USE OF PUBLIC FUNDS FOR PRIVATE PURPOSE CHARGED BY PLAINTIFF

Briefs Filed in Mandamus Action Against Fee Given to Multnomah Law Library.

CONSTITUTION IS QUOTED

Plaintiff Contends Legislature Went Beyond Its Power in Providing That Litigants Be Taxed.

Denying the constitutional right of the clerk of Multnomah county to enter into a contract with the Multnomah Law Library association whereby filing fees are charged litigants for the benefit of the library association, briefs combating the demurrer of the defendant have been filed and the issue is now under advisement by Circuit Judge Davis.

The title of the suit is: "The State of Oregon on the relation of Macdonald Potts vs. John B. Coffey, county clerk, and the Multnomah Law Library."

Following the refusal of the county clerk to accept filing of an action at law without the payment of an extra $1 fee by the plaintiff for the benefit of the law library, a petition for a writ of mandamus compelling the clerk to accept the filing, was presented in the circuit court.

"Public Aid for Private Gain."

Defendants have demurred to the plaintiff's writ upon two grounds, to-wit:

"First: That the plaintiff has not legal capacity to sue.

"Second: That the writ does not state facts sufficient to constitute a cause of action."

One of the main contentions of the plaintiff is that the system virtually means "public aid for private gain."

Quoting from the plaintiff's brief, the argument, in part, follows:

"Multnomah county has not, neither has any other county in the state of Oregon, any authority whatsoever on its own action, nor can it be given authority by the legislature to do what is being done under the act of the legislature in question, section 9, article 11 of the constitution of the state of Oregon provides:

Went Beyond Its Power.

"'No county, city, town or other municipal corporation, by vote of its citizens, or otherwise, shall become a stock holder in any joint stock company, corporation or association whatever, or raise money for, or loan its credit to, or in aid of any such company, corportion or association.'

"By the above provision of the constitution it will be observed that counties in this state cannot by vote of their citizens or otherwise raise money for or loan its credit to or in aid of any such company, corporation or association meaning any joint stock company, corporation or association such as the Multnomah Law library is confessed by this demurrer to be.

"Here is an act which requires parties to actions, suits or proceedings, either plaintiff or defendant to pay to the county clerk for the use of the library of this corporation $17.40 daily, whereas, under the provision of the statute here in question opening the said library to the six judges of the circuit court and to the three county commissioners and to the district attorney's office, being approximately 20 or 30 persons all told, this library association would receive from these men, if they paid for the use of the library on the same basis as is charged to an equal number of lawyers in the city of Portland, to-wit: $2 per annum each, the library would receive $40 or $50 for this same service which it now receives $17.50 per day or $452.79 per month and for the year ending September 1, 1916, the sum of $5453.50. Yet in the face of this record it will be contended that the constitutional provision is not violated.

Condition Not Amazing.

"However, this condition is not amazing to the plaintiff, being made by the defendant for the reason that the defendant, being of a quality that would cause an act of this kind to be pushed through the legislature, would also take from Multnomah county for the use by the 20 or 25 men to whom the library door is thrown open, the sum of $5454.50 per annum, being entitled to only $40 or $50 for the service.

"Passing to the next point, the plaintiff contends that this tax or fee, whichever it may be called, is imposed and collected for a private and not a public purpose. He contends that said Multnomah law library is a private corporation, and is conducting said library as a private enterprise in Multnomah county, Oregon; that the members of the bar of Multnomah county, Oregon, are charged a membership fee for the use of the books in said library which must be paid before the use of said library is available to them, and to such members of said bar as do not pay said fee, the use of said library is not available.

"The defendants' demurrer admits all this to be true and the objects of said corporation as set out above show conclusively that it is not only established as a private concern and as a private enterprise, but that the same is actually conducted as a private concern and as a private enterprise, and in fact, as a private snap; the snap part entering into this situation at the point where this Multnomah law library succeeded and is succeeding in getting out of the litigants of Multnomah county over $5000 per annum for a service for which it is now obviously, openly and confessedly only entitled to $40 or $50. So it therefore becomes not only a private enterprise but very profitable and remunerative enterprise."

