

HOPE OF PEACE GROWS STRONGER

Belief Expressed That Settlement of Irish Question Is Certain

DUBLIN, July 28.—A hopeful feeling prevailed today concerning a solution of the Irish problem and the belief was expressed that, although the path to peace might be longer than at first anticipated, a settlement eventually would be reached. Meantime, the truce will be continued.

SOVIET RUSSIA IS DESCRIBED IN LECTURE

to differentiate one's self according to one's own tastes and abilities. There are no stores, for private stores imply money, and there can be no private money ownership under pure communism.

He, it has brought a storm of destructive criticism of every act, every motive of the communistic government. Most of the reports sent out of the actual soviet standing, he says, are false.

But the speaker is not a convert to Lenin. "Let them prove their theories in Russia," he says. "The way to meet the arguments of the Lenin program is to show the world something better—to show them that the system they give a man adequate pay for adequate work, more pay for more or better work; that gives him the privilege of having money to spend and something he enjoys to spend it on; that gives him coal and wood, and a better system than any dead level of inefficiency.

DINNER INVITE IS SUDDENLY WITHDRAWN

visited the White House this afternoon and spent an hour and 20 minutes with President Harding, discussing with the visitor said, "newspapers."

Failure of Sir Auckland Geddes, British ambassador, to accompany the publisher was not considered significant in that Lord Northcliffe arriving in this country stressed that he was not here in an official capacity.

The British embassy was in semi-darkness tonight and inquiries as to the facts connected with the cancellation of Lord Northcliffe's visit elicited no response beyond the statement that there was nothing to be said in behalf of the embassy or the ambassador.

As set out in Lord Northcliffe's statement tonight, he and Sir Auckland Geddes have been friends of long standing and it was understood that the extension of the hospitality of the embassy to Lord Northcliffe and his staff was on a personal footing.

It was part of the program of entertainment of the visitor to give a dinner at the embassy tonight. So far as could be learned, however, while a tentative list of guests had been drawn up, the formal invitations never were issued, undoubtedly for the reason that the occurrence of the rupture between Lord Curzon and the London Times and its owner, occurring as it did, made it evidently impossible to carry out these plans.

For it must be understood that the British embassy building with most of its furnishings is the property of the British government, and while it is stated authoritatively that Ambassador Geddes did not receive instructions from London in regard to Lord Northcliffe, the ambassador was fully aware of the impropriety of the use by him of the property of the British government to entertain even a personal friend, if that person had fallen under the ban of the foreign office.

The incident which caused the rupture arose through the publication of an article in the London Times of July 12 in which, in its editorial columns discussing the possible British representation in the Washington disarmament conference, the Associated Press cable dispatch of that date summarized the editorial as follows:

"It declares that neither the premier nor the foreign minister is fitted by his position, his temperament and his past career to take a direct part in these negotiations."

Concluding, the Times said: "Attack Is Severe. "It is for the same reason of avoiding suspicion that the attendance of Premier Lloyd George and Lord Curzon in Washington seems particularly undesirable. The great qualification needed by the representatives of this empire is character for conspicuous straightforwardness and honor. Mr. Lloyd George does not possess this character. Of all statesmen in Europe, he probably is most distrusted. In America, he is widely regarded as a man who impressed President Wilson with his 'wizardry.'"

TERMS CASH J. P. Rogers Estate, E. R. Lampert, Administratrix F. N. Woody, The Auctioneer "List your sales with Woody for Results"

"there are sermons in stones; books in the running brooks." Mr. Jenkins is going to prove that there are songs in the stoniest human voice, rippling music in the poorest squawk. It will be a real community sing, and it ought to be a good one.

Father C. J. Cronin, a red-haired Irish Catholic priest, is to be the itinerant star for Friday afternoon. He is an artist, whose lectures, "Weeds and Flowers of Literature," is a literary classic. The press notices of his work speak highly of his erudition, and a real treat is promised all who hear.

"Nothing but the truth," the Broadway comedy that broke all record records for fun, is to be given in the evening by the Keighley-Broadway players. It has been given in Salem this year by a group of local players as a professional team; but these professional artists give it a class that makes it look like a Rubens or a Michael-Angelo picture beside a penny chromo. It isn't any "bigger" numerically—but it's different in quality; like the difference between a bank of cheese and a diamond the size of an egg. All of which is "Nothing But the Truth."

