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HOFF COMES BACK AT BOARD

OLCOTT AND KOZER APPROVED REPORT, TREASURER WRITES

With State Treasurer Hoff on one side and Governor Olcott and Secretary of State Kozer on the other, the fighting state board of control continues to exchange blow for blow. Mr. Hoff yesterday came back at Olcott and Kozer in reply to their refusal as majority members of the board to approve a bill of \$44,533 contracted by Hoff with the state printer for 15,000 copies of a report by Hoff on ground that the statement was not a proper one to have printed and circulated at state expense and intimating that it was Hoff political propaganda. In his counter yesterday Mr. Hoff declares the state printing board, which like the board of control, is composed of the governor, the secretary of state and the state treasurer, approved the copy of the report before it was sent to the printer, and that Olcott and Hoff now see fit to reverse themselves.

Hoff claims for the report that it shows he has saved the state \$75,000 a year as compared with the administration of his predecessor and admits that the report will doubtless help him politically, but avers it is perfectly proper as a state document.

Hows to Majority
However, he refuses to contest the majority ruling of the board and returns the money, but suggests that the other members of the board also pay their own expenses in traveling to places where their appearances are intended to accrue to their personal or political benefit.

Mr. Hoff's letter follows: "In July last, in obedience to the law governing state printing, I submitted copy of my semi-annual report designated essentially as 'Of Interest to Taxpayers' to the state board of printing, consisting of the governor, secretary of state and state treasurer. This was approved according to the law. The state naturally assumed the responsibility for the cost of the same and 14,000 copies of the report were printed and the expense incurred on account of the permission to print the same by the state.

Reversal Charged
"On November 12 a bill was rendered by the state printer and forwarded to the board of control, which consists of the same personnel as the printing board. At this time the majority of the board, the governor and secretary of state have reversed the action of themselves, as members of the state printing board, refusing payment of the bill on the grounds that the report is not of the proper nature. "I wish to say that the report in my mind is absolutely a public document, dealing with the activities of this office and which I am entitled to have printed and distributed among the citizens of the state. Furthermore, I believe this report contains official information that every citizen of Oregon should receive, and I cannot see that the report reads any differently from the copy submitted in July and accepted for printing. However, I bow to the majority rule.

Big Saving Claimed
"It is true that this report shows by my method, as compared with my predecessor, that I have saved the state, while in office, fully \$75,000 a year and will be a political benefit to me, should I decide to run for office. This I admit, places a certain amount of moral personal obligation on me, and again to undertake by legal process to force a payment upon the board of which I am a member is too delicate a matter to con-

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TODD ON TRIAL IN PORTLAND; SPECIAL VENIRE NECESSARY

PORTLAND, Ore., Nov. 15.—John W. Todd, prominent in educational and civic activities of Salem, Ore., and Vancouver, Wash., went on trial today before Federal Judge Bean on four counts of an indictment charging misuse of the mails with intent to defraud in the sale of timber land or real estate. The \$5,000 bond of Carlos W. Byron with whom Todd was jointly indicted, was declared forfeited by Judge Bean. Byron is being sought by officers on a bench warrant issued some time ago.

Todd was former superintendent of schools at Salem and many of the large number of alleged victims in the case are residents of Salem. It is charged in the indictment that more than \$20,000 was received in the form of initial payments on \$5,000 each on titles to homesteads. Byron was said to have been introduced as a timber locator,

JUDGE BINGHAM REFUSES DIVORCE

Differences of Youthful Pair Held Too Minor to Warrant Separation

Young married folks who get into a row and happen to come before Judge George G. Bingham in their divorce proceedings will likely find a rather unsympathetic court, judging from a decree of the court ordered in the case of Goldie May Sharpe against Claude Clayton Sharpe, in which the plaintiff asked for a divorce.

In refusing to grant either party a divorce, Judge Bingham in his decree, calls attention to the fact that the plaintiff was but 18 years old at the time of her marriage, and her husband but a little older. The evidence shows, according to the decree, that both parties to the marriage were too young to understand fully or appreciate the obligations and duties of married life, and that the differences which arose were not sufficient to warrant a separation.

James N. Glover Seriously Ill at Home in Spokane

SPOKANE, Wash., Nov. 15.—James N. Glover, founder of the city of Spokane, was declared by his physicians to be near death at his home here. He has been ill for about two years. Mr. Glover, who moved with his parents from Missouri to Salem, Ore., in 1849, was a member of the city council and city marshal at Salem, and later engaged in business, at one time having operated the first steam ferry between Marion and Polk counties in Oregon. He was mayor of Spokane one term and served several times as a member of the city council.