The plaintiffs are represented by Attorney R. W. Hagood and the law firm of Stapleton, Conley, Stevenson and Stapleton. The defendants are represented by District Attorney Evans, C. W. Fulton and others.

SUIT TO RECOVER BONDS

Arnold Moore Makes Step-mother and C. G. Hulse Defendants.

Arnold Moore, son of the late Walter H. Moore, filed suit in the circuit court Saturday for the recovery of bonds valued at $22,000 from his stepmother, Mrs. Laura Moore, and C. G. Hulse. Arnold Moore is administrator of his father's estate and he alleges that the defendants have "refused to deliver the bonds to him."

The action recalls the failure of the Oregon Trust & Savings bank and the personal sacrifice Walter Moore, one of the directors, made to satisfy claims of creditors. The widow claimed in preliminary hearing before County Judge Tazwell that the bonds in dispute were given to secure a loan made by the Moore Investment company. She declared that her husband had not owned stock in the concern for a period of three years prior to his death.

According to Attorney Bartlett Cole, for the administrator, other suits may be filed with the view of uncovering and gaining possession of certain real estate, principally wheat lands, in Sherman and Gilliam counties, Oregon.

Husband Answers Suit.

Answering his wife's suit for divorce, John Herrick declares that Ada Herrick, during the four years of their married life, has spent "three and a half years at the home of her father in the east." He also alleges that his wife treated him in a "cruel and inhuman manner." Replying to the charge that he had "occupied sleeping quarters apart from those of his wife," the husband says that "he was injured in an auto accident and was compelled to occupy a couch in order to rest his injured arm."

Auto Salesman Loses Suit.

S. L. Gordon, an automobile salesman, lost his suit in District Judge Dayton's court for the recovery of salary rated at a "guarantee of $100 a month and five per cent commission," according to his own construction of the contract with the Paige Motor Sales company. The court held that the company had agreed to pay Gordon but $60 a month and two and one-half per cent commission on cash sales and two per cent commission on time sales. The amount which Gordon claimed to have earned was $163.33.

Attorney Sues for Fees.

Attorney Robert G. Smith has filed suit in the circuit court against Charles E. Short for the collection of $500 attorney fees because of the alleged failure of the defendant to pay for services rendered in obtaining a divorce and land settlement. The suit for divorce was brought in 1910 and a decree was granted, together with a decree sustaining defendant's right to a one-half interest in 600 acres of land valued at $14,000.

City Sued for Broken Leg.

Declaring that negligence on the part of the city caused an accident in which she sustained a broken leg, Alice B. Wells has filed suit for $10,000 damages against the city and additional damages of $170 to cover ambulance hire and medical expense. The plaintiff alleges that in sliding down a chute in Washington park she fell into an excavation at the bottom of the play device; two bones of her left leg are said to have been broken.

Divorce for Desertion.

F. E. Creswell, who has brought divorce suit against his wife on the grounds of desertion, says he is willing that the two minor children shall remain in custody of the mother, and that he is willing to pay $20 a month for their support.

Thirty Made Citizens.

Thirty applications for citizenship were granted by Presiding Judge Gantenbein of the circuit court Saturday.

Dozen Arrested on Gambling Charge

A dozen waiters were arrested last night in the Washington building, corner Fourth and Washington streets, on a charge of gambling. When Plain Clothes Men Richards and Schum, who made the arrests, approached the room where they suspected the gambling to be going on, at different doors, the waiters answering their knocks divined their identity, and unavailingly attempted to slam the doors, which were fitted with spring locks, shut, ostensibly in order to conceal the evidence of their games of chance.

Those arrested were: W. H. Overton, W. H. Manvel, George Hetling, B. L. Roley, Earl Headlee, Clarence Griffis, Howard Jackson, James Morris, Jack Smith, Morris Morgan, Roy Lawrence and Guy Ingram. They were released on bail of $10 each.