STOCK HOLDINGS EXAMINED

The witness was questioned in detail as to a contract existing between the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company and the American Telephone and Telegraph company. This contract was submitted in evidence.

What percentage of the stock of the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph company is owned by the American Telephone & Telegraph company? asked Tomlinson.

"Six per cent on the preferred stock held by the American company," was the answer.

LIST OF OWNERS READ

"Of the 26.70 per cent of the preferred stock that is not owned by the American company, what portion is held on the Pacific coast?"

SHAW QUESTIONS YOUNG

In cross-examining Alexander Young, the Portland accountant employed by the city, Attorney Shaw of the telephone company, reviewed the 16 exhibits submitted by him, on many of which there was no agreement. One exhibit in particular, however, brought a clash. This was exhibit No. 4, showing revenues and expenditures for the month of March, this year, eliminating the 4.2 per cent license agreement and substituting the 35 cents per station per year which the service commission in a previous order held should be paid in tribute to the American Telephone & Telegraph company, eliminating also income tax payments.

VARIANCE CLAIMED

Pointing out that Mr. Young had disclaimed responsibility for the formula used in making the estimates and admitted that he had made them upon instructions, wanted to know whether the instructions were upon the service commission's method of computation.

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"What would be the rate if you eliminate a 4.2 per cent tribute to the American Telephone & Telegraph company, a 'depre-

anything he wanted to see," answered Pillsbury.

"All of them?" quizzed Tomlinson.

"All that can be found," replied the witness. "The government got some of them in the government cases that resulted in the Oregon divorce of 1914. They are now scattered. We have been trying to get them back, but have not yet succeeded in gathering in all of them."

Going into the telephone company's payroll in Oregon with April as an example month the following figures were submitted by Mr. Young: Total number of employees 2749; total number of hours overtime, 1,5829; total number of days regular time, 69,699.5; paid in overtime, \$8180; paid in regular time, \$224,861.60; average per hour in overtime, \$51.00; average per day regular time, \$32.87.

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\$2,000,000 HIGHWAY BONDS SOLD YESTERDAY

term, no bid; long term, 5% per cent bonds at \$1013.90 per thousand.

Blyth, Witter & Co. et al. of Portland; short term, no bid; long term, 5% per cent bonds, \$112.30 per hundred.

Lumbermen Trust Co. et al. of Portland; short term, 6 1/2 per cent bonds, \$100.65 per hundred; long term, 5% per cent, \$101.13 per hundred.

Security Savings & Trust Co. et al. Portland; short term, no bid; long term, 5 1/2 per cent bonds, \$2,002.200 for issue.

A bidding record in state highway commission annals was knocked skyward this morning when 21 bids were received to grade 19.6 miles of the Chitwood-Teledo section of the Corvallis-Newport highway in Lincoln county.

W. B. Barratt of Heppner is the only commissioner with Mr. Booth today. John B. Yeon of this city, the third member of the board, is on a visit to his old home in eastern Canada.

Bids, with the number of bidders, were opened this morning at the meeting of the state highway commission in the courthouse.

Old Oregon Trail in Union county—Two reinforced concrete bridges over Wolf creek, two miles north of North Powder, the other over Jimmy creek, three miles north of North Powder; nine bidders.

La Grande-Joseph highway in Wallawa county—Series of trestles over Prairie creek near Enterprise; six bidders.

Tualatin Valley highway in Washington county—Repairing bridges at Gales creek, three quarters of a mile south of Forest Grove; six bidders.

Old Oregon Trail, Union county—Two reinforced concrete bridges over Catherine creek near Union; eight bidders.

Old Oregon Trail in Baker county—Building three concrete culverts and two wooden trestles on Nelson-Huntington section; four bidders.

Pacific highway in Clackamas county—Paving bridges over Tryon creek, Sucker creek and Molalla river with bituminous pavement; one bidder, Warren Construction company.

Roosevelt highway in Clatsop county—Grading and rocking two small bits of highway on Wiles Crossing-Skipanon section; five bidders.

The Dalles - California highway in Deschutes county—Clearing and grading 17.3 miles on Allen ranch-Klamath county line section; ten bidders, including county court of Deschutes county.

Lakeview - LaPine highway in Lake county—Grading 16.8 miles of road; eight bidders, including the Lake county court.

Higher Rate Shown The reply was that for March it would be 9.51 per cent, or with the super-surplus for Oregon deducted, 8.32 per cent, and that for April it would be 7.81 per cent, or with super-surplus deducted 6.49 per cent.

