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SECOND THREAT SENT TIGER!

WAR PREMIER WOULD DRAW U. S. IN MEET

Clemenceau Says Purpose of Visit Was to Bring America Into Lausanne Conference.

LAUNCHES SALLIES AT MEN IN SENATE

Tiger Asserts Germany Arming With Russia and Turkey — Offers Proof

BOSTON, Nov. 24. — (By the Associated Press) — His fighting blood up, the Tiger of France turned from the abstract to the specific today, answered his critics at Washington with barbed phrases and declared that what he really came to America for was to seek to draw the United States into the conference at Lausanne, for the settlement of the eastern crisis.

Not Butting In
Speaking in Aremont temple before a fashionable audience Clemenceau said he had not intended to tell Americans how to run their own business.

"But they have asked me to go further," he said, referring to the assertions of senators at Washington that his addresses were too vague. "They also dared me. I am ready today, in Boston, to go a little further. I give you not advice, but what I think. It is the very simplest thing in the world.

America Salvation
"There is at Lausanne a conference where England and France are supposed to agree with Italy, which might meet with some difficulties. Let the Yankee come and say, 'Good day, gentlemen, is there a seat for me?' They will give him an arm chair.

"Never were circumstances better. Go there and you will meet the eastern question which is troubling the world for the past 500 years. And you will do more — you will settle it, because you can do it; because the presence of America in Europe again will tell the Germans that they won't go farther than certain limits, and because everybody will understand that there is a moral and material power which is to take possession of the world, not for domination but for freedom.

Sillies Warm
"Let my conclusion be this: Let us unite. Let us be good. Let us be free."

The aged war premier, looking a trifle worn, but full of enthusiasm spoke for more than an hour.

Earlier in the day, he had granted his first American interview, in which he answered caustically the criticisms levelled at him and his country in yesterday's debate on the senate floor at Washington. He had paid special attention to Senators Hitchcock and Borah, launching barbed sallies at both, some of which were so hot that he later asked that they be stricken out.

Much Accused
He paid his respects to them again from the platform, without, however, using their names. And his defense of himself and of France against charges of 'imperialism' and 'imperialism' here were couched in terms of reproach rather than in fiery sentences.

"Today," he said, "I hear I am an imperialist because I have got a war budget of five billions and that I am a militarist because the French have military service of eighteen months.

"Well, I hope if we are not too early surprised by a new war that this time of military service can be shortened. I hope that the

TOTAL ASSESSMENT VALUE FOR OREGON IS GIVEN TO PUBLIC

The total property valuation, including both that aggregated by the county boards of equalization and the public utility property assessments equalized and apportioned by the state tax commission, on which the people and utilities of Oregon will pay taxes in 1923 is \$1,009,499,160.38, which is \$11,305,036.72 less than last year, when the total was \$1,020,804,197.10.

FAMILY KILLED IN MENTAL FIT

Authorities Believe Letter from Indian Healer Justifies Conclusion

LANCASTER, O., Nov. 24.—(By the Associated Press)—Karaekas Red Wood, Circleville "Indian healer" who says he cures by "thought and prayer," was appealed to by Mrs. Florence Henderson who, with her husband and four children, was found dead in their home here, in an effort to rid herself of real and fancied ills, it was revealed here today, after a search of the Henderson house. A letter from Red Wood, dated September 1, offered to cure Mrs. Henderson by the "Hindu occult absent method."

Declared Fanatic
This helps to substantiate the theory officials are working on now, they assert, that the woman killed herself and family in a fit of mental depression, brooding over imaginary ills.

As a further indication of the motive of the tragedy, officials declared a scrap box was found with a notation in pencil on the bottom reading "Ezekiel 16-6." This reads: "And when I passed by thee and saw thee polluted in thine own blood, I said unto thee, thou must in thy blood live. Yea, I said unto thee, thou must in thy blood live."

This would indicate, said officials, religious fanaticism entering into a mind brooding over physical ills.

Bodies Being Examined
Officials here are marking time pending the result of chemical tests of the vital organs of the adult Hendersons, being made at Columbus by state chemists, and the completion of other examinations.

GOVERNOR GOES TO CONFERENCE

State Executive and Wife Leave for White Sulphur Springs, W. Va.

Governor and Mrs. Ben W. Olcott left last night for White Sulphur Springs, West Virginia, where Governor Olcott will attend the national governor's conference.

