

STEPMOTHER WAS NOT CRUEL, SAYS DEFENSE WITNESS

Mrs. Minnie Hadley of The Dalles said on the witness stand in Circuit Judge Tawell's court Friday afternoon that she did not conceive it as possible that her friend, Jessie Elrod Moore, could have been beaten and mistreated by her stepmother, Mrs. Thompson, as had been testified to by witnesses for Mrs. Thompson.

Mrs. Thompson is attempting to break the will of her late father, L. K. Moore, by which she was disinherited and the property left to her stepmother, Jessie Elrod Moore.

Mrs. Hadley said she had known the Moore family intimately for many years. When it resided in Moro, Or., she said, she was at the house three or four times a week. Mrs. Moore and her stepdaughter, Greta, were very affectionate, according to her testimony. She also declared that Greta was "shabbily" dressed in those days.

"It was a happier home than the majority of homes of which I know," said the witness.

The room in the house at Moro, which the contestants' witnesses called the "basement room," and which Greta shared with the hired girl, Mrs. Hadley described as "a cool, pleasant room."

On cross-examination Mrs. Hadley declared:

"I don't believe any of the terrible things witnesses for the other side have said. I have known her a long time and I don't believe these things."

Mrs. Hadley admitted that though her friend did not have as nice a home as the Moore, her daughter was given a college education and when she married, a church wedding and an elaborate trousseau.

Mrs. Thompson had no one of these things, the plaintiff claims.

Court adjourned Friday until Monday morning.

Tom Watson Scores Sen. Glass' Remarks On Reserve Board

Washington, Jan. 28.—(L. N. S.)—Senator Tom Watson, Democrat of Georgia, denounced Senator Carter Glass, Democrat of Virginia, in the senate Friday for his recent defense of the federal reserve board.

Watson charged Glass with having applied "violent epithets" to senators who had criticized the board, and with having referred to them as "demagogues called up from hell."

Reading excerpts from Glass' recent speech in support of the board's deflation policies, Watson declared that "if such statements are allowed to go unregulated, certain senators will stand convicted before their constituents as liars, demagogues and charlatans."

Watson charged that the federal reserve board was being "operated in opposition to the farmer."

Beekeepers Select Officers for 1922; Ask O. A. C. to Help

Pendleton, Jan. 28.—K. D. Baker, apiarist of Knappa, was elected president of the Oregon State Beekeepers' association, succeeding A. J. Sanford of Bend, and H. A. Scullen of the Oregon Agricultural College, was re-elected secretary at the closing session of the convention here Friday night.

M. J. Skibo of Hermiton, was elected to represent the Oregon association at the convention of the American Honey Producers' league which is to be held in Salt Lake City. Decision to affiliate with the league was made previously at the convention. The time and place for the next convention was left to the executive committee.

The main address Friday was given by H. H. Root of Medina, Ohio, owner of 1500 stands of bees, and publisher of a "Beekeepers' Journal." After his talk on "Honey Marketing," Root paid tribute to E. H. Bauer, bee inspector of Multnomah county, who, he said, had done more to combat foul brood in this state.

In two resolutions Oregon Agricultural College is asked to issue regular bulletins setting forth data on bee culture and marketing conditions, and to extend its services on a greater scale to the apiarists of Oregon.

Former Policeman, Wanted on Robbery Charge, Arrested

Leonard Morelock, ex-policeman and federal agent on narcotics traffic investigation, was arrested Friday on charge of robbery, on a warrant from La Grande. The nature of the alleged robbery is not given. It occurred, according to the warrant, on January 23. Morelock is held in jail pending the arrival of La Grande officers.

La Grande, Jan. 28.—Leonard Morelock, arrested in Portland Friday, is wanted here on a charge of robbing a Chinaman Sunday afternoon of \$150 in cash. It is charged that Morelock came here Sunday and represented himself to be a federal officer working on narcotics investigations. In the afternoon he went to Ly Wo's place and, it is charged, used his alleged title to gain entrance, conducted a search for narcotics, taking \$120 in money from Wo. He left Sunday evening and on Monday a warrant was issued for his arrest. Three other Chinamen were in the room at the time of the alleged robbery and identified him. Morelock is a member of a prominent Eastern Oregon family. Till Morelock, who disappeared several months ago from his home in Joseph, and Lee Morelock, deputy United States Marshal at Portland, are his brothers. Leonard Morelock formerly lived in Eugene. He has been living in Portland for some time.

