

FRENCH, JAPS TO TELL VIEWS

American and British Delegates in Agreement on Major Issues

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and the criticism which so far has been heard from the United States will not likely be a drop in the bucket to that of the British "big navy" die hards when they challenge Mr. MacDonald on what he proposes to do with Britannia's navy.

The battleship still has stout defenders in Britain, while Mr. MacDonald will have to be both eloquent and persuasive to convince some of his opponents that the British are now running a grave risk in accepting only 50 cruisers where 75 heretofore were considered the minimum needed.

As to the future of a London agreement, if it were a question only of a treaty between Great Britain and the United States, a pact could be sealed within a short time.

Parity Between Two Possible Immediately
Under the proposals made, Britain would scrap five battleships and the United States three, and parity would become an immediate reality. Cruisers would be limited and submarines abolished or rigidly restricted. Destroyers would be reduced as low as other countries were willing with out endangering the security of either country, expenditure on armaments would be curtailed and every taxpayer would have a little more money in his pocket.

But Mr. MacDonald, resting at Rheingart, and Mr. Simon at Stanmore, realize that while their own differences have disappeared their job is only half done and next week they face a complicated task in extending to Japan, France and Italy the harmony existing across the northern Atlantic.

RILEY WILL STAY IN SENATE RACE HERE

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tigation of the county court house proved to be a flash in the pan. Judge MacMahon who was credited with egging on the runners stepped into the back-ground the first of the year and nothing ever came of the inquiry which was promised to show up whatever was to be shown up in the handling of county business.

4-H Club Leaders Hold Successful Meeting in Chamber Rooms Saturday

of Butteville. Mrs. Theota Tyler of Aurora; Mrs. Myrtle Meyers of The first 4-H club leaders' local conference, held at the chamber of commerce here yesterday, was a surprising success. William W. Fox, Marion county club leader, said yesterday afternoon, adding that attendance was gratifying.

H. C. Seymour, state club leader, explained in detail the work of the local leader from beginning to completion of each project and in round table discussions which followed his addresses in both morning and afternoon many bothersome questions were raised and answered. Henry Crawford of Salem, member of the state fair board, gave a talk on club work in relation to the fair exhibits and spoke of observation he had made of the board at the state fairs.

The leaders showed considerable interest in the number of projects offered this year, and considerable discussion revolved about the livestock clubs, which are being pushed this year. Special attention was also given to the room improvement and the rose and flower garden projects, both new this year.

Matters regarding the county 4-H club fair to be held here April 25 and 26 as the first event of this kind were brought up, and in connection with this it was announced that all home economic clubs must have their work completed before this fair.

County club leaders present yesterday were: Miss Nellie Beugli of Howell; Mrs. G. W. Ayres

Mickel Honored at Dinner Held at Salem Elks Club Here Saturday Evening



A. A. Mickel

Honoring A. A. Mickel, formerly district freight and passenger agent at Salem, recently promoted to the position of district freight agent with headquarters in Portland, 45 Southern Pacific agents and employes formerly associated with him in the Salem district, gathered at a banquet in the dining room of the Elks Temple Saturday evening.

After the dinner, with R. K. Montgomery, agent at Independence, and the oldest man in point of service with the company present, acting as toastmaster, a program of speeches and music was enjoyed. Several of those present gave short talks expressing regret that Mr. Mickel was leaving the Salem territory but all joined in wishing him much success in his new field.

The guest of honor was called upon and gave a very interesting and entertaining address, stressing the cooperation of all the employes of his former district and his desire to make the success of his work that entitles him to the honor just recently received.

A feature of the meeting was the singing of several parodies on popular songs with Mr. Mickel as the inspiration. Late in the evening he was presented with a fine traveling bag as a token of the respect and esteem in which he is held by all his fellow workers in the Salem district.

PATTON ESTATE IS LISTED AT \$50,132

The total value of the estate of the late E. Cooke Patton is listed at \$50,132 of which \$25,590 is real property and \$14,632 is personal property, according to an inventory filed by Chester M. Cox, Linn C. Smith and L. Parmenter, appraisers. One-third interest in the Patton block is valued at \$25,000 while one-third interest in the home property is listed at \$10,500.

Patton's partnership in the bookstore jointly owned by the Patton brothers, was valued at \$8,729.28. Half interest in the partnership was shown to cover \$6,322.50 in merchandise; \$1,000 in collectible accounts; \$1,200 of office furniture. The entire valuation of the bookstore was listed at \$17,458.56.

A nominal value was placed upon the stamp collection and the magic paraphernalia made famous by Patton before his death. Two savings and loan certificates, one for \$1,487.40 and the other for \$1,637.98, were listed in the appraisal of the decedent's own estate.

