

KILLED BY DYNAMITE BLAST

PLAN COAST TOURNAMENT FOR SALEM

Athletic Boards of State Sanction Idea of Holding Championship Series Here.

Plans for a Pacific coast high school basketball tournament to be held in Salem were announced this morning by Coach Guy Hathorn of Willamette university.

State high school athletic boards of Washington, Idaho and Oregon have given their official sanction of the idea and will present invitations to winners of the state tournaments at Boise, Seattle and Salem tonight. California has no state tournament, and the championship there is not so easy to determine. Hathorn has requested the California state board to recommend some high school team as a logical contender for the Pacific coast championship. A strong possibility is seen that the school may be Piedmont high school of Oakland.

Under present plans the games will extend over three evenings, one game being played each night. Expenses of all visiting teams will be played in full, regardless of whether or not enough money is taken in at the door to meet the bill. A number of local business men have signified their willingness to underwrite the tournament.

No reports have reached Salem as to which teams are most likely to represent Washington and Idaho. Oregon will be represented by one of the four teams, Salem, Franklin, McMinnville and Eugene, who enter the semi-finals this afternoon.

Foreseeing the possibility that a California team may not enter, tentative plans are already under way by local authorities to hold the meet without a southern team. The remaining three teams may be represented, determining the championship only between the three. Montana, Nevada or some other state may be asked to send a team. Two teams from each of the three north-west states may be invited. Probably these would be the winners and runners up in the state tournaments.

The dates of the tournament have not been definitely settled, but will probably be some time during the week of March 22 to 28. The local tourney will be scheduled in case any of the coast teams are to enter the national tournament at Chicago they will have time to do so. The national meet is slated to begin April 5.

5 INDICTMENTS RETURNED TODAY BY GRAND JURY

Five true bills of indictment and two not true bills were returned by the Marion county grand jury in its report to Judge Percy H. Kelly today. The indictments were:

William R. Smith, for assault with a dangerous weapon on the person of John Larson.

Albert Arthur Kieber, for the unlawful possession of a still.

Glenn Berg, for larceny of chickens and meat.

J. A. Walker, for larceny of wood.

Emile Van Damme, for non-support.

The not true bills were returned in favor of Donald Severance, who was charged with uttering a forged instrument, and Lee Ruffe, who was accused of burglary not in a dwelling.

Judge Kelly sentenced Russell Crossman to serve thirty days in the county jail for unlawful possession of liquor.

On motion of District Attorney Carson Judge Kelly continued the present grand jury over into another term, and it will be reconvened in about a week.

Washington, Mar. 14.—Wilder S. Metcalf of Lawrence, Kan., will be nominated today by President Coolidge as commissioner of the bureau of pensions.

RELEASE OF RICH ORPHAN HEIR SOUGHT

Habeas Corpus Action Begun To Free Shepherd, Foster Father of McClintock.

Chicago, March 14.—A habeas corpus action was begun today seeking the release of William D. Shepherd, foster father and heir of McClintock, rich orphan, in connection with whose Shepherd has been held in custody by the state's attorney.

Chicago, March 14.—William D. Shepherd will remain in the technical custody of the state's attorney until 2 p. m. Wednesday. While State's Attorney R. E. Crowe continues his investigation of the death of William D. McClintock, rich orphan and foster son of Shepherd, whose heir Shepherd is by a will now being contested. By agreement of Shepherd's counsel and the state's attorney hearing of a writ of habeas corpus in his behalf was continued until that time.

Information the state's attorney has obtained in investigating the death of young William McClintock will be placed before the grand jury Monday, two assistants of Robert E. Crowe, the county prosecutor, told Judge Jacob Hopkins today.

Mr. Shepherd was taken into custody early today on a forthwith subpoena.

Faiman Questioned. Dr. Faiman, who also was held for further questioning and who was scheduled to nearly 36 hours of steady examination before he told his story, said Shepherd had posed as a lawyer seeking information on terms in defense of a client accused of administering them.

