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BUSINESS WOMENS' CONVENTION OPENS

Registration and Introduction of Visitors Occupies All-First Day

PRESIDENT IS ABSENT

Miss Margaret Fleming Gives Address of Welcome; Election of Officers Will Form Today's Program

The first day of the fourth state convention of the Oregon Federation of Business and Professional Women was a success from the time the registration booth was opened until the closing number last night at the Chamber of Commerce auditorium.

Registration and introduction of the visiting delegates occupied the greater portion of the afternoon session, while the evening was devoted to addresses of welcome and a general get-together. From the enthusiasm and interest shown, this is considered one of the best state conventions the organization has held.

Miss Margaret Fleming, Portland, first vice president, officiated in lieu of Mrs. Alice Maloney of Marshfield, president, who was called to California by the illness of her father. Miss Fleming made the address of welcome.

During the evening's entertainment a piano number was offered by Robert Alexander; vocal numbers by Susan Varty and Grace E. Smith followed an informal meeting, at which members became acquainted. Refreshments were served.

A total of 41 delegates were present from clubs situated in different parts of the state. Others are expected to arrive in the city this morning.

Today's session will be featured by the main address of the occasion by Mrs. Shioe-Miller MacReynolds, who is recording secretary of the national organization. She made the trip to Oregon from North Carolina to attend the Oregon state convention. An election of officers and the business session will also be held.

Vera Mackay, Vivian Mackay, Ellen Rudus and Alice Cox, all of Marshfield; Mrs. R. E. McClellan, Louise M. Hacker, Margaret A. Fleming and Alice Hutchinson, all of Portland; Dorothy Povey, M. D. Roseburg, Ethel T. Webb, of Roseburg, and Miss Martha Gosch, Portland, are among those registered at the Marion hotel for the convention.

AIR CHALLENGE REFUSED

WRIGHT DECLINES TO ACCEPT LANGLEY PLANE TEST

DAYTON, Ohio, June 12.—(By The Associated Press)—An answer to the challenge of Charles M. Langley, former pilot of the Langley aerodrome during experiments in 1903, in which he sought to make further flying experiments with the original Langley plane now in the Smithsonian institution was made here late today by Orville Wright. Langley asked that tests be made at Long Island in August.

Mr. Wright's answer said: "The evident purpose of the challenge which Mr. Langley has announced is to draw attention from the real issues of the controversy between Dr. Walcott and myself. These issues are the charges which I have made that the Smithsonian institution is not a safe repository for historic relics."

"The issues of this controversy do not relate to events of the future, but to events of the past. I therefore see no reason for introducing a discussion of future experiments into a discussion which has to do only with experiments of the past. This proposal to do so can only be taken as an admission of the truth of my charges as to the fraudulent nature of so-called tests of the Langley machine at Hammondsport, in 1914."

SUICIDE PACT CONFESSED

BOY, 19, CONFESSES TO PART IN DEATH AGREEMENT

WELLESLEY FARMS, Mass., June 12.—(By Associated Press)—Sterling Mills, 18 year old high school student, admitted to the authorities tonight that he and Priscilla Amidon, his school girl sweetheart, had made a suicide pact. Mills shot himself at the same time and is in a hospital in Newton. The girl is dead.

TOURIST KILLS YOUTH

FRESNO, Cal., June 12.—J. W. Denton, 38, itinerant automobile tourist, killed an unidentified youth near here today.

3 KILLED; MANY DYING; LIGHTNING HITS SCHOOL

CROWDED BUILDING TARGET OF THUNDER STORM

Fifteen Others Injured by Bolt; Several More Expected to Die

BRECKENRIDGE, Texas, June 12.—(By The Associated Press)—At least three persons were killed and a number of others injured when lightning struck a school house near here tonight. The building was said to have been crowded with persons attending a mass meeting to discuss an irrigation project.

The dead are: Carl Lebetter, a boy 11, and a girl 13, of the Broils family.

Fifteen others were injured, five or six of them probably fatally. A 11 year old sister of the two young Broils victims was taken from the schoolhouse in a dying condition, while the children's mother was stricken unconscious.

Clyde Perry, 12 year old boy living near Cisco, is expected to die. Darkness and the storm from which the fatal bolt issued prevented relief workers from determining the extent of the victims' injuries. Every physician and nurse in Breckenridge was called into service as the wounded were brought to local hospitals.

Among the victims was C. M. Caldwell, wealthy oilman of Abilene, who was rendered unconscious.