STREET NAMES ARE DEFACED BY BOYS

Pro-Germans had nothing to do with the vandals at Milwaukee avenue and Haig street, where the name of the latter street, formerly Karl street, was defaced in the pavement recently, according to Police Inspectors Coleman and Collins, who say they obtained copies of two small boys, who admitted destroying the names "just for fun."

Sentiment in the neighborhood was aroused recently when a number of residents petitioned to have old German names, which were changed during the war, restored. A number of the signatories bearing the new names were removed, supposedly by German sympathizers. The signs were replaced in the cement sidewalks within the past few days, but no less than nine of them were destroyed while the cement was still soft.

Authorities announced that Pro-German or not, the vandals would have to look out for they had destroyed city property.

Suspicion on several German residents was renewed by the inspectors when they wormed the confessions from the Donald Wallace, age 7, and Richard Wallace, age 12, sons of D. M. Wallace, who lives on Milwaukee. The two boys implicated George Williamson, age 12, 550 Haig street, in their confessions, but relatives of the boy refused to allow the detectives to question him.

The elder Wallace, who censured his youngsters, was one of those who during the war petitioned to have the German names removed from the streets in that vicinity.

The boys were given a good "lecture" by the detectives and sent home.

Garland "Soul Twin" Returns Home; Is in Safety, Father Says

(By United News)

Philadelphia, Jan. 27.—Lillian Conrad, whom Charles Garland, the eccentric young millionaire of Boston, claimed as his "soul twin" and whose eccentric family life with Garland caused the departure of his wife, has returned to Philadelphia and is now in a place where "she will be free from further annoyance," as the girl's father, J. S. Conrad, declared Friday.

"This is a most unfortunate and shocking affair," Conrad said. "There is no money involved in the incident. Everything that parents in moderate circumstances could do for her in education and social standing has been done, and everything is now being done to protect her from further annoyances."

"She returned to her home, but is not in Philadelphia at the present time, which closes the incident as far as she is concerned."

BRITISH PREMIER IS CHARGED WITH "DIRTY METHODS"

By Ralph H. Turner
United News Staff Correspondent
London, Jan. 28.—The troubled situation surrounding Franco-British relations, hitherto regarded solely as an international issue, has at last been definitely injected into Great Britain's domestic politics. One of the most significant phases of the discussion is the attack on Lloyd George's government by former Foreign Secretary Viscount Grey, delivered in a speech at Edinburgh Friday night. Lord Grey has long been silent, but his recent entry into politics as a leader of the forces opposing Lloyd George, adds a fresh and powerful voice to the group which has recently been muttering its artillery against the premier.

Viscount Grey declared that "there is less confidence and understanding between Great Britain and France today than at any time since the entente was created in 1904."

"DIRTY METHODS" CHARGED

This, he charged, could be attributed to the action of the supreme council which with foreign affairs and has never dealt smoothly with any issue.

The speaker asserted that the restoration of normal conditions in Europe was an urgent necessity, but that it could not be accomplished without an understanding of the situation.

Viscount Grey's position as a former foreign minister heightened the significance of his next declaration "that if Great Britain proposed such a conference, he would be the first to accept it."

Great Britain proposed such a conference, he said, but the Germans refused it; "in fact they gave us an unconditional refusal," he continued, and I still hold that this was a sinister sign."

That the conclusion of a satisfactory Anglo-French agreement is still the paramount issue of Great Britain's foreign policy—as a basis for pan-European recovery—was evidenced Friday by the calling of a cabinet meeting at which Lloyd George reviewed the results of the first conversations between Lord Curzon and the French ambassador.

COMPROMISE POSSIBLE

After the meeting the United News learned that the best hope for the present is that a compromise may grow out of the divergent views of the British premier and Premier Poincare of France. Hope that the negotiations may be speeded up is discouraged in the disclosure of the old pre-war style of diplomacy and it suggests that prolonged negotiations will be likely before the issue is closed up. Further conversations probably will be held up to the conference on Near Eastern questions, although the British foreign minister is expected to resume an informal discussion of the proposed Anglo-French pact with Premier Poincare.

NEW MOTOR BODY CHIEF PROPOSED FOR FAIR JOB



A. H. Lea

A double honor was conferred upon A. H. Lea by the directorate of the Oregon State Motor association Friday when that body met at the Multnomah hotel and elected officers for the new year. Lea was chosen president of the association by unanimous vote and was also endorsed as manager of the 1922 exposition.

