special session at which a special ritualistic service was used. A banquet followed. Ira Nelson was presented with a veteran's jewel, he having been a member of the order for more than 25 years.

Indictment Is Dismissed.

Roseburg, Or., Feb. 21.—An indictment against William Jennings, Glendale road supervisor, accused of misappropriating road funds, has been dismissed in the circuit court.

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AMERICAN DOOMED, SAYS NOTE TO WIFE

Oakland Woman Receives Smuggled Letter From Husband in Prison.

(United Press Leased Wire.)
Oakland, Cal., Feb. 21.—Mrs. Mattie Compton of Oakland has sent a telegram to the state department at Washington requesting that immediate action be taken in the case of her husband, Harry Compton, a carpenter, who according to a letter received from him yesterday, evidently written in a Mexican prison, was about to be shot.

The letter, which was written in pencil, and apparently smuggled across the line, was as follows: "Dear Mat—Just a word. I am in a Mexican prison here in Chihuahua. Have a chance to send a note. Don't know if it will get there or a note to Bob Hollarn. Am watched all the time. Am to be shot on February 15, Sunday, but I have my 38 in my shoe and I will take some one with me if I can. They searched me, but didn't look in my shoes. There are six of us to be shot—five Mexicans and myself. We expect to be taken to Juarez in the morning, but I am watching every chance, although I have a bracelet on each wrist. All I want is a chance in Juarez, and then I will make El Paso. Am starting for Juarez in half an hour. Ask Hollarn to send me money in case I get away at Juarez. If you get this, telegram to Hollarn to write to El Paso, Texas, to send money. If you don't hear from me in two weeks—all is over. Goodbye, Mat. "HARRY."

"P. S.—Write El Paso, Texas. Don't send letter to Mexico, as I won't get it. Don't tell mother till you are sure I am dead." The letter was mailed in El Paso February 15.

Compton left Oakland about eight months ago and worked in San Diego for several months. His wife did not know he intended going to Mexico.

MISS WOODBURY GIVES MASTERFUL READING

In the sixth of her dramatic and literary interpretations at the Y. M. C. A. last evening, Miss Elizabeth Woodbury gave a masterful reading of Justice Huntly McCarthy's wonderful story "If I Were King." With rare charm and fascination did Miss Woodbury bring before her audience first the passionate and romantic lover reading with flaming enthusiasm his lines, "If I Were King" and his love-lines to fair Catherine; then the crafty and heartless, even thankless king and then the beautiful Catherine herself. Each character stood out clear cut and perfect.

FOUR ARRESTED UPON SUSPICION IN HUNT FOR TRAIN ROBBERS

Posses Searching Hills for Men Who Murdered Great Northern Passengers.

(United Press Leased Wire.)
Bellingham, Wash., Feb. 21.—Eager for the reward of \$20,000 offered by Louis W. Hill, chairman of the board of directors of the Great Northern railway, determined men were gathering here tonight from all over the northwest to aid in the search for the bandits who last night held up a Great Northern passenger train at Bellingham, 15 miles north of here, and killed Thomas S. Wagsworth and H. R. Adkinson of Vancouver, B. C., and Robert L. Lee of Bremerton, Wash., passengers, who attempted to capture them.

Four suspects were under arrest but the authorities entertained small hopes that any of them were the men wanted. The coming of darkness did not halt the search prosecuted since the holdup occurred.

Doubt exists tonight whether two or three bandits participated in the holdup. Accounts given by frightened passengers in the only car invaded were vague and conflicting.

It was quite well established, however, that a single member of the robber band did the fatal shooting, while his companions or companions cowed the other occupants of the car.

Estimates place the amount of loot secured by the bandits at less than \$100.

George E. Joyce, 34 years old, was arrested by Chief of Police H. C. By-

ron as he stepped from an Anacortes boat at 4 o'clock this afternoon on suspicion of being connected with the holdup.

Joyce has a penitentiary record in both Washington and Idaho and is said to be unable to give an account of himself last evening.

Conductor C. S. Waldron, in charge of No. 358 on the fatal trip, will stop in Bellingham on the return trip from Vancouver, and try to identify Joyce as one of the men who boarded his train last night at Burlington.

Coupled with this arrest is the information secured by the police today that twenty-five foot launch was hired by an unidentified man here yesterday afternoon and has not yet been returned.