Small Boats Failed To Guard Big Ships

Berlin, via Sayville, Jan. 20.—(I. N. S.)—It was officially announced today that the British battleship Cornwallis was sunk by a German submarine on January 9, 60 miles southeast of Malta.

It is added that Lieutenant Captain Hartwig, commander of the German U-boat, succeeded in sending a torpedo into the British warship, despite the fact that the Cornwallis was protected from just such an attack by the British light sea forces.

Noted Cartoonist Becomes Benedict

Chicago, Jan. 20.—(I. N. S.)—John T. McCutcheon, noted cartoonist, who was married here today to Miss Evelyn Shaw, departed this afternoon for the east. They will sail from New York next week for "Treasure island" which was purchased recently by Mr. McCutcheon and where he and his bride will pass their honeymoon.

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R. O. Woodward Was for Many Years Engaged in Manufacture of Roof Paint.

SOLDIER IS LAID TO REST

Funeral Services Held for Ted Sullivan, Who Died at Boise, Idaho, January 17.

R. O. Woodward, for many years a well-known resident of Portland, died Saturday afternoon at Los Angeles, where he had gone because of his health. Mr. Woodward, who before his retirement from business several years ago was engaged in the manufacture of roofing paint, was 83 years old. Surviving him are R. E. Woodward of Oregon City, S. E. Woodward, who was with his father when he died, Gilbert N. Woodward of Portland, Mrs. W. O. Nisley of Portland, Mrs. J. P. Matthews of Portland, and Mrs. P. A. Wagner of Tacoma.

Mr. Woodward had for the past year divided his time between Los Angeles and Oregon City, where he was a member of Meade Post, G. A. R., of that city. During his residence in Portland he was a member of Central Presbyterian church. Mrs. Woodward died on May 25, 1916. Mr. Woodward's body will be brought north, but no arrangements for the funeral have so far been made.

SULLIVAN FUNERAL HELD

Services Held Saturday Are Largely Attended by Friends.

The funeral of Ted Sullivan, the young soldier who died at Boise, Idaho, January 17, was held at the chapel of Dunning & McEntee, Saturday afternoon, Father William Cronan delivering a memorial address to a large number of friends and relatives present. Sullivan enlisted in Troop A, Idaho cavalry, last June and went to the Mexican border. He was expected home when news came of his death from pneumonia, due to sudden change from the desert to the cold and altitude of Boise.

Many old playmates and baseball fans and associates attended the funeral. Ted Sullivan was believed by many to have great promise on the diamond. His parents, two brothers and three sisters survive.

Funeral of Mrs. Rader Monday.

Funeral services for Mrs. Josephine Rader, who died in Portland on January 16, will be conducted Monday at 1:30 p. m., by the East Side Funeral Directors. She was a member of the Rebekah lodge I. O. O. F., of Newport, and is survived by four daughters and a brother and sister in Oregon. She was 68 years old.

Woodland Veteran Hears Last "Taps"

Woodland, Wash., Jan. 20.—William Harrison Wagner died at this home here Friday after a lingering illness, complications due to old age being the cause. Had he lived six days longer he would have been 74 years of age. He way born at Dayton, Mich. He moved with his parents at the age of 10 to Iowa, where he elisted with the Twenty-first Iowa infantry at the first call for volunteers in 1861. He served through the war in the same regiment, and was mustered out as corporal in 1865. He came to the Oregon country more than 35 years ago and had lived in Washington and Oregon ever since. He had been a resident of Woodland for about 15 years.

In 1867 Mr. Wagner married Roxana C. Bragg in Iowa, she being a niece of the famous Civil war veteran, General Bragg. Mrs. I. Goheen of Battle Ground, Wash., and Miss Emma Wagner of Portland are surviving children. His first wife died several years ago and on July 4, 1911, he was married to Mrs. Kate Sampson at Vancouver, Wash., who also survives. Funeral services will be held here at 1:30 Sunday afternoon under the auspices of the G. A. R. and the Ladies' auxiliary of that order, and be conducted by Rev. Vanderlinde of the Christian church. Mr. Wagner was a member of Kilpatrick Post, G. A. R., of Woodland, Wash., and for a number of years has been its commander. Interment will be in the family plot at Kerns, just north of Woodland.

