

ARGENTINE'S BOLT HAS GOOD EFFECT AT GENEVA MEET

Conservatives Are Warned They Cannot Use High-Handed Methods Against Small Nations

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 Geneva, Dec. 11.—The Puerrydon skyrocket has flashed across the assembly horizon, throwing into temporary highlight some of the league's more pronounced defects—and has fizzled out.
 It has served, perhaps, a useful purpose in warning the ultra-conservative element of the assembly against an attempt at high handed encroachment on the rights of lesser powers and against steam roller methods on the part either of conservatives or liberals. Its effect, aside from the unfortunate removal of Argentine from the scene, should be beneficial.

MEMBERS ARE FIRM

Events proved the solidity of the league members, great and small, against Puerrydon's move toward disruption. The South Americans, regretting the loss of the Argentine republic, failed to rally to Puerrydon's support. And the Canadians, who had been expected to fight for an amendment eliminating Article X, declared themselves as "having gracefully to the inevitable and according to the postscript of the question."
 The liberals point out, however, that while the withdrawal of the Argentine delegation is to be deplored, Puerrydon's action at least jarred the old guard out of its conservative trenches, and awoke the various liberal delegations from the lethargy induced by two weeks of dull commission sessions.

It revealed, in the words of a member of the secretariat, certain glaring defects in the assembly, "showing up the dangers of procrastination, and teaching both sides that self-confidence is a grave mistake at this time."

ROBERT CECIL CHOSEN

Lord Robert Cecil's reply to Puerrydon was the result of a long conference of the big 13. It had at first been intended that Viviani of France should present his customary spirited defense of the league officials. But when it developed that the other South American nations were not inclined to follow the insurgents, it was decided that Lord Robert, the best known exponent of liberalism, was best fitted to iron out the difficulty.

Viviani, it was feared, as the embodiment of the old guard, was apt to overstep the proper bounds, and in a vitriolic speech denounce the whole proceedings, thereby alienating rather than conciliating the radical elements.

Lord Robert's speech was dramatic. He appealed for sanity and pictured in vivid phrases the successful future of the league. He seized the opportunity for another appeal for general publicity on league undertakings with the words "publicity is the beacon light and courage and candor are the keystones of the league's success."

The Argentinians were not present. It is believed here, however, that the Argentine diplomat acted strictly in accordance with instructions from President Irigoyen, and that consequently any change in Argentine's status was impossible.

Government Funds Not Available for Crater Lake Hotel

Washington, Dec. 11.—(WASHINGTON BUREAU OF THE JOURNAL)—An members of the Oregon delegation attended the conference at Senator Chamberlain's office today, with Governor O'Connell and Director Mather of the National Park service, on the question of hotel service at Crater Lake National park. There was substantial agreement on the course to be followed which may be thus summarized:

It is useless to ask the government to make additional appropriations to take care of hotel matters in any way. Alfred H. Parkhurst, the lessee, has done the best he could, but the hotel is undercapitalized and cannot meet increased demands. If his lease is cancelled he should be reimbursed for his expenditures. Financing of a hotel under a new lessee must be done by private enterprise unless the state of Oregon sees fit to assist.

Whitney Boys to Sing in Church

Sunday, December 13, at 3:30 o'clock in the auditorium of the First Congregational church the Portland Whitney Boys' chorus of 20 voices, with orchestra, is to give a sacred concert for the benefit of the Hoover fund for suffering children in Europe. Joseph Finley, who directs the chorus of the Congregational church, will assist by furnishing the boys' chorus a group of men singers to strengthen the bass parts. The boy vocalist, Harry Sladen, will sing. Dr. W. T. McElveen will tell the story of the need in a 10 minute address. A silver offering will be received.

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New Speed "Cop" of Walla Walla County Sends Out Warnings

Walla Walla, Wash., Dec. 11.—W. F. Devine, newly appointed speed "cop" for Walla Walla county, has been busy since the opening of 13 miles of new concrete paving in the county. Devine secured suspension of the license of Robert Dunn for insistent speeding, and warned 102 others that he will hale them before the justice court if caught driving beyond the 30-mile-an-hour limit set by the state on county roads.
 Most of the warnings have come as a result of speeding through College Place, a suburb of Walla Walla, on the new concrete road between here and the state line. Several pedestrians have been seriously injured when struck down by speeders on the College Place road.

U. S. Plan for Quick Payment of Bills Urged on Business

Encouragement of quick payment of bills as a means of meeting the present business stringency has been adopted as the policy of the government in the army finance section, according to Colonel E. P. Orton, head of the finance department on the Pacific coast, who visited Portland Saturday.
 Accompanied by Lieutenant Frank F. Fujton, local army finance department head, with offices at 323 new postoffice building, Colonel Orton met with W. D. Dodson, general manager of the Chamber of Commerce, Saturday, to outline the plan adopted by the army so it could be brought to the attention of local business men.
 Colonel Orton said that if local business men would send their bills for current purchases made by the army to the local finance department head, payments would be made in from five to 10 days. Payments made by the army under former plans were sometimes indefinitely delayed.