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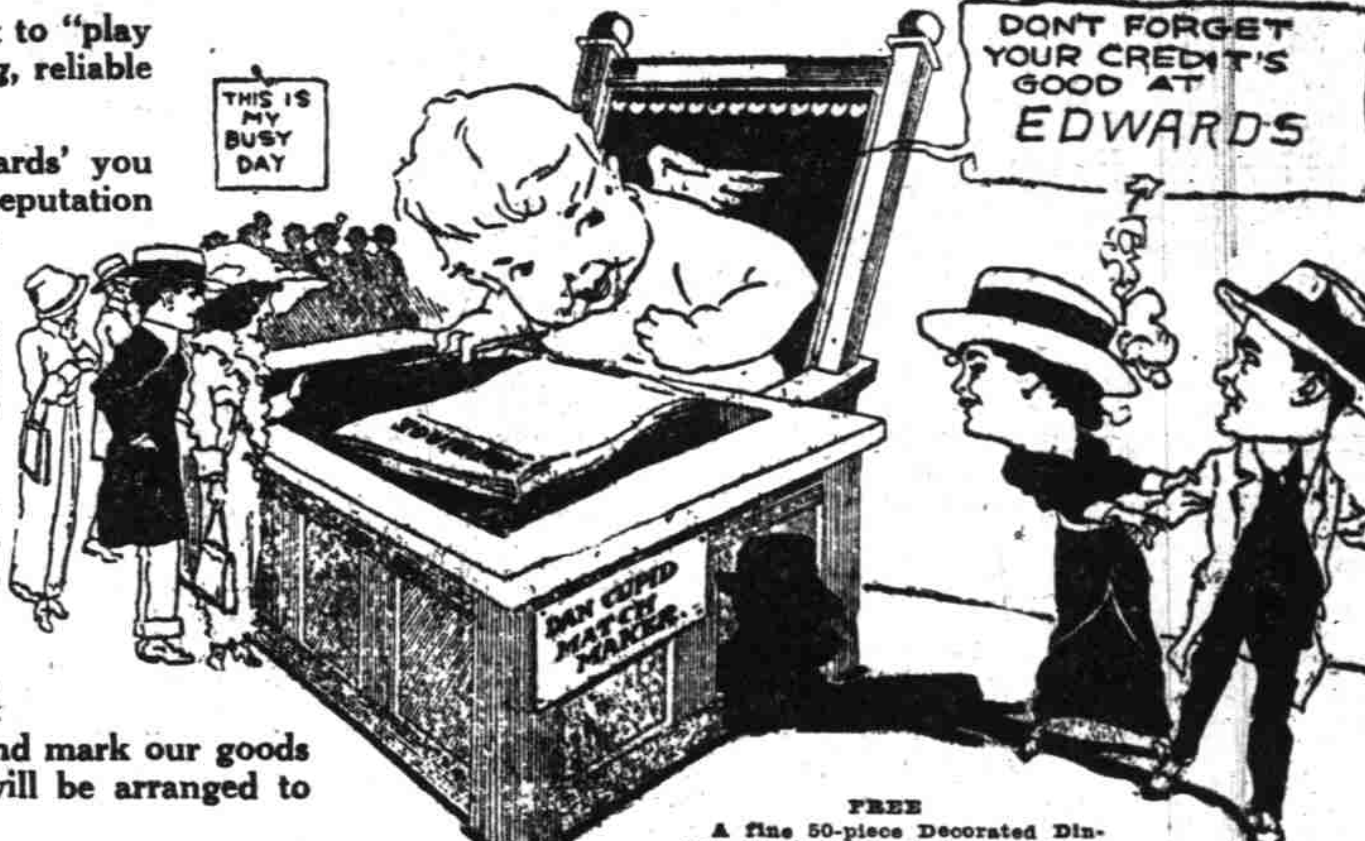
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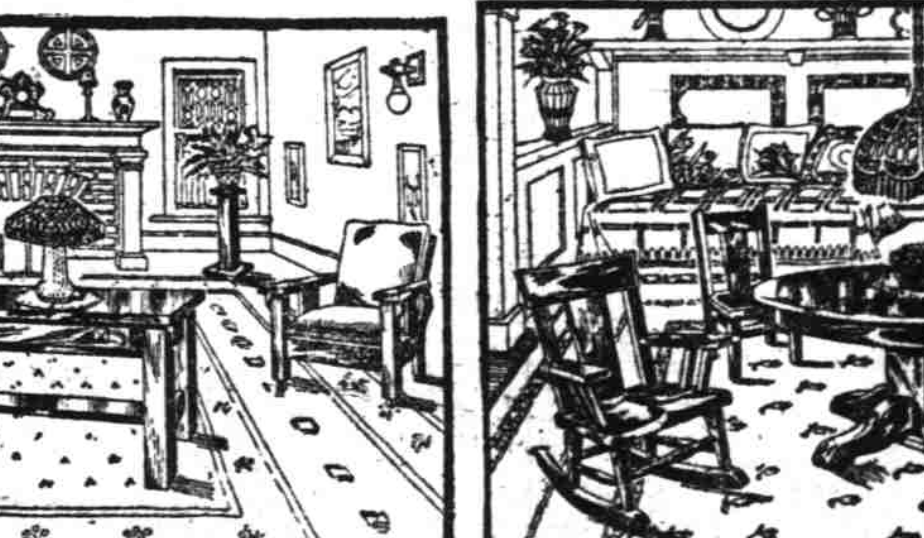
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