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PLAN MERGING OF PROTESTANT DENOMINATIONS

Presbyterians Propose Conference To Discuss Proposal In Philadelphia; Twenty Denominations In Line.

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New York, Jan. 6.—Commissioners of approximately twenty denominations have accepted an invitation from the Presbyterian church to confer in Philadelphia February 3 to 8 on a proposal for a national merger of Christian interests under the name of the United Churches of Christ in America, according to announcement today from Presbyterian headquarters in this city.
The movement, started some time ago by the general assembly of the Presbyterian church in the United States of America, proposes formation of a council elected by the supreme bodies of the various denominations. The council would comprise two ministerial and two lay delegates for each 100,000 communicants.
Complete Unity Sought.
The proposed constitution of the new organization, the announcement stated, "look forward ultimately to a complete organic union of the Protestant churches entering upon the membership of the council." The announcement added that the constitution "opens the way for a gradual merging of the inter-denominational interests while retaining the present denominational ecclesiastical organizations" and is "an advance on the present organization of the federal council of the churches of Christ in America as it opens the way for consolidation of administrative agencies and carrying forward of the general work of the churches through the council of the United Church."
The proposed plan of the council calls for administration of home and foreign missions, in behalf of the united churches as well as other administrative agencies on the approval of the supreme governing or advisory bodies. It accepts the ordination and doctrinal views of the evangelical churches joining the council and provides also for admission of community churches and independent organizations.
Churches That May Join.
Among denominations concerned are:
Presbyterian church in the United States of America; Methodist Episcopal church in the United States; Reformed Church in the United States; Congregational church; Disciples of Christ; Christian Union of the United States; Northern Baptist convention; Evangelical Synod of North America; Reformed Episcopal church; Moravian Church in America; United Presbyterian church of North America; Welsh Presbyterian church; United Brethren and Primitive Methodists.
Other denominations which have unofficially approached the proposed organic union with tentative approval are the Society of Friends, United Lutheran church and Reformed church in America.

TWELVE LEADERS IN DEMOCRATIC PARTY SPEAK AT BANQUET

Washington, Jan. 6.—Twelve of the leading figures of the democratic party, including most of those prominent in the presidential nomination race, are on the list of speakers made public today for the Jackson day dinner to be held here Thursday night.
A message from President Wilson will be read first at the banquet and speeches will be made by the following:
William Jennings Bryan, Secretary of State; Attorney General Palmer; Governor Cox of Ohio; James W. Gerard, former ambassador to Germany; Champ Clark of Missouri, former speaker of the house; Governor Curnutt of West Virginia; Senators Hickencock, Nebraska; Pomeroy, Ohio; Underwood, Alabama; and Owen of Oklahoma, and Mrs. Peter Owen, associate.
The banquet incidental to the quadrennial meeting of the national committee to choose a time and place for the national convention is expected to provide a vehicle for those in the running for the presidential nomination to place their views before the party leaders and the country.
Great interest centered in the presidential message of greeting and in the announcements to be made by Mr. Bryan. Characterized as "an important word" by White House officials, the nature of Mr. Wilson's message is being carefully guarded. Speculation revolves about what he may say on a third term and on the peace treaty as a campaign issue.

Vancouver, B. C., Jan. 6.—Vancouver baseball interests are ready to pay \$1,000 for the Salt Lake City franchise in the Pacific Coast League. Robert Brown, president of the Vancouver club announced here today.
Brown said he sent a wire last night to San Francisco advising the league directors of Vancouver's position. A reply was expected today.

LOCAL HELP NECESSARY TO MAKE SURE OF FULL CENSUS ENUMERATION

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Signed by..... Address.....
Mail the above card, when filled out, to Census Supervisor Crawford, Postoffice Building, Salem, Ore.

Astoria census authorities have sent Supervisor Crawford, who with his staff of enumerators is canvassing Salem to find out how many people are here, what the city's resources are, etc., a challenge that Astoria will, after the census is taken, show a greater population than Salem. The enumerators are confident that Salem is the larger city, and are bending every effort to raise the population to make Salem the second city in the state. But they need your help.
During this week, one of your family, who is able to give the enumerators all the information, should remain at home. Because you can never tell when an enumerator may call on you. And this week is the time allotted for the taking of the census in the city.
And if you know of any Salemite, whose permanent residence is here, and who, at present is out of the city, fill out the above blank, and send it to Census Supervisor Crawford.