Still Discovered In House; Woman Visitor Fined \$100

Although she claimed to be only a visitor at the home of Fred H. Crook in a lone cabin near Myrtle Point, Mrs. Vera Clink of Marshfield was fined \$100 Saturday by Federal Judge Wolverson for violation of the prohibition law. Crook was fined \$250.

When international revenue officers raided the Crook cabin April 8 they found 60 gallons of fruit mash and a complete still. Ray Gilkie was also arrested, but did not appear in court today. His trial will probably be held within a week. Mrs. Clink told Assistant United States Attorney Austin Fiegel that she had two children and an aged mother to support.

Funeral Services For Ralph Duniway Held On Saturday

Funeral services for Ralph Rolefson Duniway were held Saturday at the Finley undertaking chapel. Final services were at the Portland crematorium. Duniway died suddenly Tuesday at the Portland Medical hospital, where he was believed convalescent from an attack of rheumatism. Formation of a blood clot is supposed to have caused his death. Duniway was well known among Portland attorneys, and was famous for his knowledge of municipal law. He was

Gas Company's Plea For Higher Rate to Be Closely Scanned

The city of Portland, the Housewives' Protective league and various civic organizations will be officially represented at a hearing before the public service commission Wednesday at 10 a. m. on the application of the Portland Gas & Coke company for an increased service rate. The hearing will be held at the court house and is open to the public.
 The company hases its application for an increased rate on the advance in the price of fuel oil, showing that with the termination of a six-year contract with the Union Oil company on December 30, the price it will be obliged to pay for this product will be increased from 75 cents to \$2.75 per barrel.
 According to officials of the company it will be impossible to secure a contract for oil after January and the plan proposed by the company officials provides for a rate contingent on the fluctuations of the oil price. The company's plant consumed 738,000 barrels of oil during the year ending September 30.
 Engineers of the public service commission have spent several weeks examining the books of the Portland Gas & Coke company, and City Attorney LaRoché has employed an investigator to make a similar examination for the city.

Mrs. Mary Sexsmith Dead

Mrs. Mary Sexsmith, 61, died at the family residence, 323 Kenilworth avenue, Saturday. She was the widow of William Francis Sexsmith and the mother of Earl, Dave and Miss Mable Smith, all of Portland. The funeral will be held Monday at 2:30 p. m. from the undertaking chapel of Miller & Tracey. Mrs. Sexsmith was born in Ontario, Canada, but made Oregon her home for a number of years.

Mrs. Susie Lowe

Mrs. Susie Lowe, 66, died November 27 at the family residence, 1471 East Tenth street north. Mrs. Lowe was the wife of the late Philip M. Lowe, a well-known locomotive engineer of the Southern Pacific line. Funeral services were held November 30, with interment in the city cemetery. The Rev. J. H. Irvine of Woodlawn Methodist church officiated. She was the mother of Mrs. F. G. Ziegler of Port Blakely, Wash., Miss Maude E. Lowe and Mrs. C. L. Houghton of Portland.

Storm Halts Sale of Pisgah Home Tags

On account of the storm which precluded all street selling of tags for the Pisgah Old People's home Saturday, the sale was held off at 10 o'clock on the recommendation of Commissioner Bigelow who has promised the home another day on which they may sell tags. Hundreds of the tags were gathered at an early hour at the headquarters in the Imperial hotel ready to undertake the sale, and during the few hours that the sale was on they did remarkably well. The new date for the tag day will be announced later.

Day's Sale of Seals Nets Women \$170.09

The sale of Christmas seals for the benefit of the Oregon Tuberculosis association conducted Saturday by the Portland Woman's club netted \$170.09. The high booth for the entire nine days of the sale was conducted by Mrs. Charles E. Dant and Mrs. W. M. Calkins at Meier & Frank's, where the receipts were \$71.31. The booth sale Monday Saturday by Federal Judge Wolverson for violation of the prohibition law. Crook was fined \$250.

Sailors Washed Off Deck; One Drowned

San Francisco, Dec. 11.—(I. N. S.)—In the rough sea prevailing off the bar today two sailors were washed overboard from the U. S. S. destroyer Reno. Scott Steadman lost his life, but his companions were rescued by means of a life line. Due to the heavy sea it was impossible to lower a lifeboat. The Reno was entering the bay, having come from San Diego.

Girls Flee Cedars; Police on Search

The police were requested Saturday to assist in a search for three girls who escaped from The Cedars, detention home Friday night. They are: Wandis McDonald, 17; Monilla Shrivvers, 19, and Anna Spencer, 19.

Man Long Sought on Murder Charge Is Held in Everett, Wn.

A colored man, giving the name of Watson Collins but believed to be Williams, was picked up by Everett, Wash., police in that city last evening, according to a telegram received by the Portland detective department last night. McPotter shot and killed Clark at 91 Park street, then known as the "Bird Legs" club, in the presence of five eye witnesses, according to the city police records, and a nation-wide search has been kept up for the slayer since that date.

