

DISARMAMENT CONFERENCE - Wars, and rumors of wars give way for the peace in Washington.

THE WEATHER - Tonight and Tuesday, rain; southwesterly winds.

DAUGHTERTY KILLS ESPIONAGE CHARGE

Washington, Oct. 31. - (U. S. S.) - Indictments in San Francisco against Hans Tauscher, who left the United States early in 1917, and Ambassador von Bernstorff, have been quashed at the direction of Attorney General Daugherty.

Girls Lead Classes In Pasco; One Boy Among 10 Leaders

Pasco, Wash., Oct. 31. - The report of the Pasco high school for the month shows that in all four classes the girls averaged the highest grades.

Relic Hunters Are Deceived by Indians, Declares Authority

South Bend, Wash., Oct. 31. - Visitors in the Willapa Harbor district, hunting for ancient Indian relics, have been taken in by the natives, according to L. B. Burdett, a resident on the harbor for years and considered an authority on local Indian questions.

Take Soviet Offer In Return for U. S. Recognition, Plea

Washington, Oct. 31. - (U. S. S.) - Senatorial agitation for American recognition of the Russian soviet government threatened today to break out anew, as a result of the Red government's reported offer to assume the czarist debts in return for recognition.

Late Returns Kill Hope of Nonpartisans

Fargo, N. D., Oct. 31. - (U. P.) - Independent candidates in the North Dakota recall election were victorious by approximately 2000 votes, on the basis of returns tabulated today.

BANDIT'S ROB BANK, GUNS CRACK, 4 HIT

Niagara Falls, N. Y., Oct. 31. - (U. P.) - Four armed bandits this afternoon entered the Niagara Falls Trust company and in a matter of minutes had the teller's office in a revolver battle in which more than two score shots were fired.

Brilliant Meteor May Be Forerunner Of November Swarm

Reports from many observers that the great meteor which streaked across the heavens Sunday night indicate that the earth may be near the path of the Leonids, which do not usually appear until mid-November.

White Would Quit As Chairman to Aid Harmony in Party

St. Louis, Mo., Oct. 31. - (U. P.) - George White will quit as chairman of the Democratic national committee if that step is necessary to bring party harmony.

TRAFFIC HOLDS SPOTLIGHT IS FOCUSED ON MORRISON ST. BRIDGE IN JAM CONFERENCE

Congestion Reaches Crest When Autos, Cars and Pedestrians Become Locked in Maze; Car Jumps Track; Adds to Trouble. Traffic congestion on Willamette river bridges reached its crest this morning when the Morrison bridge, during the early going-to-work hours, became a maze of automobiles, streetcars and pedestrians that had the aspect of a log jam.

Paraguay Regime Is Reported Upset

Buenos Aires, Oct. 31. - (U. P.) - Vice President Faiva has assumed the presidency of Paraguay as a result of a bloodless revolution, according to an Asuncion dispatch to La Prensa today.

DELEGATION OF JAPANESE PLEDGES AID TO FAIR

EXPOSITION and Chamber of Commerce officials today paid honor to group of influential visitors from Nippon, whom they entertained at breakfast at Miltomah hotel, with a tour of the big lumber mills and docks, at luncheon at Chamber of Commerce and with afternoon journey over scenic Columbia river highway.



Old-Time Halloween Spirit Gone

The spirit of Halloween is dead. Little Stupid, the reporter, stood for one half hour this morning at Broadway and Washington in vain effort to elicit from passersby and loiterers on the curb memoirs of devilish pranks of boyhood days.

EX-SERVICE MEN MEET IN CONVENTION

National Commander Makes Plea for "Financially Disabled" ex-Soldiers of American Legion; Oregon Delegates Launch Fight. By H. A. Cayler, United Press Staff Correspondent.

Death Summons Mrs. Rountree, Wife of Realtor

Mrs. Nell Clark Rountree died early this morning at a sanitarium at 582 Northrup street, after an illness of several months. She was the wife of Newton W. Rountree, Portland real estate dealer.

Britain Not Dodging War Debt, Horne Says

London, Oct. 31. - (U. P.) - Sir Robert Horne, chancellor of the exchequer, officially denied in the house of commons this afternoon that Great Britain is negotiating with the United States for cancellation of war debts.

Thanksgiving Date Fixed by Harding

Washington, Oct. 31. - (U. S. S.) - President Harding this afternoon signed a proclamation designating Thursday, November 26, as Thanksgiving day.

U.S. to Pay Tribute to Hero Dead

Washington, Oct. 31. - (U. P.) - The two-minute silent tribute in honor of the unknown American soldier, which President Harding has asked the entire nation to give November 11, from noon to 12:02, should occur throughout the country on Eastern time.

GRAIN EXPORTS IN OCTOBER SET MARK

Portland's marine activities took another jump upward during October, according to statistics compiled today. The month was the heaviest in the export of grain recorded in the history of the port.

Federal Hospital To Open Tomorrow For Disabled Vets

The federal hospital at East Second and Miltomah streets will be opened Tuesday morning for the care of disabled men from the United States army, navy and merchant marine.

CONSTRUCTION GAINS

Continued deflation of prices is indicated in a comparison of bank clearings for the month ending today with the total for October, 1920. Increasing property is shown by the gain in building contracts for the same month of last year.

Hill Is Indicted as Slayer of Powers

Joe Hill, who shot W. C. (Jerry) Powers during an attempted hold-up of Powers' properties in the basement of the Perkins hotel a week ago, was indicted this afternoon on a charge of first degree murder.

U. S. Delegates Given Ambassadorial Rank

Washington, Oct. 31. - (U. P.) - The four American delegates to the arms limitation conference will have the rank of ambassador in order that they may be on equal footing with foreign delegates.

Judge Bingham's Voice Broke in Passing His First Death Penalty; "I Don't Know How Russell Died," Dentist Declares

Roseburg, Or., Oct. 31. - "You have been convicted of first degree murder and it is the sentence of this court that on January 12 you hang."

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DRUMFIELD IS SENTENCED TO HANG JAN. 13

Dr. R. M. Drumfield, the man on whom the sentence was passed, showed far less emotion than did the judge. There was no perceptible tremor in his voice when he said that he had called upon him to say why sentence should not be passed.

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