THREE BOYS ARE HELD AS AUTO THIEVES

Lads Taken at Roseburg Suspected of Having Knowledge of Roy Bank Robbery

ROSEBURG, Or., Nov. 15.—Clayton, 21, and Clinton Currie, 16, brothers who told authorities here that their home was in Portland, and Arion Hollenbach, 20, who said he was from Canby, Or., were arrested here tonight as suspected automobile thieves. Officers announced that they also were investigating the possibility that the three youths might be able to throw light on the robbery of the bank at Roy, Wash., yesterday. In the automobile which the youths were driving when arrested, was found a card belonging to Frederick Leo of Everett, Wash. The machine bore but one license tag, which was for an automobile truck. None of the occupants of the car carried a driver's license as is required under the Oregon laws.

War Breaks Out in Ranks of Dairymen's League

PORTLAND, Nov. 15.—Difficulties in the ranks of the Oregon Dairymen's league which resulted in a meeting of the directors here today to discuss whether the league should be suspended or continued as an organization, came to a climax when the Washington county members of the league, in a resolution, demanded the resignation of the present board members. The resolution resulted in a stormy session among the 250 dairymen at the gathering and was finally tabled. At the close of the meeting the board voted to hold another session tomorrow for a further consideration of problems confronting it.

IOWA GUARD ON STRIKE DUTY

Two Companies Ordered by Governor Kendall to Report at Ottumwa

DES MOINES, Ia., Nov. 15.—Two companies of Iowa national guard were ordered by Governor N. E. Kendall to report for duty in Ottumwa, where a strike of employees of the John Morrell Packing company has been in progress for nearly a month. The troops were ordered following word from the county sheriff, county attorney and the mayor of Ottumwa that the situation was beyond their control. The troops will reach Ottumwa ready for duty before 6 o'clock tomorrow morning, it was reported.

No outbreak occurred today beyond a clash of strikers and pickets in which several persons sustained injuries this morning. Workers of the Morrell plant, numbering approximately 1300, walked out following differences over working conditions and a reduction of the number of working hours guaranteed per week. Six hundred men are at work, company officials said. District Judge D. M. Anderson today granted the company a temporary injunction forbidding the unions from picketing the plants. Adjutant General L. G. Lasher is in Ottumwa to keep Governor Kendall informed of conditions.

Colored Barber Shop Employee Found Dead

SILVERTON, Or., Nov. 15.—(Special to The Statesman)—Frank Cole, a negro who has been employed for a short time at the Bray & Givens barber shop was found dead in his bed Sunday evening. His death is laid to heart trouble. He was buried from the Jack & Ekman funeral parlors Tuesday.

Earthquake is Indicated on Seismograph Record

WASHINGTON, Nov. 15.—A pronounced earthquake shock was registered on the seismograph at Georgetown university today, the estimated distance of the disturbance being 1900 miles from Washington and probably to the south. The tremors began at 3:51 a. m., attained their maximum intensity at 4:01 and ended at 5:05 o'clock.

MAHONEY KNOCKED OUT
OMAHA, Neb., Nov. 15.—Eve Hammer, Chicago lightweight, knocked out Eddie Mahoney, San Francisco, Jack Dempsey's protégé, in the sixth round of their scheduled 10-round bout tonight.

JAPAN WANTS HIGHER RATIO IN SEA POWER

Cut Suggested in American Disarmament Proposal is Not Entirely Satisfactory To Nippon Contingent.

INSULAR CONDITION OF NATION ARGUMENT

Blanket Acceptance of Hughes Scheme Not Affected by Statement

WASHINGTON, Nov. 15.—(By The Associated Press)—Japan feels that her ratio of warship tonnage is not high enough under the American proposals, it was said tonight by members of the Japanese delegation. During Admiral Baron Kato's speech at the armament conference today, his statement that Japan would suggest some modifications in the tonnage basis for replacement caused some speculation as to whether it referred to reducing the capacity of ship yards so that new warships could be built regularly or whether it meant that Japan favored a higher ratio of tonnage compared with the United States and Great Britain. Insular Condition Advanced Tonight's statement clears up (Continued on page 6)

COURT HOUSE MAY BE REMODELED AND ELEVATOR PUT IN

Complete alteration of the three stories of the Marion county court house as well as improvements that will modernize the structure are included in tentative plans now under consideration by the county court. "The innovation of the woman juror system is one of the prime factors impelling us to provide additional jury room," said County Judge W. M. Bushey, yesterday. "Another reason for the changes is that the present circuit court rooms are far too small."