TERRIFIC STORM SWEEPS THROUGH EASTERN STATE

ONE DEAD, 20 INJURED; PROPERTY DAMAGE IS HIGH

Loss Estimated at \$500,000 in Southern Minnesota; Wires All Down

ST. PAUL, Minn., June 12.—One dead, 20 injured and property damage estimated at \$500,000 was the toll taken by the storm which swept through southern Minnesota last night, reports from the storm area indicated tonight.

At Rochester and vicinity damage from cloudbursts, hail and rainstorms was centered about that city yesterday and today, will probably total \$200,000, it was indicated tonight as gradual restoration of crippled telephone and telegraph service brought in news of additional losses throughout the countryside. Three persons were injured in that section.

Thousands of acres of valuable farm lands were inundated south and west of Rochester by the overflow from the Zumbro river. In the lowlands bordering the river crops are reported to have been totally destroyed.

Additional reports reaching Albert Lea by courier late today and tonight showed the storm in that section was more severe than at first indicated. Whole fields were under water, large barns which had been blown away were scattered over the countryside and bodies of chickens, cattle, horses and other stock was strewn about the wreckage. Pat Kelly and his son, farmers near Albert Lea, were pinned underneath a barn which collapsed during the storm, killing several head of horses and cattle. The men escaped, however, with only painted injuries.

PASSENGER IS INJURED

MRS. W. H. SOUTH HIT BY A ROCK THROWN AT TRAIN

A rock hurled through the window of a south bound Oregon Electric train last night caused Mrs. W. H. South of Prville to be taken to the New Salem hotel suffering from injuries to her head and eyes, caused by flying glass.

"I can feel some glass in my eyes now," she said last night over the telephone. "I guess it will be taken out in the morning. I don't know how it happened, for I was sitting on the left side of the train and the thing came through the window. They told me it was a rock. Maybe it was just meanness in some one to throw it at me. If it was for spite I wish they had selected the right person."

The accident occurred near the Schindler ranch, south of the city, while the train was slowing up for the switch to pass the north-bound train.

INTOMBED MAN ALIVE

GRASS VALLEY, Cal., June 12.—(By Associated Press)—The sound of tapping, communicated along the metal rails on which the ore cars run, at 7 o'clock tonight indicated that Robert Hill, imprisoned by a cavein 30 hours previously, was still alive, work by the rescue crews was slow as timbering had to be placed as fast as the sliding rock was removed.

REFUGEES FLEEING FROM COOLIE MOBS

Anti-Japanese Strikes Break Out in Some Cities; Missionaries Leave

Shipping is Tied Up

Diplomatic Corps in Peking Called in; Anti-foreign Agitation Is Felt in Many Sections

SAN FRANCISCO, June 12.—(By The Associated Press)—Both from Hankow, the great river city of China, where British volunteers yesterday fired on a mob of strikers who were threatening the concession and Canton, the southern river city, where Yunnanese and Kwangtung troops have been engaged in a long range battle for nearly a fortnight, refugees, Chinese and foreign, are leaving for the ports where they can find protection under the guns of foreign warships. Missionaries, too, have been ordered from Hupoh province in which Hankow is situated, the presumption being that anti-foreign agitation is being felt in the interior. The foreigners of Canton, who have their separate concession on Shamoon island, have not yet been disturbed by the fighting, dispatches say.

In Shanghai, as a result of the disturbances at Hankow, there has been a recrudescence of strikes in the cotton mills and some anti-Japanese disturbances in the foreign settlement. River and coast all shipping is practically tied up by the strike of seamen and engine room crews.

The diplomatic corps at Peking has suggested to the Chinese authorities that a discussion on the spot would be the best means of settling the trouble at Shanghai and has instructed its representatives there to consider with the foreign consuls and Chinese authorities the best remedy for the present state of affairs.

NEW YORK, June 12.—(By The Associated Press)—Grave consequences are feared.

TEACHER SETS RECORD

WOMAN TEACHES SCHOOL FOR 57 YEARS

SEATTLE, June 12.—After 57 years as a school teacher, Miss Leota L. West, who has been teaching at the Camano island school this year, has retired. Former pupils, many of whom have grandchildren are to honor her at a picnic at the home of a friend here Sunday.

Miss West began teaching school when 17 years old in 1868. She plans to move to Spokane in a few weeks.

BILLIARD CHAMP DIES

CHICAGO, June 12.—(By Associated Press)—Calvin Demarest, world's amateur champion 18.2 ballkine billiardist in 1907, died here today. He was holder of the professional title in 1909. He was 39 years old.

THE STAGE DIRECTOR!