TRADE COMMISSION STATISTICIAN HELD AS ALIEN AGITATOR

Chicago, Jan. 6.—Federal authorities today had in custody Rafael Malen, statistician of the federal trade commission, in connection with the nation wide arrests of radicals, while the first of the 224 radicals held for deportation were brought before immigration authorities for hearing.
Malen, who had just returned from Mexico, was fired by agents of the department of justice late last night and District Attorney Clynne is said to have asked officials at Washington to issue a warrant for him. Malen is said to be a member of the communist labor party. He was confined in the military prison at Camp Grant in 1917 as a conscientious objector.
Hearing of the cases of 224 radicals were before Immigration Inspector Harry R. Landis this morning as the first step for selecting Chicago's contingent for the next "soviet ark." These have been termed "perfect deportation" cases by federal officials.
Appeals of the cases of William D. ("Big Bill") Haywood, who surrendered resistance to local authorities, and Victor L. Berger of Milwaukee, under sentence by Federal Judge Landis for violation of the espionage act, were up for hearing in the United States court of appeals today.

TURKS READY WITH REPORT ON TREATY

Constantinople, Wednesday, Dec. 31.—Members of the commission preparing data on the Turkish view point relative to peace have completed their work. In addition to territorial matters the commission has formulated a detailed outline of projected legal and administrative reforms which offers substitutes for capitulations which would deprive Turkey of possible development economically and which would interfere with sovereignty and legal matters.
Exchange of Smyrna for Macedonia, which was proposed just before the war and accepted in principle by Premier Venizelos of Greece is proposed.

Oregon Law School Given Recognition By A. A. L. S.

Eugene, Or., Jan. 6.—The University of Oregon school of law has just been recognized by admission to the association of American Law schools. News to this effect was contained in a telegram received at the university from Dr. E. W. Hope, dean of the school who has been in Chicago attending the sessions of the organization.
The Oregon school has now completely recovered from its war time slump. With more than 70 students, its enrollment is now greater than ever before.

TWO AMERICAN OIL MEN KILLED ACROSS BORDER

Washington, Jan. 6.—Earl Bowles and F. Roney, Americans employed by the International Petroleum company, have been murdered by Mexicans within one mile of Palo Blanco, near Fort Lobos, according to private advices received here today from Tampico.
One Mexican also was murdered. No details were given, but it was said that the American consul at Tampico was in possession of all the facts. He has not yet reported to the state department.
The territory in which the murder occurred was said to be under the control of Carranza forces.
Houston, Texas, Jan. 6.—Two American employees of the International Petroleum company, murdered by bandits near Fort Lobos, Mexico, were from Texas. They were slain Monday, according to information received here today.
F. J. Roney was a Houston oil man and Earl Bowles, formerly with the Gulf Refining company at Beaumont. The first report received here from a correspondent at Tampico was confirmed in a report to the Texas company.

GUARD AND FORCE CROSS BORDER TO JOIN VILLISTAS

Eagle Pass, Texas, Jan. 6.—There was an unconfirmed report here today that General Alberto Guajardo, formerly of the Huerta army, had crossed the Rio Grande into Mexico, eight miles north of here, with fifty-six men, two machine guns and twenty thousand rounds of ammunition, to join the Villista forces.
San Antonio, Texas, Jan. 6.—The divisional office of the bureau of investigation, department of justice, has received information from border agents to the effect that General Guajardo with fifty-six men crossed the Rio Grande between Eagle Pass and Laredo Sunday night for the purpose of participating in elections in the state of Coahuila. No mention of ammunition or guns was contained in these reports.

REPUBLICAN HEADS CONTINUE TO MAKE CONVENTION PLANS

Chicago, Jan. 6.—Republicans from 14 middle western states continued today their work of making party issues and laying plans for the participation of republican women in the 1920 presidential campaign.
Demands of women for equal representation on the national committee of the party and a sentiment, reflected in speeches of prominent party leaders, to deal vigorously with the labor and industrial situation as one of the chief issues of the election campaign were the principal developments of the conference which began yesterday.
Many of the women today regarded their demands for "a fair representation in the party organization as virtually confirmed with the statements of Will H. Hays, chairman of the republican national committee, that "the republican party offers the women everything we offer the men."
Plans for the national convention next June also were launched and arrangements for the fitting up of the Coliseum to allow a seating capacity of 13,137 were made.
Edward P. Thayer of Indianapolis was elected sergeant at arms for the gathering.
Banquet Honors Leaders
At a banquet last night given by the state central committee in honor of Chairman Hays and Mrs. John Glover South, chairman of the women's division of the national committee, the two candidates for the presidential nomination, and Chairman Hays devoted their attention to industrial problems. The gathering was attended by more than 1200 republican men and women.
Major General Leonard Wood, assailing anarchism, declared "the biggest problem of the day is maintenance of law and order, respect for constituted authority and maintenance of a government under the constitution."
"As for the reds," said General Wood, "lets stamp them out. They grow in communities where government is timid and slack." Ninety percent of American labor is "on the square," he said, urging American leadership for labor.
Governor Frank O. Lowden of Illinois urged women to aid in bringing about a more healthy industrial situation. "If every man and woman took the same interest in political matters as in their personal affairs, most of our ills would disappear," he asserted.