Mr. and Mrs. Olcott will visit in Keokuk, Ill., the governor's old home, and will stop in New York and in Washington, D. C., returning by Long Beach, Cal., where they will visit with Governor Olcott's father and mother.

They expect to be gone from Salem for more than a month.

Court Says Governor Has No Right to Change Date

OLYMPIA, Wash., Nov. 24.—The governor has no authority to change the date of execution of James E. Mahoney of Seattle, to December 5 from December 1 to await action of the United States supreme court on an application for a writ of error in Mahoney's conviction of the murder of his wife, Attorney General Thompson today advised Acting Governor Coyle. The attorney general held that the governor might grant a reprieve after which the court could reset the execution, but that the executive was not compelled to do so because of a proceeding in the federal court.

SUFFRAGE WORKER DIES
NEW YORK, Nov. 24.—(Special to The Statesman.)—An associate of Susan B. Anthony in the early days of woman suffrage work, died today. She was born in Havenford, Pa., in 1832.

GOLD PEN IS USED AT BIG CONFERENCE

Hoover Hands Signers of Colorado River Project Pride of New Mexico

Herbert Hoover, secretary of commerce, representing the federal government who has presided at the conference of the Colorado river commission composed for the foregoing, handed the signers the special gold pen provided by the state of New Mexico for the purpose, and which will be preserved in the state archives. Governor Mechem of New Mexico and a small group of Santa Fe men and women were present at the signing and photographs were taken of Secretary Hoover and the commissioners in the act of affixing their signatures.

FRENCH ARTIST WELL RECEIVED

Marcel Dupre, Internationally Known Organist, Is Heard Here

Marcel Dupre, organist at the Notre Dame cathedral in Paris and with an international reputation, played himself into the hearts of Salem music lovers last night. The concert was given at the First Christian church.

Local composers and musicians who had submitted themes for the improvised symphony and whose scores were included in the six selected and used in the four movements of the symphony were Miss Lucille Ross, Miss Margaret Fisher, Miss Bruce Putnam and Prof. T. S. Roberts.

The program was opened with Bach's "Fantaisie and Fugue in G Minor." This lively virile fugue is known as the "Great G Minor," and is considered the most magnificent work of Bach, transcending all the music of his time.

The orchestra, the violins and the staccato notes of the flutes, mingling with the fury of the brass instruments of the modern orchestra, were heard when the great French organist played the variations of the Fifth symphony.

The pure tones of the French chimes pealing out at the will and the touch of the organist were particularly pleasing to the large and appreciative audience last night.

M. Dupre played his own Prelude and Fugue in G Minor as the sixth number. With an element of humor throughout the fugue charmed and thrilled those privileged to hear it presented by the artist-composer.

M. Dupre graciously responded to the insistent demands of the audience by playing again for them his composition, which was characterized as "one of the choicest bits of modern organ music." M. Dupre was most generous with his encores, and following the close of the last number on the program, he responded again and again with numbers which an audience seldom has an opportunity to enjoy.

M. Dupre was tendered an informal reception at the beautiful new home of Prof. and Mrs. T. S. Roberts following the concert. The Salem Music Teachers' association, which sponsored the local concert, was joint host for the evening.

95 Per Cent of Polk's Taxes Have Been Paid

DALLAS, Or., Nov. 24.—(Special to The Statesman.)—By a body of the Dallas high school voted that members of that body were at liberty to wear any kind of apparel they chose. The election to decide the matter was brought about by the appearance of several students in peon pants and which caused a strike among other students in the school. The wearers of the trousers were stripped of their garments and made to walk home in their B. V. Ds., Thursday morning. Wednesday morning the subject again came up and after a lively discussion Superintendent R. R. Turner decided to leave the matter to a vote of the students themselves with the above result.

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COMPANY M TO REUNITE DECEMBER 8

Members of Salem's Old War Unit to Come From Many Points for Banquet

Company M, the first and largest single contribution made by Salem to the World war, is to have its annual reunion and dinner the night of December 8. This is the best date the boys could find, to approximate December 11, 1917, when the company set sail from New York for the Old World. They are to dine at the Gray Belle, anywhere from 65 to 100 of them. They left here 150 strong.

Captain Roy Neer will again be in command, as he was in the far more strenuous days than these. They will have as honorary guests Col. Carle Abrams, General George White, Col. J. L. May of Portland, and Major W. S. Gilbert, chaplain of the regiment. His home is now in Astoria.