RUSSIAN REDS

CHINESE UPRISING PUPPET SHOW

TRAPPER FOUND DEAD

FORT WILLIAM, Ont., June 12.—(By Associated Press)—A trapper found dead in a cabin beside Cat Lake, north of here, they related today. No signs of foul play were discovered.

ARMORY IS THRONGED TO HEAR GRADUATION

BUELL, JAMES AND CHILDS ARE PRIZE WINNERS

Governor Pierce Delivers Main Address; Dr. Ollinger Presents Diplomas

One of the most successful and outstanding classes in the history of the Salem high school was graduated last night at the Armory. The building was crowded, with practically every available space used. The 236 members of the senior class marched into their seats, directly in front of the platform and with the audience.

Those receiving prizes were Nathan Buell, Frank James, and Thomas W. Childs. Buell received the Albert prize, awarded upon general scholarship and character; James secured the second prize, which was a gold watch, awarded by Dr. W. B. Moore to the best student in industrial arts. The third one went to Thomas Childs, which was presented by the Salem Greater OAC committee to the student possessing the greatest characteristics, fitting him for leadership as a freshman at OAC next year.

The principal address to the class was made by Governor Walter M. Pierce, who used "A Look Into the Future" as his subject. He stressed the development of opportunities that are within the grasp of the individual. He also stressed developing the faculties that made for manliness and womanliness in the members of the class.

Thomas Childs, holding first honors in scholarship and class representative, delivered an oration on "The Power of Human Life." He brought out the fact that honesty and truthfulness should characterize all the endeavors of the members of the class, and their objective in life should be in service to others.

Avery Thompson, who was elected class orator, presented his ideas on "The Receding Frontier," developing the thought of farewell. The invocation was delivered by Rev. George Koehler, and the benediction by Rev. F. W. Launer. Lucile Anderson, elected by the faculty, presented a piano solo, while the high school orchestra furnished the music.

The presentation address was made by Dr. H. H. Ollinger, preceding the individual presentation of the diplomas. The members of the graduating class marched up to the platform a section at a time, and as the diplomas were received, Principal J. C. Nelson gave the name of the student.

HUGE LIQUOR RING SAID UNCOVERED BY OFFICERS

PAPERS BELONGING TO JAKE WOIT SAID IMPORTANT

Federal Authorities Discover False Clearance Papers for Rum Running Ships

SAN FRANCISCO, June 12.—(By The Associated Press)—Acting on a search warrant issued by United States Commissioner Hayden, federal agents today opened the safely deposit box of Jake Woit, asserted operator of large rum runners, and seized valuable information concerning the operations of the bootlegging ring of the Pacific coast.

Woit is under indictment at Seattle for violation of the prohibition act, but has not been apprehended.

Federal authorities declare that Woit, alias Jask White, is the United States agent for the Northwestern Brokers, Ltd., of Vancouver, B. C., said to be the owners of Stadaconia, suspected rum runner.

While the precise nature of the papers taken from Woit's deposit box was not disclosed it is believed that the most important are a number of false clearance papers for the Stadaconia, now believed to be in southern California waters under another name.

The warrant for the seizure of papers was issued on application of the internal revenue department. Woit, who is believed to be in Bermuda, also is wanted on a charge that he is more than \$30,000 in arrears in his payments of income tax.

COMMON LAW FAVORED

SOVIET ANNOUNCES RECOGNITION OF MARRIAGES

MOSCOW, June 12.—(By Associated Press)—Under the terms of an agreement under discussion by soviet officials, common law marriages hereafter will be recognized as legal and binding by soviet courts. Men and women will not need to go through either a civil or religious ceremony or even register themselves to be considered husband and wife and enjoy the protection of the soviet law, but the period of their living together under the proposed decree, must be a "reasonably long one." If the couple desires that the union be legalized by the courts.

DRY WORK SAID NEEDED

SEATTLE, June 12.—Expressing the observation that there appeared to be a great field for the anti-saloon league in Washington, Bernard N. Hicks, newly appointed state superintendent of dry organization arrived in Seattle today. Any man has a right to his own opinions about prohibition, but it is his duty as a citizen to obey enacted laws, Hicks declared.

MEXICO IS WARNED BY US GOVERNMENT

Confiscation of Property of Americans Must Stop, Kellogg Declares

SITUATION SAID GRAVE

Mexico on Trial Before World; Note States; Restoration of Property and Indemnity Sought

WASHINGTON, June 12.—(Associated Press)—Blunt warning to the Mexican government that the United States cannot countenance violation by Mexico of her international obligations or failure to protect American citizens, was served by Secretary Kellogg today in a formal statement.