Firing Squad For Reds

In the war on radicalism, he said, there was no more patient argument than home ownership.
Governor Lowden made public a letter to Senator Borah of Idaho in which he urged ratification of the covenant of the league of nations with such reservations as already adopted by the senate.

WILLAMETTE GIRL IS WINNER OF NATIONAL ORATORICAL CONTEST

DES MOINES, Iowa, Jan. 6.—Miss Margaret Garrison of Willamette university, Salem, Or., was today the holder of the title of first place in the national oratorical contest last night which closed the convention of the Intercollegiate Prohibition association here. She is the first woman to attain the highest honors in the oratorical contests of the association.
Henry K. Cassidy, Ottawa university, Kansas, was awarded second place, and Barton R. Pogue, Taylor university, Indiana, third place.
Willamette Rejoices
Willamette university's victory bell tolled this morning amid jubilation of the students when word was received that Miss Margaret Garrison, Willamette's representative, had won first place in the national prohibition contest held last night in Des Moines, Iowa.
Miss Garrison was a member of the class of 1918 in the university, and a member of the Phi Kappa Phi literary society. In February, 1917, she won first place in the state prohibition contest, and in May of the same year went to Los Angeles to compete in the Pacific coast contest, taking first place there also, qualifying for the national contest. Since that time she has been working continually to improve the wording and delivery of her oration, and to make it fit the present situation, so that her victory over the best in the nation is a result of long, hard effort as well as ability.
Received Training Here
Miss Garrison was coached for her first oratorical appearance by Mrs. Helen Miller Senn, at that time head of the public speaking department at Willamette university. Mrs. Senn also coached her for the appearance at Los Angeles, and helped put on the finishing touches for the national contest. Miss Garrison also took work under Professor Della Crowder-Miller, who is now at the head of the department. She is especially noted for the dramatic quality of delivery, and in connection with her work in public speaking gave a number of powerful readings and played strong dramatic parts before Salem audiences.
She is at present a teacher in Franklin high school of Portland, but obtained leave to go to Des Moines to compete in the national contest. A number of Willamette students who have been attending the student volunteer conference in Des Moines, were able to be present at the contest.
Rally Held Today.
A rally was held in the chapel this morning to celebrate Miss Garrison's victory in announcing the result. Dean Alden compared it in importance as an inter-sectional contest to the recent Harvard-Oregon football game, and spoke of the prestige which Miss Garrison's victory will bring to the west, to Salem and to Willamette University. The student body cheered the announcement uproariously, and voted to send a telegram of congratulations to Miss Garrison. Following this a rally was held, with songs and yells for Miss Garrison, in celebration of Willamette's victory.

Frosts to Damage Fruit And Berry Crop of Valley But Little Says Paulus

That damages accruing from the recent mid-winter frosts will affect a very small percentage of next season's crop is the opinion of Robert C. Paulus, manager of the Salem Fruit Union. That trees and vines in portions of the bottom sections sustained some damage has been generally conceded, but even in the sections which first report held at total loss, the milder weather finds trees and vines recuperating.
Mr. Paulus also observes that the heaviest loss sustained by the loganberry growers was in instances where the yards had been cleaned up and trellised, the total loss being minimized, however, by small percentage of acreage on the vines at the time of the frost. Most growers had their vines down as they had tipped them for new plants.
Strong Market Prospect.
Mr. Paulus asserts that present stocks of fruit products will be cleaned from the market before the next market placement is made and that this one fact alone warrants anticipation for a sustained market. Mr. Paulus says:
"It is too early to make any definite forecast as to the prices which growers will receive during this season, but it is reasonable to predict good prices, judging from the heavy demand and the short market. Growers should anticipate now the increased demand for berries and should increase present acreage as much as possible. Planting of logans, strawberries, evergreens, black and red raspberries are in keeping with increasing demands brought about by nation-wide prohibition. In every large city of the United States consumption of fruit beverages has increased a hundred fold and the wise grower will put himself in a position to profit accordingly by increasing plantings."
Development Needed.
If the Willamette valley is to actually establish itself as the premier quantity and quality fruit area, advantage must be taken of the splendid opportunities now in evidence. Mr. Paulus says a good word for the growers prepared for presentation to the senate provides for strong government control of the packers to be administered by a national food commission.