A resolution of endorsement was passed by the association, which was sent to the fair committee. Lea has been secretary of the Oregon State fair board since 1916.

John H. Hall was elected vice president, Charles R. Frazer secretary, F. C. Statter treasurer and A. E. Shearer assistant secretary of the association. The board voted to present an amendment to the by-laws at the next meeting abolishing the office of assistant secretary and substituting the office of manager, with an increase in salary proposed.

The directors will confer with county commissioners Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the courthouse and will ask that the Columbia river highway be cleared at once of snow and other obstructions.

Auto Salesman Is Killed in Car in Fight With Bandits

Santa Monica, Cal., Jan. 28.—(U. P.)—Harvey Gray, 50, was murdered at the wheel of his automobile in a desperate battle with robbers here today.

Gray's body, stiffened and cold in death, was found in the driver's seat of his car at Twenty-first street and Central avenue this morning.

The dead man had a bullet hole in the left side of his head. The windshield of his machine was punctured with three more bullet holes.

Gray's right hand clutched an automatic pistol, which he had been firing when a bullet ended his own life.

Chicago Auto Show Largest in History

Chicago, Jan. 28.—(U. P.)—Chicago's twenty-second annual automobile show opened today with the largest exhibition of cars in its history. Eighty-one manufacturers are displaying models.

BOSTON HAS SNOW

Boston, Mass., Jan. 28.—(U. P.)—Snow began falling here shortly before noon today. The weather bureau predicted snow with northeast gales tonight and Sunday.

The consumption of gas in the United States has more than doubled in 10 years.

The inquiry is under the direction of L. A. Liljeqvist, state assistant attorney general, who was sent here to conduct the grand jury examination after the Pendleton Tribune had brought charges of misfeasance in office against R. I. Keator, district attorney; Charles Z. Randall, assistant district attorney; and E. F. B. Ridgway, special prohibition officer.

Ridgway especially is under fire, the paper alleging that he has been in league with bootleggers.

Cripple Testifies He Spent Damage Money for Wife

Roseburg, Jan. 28.—The divorce case of Del Green against Gladys Green was taken under advisement Friday by Judge Shipworth of Eugene, who will render a decision next week. The court room was packed during the taking of the testimony. Green, in his complaint, names Frank Deardorff, who is also suing for divorce.

Green suffered loss of a limb while employed by the Southern Pacific company, and received \$5000 in damages. He asserted a large part of this sum was spent on his wife for clothes and diamonds and that none of it remains. The Greens have been residing in Portland. Mrs. Effie Pearson, Green's sister, fainting when called to the stand.

Canned Spinach Is Found With Large Amount of Poison

Olympia, Wash., Jan. 28.—Eleven cans of spinach of a total of 24 seized in grocery on Nob Hill in Yakima were found to have developed bacillus botulinus at the laboratory of the city health officer, according to a report rendered by Will H. Adams, supervisor of food, feeds, drugs and oils, to E. L. French, director of agriculture. Frank H. Glynd, assistant director, stated today.

"Enough poison was found in one can to kill everybody in Yakima," H. H. Smith, health officer of Yakima, remarked after making the test.

The spinach was processed before the new law controlling processing went into effect. No fatalities have been reported from Yakima recently.

Roseburg Pythians To Construct Hall

Roseburg, Jan. 28.—The Knights of Pythias Friday purchased a lot near the business district and will construct a modern concrete building. The first floor of the building will be leased to C. W. Parker of the Roseburg garage. Construction of the building will begin at once. The upper floor will include a complete kitchen, banquet hall, club and lodge rooms. The building will cost around \$10,000.

U. S. AND ENGLAND EXERT PRESSURE ON FRENCH VIEWS

By Robert J. Bender
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Washington, Jan. 28.—Behind the present lull and secrecy enveloping international development much pulling and hauling on domestic and international ropes is being done.

President Harding is exerting quiet pressure to expedite an early solution of the few remaining problems before the arms conference.

Administration leaders are working quietly but effectively to consolidate Republican support of the conference treaties.

Great Britain is exerting every form of friendly pressure to bring the United States into the Genoa conference. Both Great Britain and the United States are exerting pressure upon France to iron out obstacles raised by that nation in the path of America's desire to lend what aid it can to the Genoa conference.