Eugene Woman Is Fined for Speeding

Mrs. J. H. Dumphrey Raced With Another Car; Chauffeur Also Fined; One Machine Demolished.

Eugene, Or., Jan. 20.—Mrs. J. H. Dumphrey, wife of a Southern Pacific railway engineer, was fined $10 in municipal court here today for speeding her automobile. She collided with another machine Friday and demolished it when she attempted to turn a corner after racing down Thirteenth avenue with Mrs. George W. Smith in another car.

Kenneth Cockerlin, Mrs. Smith's chauffeur, was also fined $10, for speeding.

Woman Struck by Car; Slightly Hurt

Mrs. Joseph Davenport of 1046 Cleveland avenue, was struck and knocked down last night by a Williams avenue street car at the intersection of Williams avenue and Alberta street. Mrs. Davenport was crossing the street and it is thought that an umbrella she was carrying was the reason for her not seeing the slowly approaching car.

Her injuries consisted of a cut on the back of the head, another cut over an eye and another on the nose. She was attended by Dr. C. E. Mason, and later taken to her home. Mrs. Davenport is an aunt of Dr. C. D. Bodine.

Acacia Club Gives Party.

The Acacia club held a card and social party last night at its quarters in the Oregon building. Dancing followed after the card games. A number of members of the Masonic fraternity and their wives availed themselves of the hospitality of the club. The Acacia club directors have leased quarters in the Central building at Tenth and Alder streets and will move there February 1.

OFFICERS OF HASSALO LODGE

Left to right—Charles Hinman, vice grand Hassalo Lodge; John Q. Erickson, noble grand Hassalo Lodge No. 15, I. O. O. F.

Hassalo lodge is one of the early Odd Fellow lodges of Portland, being founded in January, 1867, and has passed through its chairs many prominent citizens.

The present officers were installed on January 12, and both the noble grand and vice grand have been chosen from among the active young members after testing them out in committee work and minor positions for the past two years.

Close Election Held By Waverley Club

Victor Johnson and W. E. Person Are Tied for Ninth on Board of Directors in Race of Three Tickets.

One of the closest elections in the history of the Waverley Country club for directors marked the annual meeting last night, when balloting was done on nine new members of the board.

An unusually large number of ballots were cast for the three tickets that were in the field. The count showed the following elected: C. H. Davis Jr., Graham Glass Sr., C. C. Overmire, R. A. Leiter, A. C. U. Berry, W. W. Cotton, R. F. Prael and O. R. Menefee. Victor Johnson and W. E. Person tied for ninth and a recount of the ballots was made later.

New Members Win Golf Match.

One point separated the winning and losing teams in the annual election day golf match yesterday, the new members, captained by C. H. Davis Jr., being the victors by the score of 52 to 51. Seventy-four members of the club participated in the match, the largest number that has ever played in the event.

The day, although not ideal for good golf, brought out some exceptionally fine playing and some very good scores were recorded.

The pairings of the players who participated in the match:

Old members.	New members.
Wirt Minor captain.	C. H. Davis, captain
Davis Loring	Colonel McAlexander
William Ladd	A. B. Scott
E. Cookingham	L. H. Bothrop
A. C. U. Berry	C. C. Overmire
Dr. J. C. Zan	Dr. G. Marshall
E. A. Des Schwelnitz	H. Fase
R. M. Mackay	R. F. Tisdale
T. W. Ellis	George M. Duncan
A. T. Huggins	W. E. Pearson
R. S. Howard	J. Sharins
M. L. Holbrook	E. S. Whitney
A. S. Rockwell	A. P. Winfree
C. F. Swigert	F. S. Rodgers
J. D. Hart	George N. Davis
W. A. Pettigrove	F. B. Dudley
W. MacMaster	F. E. Moore
C. H. Lewis	E. J. Bragg
H. H. Holland	Allen Peel
J. McI Wood	F. F. Doerntbecher
F. T. Cox	F. H. Fogarty
John Latta	Dr. A. F. Mackay
W. Gilbert	R. A. Leiter
A. D. Norris	C. Bloom
Thomas Kerr	D. W. L. Macgregor
H. A. Sargent	C. H. Wernicke
F. H. Page	W. O. VanSchuyver
R. C. F. Astbury	A. E. Peterson
Gordon Voorhies	J. S. Napier
W. W. Cotton	J. H. Noren
Victor Johnson	W. M. Cooke
A. D. Kaiz	Dr. O. B. White
L. H. Tarpley	O. R. Menefee
James McCracken	H. B. Dutton
Horace Mecklem	J. S. Campbell
M. C. Woodward	Henry Kirke
C. A. Hart	George Woodley.