GRANGE BALLOT UPON CUMMINS BILL OVER

Washington, Jan. 6.—Results of the recent referendum in the National Grange on the anti-strike provisions of the Cummins railroad bill will be presented to Chairman Cummins of the senate interstate commerce committee tomorrow by the grange's executive committee which began sessions here today. It was announced that so far as heard from the results of the referendum were unanimously in favor of retaining the anti-strike clause.
The committee also will present the views of the grange on the packer legislation to Chairman Grimes of the senate agricultural committee. These views are expressed in a tentative bill prepared for presentation to the senate. It provides for strong government control of the packers to be administered by a national food commission.

MAN WHO PRATTLED ABOUT MURDER DIES

Lee Allan Watson, received at the state hospital from Bandan last week, died Monday afternoon. Watson has attracted considerable attention since his commitment to the state hospital by his repeated protests of innocence of the murder of Lillian Leuthold, Bandan girl, for which crime Harold Howell of Coos county is now facing his third trial.
It is believed that Watson's hallucination was due to the fact that a rifle which he owned was exhibited in one of the murder trials to prove that there were more than one rifle of the caliber as that with which the Howell boy is accused of having killed the girl, in that community. When received at the hospital here he was so delirious as to make intelligent questioning impossible and he did not recover sufficiently to throw any light on his ravings.

HUNS EXPECTED TO SIGN PEACE PACT SATURDAY

Exchange Of Ratifications Set For This Week; Wilson To Call League Meeting When Three Allies Accept Terms.

(Associated Press Leased Wire)
Paris, Jan. 6.—There is every indication now in supreme council circles that the peace protocol will be signed by Germany and ratifications of the treaty of Versailles exchanged on the coming Saturday, January 10, the date tentatively set by the council yesterday.
The council of the league of nations, it is understood, will be called to meet about a week later.
Meeting Waits Action.
Washington, Jan. 6.—President Wilson "will no doubt" issue the call for the first meeting of the league of nations under the peace treaty when the treaty is actually in effect through the exchange of ratifications of three of the allied powers and Germany, Under Secretary of State Polk said today.
"I think there is hardly a doubt that the president will issue the call," Mr. Polk said, "in view of the fact that he is especially charged with this duty by the treaty and it has nothing to do with this duty by the treaty and it has nothing to do with ratification by the United States."
Mr. Polk added that he had so advised Premier Clemenceau and the other entente premiers while he was in Paris as head of the American peace mission when they asked whether the president would issue the call.

DECISION IN DAMAGE CASE UP HELD; OTHER OPINIONS ARE ISSUED

The decision of Judge Gilbert W. Phelps of the circuit court of Yamhill county in the case of Marium Caldwell vs. J. T. Hoskins, an action to recover damages for personal injuries caused by an automobile, is affirmed in an opinion written by Justice Harris and handed down by the supreme court this morning.
Other opinions were handed down as follows:
Jens Thomson vs. Giesbich and Joplin, appellants, appeal from Multnomah county; action to recover damages for deceit alleged by plaintiff to have been practiced upon him in the sale of cows. Opinion by Justice Burnett; Judge Bagley affirmed.
Chester V. Dolph vs. Harriette F. Speckart, appellant, appeal from Multnomah county. Action by attorney to recover for personal services pursuant to a written contract. Opinion by Justice Bean; Judge Tucker affirmed.
Robert Lee Boehmer, appellant, vs. Julius Silverstone and Seneca Pouta, appeal from Multnomah county; motion to modify former opinion; modification allowed in opinion by Justice Bean.

SUNKEN WARSHIPS IN SCAPA FLOW TO BLOW UP, VERDICT

(Associated Press Leased Wire)
London, Jan. 6.—German warships sunk by their masters in Scapa Flow, will be blown up shortly, it was said here today. The decision to dispose of the vessels in this way followed the completion of investigation by a special commission representing all of the allies.
The decision, announced in the foregoing dispatch to blow up the German ships sunk in Scapa Flow apparently disposes of a question which has caused a great deal of discussion in all of the allied countries. The almost insuperable task of raising the vessels and the possibility that the salvaged materials would not be of great value were believed to have weighed heavily in favor of destroying the vessels by explosives.

Salt Lake Owners Decline Offer For Club Franchise

San Francisco, Jan. 6.—Jack Cook, head of the Salt Lake City baseball club, commenting on the report that Vancouver, B. C., interests were ready to pay \$25,000 for the Salt Lake City franchise, declared here today that such offer would be entertained. The Utah club was not for sale, he said.
Fall wheat in the Weston vicinity is looking excellent and has not been damaged by the frost, according to reports from that section.