

## GEORGE A. WHITE ENTERS RACE

### Norblad Is Candidate for Congress

### GENOA PARLEY ON NATIONS TO BEGIN MONDAY

Forty Nations, including Russia but minus United States, to be represented in Conference.

### BOLSHEVIKI LEADER ATTRACTS ATTENTION

Some Observers Predict England and Germany Will Predominate

GENOA, April 8.—Representatives of more than 40 nations, including Russia but minus the United States, were here today prepared for the opening Monday of the Genoa economic conference, regarded here as the most momentous assembly since the Versailles peace deliberations.

All eyes are upon Russia, for it is the first time this great nation has participated in world affairs since the overthrow of Kerensky's provisional government in the spring of 1917. After more than four years of experimental government, Nikolai Lenine, Russian premier, has abandoned much of what he previously considered essential to Bolshevism and has consented to participate in a conference called by "capitalistic nations."

U. S. Feels Politics On the ground that the gathering will be political rather than economic, the United States has declined Italy's invitation to send representatives. The American people, Secretary Hughes said in declining the invitation, are anxious to assist Europe in recovering its economic life but feel that they cannot involve themselves in European politics.

Decision to call the Genoa conference was reached by the allied supreme council meeting at Cannes early in January. Rapidly diminishing European exchange, billions of dollars in unpaid debts, German reparations, necessity of reconstructing devastated areas, the Russian situation and hope that the United States would lend itself as a stabilizing influence constituted the pressure behind this decision.

Germany to be Active Germany, represented in a passive capacity in nearly all European conferences since Versailles, is expected to play a more active part at Genoa. Many observers even go so far as to predict that Great Britain and Germany will dominate the assembly by working hand in hand for the salvation of their industrial lives through the resurrection of their markets in the east and south.

Briefly, the conference will (Continued on page 3)

### EASY RULES GIVEN FOR PUNCTUATION

One of the first things that must be learned by the young man or woman who sets out to become a thoroughly competent stenographer is the proper use of punctuation. Morris W. Croll, Ph. D., of the department of English, Princeton university, has contributed an interesting and highly instructive chapter on this subject in the New Universities Dictionary being offered to the readers of this paper.

Professor Croll explains how the number of punctuation marks in common use has increased with the development of the art of printing. Through the use of these signs the meaning of the printed or written discourse is rendered clearer to the eyes of the reader. How and when to use each of the 13 marks now employed is fully explained by Professor Croll, and the rules he lays down can be easily learned.

The remarkable success which has attended this dictionary offer shows that the people of this city appreciate the opportunity given them to secure at a nominal cost such a valuable educational work.

### ASTORIA MAN WILL OPPOSE MR. HAWLEY IN FIRST DISTRICT

ASTORIA, Or., April 8.—State Senator A. W. Norblad of Astoria, today announced his candidacy for the Republican nomination for representative in congress from the first Oregon district.

He will oppose in the primaries Representative W. C. Hawley, who already has announced for renomination.

State Senator Norblad has served in the last two regular and the last two special sessions of the legislature, representing Clatsop county in the state senate. He frequently has been mentioned as a possible candidate for congress, but generally about the first district it was believed he would seek another term in the state senate before essaying to make the national congress.

### OKLAHOMA ATTORNEY WHO KILLED OFFICER EXONERATED BY JURY

OKLAHOMA CITY, April 8.—(By The Associated Press)—Holding that Jean P. Day, prominent attorney and oil man was justified in the killing of Lieutenant Colonel Paul Ward Beck at the Day home early last Tuesday, a coroner's jury returned a verdict here tonight recommending that no charges be preferred against Day.

"Beck threw his arms around me, crying: 'Girl, girl you sweep me off my feet,' and asked me to come to his room that night, the wife of the wealthy oil man and attorney said.

"I saw Colonel Beck holding Mrs. Day on the divan," testified Day. "She was fighting him. He had his right arm around her. His other hand was about her knees."

The crowded court room was silent as it heard the verdict read. Mr. and Mrs. Day displayed no emotion as it was made public, and after it had been read, they arose, Mr. Day shook hands with Coroner McWilliams, and the party walked slowly from the room without a word between them.

"You don't know what you are saying; I couldn't do that," Mrs. Day testified she replied to Beck when he urged her to come to his room.