What did changes and removals of stations cost the company in March and April, 1921, as compared with the same months of 1920? asked Tomlinson.

For March and April this year the reply was \$25,971.42 and \$25,886.50 respectively, and for March and April, 1920, the figures were \$23,981.16 and \$13,476.51 respectively.

Asked if the fact represented by these figures would bring about a decrease in revenues and an increase in expenditures, the witness replied that it would. He also said it would cause a smaller net return otherwise for March and April.

Payroll Studied Going into the telephone company's payroll in Oregon with April as an example month the following figures were submitted by Mr. Young:

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Easterners Inquire as to Westerners' Morals

Inquiries as to the moral conditions on the Pacific coast are among the most pertinent questions asked by easterners who would locate in this section of the country, stated M. S. Taylor, psychologist and local manager of the Ellison-White chautauqua while addressing members of the Marion County Realtors' association yesterday.

The location of the address was the realtors' regular weekly meeting and luncheon at the Hotel Marion.

Listings sent by real estate owners to the central office of the association will be mailed back to the senders with lists of members of the organization, according to vote of the realtors yesterday.

Indefinite postponement of the barbecue as announced last week was granted A. C. Bohnstedt.

Portland Man Willing To Settle for Damages

Declaring that his client, J. D. Johnson, is willing to settle for damages sustained in a traffic collision by Clarence McCoy on July 21, Attorney Walter E. Critchlow of Portland has written to Justice of the Peace G. E. Unruh, asking that details be given and arrangements be made.

The Johnson machine is said to have struck McCoy's buggy, dragging the vehicle about 100 feet and injuring its occupant. The accident occurred near Jefferson.

In his communication to Judge Unruh, the Portland attorney asserts that his client had "thought he had room in which to pass." Mr. Johnson is now in California, the letter states.

Signway Opinion is Not Expected Before Aug. 12

Due to the fact that Circuit Judge Kelly has allowed attorneys for both sides of the Polk county road controversy 15 days in which to present authorities and file briefs it is not thought that Judge Kelly will render an opinion on the case much before August 12.

The case was argued before Judge Kelly Wednesday, J. M. Devers of the attorney generals' office appearing for the state highway commission and Judge Martin L. Pipes appearing for the citizens of Polk county who instituted the suit against Polk county and the highway commission.

Criminal complaints were yesterday issued through the office of District Attorney John Carson charging John Kayser, Pratum farmer, and William Arnold Weidner, farmer of near Scotts Mills, with having violated specific prohibition statutes. The complaints were signed by Special Agent S. E. Sandefer.

Kayser is charged with having had in his possession one quart of moonshine liquor. Weidner, alleged offense is that of having manufactured intoxicating liquor. Stills and mash were found in the possession of both when Special Agent Sandefer and officers descended upon the two farms early in July.

Upon order of County Judge W. M. Bushey, the hearings of Weidner and Kayser will be held tomorrow at county court chambers. The hearing of the charging has not been set.

Mr. and Mrs. Scott Off For Crater Lake Tour

Harry W. Scott and wife are to leave this afternoon to take part in the Crater Lake cycle tour from Medford. The tour proper is due to leave Medford July 31, but the Scotts are making this a honey-moon affair, and are taking the trip leisurely, leaving Salem day ahead of some of the other visitors from northern Oregon. They travel in a Harley-Davidson side car, equipped with about everything that such a vehicle can have for comfortable riding.

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SEX QUESTION IS PRESENTED

M. S. Taylor Gives Lecture on Social Abuses; Another Sunday

A series of lectures that promises to attract as much attention in Salem as they have elsewhere, was begun Thursday afternoon at the chautauqua, by M. S. Taylor, manager of the local assembly.

Mr. Taylor has been for years with the government service, making a study of social evils as they affect first the soldier, and then in a broader way the nation.

Through his governmental connection he is able to present these lectures on the chautauqua circuit with no cost to the public for admission fees. The gate-keeper is taken off the gate, and admission is free, after the afternoon concert or other introductory chautauqua attractions.

Mr. Taylor brought up the "sex" question as a vital matter for the people of Salem to consider.

"The movies are precisely what you, the buying public, make them," he said. "If there is a picture that it not right, don't blame the showman, or the producer, or the players—blame yourself, for they produce what you buy. If you see any worse pictures in any town, than you patronize."

