

# CHAPLIN PREFERS FOREIGN WOMEN, AS HIS ADMISSION

## American Girls Lack Personality, He Contends; Won't Admit or Deny Engagement to Pola

Los Angeles, Nov. 25.—While refusing to discuss his "personal affairs" in any degree, Charlie Chaplin admitted tonight that his impersonal preference is for foreign women.

This, you are to understand, has no connection whatever with any rumors relating to himself and Mile. Pola Negri, who, he conceded, for the sake of argument, to be one of the most delightful of foreign women. Objectively speaking, aside from any personal predilections, Chaplin admitted himself to be one of the most ardent admirers of the Polish tragedienne.

"American women," he said, "lack personality. They are becoming standardized by the follow-the-leader spirit and too little association with men."

### NEED MALE ASSOCIATION

"When all is said and done, women to cultivate individuality must associate with men rather than women."

"New European women are bred to death without men in their clubs."

The comedian was asked if, disregarding personal matters, he was engaged to be married.

"I can't discuss it impersonally," he replied.

On the other hand, Pola Negri could not be induced to say whether she thinks of American men or American comedians in baggy trousers when they have their good clothes on.

### DINES WITH THREE

While Hollywood and Los Angeles waited today for Chaplin to affirm or deny the rumors of his engagement to the noted Polish actress, his friends learned that the diminutive English comedian dined last night with three of the women to whom he has been reported engaged.

At a dinner party at the Ambassador hotel last night, at which Ed Bowes, the San Francisco and New York theatrical man and husband of Margaret Illington, the actress, was host, Chaplin sat near Pola Negri, Clara Windsor and Eleanor Boardman.

If Chaplin marries Miss Negri this will be the second matrimonial venture for both.

Chaplin married Mildred Harris, a screen girl. They separated shortly after the death of their infant son. Later a divorce was obtained.

Miss Negri is a countess and has a daughter two years old.

### FIREMEN'S BALL DECEMBER 3

The firemen's beneficiary association is making elaborate preparations for its annual ball and carnival to be

given in the large auditorium of Labor temple on the night of December 3. The cause is one which has an appeal to the general public and always attracts large attendance. Six special prizes are to be offered to participants and fine orchestra music will be provided.

# Say Council Action Will Hasten Vets To Buy Hospital

## Mayor Baker and other members of the city council are confident their action during the last week in modifying the ordinance prohibiting the treatment of tuberculosis in hospitals in Portland will result in speedy action by the War Veterans' bureau to close the purchase of Hahnemann hospital, now held under lease by the government.

Senator McNary has wired Mayor Baker that he has conferred with Colonel Forbes, head of the bureau, and that all things look favorable for speedy action.

The ordinance modification adopted by the city council does not let down the bars for any classes of hospitals except those "owned exclusively by the United States government." Under its provisions there is no opportunity for other hospitals, or sanitariums in Portland to receive and treat cases of tuberculosis, except surgical cases.

### ALEXANDRIA AVE. BRIDGE PROJECT MAKING SPEED

Fine progress is being made by Lindstrom & Feigenson, contractors, on the construction of the Alexandria avenue concrete bridge. Concrete has been poured for the main arch, which is 150 feet high, and pouring for the uprights will begin Monday morning.

Then will follow the construction of forms for the main deck, and it is expected the entire work will be completed within one month, if the weather does not interfere.

The bridge is a little more than 300 feet long and has a roadway of 16 feet and a four foot sidewalk. It will give direct access to the White Shield home of the Salvation Army, which owns a large proportion of its cost, \$21,500.

### CITY HALL BRIEFS

Herbert Gordon has made application to the city council for a permit to erect an apartment house at the northwest corner of 17th and Morrison streets.

Applications will go before the city council next Wednesday from W. W. Smith for a permit to conduct a convalescent home in a residence building on 19th street, between Montgomery and Mill streets, and from Mrs. A. Mellus for a permit to conduct a convalescent and children's boarding home at a location on East 33d street, between Francis avenue and Powell Valley road.

At the request of the school board of district No. 1, the city council at its meeting next Wednesday will pass an ordinance permitting the roping off of East Seventh street, from Clackamas to Halsey streets, so as to close the block to traffic during school hours.