The tentative plans now under consideration include the removal of partitions and re-allocation of office quarters for circuit judges Percy R. Kelly and George G. Bingham. A central jury room, a smoking room for men, a women's rest room, separate lodging quarters for men and women jurors must be provided. It is estimated that the work will cost about \$20,000. No definite time for beginning construction work has been designated, but officials say the contemplated changes in court rooms and jury quarters will be put under way soon, as the names of women will be drawn for service on all Marion county juries after January 1, 1922. A. E. Doyle, Portland architect, was in Salem yesterday and conferred with the county court in regard to the task of remodeling the building which was erected nearly 50 years ago. Mr. Doyle is familiar with the building, having made plans for various changes in the structure since it was erected. Among the improvements now under consideration by the court is the installation of an elevator. This should be a popular move, as the building is much used and is about the only structure of its size in the city having no passenger hoist. County officials assert that the elevator would have been installed long ago had not the various boards been dismayed by first costs and expenses of maintenance. Now, however, the elevator is nearly an absolute necessity as all county offices are much cramped for lack of space which could be provided by the elimination of the stairways and also by utilizing the spacious attic (Continued on page 6)

EXCISE AND DRINK TAXES AGREED UPON IN JOINT MEETINGS

WASHINGTON, Nov. 15.—Agreement on excise and soft drink taxes was reached today by the house and senate conferees on the tax revisions bill. After striking out the senate proposal for a 4 per cent manufacturers' tax on perfumes, essences, extracts, toilet waters and the like, the managers agreed to the excise taxes as finally approved by the senate. They are: Automobile trucks and automobile wagons, including parts and accessories, 3 per cent. Other automobiles and motorcycles, including parts and accessories, 5 per cent. Tires, inner tubes, parts or accessories for motor vehicles sold to any person other than a manufacturer or producer of motor vehicles, 5 per cent. Cameras, weighing not more than 100 pounds, and lenses for such cameras, 10 per cent. Photographic films and plates (Continued on page 6)

TURK MARKET IS WOBBLING UP AND DOWN

What Cost of Big Birds Will be About Thanksgiving Time Is Question Here

The turkey market is up and then down, with the down tendency the past few days. Yesterday the wholesale price was 28 cents for live turkeys and 37 cents a pound for dressed. Just at present farmers are not offering many turkeys, but yesterday in Portland the supply was so heavy that the market broke. As one dealer said, the usual jockeying is now on between the holders of turkeys and the public, and in the end it will all figure down to the question of supply and demand. Harrison Mowry Bound Over to Grand Jury Harrison Mowry, who was recently arrested by Sheriff Oscar Bower, on a statutory charge, yesterday waived hearing in justice court and was bound over to await the action of the Marion county grand jury. Portland Terminal is Debated at Conference PORTLAND, Ore., Nov. 15.—Western executives of the Great Northern and Northern Pacific railway systems held a conference today in the office of President W. F. Turner of the Spokane, Portland & Seattle railway on matters of detail concerning the participation of the two transcontinental lines in the project of the Northern Pacific terminal company to provide the city with enlarged common freight and passenger terminals.

SWEEPING AMERICAN PROPOSAL OF REDUCTION IS ACCEPTED AS BASIC POLICY OF CONFERENCE

MAURICE LAWSON BADLY SCALDED

Willamette Graduate, Class of 1921, is Not Expected to Recover

Maurice Lawson, graduate of Willamette university, class of '21, was seriously injured in an automobile accident three miles south of Arlington, Wash., while on a week-end hunting trip with four other companions. His recovery is doubtful. On account of bad roads the car, a steam-driven vehicle, was overturned, throwing all of the occupants, except Lawson, away from the machine. Lawson's foot in some manner had turned the valve causing the steam and hot water to pour out on him. After about five minutes his companions were able to release him from the overturned machine, but not before he was badly scalded. Slight hope is held for his recovery. Lawson is a member of the Sigma Tau fraternity of Willamette university, and a member of the honorary scholarship society, the Alpha Kappa Nu.

Accredited Spokesmen of Powers Declare Readiness to Fall in Line, but Reserve Right to Offer Modifications—Balfour Stirs Session With Eloquent Speech—Diplomacy of American Delegation Is Recognized

WASHINGTON, Nov. 15.—(By The Associated Press)—The sweeping American proposal for reduction of naval armament became the accepted fundamental policy of the armament conference today by the unanimous assent of the five great powers. Seconding the bold lead of the United States, accredited spokesmen of Great Britain, Japan, Italy and France rose in their places at today's plenary session of the conference and declared the readiness of their governments to accept the American proposal in spirit and in principle, but with the reservation of a right to suggest modifications of detail. Then the problem of these details, which every one realizes may yet occupy the prolonged attention of the conference and involve the success or failure of the plan, was referred for preliminary examination to a committee of five technical naval advisers, one from each of the big five powers. Within this committee, first of all, Great Britain will ask a further reduction of the limit proposed on submarine tonnage, Japan will endeavor to prove her right to a greater ratio of naval strength than has been suggested, and France and Italy will request that their naval questions be considered along with those of three stronger naval powers embraced in the American plan.