Mrs. Day said she did not hear her husband enter the house when he went to get his revolver.

"I don't know whether I beat his face," she said, declaring she used both hands to fight off Beck's left arm.

Mrs. Day testified she first saw her husband as he descended the stairs with a revolver in one hand.

"My God, Daddy, don't do that," she said she cried.

Beck had jumped up from the divan meanwhile and had retreated to another room, she said.

The next thing she said she saw was the body of Beck lying on the floor.

Text of Verdict The text of the verdict follows: "We, the coroner's jury, duly sworn and empaneled to inquire into the cause of the death of Paul Ward Beck, after hearing evidence introduced before us from witnesses, and after viewing the body of Paul Ward Beck, do upon our oath, find and report:

"That Paul Ward Beck came to his death at the hands of Jean P. Day and from the evidence submitted to us conclude that Jean P. Day was justified in defending his wife and himself, even though the unfortunate affair resulted in the death of Paul Ward Beck, and we therefore recommend and advise that no charge be filed or prosecution instituted against Jean P. Day."

The verdict was signed by all six jurors.

### INVENTORY IS ORDERED OF ENGRAVING DEPARTMENT

WASHINGTON, April 8.—Part of the bureau of engraving and printing, which was reorganized last week under an executive order by President Harding, removing James L. Wilmett, its director and other high officials, was ordered closed tonight by Secretary Mellon for an inventory of the stock, valued at many millions of dollars.

Mr. Mellon's order applied only to the divisions of the bureau which handle the paper used in bank notes, stamps and government securities, it being explained that a quicker and more accurate check of the paper stock could be made by a temporary halting of all paper work. About 1500 employees of the bureau force of 6000 would ordinarily be affected by the order, officials said, but 600 will be used as counters and all others having

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### BASIN PROJECT IS LAUDED BY GEN. GOETHALS

Two-Million-Acre Enterprise in State of Washington is Held Feasible by Noted Army Engineer.

### OFFICIAL REPORT IS FILED AT OLYMPIA

Total Cost Estimated at \$254,170,351 or \$145.56 For Each Acre

OLYMPIA, Wash., April 8.—General George W. Goethals finds the Columbia basin irrigation project in this state is feasible from an economic and engineering standpoint by using a gravity supply from the Pend O'Reille river and can be constructed in six years for a total cost of \$254,170,351 or \$145.56 an acre.

This is the conclusion reached by the noted engineer in his report made public here today by D. A. Scott, state director of conservation and development, after he had made an extended personal investigation and study of the project to determine the feasibility of the Columbia river pumping project and the Pend O'Reille river gravity system.

Project is National Nearly two million acres will be reclaimed through use of the Pend O'Reille river diversion, it is estimated.

"The Columbia basin project is as much a national one as were the Panama canal and the Alaska railway and will if completed, add much more to the national wealth than either of the others mentioned. The work should be provided for and carried out as were these other two national projects—by direct appropriations," declared General Goethals.

Because of its larger area, greater assurance and reliability of operation and its smaller per acre cost, General Goethals advised adoption of the gravity system. It will, he says, irrigate 1,735,000 acres by direct flow with an additional 91,000 acres that may be reached by a pumping lift of less than 150 feet and 137,000 acres that may be utilized by pumping at slightly higher lifts.

Maintenance Cost Small The Columbia river project, according to the report would irrigate only 1,403,000 acres at a total cost of \$223,096,942 to \$241,487,258 depending upon the type of proposed dam construction or a per acre cost of \$159.01 to \$172.12.

"The annual operation and maintenance under the gravity system is estimated at 48 cents per acre as against \$1.56 to \$1.86 per acre, under the pumping project," the report says.

The report calls attention to many engineering difficulties to be met with in lifting water 615 feet by means of the Columbia river dam and pumping plant. "The reliability and simplicity of a direct gravity flow of water are immeasurably superior to the complexity of operating a power and pumping plant with a large number of turbines and pumps which would be stressed higher than any existing equipment of equal capacity," says General Goethals.

Power Possibilities Big "The development of commercial power is a question for the future. The gravity project offers power possibilities, but these are not considered as affecting the acre cost of irrigation. As between developing power in large quantities at a time when there seems little likelihood of its being absorbed and the gradual development of power to meet demands as they arise, the latter is the more rational policy to adopt. The gravity project so far as power possibilities are concerned, is therefore the better."