# CUNO CABINET IS BEING MENACED ON ALL SIDES

## One Member Ousted, Another Threatened Already; Fascist Groups in Bavaria Trouble.

By Karl M. von Wiegand  
Universal Service Staff Correspondent.  
Berlin, Nov. 25.—Scarcely three days old the Cuno cabinet is already menaced.

With Food Minister Mueller forced to retire after only 36 hours' incumbency under charges that he was mixed up in the Rhineland separatist movement, threats were made today against another leading member of the cabinet.

On the other hand, increasing food riots and Communist plunderings in Saxony and Brunswick, and the Fascist movement in Bavaria are giving the new chancellor sleepless nights.

Hitler's Bavarian Fascist henchmen boasted that they have recruited 40,000 new members this week.

Increasing clashes between "Gray Shirts" and Socialists and Communists have impelled the Bavarian government to issue a decree forbidding the carrying of bluffs and clubs "of wood, metal, rubber or other materials." Stingshots and metal knucklers are also forbidden by police order.

The decree is aimed at the arming of Hitler's "black troops" and the so-called "Aarguard light detachments" of the Socialists named after their leader in the diet.

Clashes between these two camps recently developed veritable battles with clubs such as used by primitive man in various forms.

It is reported that a secret meeting of international Fascist leaders is taking place in Munich today.

### BARRATT TO QUIT STATE ROAD BODY

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pointment of my successor to fill this important position, if deem it to be but fair to him to submit my resignation to you at this time to take effect December 31, 1922.

I am surrendering my commission with the positive knowledge that the power invested in the highway commission by you and the members of the legislature, during my incumbency has never been abused, and my regret in severing my connection with the department is that in doing so I shall be deprived of the associations of a few men, yourself included, who, in this day and age when suspicion and slander are rife, can stand up before the world imbued with the su-

praise satisfaction that they have given the best that was in them, unselfishly, for the upbuilding of the state of Oregon and the advancement of the interests of the citizens within its boundaries.

What will happen when the new administration takes charge in January is a matter of some speculation. Among conjectures is one to the effect that Governor Pierce will recommend to the legislature the creation of a paid commission.

The conjecture is probably based on the fact that while serving in the state senate three years ago the establishment of a paid commission instead of the non-salaried one, as obtains at present, was advocated in a bill which he supported. There is some talk that he is in favor of a single commissioner who will combine the duties of chief engineer, as is the system in the state of Washington. Thus far Pierce has been non-committal on the subject.

In the meantime the present commission is cleaning house, preparatory to moving out. Loose ends are being caught up and plaited, financial agreements with counties are being adjusted beyond the point of misunderstanding and preparations are being made for placing under contract unfinished gaps in the main highways.

In addition, all commitments with the various counties are being fulfilled. Besides this, the commission has reached an agreement with the federal government through the secretary of agriculture on a federal aid system on which federal aid is to be applied.

To carry out commitments with counties and close up the gaps of the present system will require probably a two years' construction program, at least as estimated at \$8,000,000. The concluding work of the present commission will be the revision of this program, and the above estimate may be reduced. The available funds now in sight will about cover this program.

### Southern Towns Are Searched For Fred Vandergriff

Information that Fred Vandergriff, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Vandergriff, No. 1541 East 18th street, had told friends that he would go to Hollywood some day and leave his hat on a river dock so his relatives would think he had been drowned, caused police Saturday to send descriptions of the youth to police of other coast cities.

Fred disappeared November 19. His hat was found on the dock at Sellwood ferry and police immediately dragged the river. Friends brought the story of the 17-year-old boy's plan to the police Saturday. Report also was made that the mother of the boy has been very ill since her son's disappearance.

### PACKING MERGED DENIED

Washington, Nov. 25.—Thomas E. Wilson, president of Wilson & Co., who is traveling in the South, today authorized his Washington office to deny reports that his company was contemplating a merger with another packing concern.

# POLICE CHIEF OF CHICAGO IS SAID TO HAVE QUIT

## Action Follows Stormy Career; Mayor Thompson Forced Into Open at Meeting.

Chicago, Nov. 25.—(U. P.)—Resignation of Charles Fitzmorris as chief of Chicago police as a result of an attack upon the alleged lack of enforcement of gambling laws by the Thompson administration, was reported tonight in high city administration circles.

