

# LITA NOW SEEKS CHAPLIN'S HOUSE

## Wife Has Eyes on Beverly Hills Mansion; Has Big Rent Bill Due

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 10.—(AP)—Charlie Chaplin's Beverly Hills mansion, virtually deserted since the comedian departed for New York and Lita Grey Chaplin filed her suit for divorce, may again harbor Mrs. Chaplin and her two children.

This was disclosed today by attorneys for Mrs. Chaplin on the heels of their court victory in quashing an attempt to have the receivership over Chaplin's California properties vacated. Her attorneys are preparing to file a formal petition to the court tomorrow for permission for her to take possession of the great bucolic home which overlooks Beverly Hills.

A \$1,000 rent bill on the house which Mrs. Chaplin has taken in Beverly Hills is due February 17, and since she has no funds with which to meet it, her attorneys said they will attempt to open the Chaplin home for her before that time. If she gains the use of the home she will enter it for the first time since she returned there to obtain personal belongings a few days after the separation of the couple several months ago.

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### TAX MEASURE MADE SPECIAL ORDER TODAY

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signs designating routes, distances, etc., within the corporate limits of cities and on the highways of the state of Oregon. It further provides that persons not authorized by the state highway commission shall not be allowed to put up signs on any state highway or upon private property abutting any highway which gives or attempts to give distances to any points along said highway.

The bill was intended to prevent tourists from being directed by individuals or firms through the town's routes that will bring them to the dealers own places of business.

Mr. Bailey asked Mr. Giesy if it would prevent the constant string of signs designating the distance to the next filling station, to which Mr. Giesy answered that the signs weren't necessary as one could always see the next one from where the last one was.

The royal chinook salmon in the Willamette river will be saved from fishermen's nets if Mr. Lonergan's bill number 355 is as successful in the senate as it was in the house yesterday. Messrs. Cragin, McCallister, Mott, Paulson, Seivers and Winslow were all who voted against it.

Mr. Lonergan in his arguments in favor of the bill pointed out to the members that the question before them was whether or not they should protect the natural seed bed of this fish in the state of Oregon.

Six thousand tons of chinook salmon were caught out of the Willamette last year, according to figures arrived at from the poundage fees, which number of tons represented a loss of over four millions of eggs.

The Columbia river is dependent to a great extent upon the Willamette for propagation, and it was Mr. Lonergan's view that closing the Willamette was a step toward protecting the third largest industry in the state.

There has been considerable talk about an agreement, which commercial fishermen claim was entered into at the last session of the legislature between the commercial fishermen, sportsmen and members of the legislature. It is said to have been that the fish laws should be left as they were for four years, but no member of the legislature, nor members who were here then, have any knowledge of the agreement, according to Mr. Lonergan, who said he had made considerable inquiry.

Last year it was said the state spent upwards of \$9500 to enforce the fishing laws on the Willamette river, and the opinion of Representative Bronough was that the fishermen there never intended that the laws should be entirely enforced and that the only solu-

### RABBI MERRITT RESIGNS

#### Portland Jewish Leader Will Go to Join Family in London

PORTLAND, Feb. 10.—(AP)—Dr. Max Merritt, rabbi of the Congregation Beth Israel since September 1, 1925, tonight presented his resignation to the board of trustees, effective at a date to be fixed by agreement with the board. Rabbi Merritt indicated that his decision to retire from the pulpit here was based on a desire to join his wife and three children who have been in London for some time past.

The resignation came as a complete surprise to the trustees. During the time Rabbi Merritt has been in Portland he has established himself as a leader of Jewish thought and has been especially interested in juvenile work. He came here from Temple Emanuel in Montreal, to succeed Dr. Jonah B. Wise who went to a pulpit in New York.

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### U. S. SPONSORS MOVE FOR REDUCED NAVIES

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ried all down the line, but he made an exception in the cases of France and Italy, who occupy the lowest brackets of the ratio. The special considerations raised by French and Italian interests in the Mediterranean, insofar as they require a disproportionate cruiser and submarine strength, would be left for negotiation at Geneva.