The company has held its reunions every year and the boys count on continuing the practice until the last one is gone. This ought to be almost too far in the future to count, for the war god spared many of the strongest to carry on in the national life, and they will be great grandfathers long before the last reunion is held.

An urgent call is being made for all the boys to come in for this, the fifth anniversary of their sailing to the war. The arrangements committee plans on making this the biggest and best reunion yet, and it takes a lot of the boys to do that.

POLK COUNTY TO REDUCE TAXATION

County Agent's Salary' Library and Fair Appropriations Eliminated

DALLAS, Or., Nov. 24.—(Special to The Statesman.)—Polk county budget's committee, composed to County Judge Asa B. Robinson, Commissioners T. J. Graves and Ezra Hart, and L. D. Brown, C. C. Gardner and C. W. Irvine have finished the budget for 1923 and a hearing will be had on Thursday, December 14 which will be open to the public and the county court will hear all objections to the budget.

The total estimated expenses for the coming year 1923 is \$431,418 which is somewhat less than the expenses of the past year. A few increases in the salaries of deputies in the court house were allowed but in most cases all increases in expenses were cut down.

Items eliminated from the budget and which will have an effect of cutting down taxes for the coming year are:

For elections \$3,000; county agent, \$1,800; county fair, \$1,250; county library, \$2,600; outstanding warrants, \$17,000; dependence corn show, \$250; The county agent's salary, the appropriations for the county fair, county library and independence corn show were voted down by the people at the recent election.

7 States Would Develop Colorado River Basin

SANTA FE, N. M., Nov. 24.—In the historic Ben Hur room of the old palace of the governors in Santa Fe and upon the lapboard upon which General Lew Wallace wrote most of his manuscript, representatives of seven states at 6:15 o'clock tonight signed a compact to secure the expeditious agricultural and industrial development of the Colorado river basin, between the storage of its waters and protection of life and property from flood.

The states signatory to this compact, the first of its kind in America, are Arizona, California, Colorado, Nevada, New Mexico, Utah and Wyoming. The signers in the order of states given are W. S. Norviel, W. F. McClure, Delph E. Carpenter, J. G. Scruggs, Stephen B. Davis, Jr., R. E. Caldwell and Frank C. Emerson.

"BULLETS ARE READY" ASSERTS AMERICAN WAR VETERAN NOTE

ST. LOUIS, Nov. 24.—(By the Associated Press)—A letter declaring that "the bullets are ready" for the visit to St. Louis December 5 of Georges Clemenceau, former premier of France, was received at the mayor's office here today. Following receipt of the letter, which was signed in a lead pencil scrawl "American War Veteran," and was written in a crude hand on ledger paper, police officials announced that added precautions would be taken to protect the "Tiger" when he is here, although it was said the letter probably was written by a crank.

The letter bore a local postmark dated yesterday and read as follows:
"The visit of the Tiger to America is absolutely private your invitation to the beast ridiculous although we are glad the bullets are coming. The bullets are ready.
"American War Veteran."
"1,800,000 killed after 1917."

SUBSIDY BILL HELD SCANDAL COUNTY 'Y.' DOES WELL

Davis of Tennessee Says Enactment Would Mortify American Republic

WASHINGTON, Nov. 24.—Sailing along through peaceful and then through turbulent seas, the shipping bill held its own in the house today as friends sought to speed its voyage and enemies sought to sink it by the head.

Passage Held Assured
Whether seven solid hours of debate topping off a whole day of it that had gone before it had changed many votes, leaders declined to say. But while debate was still raging, Representative Mondell, the Republican leader, went to the White House and assured the president that the measure would be passed on the eve of Thanksgiving.

Fourteen members spoke for and against the bill today, but only two broke out of party lines. Representative Gahn, Ohio, Republican member of the merchant marine committee which framed it, declared he would not vote with the Republicans, asserting that the bill had been jammed through the committee.

Davis Calls Scandalous
The principal attack on the measure was made by Representative Davis of Tennessee, Democratic member of the merchant marine committee, who spoke for

Some interesting statistics have just been made public regarding Marion county Y. M. C. A. through Edward Socolofsky, field secretary.

There are 12 organized groups, covering practically all the towns in the county, outside of Salem. The county association does not operate in Salem, where there is a strong local association. There are 53 men serving on committees and as leaders, and 281 boy members of the groups.

Parents Cooperate
During the year five father-and-son banquets were held at Slayton, Silverton, Woodburn, Gervais and Hubbard, with a total attendance of 380. Two mother-and-daughter banquets were served, at Gervais and Slayton, with 171 in attendance. Sermon talks were given by Dr. M. J. Exner, a nationally known physician and lecturer, to 500 boys at Hubbard, Woodburn, Chemawa and the state training school.