The attack on Mayor William Hale Thompson came into the open Friday night following a ceremonial at the Shrine temple, attended by the mayor.

When Mayor Thompson attempted to answer claims that other organizations and churches were allowed to sell lottery tickets and raise money at bazaars through games of chance although the carnivals supported by Masonic lodges were not, he was booed down. The mayor twice took the floor and tried to deny the charges, made by Illustrators Potentate Wade, and the 4000 fellow Shriners hooted him

down and refused to hear him on each occasion.

Chief Fitzmorris, who has just completed his second year of administration of the police department of Chicago, refused to deny the reports tonight.

"I have always said that I would never discuss my resignation," he stated. "When I am ready to step out I will announce it."

The chief on previous occasions when his resignation was reported, issued indignant denials.

### Tenor to Be Soloist At the Apollo Club Concert on Friday

Seldom is it that the musical critics of the New York papers are unanimous as to the merits of any opera or operatic artist, but Charles Hackett, brilliant young American tenor who will be heard in recital next Friday, December 1, at The Auditorium, seems to be a marked exception. Not one of these writers but speaks in most glowing terms of his unusual art and voice.

Mr. Hackett's appearance here is one of the notable musical events of the season and is sure to draw a large and representative audience of Portland musical patrons.

This concert opens the Apollo club's 15th season and will be important in both musical and society circles.

The boxoffice sale opens tomorrow morning at Sherman-Clay & Co.'s.

### JOHN J. READ

John J. Read, formerly of Portland, died at his residence, No. 500 N. Hill avenue, Pasadena, Cal., November 13.

He is survived by his wife and a daughter, Anne Ophelia Read, a brother, Henry K. Read of Wheatland, Cal. and a sister, Mrs. F. F. Walker of Allentown, Pa. Read was born in Ohio, October 22, 1865. He was a resident of Portland for 23 years. He was a descendant of John Read, who came to America with Winthrop in 1630, also of Robert Taft, who settled in Massachusetts in 1678. He was a member of Washington lodge No. 46, A. F. & A. M., also of Perfection lodge No. 1, Scottish Rite Masons, and was a Son of the American Revolution. Funeral services were held in Pasadena November 15.

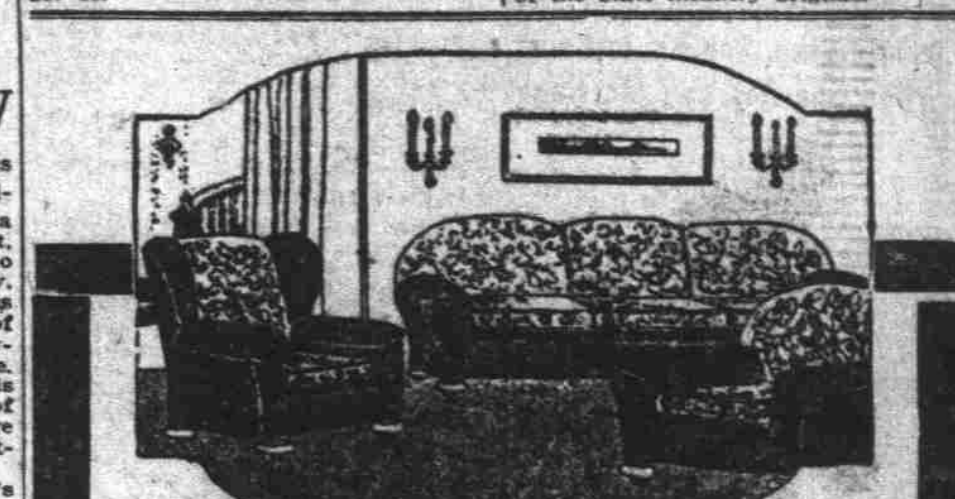
### RESERVE BOARD NOMINEE

Washington, Nov. 25.—(U. P.)—President Harding has decided to end the uncertainty that has existed for some months over the governorship of the federal reserve board by appointing to the post D. H. Crisinger, president comptroller of the currency, according to authoritative reports in administration circles here today.

### MADE BRIGADIER GENERAL

Sacramento, Cal., Nov. 25.—(U. P.)—Governor W. D. Stephens today appointed J. J. Borree, adjutant general, to be brigadier general in command of the state infantry brigade.

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