Announcement of the proposal was made by the president in a special message to congress, which received it with general expressions of approval. There was no sign tonight, however, that Senate or house leaders would recede from their plan to override repeated previous recommendations of the White House and authorize the addition of three more cruisers to the American navy.

No direct reference to the three-cruiser proposal was made in the presidential message, although it did not contain a warning against being led into any semblance of a building race with other nations.

Both the presidential message and the note to the naval powers, a copy of which also was sent to congress, were made public simultaneously in Washington, London, Paris, Rome and Tokio shortly after noon today under a carefully prepared plan designed to place the president's views directly before the peoples concerned. Copies of the note also had been sent to the governments of Brazil, Argentina and Chile, constituting the principal naval group in Latin America, for their information.

PARIS, Feb. 10.—(AP)—President Coolidge's proposal that the Washington agreement relative to capital ships be extended to other naval armament has taken Paris unawares. The French government has been favorable thus far to every reduction in armaments compatible with security, it was remarked at the foreign office this evening, but before a definite opinion could be given on Washington's latest suggestion, the memorandum must be translated and studied.

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### NORTHERN CHINA PREPARES FOR DRIVE

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ago was reported operating with the wandering Kuominchun troops well armed and aided from Russian sources. Although forced from Peking and kept moving, they are considered a powerful foe of both Chang and Wu.

The Cantonese, believed about to move northward from Hankow, may form a junction with the Kuominchun.

With the northern armies pouring in from the north and east, Wu Pei-Fu may be caught with his army between the opposing forces. If so, he may have the choice of allying himself with either, or fighting both.

LONDON, Feb. 10.—(AP)—The house of commons tonight rejected a labor amendment to the address from the throne, moved by Charles P. Trevelyan, challenging the government's policy in China. The vote was 320 to 113.

Sir Austen Chamberlain gave an important explanation of the government's policy, which included a concession that for the sake of advancing negotiations looking to a settlement of the difficulty, only an Indian brigade would be landed at Shanghai unless unforeseen dangers arose.

The sting was taken out of the labor attack by Sir Austen's announcement concerning the troops. Ramsay MacDonald, the opposition leader, sought to defend labor's attitude. He contended that the government policy of defense was bound to end in an offensive, but he recognized the importance of the foreign secretary's speech and hoped that its effect would be duly weighed in Hankow.

The Prince of Wales was an interested listener in the peers' gallery.

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The only fault with the Y. W. C. A. in Salem is that its facilities are far too inadequate. But it is doing a wonderful work with what it has.

The financing concern for new and struggling industries is going over; and due to perform a service that will help keep Salem growing and prospering.

Dad Watson's old time dance last night filled the Crystal Palace hall. If the idea keeps going over like that, a larger floor will be needed. And it was a happy, orderly crowd last night, of mothers and fathers and their children, mainly.

The optimist remembers in winter that time flies; the pessimist remembers summer's flies.

Typical American saying: "I'd like to renew that note."

Evolution: What can we get out of China? When shall we get out of China? How can we get out of China?

Very few people are as worldly wise as a kid feels the first time he drops a cigarette butt in a coffee cup.

Americanism: Men who talk only of liquor scolding women who talk only of clothes.

### Daniels Pleads Guilty; Will Not Leave Salem

James P. Daniels, held on a charge of larceny after his arrest by county officers on a complaint filed by his former employers, Ellis E. Cooley and Hollis W. Huntington, plead guilty in justice court yesterday and was released on his own recognizance to reappear for sentence.

Contrary to a previous report, Robin D. Day, attorney for the Man's Shop proprietors, denies any clause which would demand that Daniels be forced to leave town. Day said that his clients wished to give their former employee every chance to straighten out his affairs, but have secured a writ of attachment against his personal property to insure return of their missing goods.

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