Sixteen boys attended the Y. M. C. A. junior camp on Salmon river, near the coast, last summer. Sixty-three boys, the largest delegation there, attended the

ONCE HONORED, ALL ENGLAND STARTLED BY REBEL'S DEATH

LONDON, Nov. 24.—(By the Associated Press)—The tragedy of Erskine Childers has shocked and startled England even more than did the death of Michael Collins. Well-wishers of the Irish free state of whom there are many in London, expect that the execution of Childers may mean the beginning of a new chapter in the turbulent history of Ireland.

In many quarters today the fear was expressed that this chapter may be described by the word "reprisals" and that the reprisals may be bloodier and develop into more intense internecine warfare than that which has gone before.

Many Shocked
Many people in England were shocked at the news of the execution because they know Childers; knew him when he bore an honorary name as a British patriot who rendered his country good service in the African war and when he was something of a hero in the British literary world as author of "The Riddle of the Sands." This work was hailed as not only of great literary merit but as something of a tract on patriotism.

None of Childers' old friends who were spoken to today seemed to know just when and why he

GOVERNMENT TO SUE WAR CONTRACTORS

Builders of Camps Upton, Jackson, Sherman and Funston Said to Owe Nation On Contracts.

ADDITIONAL ACTION TO BE TAKEN LATER

This But Initial Step to Bring All War Profiteers to Justice

WASHINGTON, Nov. 24.—Civil suits to recover more than \$20,000,000, alleged by the government to have been fraudulently expended in the construction of Camps Upton, Jackson, Sherman and Funston, were instituted today by the department of justice against the contractors who were in charge of each project.

Only First Step
The suits were said in official circles to be the initial step in a campaign at law against war-time contractors who are suspected, on the basis of auditors' reports to have gone beyond the intent and purpose of the authority given them by federal departments.

Additional actions are in prospect, it was said at the department of justice, as soon as complete reports have been made by the special force of auditors which has been engaged for 15 months in the analysis of construction records. Whether criminal action would be taken in any case, it was said, would depend to a degree upon the results of the civil suits.

Four Mentioned
Unofficial estimates place the total which might be expected to be recovered from all the construction cases at between \$70,000 and \$80,000,000. In the cases filed today the government alleged that the Hrdaway Contracting company spent in excess of \$6,500,000 in building Camp Jackson, South Carolina; the Thompson-Starratt company \$8,000,000 at Camp Upton, New York; A. Bentley and Sons company \$5,000,000 at Camp Sherman, Ohio; and George A. Fuller and company \$4,000,000 at Fort Riley, Kas. The suits were filed at Charleston, S. C.; Brooklyn, N. Y.; Columbus, Ohio; and Topeka, Kas., respectively.

Confidence Violated
Identical bills of complaint were laid in each case, the principal accusation being that the contractors violated "intimate relationship of trust and confidence" in executing his contract while, it was impossible because of the existing war emergency for the government to exercise normal supervision and inspection of the work. As a result, it is alleged, the contractor stands indebted to the government for money in the sums set forth and for great quantities of material, declared to have been purchased on government credit and misused.

Attorney General Daugherty said every means would be used to hasten trial of the four suits.

U. S. Largest Petroleum Producer Now in World

WASHINGTON, Nov. 24.—World production of petroleum in the 65 years, 1857 to 1921, inclusive, aggregated 9,511,947,000 barrels of 42-gallons each, the geological survey announces. The United States, largest producer of petroleum in the world, supplied 5,902,051,000 barrels or 62.1 per cent of the total. Russia, second-largest producer, supplied 1,933,171,000 barrels, or 20.3 per cent, and Mexico was third with 7.7 per cent.

Booster Meeting Planned by Dallas Commercial Club

DALLAS, Or., Nov. 24.—(Special to The Statesman.)—At a meeting of the directors of the Dallas Commercial club held today plans were made for the holding of a monster booster meeting on the first meeting in December. A speaker from out of town has been secured and the meeting will end with the serving of refreshments.

THE WEATHER
OREGON—Saturday fair.
Local Weather
(Friday)
Maximum temperature, 43.
Minimum temperature, 28.
River, 2-10-foot above normal level. Falling.
Rainfall, none.
Atmosphere, partly cloudy.
Wind, south.