"In development of one-half the area, or 880,000 acres, would cost \$170.04 per acre. It will be cheaper in the end so to lay out (Continued on page 6)

### PASSION WEEK SERVICES WILL START MONDAY

Special business men's religious services are to be held at the Oregon theater, every noon during Passion week, beginning Monday noon.

The Monday services begin with a 15-minute organ concert, from 12 to 12:15. Following that, Rev. W. T. Milliken, of the First Baptist church, will speak on "The Work of the Redeemer." Special music will be provided for the services, and W. I. Staley will preside.

The services are for everybody and are brought down town so that all business men may attend.

### ARBUCKLE TRIAL NEARING END

Gravin McNab and C. H. Brennan, Attorneys for Actor, Put on Stand

SAN FRANCISCO, April 8.—The third trial of Roscoe C. (Fatty) Arbuckle for manslaughter is nearing its close. The prosecution today closed its rebuttal case, except for three minor witnesses, in its attempt to prove that Miss Virginia Rappe died as a result of an attack by Arbuckle.

The prosecution's last two witnesses were Gravin McNab and Charles H. Brennan, attorneys for the defense. McNab testified that depositions by Albert Sabath, Chicago attorney, were handled by eastern agents of the defense. Brennan's testimony also had to do with the depositions.

The main case of the defense was reopened to permit Henry Barker, formerly of Chicago, to testify concerning the health of Miss Rappe. He said she had been ill in his presence many times in 1910, 1911 and 1912. The defense contended that this illness was due to an organic condition that eventually caused her death rather than an attack which the prosecution accused Arbuckle of having made.

### VERDICT GIVEN AGAINST ROGERS

Jury Finds Logger Guilty of Shooting Charge, To Be Sentenced Soon

After being out for only an hour, a jury in department No. 1, circuit court, yesterday returned a verdict of guilty in the case of State against William Rogers, logger, who was indicted on a charge of assault with a dangerous weapon with intent to kill. The jury eliminated the "intent to kill" portion of the indictment, basing its findings on the charge of assault with a dangerous weapon.

On December 4, Rogers seriously wounded Patrolman W. W. Birchett, who had been summoned to a house where Rogers was reported to have made a disturbance while intoxicated.

Sentence on Rogers will be pronounced by Judge Percy R. Kelly, April 13 at 9 o'clock. The returned verdict carries a sentence of from one to ten years. Attorney W. C. Winslow said last night that it was possible that an appeal would be filed. It is understood that timber operators near Silverton have offered to provide work for Rogers, should Judge Kelly parole him from the bench.

Rogers' conviction came after a second trial, one jurymen bringing about a disagreement by voting for the acquittal of Rogers. District Attorney John H. Carson and Deputy Prosecutor Thomas Brown were congratulated by court followers yesterday.

SERGEANT KILLED BELFAST, April 8.—The body of former Sergeant McConnell of the Royal Irish constabulary was found near Templemore, County Tipperary this morning. It had been riddled by revolver bullets.

### ADJUTANT GENERAL IN LETTER TO JUDGE DIMICK ACCEDES TO DEMAND THAT HE BE CANDIDATE



GEORGE A. WHITE

### BABY IS WANTED BY YOUNG FOLKS

Appeal Sent to Associated Charities by Couple Living Near Salem

Wanted a baby? Who might be expected to be wanting a baby? Anyway it's the Associated Charities that wants a baby.

"You have never failed us before," said Dr. Henry Morris last night in making his request known to the Statesman, "and I am hoping that you will not fail this time."

A young couple living near Salem have sent in the request expressing the desire to adopt a child less than a year old, preferably an infant. They say they want a girl and Dr. Morris reports that they are capable of giving any child a good home and everything that goes with it.

Who will be first to answer?

### Eight Days Remain for Voters' Registration

Eight days remain for the Marion county voter who wishes to register in order to participate in the primaries, May 19.

County Clerk U. G. Boyer has warned all voters that the books will close at 5 p. m., April 18. If you have moved from your original precinct where last registered, you must enter a new registration.

If you have failed to vote within the past two years, you must re-register. Citizens who were duly registered, who have not changed residence and who voted at the last state and county election, are eligible to vote without further registration.