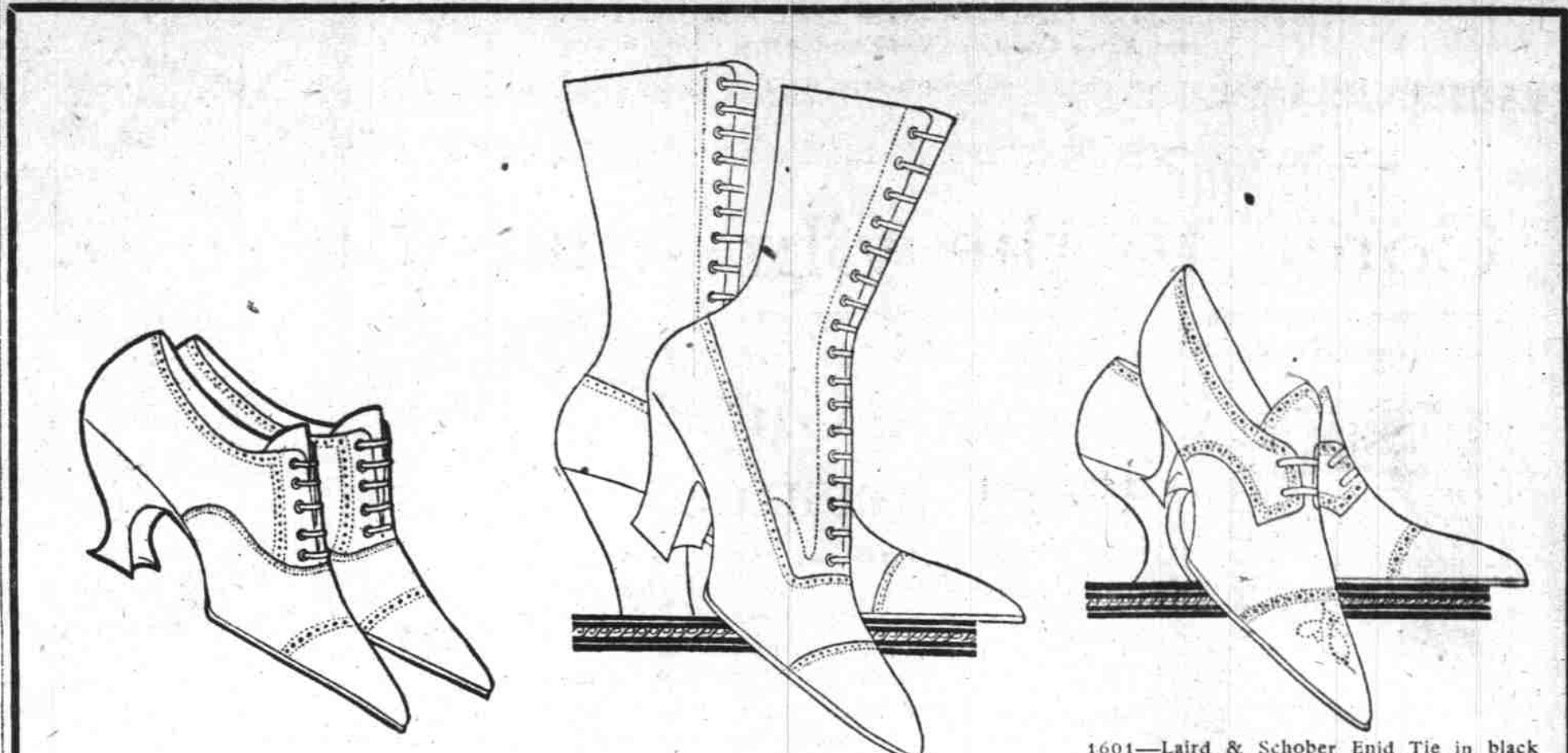
Clark about three months prior to meeting his death engaged in a gun fight with McPotter, resulting in the latter going to the hospital. It was the night of McPotter's release from the hospital that he hunted up "Barber" Clark and killed him.

Local officials are assured of the identity of McPotter from description supplied by the Everett officers, and particularly because of the fact that it was a former Portland neighbor of the hunted man who tipped him off to the Washington authorities.

Woolen Mill Cuts Wages Average of Fifteen Per Cent

Oregon City, Dec. 11.—A wage decrease averaging 15 per cent in all departments of its mill was announced Saturday by the Oregon City Manufacturing company, operating here one of the largest woolen mills and garment factories west of the Mississippi river. Wages in some departments are cut more than others, according to the proportion of previous pay, while those who were not receiving so much were cut slightly less. It is understood that between 500 and 600 employes will be affected by the decrease, which goes into immediate effect.

One of the first acts of Representative Addison T. Smith will be to introduce a bill in congress calling for an appropriation of \$300,000 to enlarge the postoffice and federal building at Boise.



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