NO DELAYS EXPECTED

While ultimate results are yet in doubt these conclusions are to be drawn: Small differences of opinion will not further delay a settlement of the Shantung controversy and a few other pending questions before the arms conference.

Second, he is further convinced that administration forces are now united to the point that the program of arms conference settlements will be ratified promptly by the senate without great opposition and without long-drawn debates.

On the question of the Genoa conference the administration is in a peculiar position. It has wished from the outset that the settlement of European problems be left to the efforts of Europe to stabilize itself. The president himself has personally repeated his belief that the United States should not interfere in the European settlement of the Genoa conference.

The diplomatic strategy of Great Britain at the arms conference has been consistently aimed at upholding the hand of the United States. There has developed a sort of unwritten Anglo-American entente in the conference work which has gone unnoticed by the other powers. There is no doubt that England, having shown that she was ready and anxious to help along the Washington conference, now expects the United States to reciprocate and help her along in her projected conference to put Europe on its feet.

Pressure to this end is unmistakable. The administration feels it. President Harding is anxious that it be well understood that the government is not hindering, nor discouraging, nor seeking postponement of the Genoa meeting. The delay in the American position is based entirely upon an effort to reach a middle ground of opinion as to what is the best course to follow.

America's position, it is pointed out, is distinctly different from that of the other powers. Being the creditor nation of all of them, America's situation is delicate in that she must not appear to dictate to those who owe her—and, at the same time, she is interested in observing what may be said and done among them. She has her own ideas of what Europe should do by way of laying the foundation for stability.

FRANCE POINTED TO WAY

Lloyd George knows the American viewpoint and has manifested a willingness and desire to sponsor it. British as well as American representatives are showing France in a friendly and diplomatic way how advisable the American recommendations are. It may be that France yet will capitulate to these ideas, permitting American cooperation.

Meantime passage of the foreign loan funding bill Saturday will remove one thing that has tied the hands of the American government in adjusting foreign indebtedness. Prompt action by the senate on the conference treaties

would remove another obstacle. It would seem possible, however, that these accomplishments, together with competing plans for cooperating in a European economic and financial conference could all be effected in time by sending an American delegation to the Genoa conference by the time of its scheduled opening, March 8.

As exclusively forecast in these dispatches early this week, a postponement of the Genoa conference would enhance the chances of American participation.

Hardware Dealers Close Convention; Officers Elected

The sixteenth annual convention of the Oregon Retail Hardware and Implement Dealers association closed Friday night with a banquet at the Multnomah hotel, attended by about 400 delegates, local jobbers, their friends and members of their families. A majority of the visitors remained for a river excursion to the St. Johns terminal Saturday forenoon. The party will leave the foot of Alder street at 9 o'clock and return at noon.

The principal feature of the Friday session of the convention was the election of officers for the ensuing year. The following names were presented by the nominating committee and were declared the unanimous choice of the convention: A. L. Jameson of McMinnville, president; W. W. Baldwin, Klamath Falls, vice president; A. C. Hubbard of Medford, B. A. Kendall of Redmond, and O. G. Sapper of Hermiston, members of the executive committee. Jameson was re-elected president of the association for the third time.

The principal speakers Friday were Professor P. G. Crockett of the University of Oregon.

Skull Fractured in Crash Between Two Machines and Car

F. J. Osterman, 412 East Seventeenth street north, suffered a fractured skull Friday evening when an automobile in which he was riding at East Broadway and Vancouver avenue was wrecked in a double collision with a street car and another automobile. A bottle of whiskey was found in the wrecked machine, police declared.

Police were unable to locate a second occupant, believed to have been the driver of the automobile, and Osterman was in so dazed a condition that he was unable to speak. Records at police headquarters did not include the listing of the automobile number, which had been only recently issued. C. B. Madden, 217 Cherry street, driver of the second automobile, was declared by police to be free of blame in the accident.

Rob Colorado Bank; Amount Is Unknown

Denver, Colo., Jan. 28.—(U. P.)—Bandits entered the bank at Arapahoe, Colo., a small village 70 miles east of here, sometime last night, and escaped with loot the amount of which has not yet been determined, according to reports to Denver police today.