Hal D. Patton is appointed administrator of the partnership while Lucella D. Charfeaton, a daughter of the decedent, has been named as executrix of the estate.

Cardboards For Firemen's Ball Placed on Sale

Sale of tickets for the second annual police and firemen's ball, scheduled for March 4, will be started Wednesday of this week, the committee in charge of this phase of preparations announces.

The city forces will conduct an old time dance at the armory and a modern dance at the Crystal Garden, and putting special entertainment which will be presented at both halls.

The purpose of holding the dance is to complete payment for improvements already made in the city hall gymnasium, and to purchase needed additional equipment.

PUBLIC OPINION BACK OF MOVE

Alderman O'Hara, Sponsor Of Plan, Gives Credit To Statesman

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the council to submit a definite proposition as to the manner in which the utility is to be acquired, or several alternative propositions. This will require considerable investigation and consultation with the owners of the utility, after which the alternative of purchase at an agreed price or condemnation, may be submitted.

Authorization of the purchase or condemnation would require a two-thirds vote of the citizens voting on the general question, and a majority for one of the propositions submitted.

Definite Beginning Possible at Meeting
Although it will not be possible to prepare such a comprehensive ordinance before the next council meeting, a beginning can be made at that time toward working out the details of the question.

Alderman O'Hara Saturday stated that if the project receives popular approval, much of the credit will be due to The Statesman for its consistent advocacy of municipal ownership during the past year.

He also issued a statement which read in part as follows: "I consider it a fair prophecy that Salem will one day be rated among the first class cities of the Pacific coast, and in the nature of things, her position as such will demand municipal ownership of the water supply system. No one could vision the people of Portland, Seattle, San Francisco, Los Angeles, or the great number of other important cities of the west returning to dependence upon a private corporation for drinking water.

"The local plant can be acquired more cheaply now than at any time in the future and once in possession of the distribution system, mountain water can be brought into the city when our population has grown sufficiently to justify that added expense. I speak of mountain water because, in talking with people the conclusion seems inescapable that the citizens of Salem will not be satisfied to go on using Willamette river water indefinitely."

ELIMINATION ASKED OF ALL ILLITERACY

Elimination of illiteracy, so far as possible, is the purpose of a committee appointed here Saturday by C. A. Howard, state superintendent of public instruction. The committee was appointed at the request of Dr. Ray Lyman Wilbur, secretary of the interior, and has the approval of Governor Norblad.

Dr. Wilbur is chairman of the national committee in the nationwide effort to solve the question of illiteracy.

Members of the Oregon committee are: Frank S. Sover, Portland, state director of Americanization; A. C. Strange, Southern Oregon normal school; William H. Ballie, superintendent state training school for boys; Mrs. Martha E. Mulkey, Coquille county school superintendent; Miss Elizabeth C. Murray, St. Helens, county school superintendent; Mrs. Carl G. Helm, La Grande; E. O. Immel, Eugene; R. R. Turner, Dallas; Mrs. C. B. Simmons, Portland; Mrs. George T. Gerlinger, Portland; Mrs. J. F. Arnold, Bend; George K. Aiken, Ontario; Miss Cecelia Beyer, Astoria, and Mrs. G. J. Frankel, Portland.

Officials said that because of the low per cent of illiteracy in Oregon, the activities of the committee probably would be limited.

A recent study published in the United States Bureau of Education, based on the 1920 census, showed that Oregon had only 793 illiterates between the ages of 10 and 25. On a percentage basis this is four tenths of one per cent of all persons in the state between those ages.

Only three states showed more satisfactory figures. These were Minnesota, with 39 hundredths of one per cent; South Dakota, with 28 hundredths of one per cent, and Iowa, with 22 hundredths of one per cent. In those age groups of population that come under an effective compulsory education law, illiteracy is rapidly approaching the irreducible minimum.

WILLIAMSON BILL IS APPROVED BY HOUSE

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8.—(AP)—The first of President Hoover's proposals to bolster dry law enforcement, by placing the responsibility with his attorney general was sent to the senate today by the house.

As the house passed the Williamson bill to transfer the prohibition bureau from the treasury to the justice department, Senator Wheeler, democrat, Montana, prepared a resolution to call for an investigation of the enforcement service.

The Montanan proposed to have the senate judiciary committee inquire into the situation when it begins consideration of the transfer bill. He desires to determine whether "an honest effort" has been made for enforcement. If the dry law cannot be enforced, he said, it should be repealed.

There was no substantial opposition to the transfer in the house. Statesman subscribers can secure weekend accident protection for \$1.00 per year.

Right Idea!

This eight year old athlete is the son of Rev. and Mrs. C. F. Jenkins, Lyndon, Kansas. Mrs. Jenkins says: "Newell's wonderful condition shows my idea is right."

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