The speaker told of recently seen a university present free at one show house a splendid series of five reels on native African and native life. The house was despatching leaflets across the street was a salacious film play, tickets selling at 75 cents each. The doors were jammed before the play began and people were turned away. That was what that town bought and paid for. As long as they wanted such things, they would get 'em."

Mr. Taylor presented the matter of sex instruction as a vital need of the day. In this age of precocity, and busy fathers and mothers who do not look carefully after the teaching of their children, some provision for proper instruction is necessary if the race is to be saved or regenerated.

"Most children are left to gather their misinformation about sex matters from their children, with the freemasonry of youth pass through their perverted stories around among themselves to poison all whom they touch," he said. "Careful figures show that only 10 per cent of all children get their information of sex on the street or from those who distort the truth either ignorantly or maliciously."

Mr. Taylor would have the schools take up such instruction if it cannot be given in the homes; have it taught by capable teachers, as other technical subjects are taught—and start it young, before pollution and perversion change the whole course of the childish mind.

He spoke especially of the fatherly practice of saying "Oh, it's the mother's duty to look after and teach the children," and then crawling out of all responsibility on the ground of being too busy even to help teach them the things they need to be taught to keep their lives clean.

"The public dance hall is not sending as many girls to the detention homes and as many boys to the reformatories as the American practice of spooning," said the speaker.

Mr. Taylor was announced to speak again Saturday afternoon, but announced last night that he might not be able to appear at that time instead, he will give a longer lecture Sunday afternoon, combining what was to have been given in the two later presentations. These lectures are free to all who come after the musical programs of the afternoon, which are strictly chautauqua programs and are to be paid for.

Big Birthday Party at W. R. C. Hall Saturday

A birthday party is to be given for Saturday afternoon at the W.R.C. hall in the McCormack building, to all the members of the W.R.C. of Polk county, whose birthday anniversaries occur during the months of May, June and July. The hour is set for 2 o'clock. Refreshments and a literary and musical program will be given and all the post and corps members are urged to attend.

Low Fatally Injured In Logging Accident

DALLAS, Or., July 28.—(Special to The Statesman.)—H. T. Lowe, an employe of the Valley & Siletz Logging company at Camp No. 1, was fatally injured Tuesday when the top of a tree he was cutting fell on him, fracturing his skull. Lowe died on a train while being brought to the hospital. His body was taken in charge by Coroner R. L. Chapman and prepared for burial. The dead man is survived by a wife and two small children.

Dallas Boy Scouts Will Camp at Pacific City

DALLAS, Or., July 28.—(Special to The Statesman.)—The Dallas camp of Boy Scouts under the care of Scoutmaster Rev. Frank James, will leave next Monday morning for a several days outing at Pacific City. The trip will be made by automobiles. During the outing the boys will be taught the art of cooking and other useful occupations when on camping trips, by the scoutmaster.

Funeral of Mrs. Rupe Yesterday at Silverton

The funeral of Mrs. Margaret Rupe, who died at her home in Silverton July 25, was held at the Masonic temple in that city yesterday. Interment was in the Silverton cemetery. The body lay in state from 11 until 2 o'clock at the Masonic temple.

Miss Theda Bara, the moving picture actress, has married her director. They have thus swapped places.

CRAVEN HOME IMPROVED

INDEPENDENCE, Ore., July 27.—(Special to The Statesman.)—Willard E. Craven, hardware merchant of this city, is having his home on Third street remodeled. A second story and a large porch are to be added, besides other alterations. The house when completed will be of the latest bungalow style.

Man Wanted in Salem is Under Arrest in Seattle

E. H. Hinson, under arrest in Seattle for the theft of an automobile, also is wanted in Salem on a similar charge. A warrant charging Hinson with larceny was issued in the local courts yesterday, obtained from Albany yesterday. An officer requisition papers at the executive offices in Salem and left last night for Seattle in quest of the prisoner.

SCOTT'S MILLS PERSONALS

SCOTT'S MILLS, Ore., July 28.—Mr. and Mrs. Horace Ruth and daughter Hazel of Denver, Colo., are visiting their cousins, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Kinsler at Crooked Finger. They expect to spend the remainder of the summer here.

Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Rice and children were Salem visitors Saturday. E. R. Lawrence and sons James and Will were in Salem Thursday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Kinsler of Hood River visited relatives and friends in this vicinity the first of the week. Mrs. Lolo Bellinger and daughter Jane Elizabeth, of Salem, visited Mrs. Lena Bellinger at Noble during the mid-week.