SUNDAY SCHOOL WORKERS MEET

Interesting Addresses Heard Yesterday from Men of Eminence in State

With nearly 100 delegates from all parts of western Oregon in attendance, the 36th annual convention of the Oregon Sunday school association convened yesterday for the three-day session to be held at the First Christian church. The opening address was delivered during the morning session by Governor Olcott who welcomed the delegates to Salem and extended his best wishes for their success in their work. Other speakers on yesterday's program were Rev. W. M. Case, of First Presbyterian church, Eugene; President P. L. Campbell of University of Oregon, Eugene; Dr. Carl G. Doney, president Willamette university and Rev. A. J. Sullivan, superintendent of Congregational Home Missionary society, Portland. It is a boast of the officers of the convention that the program is "Oregon Made" from start to finish. Every speaker on the list is an Oregon woman or man. The program itself was printed in Oregon on Oregon made paper and the convention badges were manufactured in this state. Morning and afternoon institute classes were held in the four divisions of study, children's, adults, administrative and young people. During the evening a

Thus the diplomacy of the American delegation has won its first victory in the conference, but still finds itself confronted with questions of admitted importance and delicacy whose solution is requisite to attainment of the purposes for which the nations were called together. Plans May Be Hidden While technical advisers wrangle with the armaments problem and the delegates continue informal conversations on the American plan, the other big subject, the Far Eastern situation, will be given its first formal consideration at an executive meeting tomorrow of the delegations and spectators and started a discussion in which diplomatic cards were laid on the table in an unprecedented manner. While the hall still echoed with applause, Admiral Baron Kato was on his feet to pledge the readiness of Japan to proceed with "sweeping reductions" in her fleet. Senator Schanzer for Italy and Premier Briand for France added a pledge of cooperation in the American program. Mr. Balfour alone made specific mention of some of the modifications that would be suggested later. Reduction of the figure (Continued on page 6)

Marion County Autoist Loses Meters by Theft

L. Pearmine, of Salem route 8, believes that motometer thieves must have a grudge against him as he has twice been the loser of motometers during the past two weeks. While his car was parked on North Church street last night, an enterprising prowler took a second meter, Mr. Pearmine told the police.

FLAX MEETING CALLED TODAY

Hemp Growers Also Invited to Help Perfect Producing Organization

At 10 o'clock this morning at the Commercial club, the Marion County Realty association, through a special committee will present to the flax growers of the Willamette valley a special report regarding the flax situation. Upon the recommendations of a number of flax growers who are familiar with the present rather unfortunate conditions, the committee's plan for a reorganization of the flax industry will be presented. This plan contemplates the forming of a cooperative growing and marketing association. Also the organization of a corporation for the purpose of manufacturing the raw material into fibre, two and by-products of the flax industry. The plan hopes to overcome some of the present credit difficulties, as it is acknowledged that the growers cannot turn their products into the state and wait a year for their pay. Hemp growers have also been asked to attend the meeting this morning and become members of the proposed organization. It is expected that both organizations will be perfected at today's meeting and that several hundred acres of flax and hemp will be pledged.

HOPPE BEATS CONTI

CHICAGO, Nov. 15.—Willie Hoppe, world balking champion, defeated Roger Conti of France 400 to 188 in tonight's game of the world's 18.2 balking billiard championship tournament. The match went six innings. Hoppe's high run was 175 and his average 66 2-3. Conti's high run was 150 and his average 37 3-5.

PRESS UNFAVORABLE

LONDON, Nov. 16.—(By The Associated Press)—Mr. Balfour's proposed modifications of the American proposals are received unfavorably by the Liberal press. The Westminster Gazette says his statement gives cause for "the very gravest misgivings and disappointment."

ARBUCKLE JURY NOT COMPLETED AT END OF DAY YESTERDAY

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 15.—The end of the second day in the manslaughter trial of Roscoe C. (Fatty) Arbuckle saw eleven temporary jurors in the box and the general interest in the jury selection dwindling. Five of those selected were women. There was nothing in the sessions to give them more interest than the ordinary criminal action, although the frequent clashes of opposing counsel occasioned mirth or sharpened curiosity on the part of the spectators and court officers at times.

The questions did not differ materially from those asked at the opening of the trial yesterday. Stress was laid by the defense today on the interest of the defendant in the motion picture industry. Gavin McNab, chief defense counsel, asked the taleman if such interest would prejudice them in any way. They answered that it would not. Arbuckle's attitude was of such deep apparent dejection that he remained almost aloof. He did not consult with counsel and at the recess periods remained by himself. There were vacant seats in the courtroom throughout the day, although the crowd in front of the building to see the principals go to and fro was larger than yesterday. Many of the spectators in court were talemen who have (Continued on page 6)