Washington State Takes Second Game

Seattle, Wash., Jan. 20.—Pullman won her right to play for the coast championship by defeating Washington again tonight by the score of 26 to 14. The game was much faster than last night and harder fought.

Pullman had the best team work seen on the local floor for some time and their speed was one of the factors in winning the game. The first half ended with the score 11 to 7 in favor of the visitors. In this half most of the scoring was done by converting fouls. Bohler shot seven out of eight and Davidson made five out of eight.

In the second half Pullman put on more speed and pulled away from the local team. In this half they scored six field goals and three fouls, while Washington could drop only two in from the field and score three fouls. Bohler and Price were the stars for the winners again tonight. They were responsible for 16 of the 26 points scored by their team. For Washington Davidson showed the best scoring, 12 of the 14 points.

Oregon Aggies Win Basketball Title

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis, Or., Jan. 20.—The Oregon Aggies basketball quintet won the collegiate championship of Oregon last night by administering another crushing defeat to the University of Oregon quintet. The score was 29 to 10. Superior team work was responsible for the victory of the locals, who will meet the Washington State college in a series of games for the Pacific Northwest Intercollegiate championship.

Eastern Man Cared For.

Oregon City, Or., Jan. 20.—Harry Morse of Milwaukie, Wis., was found Saturday morning in the offices of District Attorney Hedges in a nervous state of mind. His father, Henry Morse, an attorney in Milwaukee, Wis., was notified and telegraphed money to care for the man until his arrival. Morse, who is about 30 years old, came to Oregon City Friday night and spent the night at the Electric hotel in this city. Saturday morning he went to the offices of G. S. Hedges where he was found later by sheriff Wilson.

Albany Man Faces A Serious Charge

W. F. Bundy, 66, Accused of Statutory Crime Against 13-Year-Old Daughter of His Step-Son—In Jail.

Albany, Or., Jan. 20.—W. F. Bundy, aged 66, was arrested this afternoon charged with a statutory crime against Lillie Okley, 13-year-old daughter of his step-son, Charles Oakley. Bundy waived examination before Justice of the Peace Cruson, Lebanon, this afternoon and was brought to Albany by Deputy Frank Richards and placed in the county jail, being unable to furnish $1000 bonds.

Last Wednesday Lillie Oakley gave birth to a child. The girl says that Bundy is the father.

Bundy asserts his innocence and claims that a job has been put on him.

Seek to Set Aside Will.

Albany, Or., Jan. 20.—Alleging that Mrs. Ada L. Long of Bellingham, Wash., is unprincipaled, Laure A. Collins and others today filed a petition in the probate court against Ada L. Long and others, to set aside the will of Samuel G. Collins, who died at Bellingham, December 9, 1916.

The case promises to be a bitter fight to obtain possession of 200 acres of land near Shedd, valued at $10,000. On the side of the plaintiffs and petitioners are Laura A. Collins, aged 75, widow of Samuel G. Collins who was 94 years old at his death, Blanche Turner, Deborah E. Seeck, Gustavius Jennie and Cleveland Collins, children of the deceased, and Mary Ingram, Vera Kentonwine, Leo, Raymond and Kenneth Vanata.