DECLARE SHANTUNG ISSUE IS SETTLED

(By Universal Service)

Washington, Jan. 28.—With a virtual agreement of the vital Shantung issue announced by the Chinese, and rapid progress made in cleaning up the dockets of the armaments and Far East committees, the end of the Washington conference last night for the first time was believed to be definitely in sight.

Announcement of the settlement of the Shantung question, which had become the keystone of the whole conference structure, was made by Dr. Chung-Hui Wang, one of the three Chinese delegates. The final point of issue was the return to China of the Tsinan railway, which is the very heart of the problem.

Late last night Dr. Wang issued a formal statement in which he said that the delegation had not come to a "final conclusion" and was awaiting advice from Peking on several details yet to be cleared up. It was generally believed that the statement was prompted by reluctance of the delegation to have news of the settlement abruptly conveyed to the Chinese people through press dispatches. Elaborate plans are under way to have it "broken gently."

MATTER HELD SETTLED

According to Dr. Wang, this question is "as good as settled right now." He predicted a formal agreement would be reached at the Japanese meeting Monday.

The terms of settlement, the Chinese said, are those suggested in the compromise proposal submitted by the mediators, Secretary Hughes and Arthur J. Balfour. The Chinese are to name one of their nationals as managing director, the highest office in the management of the railway.

The positions of traffic manager and chief accountant will be held by Japanese officials. Dr. Wang foresaw little difficulty in clearing away this obstacle.

On the method of reimbursing the Japanese, who took over the railway from the Germans, the agreement provides that the Chinese shall give treasury notes maturing in 15 annual installments, with an option to redeem all outstanding notes any time after five years.

The option will be exercised, Dr. Wang asserted. Various Chinese commercial organizations are even now engaged in raising the money. All Japanese connection with the line will end when final payment is made.

The value of the road has been agreed on by the two delegations as \$2,000,000 gold marks, the figure fixed by the reparations commission, plus the cost of betterments and improvements installed by the Japanese. The cost of these additions is estimated at 6,000,000 gold marks, bringing the total up to 8,000,000 gold marks. These terms means a concession by Japan on the method of payment.

BOTH SIDES GIVE WAY

She had insisted on loaning China the money, so Japan could have financial control as well as participation in the management. The Chinese win a point in the creating of the position of managing director, but make a concession in permitting the Japanese to have the positions of traffic manager and chief accountant. The Chinese from the first had demanded that the line be turned back to them without any conditions whatever. They had particularly stood out against the Japanese traffic manager and chief accountant proposals, until the managing director solution was suggested by Mr. Hughes and Mr. Balfour.

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Temperature Drop May Avert Damage To Pasco Bridge

Pasco, Wash., Jan. 28.—Anxiety which has been felt regarding danger to the false work on the new Pasco-Kennewick bridge by reason of an ice jam in the Columbia river at Richland, eight miles above Pasco, has been somewhat allayed, as the weather Friday night was considerably cooler than for several days, with cooler weather predicted for today.

A chinook would probably melt the ice so rapidly that not only the new bridge, but the Northern Pacific bridge, which has been somewhat allayed, as the weather Friday night was considerably cooler than for several days, with cooler weather predicted for today.

A force of workmen is engaged in blasting the ice just above the O.W. R. & N. bridge, and the Northern Pacific bridge, which has been somewhat allayed, as the weather Friday night was considerably cooler than for several days, with cooler weather predicted for today.

The jam at Richland is said to be the largest seen there in many years, the ice being piled up to a height of 25 feet.

Cardroom Licenses Increased to Curb Foreign Habitués

Action looking toward extermination of north-end gambling and bootlegging establishments operated mainly by foreigners was taken by the city council Friday, when it voted to raise the license fee on card rooms from \$1 to \$25 and require all proprietors to take out a \$100 bond on each card table in their place.

The ordinance was aimed mainly at Greeks and Austrians who are said to have been allowing gambling to run in their card rooms.

Complaint was also made that moonshine liquor is being sold in these places. Following this action the council also considered the advisability of limiting the number of card rooms in the city and appointed the following committee to investigate and report on that matter: Commissioners Pier and Bigelow, City Attorney Grant and Chief of Police Jenkins.

Boy, 4, Burned to Death in Home

Beaumont, Texas, Jan. 28.—(I. N. S.)—Jack Deaton, 4-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. William Deaton, was burned to death in a fire which destroyed the Deaton home early today. Other members of the family escaped in their night clothes. Odetta, a sister of Jack, was seriously burned.

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