The strong language employed by the secretary came as a surprise, although it had been indicated he would make a public declaration as a result of recent conversations with Ambassador Sheffield, who appears to have returned from his post on leave chiefly in an effort to have the work completed as soon as possible.

The secretary's statement declared while relations with the Mexican government were friendly, "conditions are not entirely satisfactory and we are looking to and expect the Mexican government to restore properties illegally taken and to indemnify American citizens."

"It should be made clear that this government will continue to support the government in Mexico only so long as it protects American lives and American rights and complies with its international engagements and obligations," Mr. Kellogg said. "The government of Mexico is now on trial before the world."

Additional significance attaches to Mr. Kellogg's statement because it was issued after White House conferences.

Ambassador Sheffield has been the president's guest since he arrived in Washington and Senator Borah, chairman of the foreign relations committee also was a dinner guest there last night.

Ambassador Telles at the Mexican embassy expressed "surprise" at the nature of the Kellogg statement. He said he had no previous knowledge that it was to be made and that he knew of no question pending between the two governments nor of any condition in Mexico which could have prompted the statement.

"I fully concur in the belief expressed by Secretary Kellogg, in the case of Mexico, however, that is more than a desire; it is a fixed determination and policy."

The ambassador insisted there had been no new outrages against American citizens in Mexico, and that all pending cases inviting indemnification of Americans had arisen out of the Mexican revolution.

The present Mexican government, Ambassador Telles asserted, is a "strong" government because President Calles was elected by the vote of workers and small farmers.

DEFENSE CLOSES CASE

REBUTTAL TO OPEN IN LABEL TRIAL OF PUBLISHER

YUMA, Ariz., June 12.—(By Associated Press)—The defense of George W. Linn, publisher, who is on trial of a charge of criminal libel preferred by E. F. Sanginetti, a wealthy business man and land owner, closed today. The day was devoted largely to testimony regarding milk sold by the dairy which the defense contends poisoned a Chinese baby. The article which provoked the present action referred to preservatives in milk sold by Sanginetti.

Upon instructions from the court, the state's attorneys prepared to call the first of their rebuttal witnesses at a night session tonight. Judge E. Elmo Bollinger said the night sessions would continue until the trial is ended, the jury having expressed a desire for greater speed.

The testimony concerning the death of the Chinese baby, which occurred in January, 1923, was given by Mrs. Mary Cypert, a practical nurse, who said that it was in her care and that the milk which caused its death was purchased from Frank Gardenshire who was convicted in 1923 of selling milk containing a preservative. The defense contended that Gardenshire and Sanginetti were partners in the milk business.

DRAINAGE SURVEY IS URGED BY ENGINEER

RHEA LUPER TO SEGREGATE LOW AND HIGHLANDS

Blueprints Showing Results Will be Presented to Marion County Court

In a conference held with members of the county court relative to the establishment of drainage districts southeast of the city, Rhea Luper, state engineer, decided to undertake a survey of the land to segregate the high sections from the lowlands, and to present to the county court a blueprint of the results, together with a report.

The county court has had the drainage project under advisement for many months but have as yet reached no workable solution of this problem. It is believed, however, that with the survey completed and working plans drawn up a speedy adjustment of the difficulties will be made.

The state engineer will run lines as near as possible to the point where the high water covers the lands, and will make a report of the territory which is unaffected by floods. It is said that owners of property which would not be benefited by drainage will not be taxed, and those owning land, part of which is high and part low, will be taxed in proportion to the amount of land which is covered now by high water.

Members of the county court declare that this is the only solution to the drainage question in that district, and they are working in an effort to have the work completed as soon as possible.

HEAD OF BROKER FIRM IS DECLARED SUICIDE

PROMINENT MONTANA FINANCIER FOUND DEAD IN BED

Geoffrey A. Lauzier Said to Have Killed Self Brooding Over Money Troubles

BUTE, Mont., June 12.—Geoffrey A. Lauzier, 57, head of the brokerage firm of Lauzier, Wolcott & Co., which closed its offices last week, was found dead in his apartment this morning with a glass containing deadly poison on the dresser near the bed where he lay, apparently asleep. The house, with its main office here and with branches in Spokane, Walla Walla, Missoula and Billings, failed to open its doors June 4, a notice stating that it was unable to meet its financial obligations.

The death of Mr. Lauzier was discovered when a friend called at the house this morning to consult him. His housekeeper said he had not yet arisen for breakfast, and when the two went to call him and secured no response, they entered the room and found the body lifeless.