Licenses Issued to Portland Couples

Vancouver, Wash., Jan. 20. — Marriage licenses were issued here today by the county auditor to the following persons: Raymond E. Mason, 25, and Miss Mamie Adams, 15, both of La Center; Earl Conaway, 25, and Miss Mary Tucker, 19, both of Vancouver; Emsley M. Houghton, 50, and Mrs. Anna J. McComb, 33, both of Astoria, Or.; Tommy James Thomas, 32, and Miss Vera Myrtle Winzler, 20, both of Portland; A. Warintz, 22, and Miss Margrite Timm, 21, both of Portland; Thomas W. Heady, 22, and Miss Mollie J. Lemke, 22, both of Portland; Samuel L. McCutcheon, 23, and Miss Martha E. Barton, 18, both of Hood River, Or.; John E. Welch, 21, and Miss Manila M. Lewis, 18, both of Portland; Lester Dwight Petteys, 44, of Portland, and Mrs. Nellie L. Hare, 39, of Lebanon, Or.; Harvey J. Clippinger, 42, and Mrs. Clara B. Kuhns, 46, both of Seattle.

Mrs. Hearschel Buried.

Vancouver, Wash., Jan. 20.—The funeral of Henrietta Hearschel, who died at St. Joseph's hospital Friday, will be held at 10:30 o'clock Sunday morning from Knapp's funeral chapel and interment will be in the Vancouver City cemetery.

Mrs. Hearschel was 62 years old and a native of Iowa. At the age of seven years she crossed the plains by ox team and settled in Seattle. About 45 years of her life were spent in and near Vancouver.

Two daughters, Mrs. John Fellers of this city, and Mrs. D. L. Randel of Seattle, and three brothers, Bert Monsel, living east of here; John Monsel of Seattle, and Horace Monsel, of Portland, survive.

Two Men Burned in Fire in Oakland, Cal.

Oakland, Cal., Jan. 20.—(U. P.)—Fire late today partially destroyed the plant of the Oliver Rubber Manufacturing company and an apartment house, and for a time threatened a whole block of business houses.

Two men working in the rubber plant were severely burned by blazing gasoline as they dashed from the building. A policeman was overcome by smoke and was rescued with difficulty.

The damage was estimated at $10,000.

Postal Receipts For Twenty Days Show Good Gain

Postal receipts, in the Portland postoffice, for the first 20 days of the year, totaled $73,911.30, as compared with $66,841.44 taken in during the corresponding time last year, representing an increase of $7069.86 or more than 11 per cent.

ATTACKS ON PEACE LEAGUE ARE ANSWERED BY WILLIAM H. TAFT

Ex-President in Disagreement With Roosevelt Regarding Policy of the Organization.

MONROE DOCTRINE ISSUE

Speaker Declares Fundamental Principle of League Would Not Militate Against Historic Document.

New York, Jan. 20.—(U. P.)—Declaring he believes it to the country's best interest to push in every manner possible the proposed League to Enforce Peace, former President William Howard Taft in a speech here tonight at a dinner given by the Chamber of Commerce of the borough of Queens, answered former President Roosevelt's assertion that the policy would mean an evacuation of the Monroe doctrine. He also answered assertions of Senator Borah directed against the formation of the league.

Taft declared the fundamental principles of the league, of which he is president, could not possibly militate against the Monroe doctrine, because that historic document could not be used as an excuse for hostilities against a power that sought to punish an American country unless the foreign power proposed subjection or conquest of territory.

Historian Would Release Restraint

A. M. Fairfield, of Lassen County, Cal., Favors Abolishing Clothing, and Wants Law Enacted by Legislature.

Sacramento, Cal., Jan. 20.—(P. N. S.)—A. M. Fairfield, the historian of Lassen county, asked the adoption of a bill permitting women to wear as few clothes as they please, even to the extent of none at all, if such should be the demand of fashion. He has sent the draft of such a bill to Assemblyman Mathews of Susanville, in which he says the bill should be made applicable only to "women of known respectability."

He argues this is a new age, and that the nude in art has carried with it a similar tendency in dress. He cites the paintings at the recent exposition in San Francisco and the advent of the X-ray frock, and the prevalence of interpretative dancing with cheese cloth raiment.