### Rotarian Boundaries Are Not to Undergo Change

PORTLAND, April 8.—The northwest Rotarian district, consisting of Oregon, Washington and British Columbia, will retain its present status and boundaries according to a decision reached here today at a meeting of the international board of directors of rotary clubs. In a recent proposal to redistrict the entire international Rotarian territory so as to make 60 instead of the present 22 Rotary districts, it was planned to divide the northwest district among others. Objection was raised on the score that the northwest district as at present constituted is a factor toward prevention of international sectionalism. This view was indorsed in the action taken today.

Mr. White last night at his home in Salem confirmed the statement that he had sent a favorable answer to Judge Grant B. Dimick, chairman of the citizens' committee at Oregon City. "While the principles and issues upon which I will submit my name to the people are clearly and definitely indicated in my letter to Judge Dimick, I have not written out a detailed platform, as it was not until yesterday that I reached a decision," said Mr. White.

Mr. White was born in Illinois 41 years ago, and was educated in the public schools of Kansas and Utah. He came to Oregon 20 years ago and engaged in newspaper work for many years. In 1915 he was appointed administrative head of the state's military department by the late Governor Withycombe, and in this position attracted nationwide attention as an executive and administrator by putting Oregon first in every instance during the World war crisis.

Service Is Recognized After the state's manpower and resources had been organized, he went with Oregon men overseas

OREGON CITY, Ore., April 8.—In a letter addressed to Grant B. Dimick of Oregon City, chairman of the "Citizens' Committee to draft George A. White for Governor," Colonel White has finally announced his acquiescence in their demand that he should become a candidate for the Republican nomination for governor.

Colonel White's letter to Judge Dimick reads: Honorable Grant B. Dimick, chairman, Citizens' Committee, Oregon City, Oregon. My Dear Sir:

"I have studied carefully your letter of March 31, in which your temporary committee asks that I submit my name to the people of Oregon at the coming primaries as a candidate for the Republican nomination for governor.

"What impresses me most in this appeal is that so many of the people of Oregon are concerning themselves so actively and energetically with the affairs of their state. It is only when the majority is awake to the affairs of government and alive to their own interests and obligations as citizens that we can hope to have good government.

"You and the thousands of Oregonians who have joined you in these petitions have raised the banner of sound American citizenship. You demand a constructive reorganization of the functions of our state government so as to bring relief from the present tax burdens of the people.

"You rightly demand a complete overhauling of the state's tangled financial affairs, an effective deflation of expenditures and the restoration of the good name of popular government. These achievements are necessary to the renewed and continued progress and welfare of our state.

"You express your united desire to entrust me with this great task, stating that you find in my record the necessary qualities of courage, energy and devotion to duty to ensure a fulfillment of your desires as citizens and your relief as taxpayers from the unnecessary burdens of taxation.

"While claiming no such virtues for myself I have no alternative than to dedicate to this cause such ability and determination as I may possess in carrying such a program through this campaign and on through the processes of prompt and complete fulfillment. In the course of a few days I will make the final answer to your petitions by submitting my name to the people of Oregon as a candidate for the Republican nomination for governor, and at the same time give my platform and statement of principles.

—GEORGE A. WHITE.

"We are highly pleased that Mr. White has entered the campaign," said Judge Dimick, who was one of those heading the movement to get Colonel White into the race.

Demand Without Precedent "The demand that he become a candidate was spontaneous and entirely without a precedent within my experience in Oregon.

"The forces that are behind him are state-wide and very much in earnest, and will fight aggressively for his election, as they believe he has the ability and energy and, even more important, the courage, to make the fight for a better order of things politically and economically in Oregon's state government.

White Confirms Statement "Throughout the letters and telegrams which have come to our committee since we set out to bring Mr. White into the race has been the idea that his sponsors in every county and from every class were proud to rally behind such a man."

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for service and there won the cross of the legion of honor.

He was married in 1905 to Henrietta D. Fletcher of Portland. They have two daughters.

Mr. White is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, of the Rotary club and the Woodmen of the World. He makes his home at Salem.

BANK RAIDED BELFAST, Apr. 8.—The body of Associated Press)—An Ulster bank at Lanesborough, county Roscommon, was raided yesterday by armed civilians who took away £700. The raiders were resisted by free state troops and Captain Cox, a free stater was killed. The raiders escaped.

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