Several friends had been with Mr. Lauzier at his home until midnight last night. He had telephoned for information as to whether a life insurance policy for \$75,000 in favor of the firm was in good standing, and had been assured that it was.

Others of the eight witnesses heard today included F. T. Breitman, Grand Rapids, Mich., bacteriologist, who testified Shepherd visited his laboratory in Chicago with Dr. Oscar Olson and Mrs. W. H. Dransen of Tulsa, Okla., who swore she heard Shepherd 15 years ago denounce Alexander F. Reichmann, co-guardian of Billy McClintock and principal witness today. She said Shepherd attributed to Reichmann the remark that the co-guardian intended to get a slice of the estate.

FILM ACTOR IS DROWNED

SHOOTING RAPIDS IN CANOE AT MARSHFIELD FATAL

MARSHFIELD, Ore., June 12.—R. D. Jones of Hollywood, riding in a canoe ahead of an expected log drive today, was drowned in the middle fork of the Coquille river.

Jones was sent through the Sugar Lost canyon, a dangerous narrowing of the river, with rapids and rocks. His canoe struck first one rock then another and overturned. The man swam 100 yards and disappeared beneath the water. Jones was advance man and doubling for an actor that is expected later.

The Famous Players-Lasky film company has been shooting pictures for several days past and Jones had started his work today. A crew of searchers was organized at Myrtle Point to search the river for the body.

QUAKE REGISTERED

LOS ANGELES, June 12.—A light earthquake from which no damage was reported was felt here today shortly after 2 p.m.

CAUSE OF DEATH IS ARGUED BY COUNSEL

Shepherd Defense Attorneys Declare State Must Prove Boy Murdered

Attending Physicians Declare McClintock Boy May Have Died After Eating Some Tainted Oysters

THREE DOCTORS CALLED

CHICAGO, June 12.—(By The Associated Press)—The prosecution today was upheld in its method of presenting its murder case against William Darling Shepherd, Chicago lawyer, charged with slaying William Nelson McClintock, but the defense turned in its own favor medical testimony of three state witnesses.

Attorneys late today entered into prolonged debate on the defense contention Judge Thomas J. Lynch should force the prosecution forthwith to establish the "corpus delicti" or forfeit its case.

The defense contended it had not been proved "Billy" McClintock died through criminal means. The state successfully contended the introduction of each witness was a step in establishing the "corpus delicti" which could only be fixed only by circumstantial evidence.

"The fair and orderly way to try this case is to prove the corpus delicti first before poisoning the minds of this jury with testimony of motive," contended William Scott Stewart, chief of defense counsel, "and they cannot prove it."

"If they don't I'll throw the case into the street, no matter how big it is," said Judge Lynch in finality.

Doctors Rufus Stolp and J. Herlick, who attended Billy McClintock in his last illness, under cross examination admitted the young man sickened and died during an epidemic of typhoid fever, attributed to eating tainted oysters.

Dr. Stolp, called first to treat the youth, said a faculty diagnosis had been made, and it was not until two or three days later that the correct diagnosis had been made.

Typhoid fever alone caused the rich youth's death, testified Dr. William D. McNally, coroner's chemist. He asserted no medical science in the world could tell whether it was caused in a normal manner or by the alleged inoculation by Shepherd. No trace of poison was found, testified Dr. McNally, thereby dismissing a halt dozen counts in the indictment against Shepherd.

Estelle Gehling, trained nurse and the "sunshine girl" of the case, a witness today, was a rival for a brief time of Mrs. Julie Shepherd.

Miss Gehling was asked only to identify a letter Shepherd had written to her. She identified a passage in which Shepherd said he was a nobody going nowhere, and their friendship must end. Shepherd and she met while he was a hospital patient.

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WARREN S. STONE DIES

NATIONAL LABOR LEADER WAS HEAD OF ENGINEERS

CLEVELAND, Ohio, June 12.—(By The Associated Press)—Warren Stanford Stone, 65, labor leader and labor financier, president of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and all its allied activities, died in a hospital here late today from an acute attack of Bright's disease. Funeral services and burial will be held here Monday afternoon.

Mr. Stone's wife was at home here when his death occurred. They had no children.

Next Monday, June 15, Oberlin college, Oberlin, Ohio, was to confer the degree of master of arts upon Mr. Stone at the annual commencement exercises.

Telegrams of condolence were pouring into the brotherhood offices tonight.

Mr. Stone was taken ill in New York last April, his first serious illness. He returned from a business trip a week ago yesterday and was at work until late Tuesday of this week when he was taken from his office to a hospital suffering from an attack of uraemic poisoning. He was only semi-conscious from that time until his death.

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