"With very little thought, you can enlarge upon this and tell much more along the same lines," writes Mr. Fairfield to Mr. Mathews.

Assemblyman Mathews seems disposed to study the question further before committing himself by introducing the proposed bill. The public moral committee will be consulted.

Return of Freight Cars Is Ordered

Washington, Jan. 20.—(U. P.)—Holding the present car shortage conditions "are serious and require immediate relief," and that "the supply of coal in many communities is inadequate," the interstate commerce commission today directed the immediate return of all foreign coal cars and railroad-owned or controlled refrigerator cars to their own lines when received empty or when their bills of lading are removed.

Sightseeing Buses May Be Overtaxed

N. E. Tyrell, owner of large sightseeing buses, wants the city to reduce the license fees on the three buses he has in operation. He says that the license fee, based on the seating capacity of the cars, is discriminatory in his case, owing to the large size of the buses. His complaints have been made to Commissioner Dieck, who in turn, recommends to the city council that the maximum license fees on Tyrell's buses be reduced to $12 a quarter. Tyrell is now paying $13.50 a quarter and $16 a quarter on his machines.

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French Carry Out Successful Raid

War Office Reports That German Attacks Northwest of Soissons Prove Failure.

Paris, Jan. 20.—(U. P.)—Failure of enemy attacks northwest of Soissons and a successful raid, carried out by French troops on the Vingre sector, were reported in tonight's official statement.

"South of Cassigny rather violent artillery firing continued," the statement said. "An enemy surprise attack failed northwest of Soissons. We raided German lines on the Vingre sector and brought back prisoners.

"In the Alsace sector of Burnhaup there were patrol encounters. Southwest of Altkvich strong German reconnaissance attempted to approach our lines.

"On the rest of the front there was periodic shelling."

Real Estate Dealer Hurt.

J. M. Ryan, real estate dealer living at 690 Williams avenue, was knocked down and injured by a motorcycle ridden by John Dreaher of 427 Stark street, at Tenth and Washington streets last night. Dr. Harry S. McKay was called and attended to Ryan, whose injuries consist of a scalp wound and an injured back and neck. Ryan was later taken home. The accident was reported to the police by Dreaher.

Multnomah Trims Willamette Five.

Salem, Or., Jan. 20.—The Multnomah Amateur Athletic club basketball five won from the Willamette university team here tonight by the score of 20 to 11 in a fast and well played contest.

New Insurance Code Invites Opposition

An Anti-trust Insurance League Has Been Formed to Fight Proposed Insurance Measure.

The "Anti-trust Insurance league" has been organized to fight the proposed new insurance code. It has established headquarters at 216 Stock Exchange building and J. R. Foltz is in charge as secretary.

The league will endeavor, it announces, to defeat the passage by the legislature of the insurance code as drafted.

The position of the league is that the code has been prepared to serve the interests of insurance companies affiliated with the rating bureau which fixes the rates for all companies composing it, that independent companies not governed in rates by the bureau will suffer by the adoption of the code and that the rating bureau will obtain such control, through the enactment of the code, as will result in a general increase of insurance rates.

Mr. Foltz, the secretary, says that the membership of the board is composed of business interests and independent companies unwilling to see insurance rate control and the expected increase in rates given by state enactment to what the league calls the "combine." It is said that the league will carry on an active campaign both of public education and before the legislature.

Chicago Egg Prices Take Another Drop

Chicago, Jan. 20.—(U. P.)—Eggs took a second tumble today when prices declined from 3 to 3½ cents a dozen. Eggs that sold for from 58 to 59 cents to retailers last Monday dropped to 46 to 47 cents yesterday. Today the same grade was sold to retailers at 43 and 43 cents a dozen. Prices to consumers have also taken a drop since Monday.

If this community is to become more important, if realty values are to be restored to normal, then the specialty stores must receive YOUR support and the support of the great majority of purchasers.

In Judging This JANUARY SALE OF FURNITURE

FLOOR COVERINGS, INTERIOR DECORATIONS, ETC.—It is well to consider the importance of these three things:

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