Later Shepherd had given him \$50 for a letter he had written to the school inquiring about bacteriology courses. Faiman said.

Beyond asking if they had a warrant, Shepherd offered no resistance to detectives who went to his home. Mrs. Shepherd became hysterical and declared "this is persecution."

She was calm several hours later when brought to the state's attorney's office and told assistant state's attorneys that "if they realized how much I loved Billy McClintock the case would have been dropped."

During the questioning of Shepherd, state's attorneys and police rounded up a number of witnesses who had been promised in testifying before the coroner's inquest into McClintock's death. They sought Dr. Foshberg, who told the coroner's jury that he had been consulted by Shepherd about effects of germs on subtle poisons and probability of their detection in an autopsy, and John P. Marchland, former agent of Faiman who told of the letter.

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Philip Made Minister

Washington, Mar. 14.—Hoffman Philip of New York was named today by President Coolidge as minister to Persia.

Woman Wins Fight To Save Old Oak Tree In Highway

Ella Finney, of Brooks, for the rest of her life, may lie in her bed at night and watch the moon come up through the branches of the old oak tree in the middle of the road in front of her home.

The woodmen, in the guise of County Judge Hunt and County Commissioner Smith, have made up their minds to spare the tree. When the road is improved it will be so graded as to avoid the ancient oak and still leave room for Miss Finney to plant a little flower bed around its base, as she wishes to do.

Miss Finney's fight for the guardian oak which seemed a losing one for a while has been turned into victory.

Yesterday afternoon Judge and Mrs. Hunt, with two girl friends of the family, took a drive into the country to look at the oak.

Kills Four Children With Axe, Hacks Self But Will Live

Kansas City, Mo., Mar. 14.—Morrison Gibson, of Prather Hill, Mo., near North Kansas City, killed his four children with an axe early today while his wife was in another part of the house and then hacked himself with the axe, and later slashed his wrists. He is expected to live. No reason has been assigned for the quadruple killing.

TIME NEAR FOR CALLING NEW ARMS MEETING

Washington, Mar. 14.—While awaiting more complete and authentic advice concerning the disarmament situation abroad, President Coolidge believes recent developments there as already indicated have opened the way to a more definite approach to the project of another arms limitation conference to be entered by the United States.

As soon as more definite advice are in hand as to the effect of recent developments in Geneva concerning the league of nations disarmament and security protocol, the president proposes to give close attention to the matter in conference with Secretary Kellogg. Any step approaching a formal presentation of the conference idea to the nations interested, however, will await a survey of the situation on the basis of more authentic advice to be received through official channels.

As there has been no actual approach to any of the powers on the subject and the conferences planned by the president with his secretary of state will, in fact, be the initial move in getting the many preliminaries attending the project under way.

While it will be for these discussions to determine the plan of procedure Mr. Coolidge at this time favors a simultaneous approach to the various powers.

STOLE THE TIRES OFF AUTOMOBILE

Romeo Gouley, who lives on the Pacific highway a mile north of Brooks, reported to the sheriff's office that shortly after 1 o'clock this morning, thieves broke into his garage by pulling the haep on the lock and stripped his Hudson car.

They took a rear wheel, equipped with a Kelly-Springfield tire, a nearly new Havers tire from the front wheel, an N. & M. spotlight, a large Hudson jack, a wheel puller, a green checked robe of Indian design, and a motorometer. The motorometer wouldn't work. The rear wheel is marked as it is heavily scored around the inside on the spokes, the scoring being filled with putty.

Gouley states he knows that the robbery happened about 1 o'clock as a neighbor, kept up with a sick baby, heard the car at about that time. After it started from near the garage, the neighbor stated, the car went south at great speed.

REPORTED DEATH OF CONDIT 'EXAGGERATED'

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SENATE ROW BREAKS OVER COUZENS CASE

Bedlam Breaks Lose When Kentuckian Calls A Senator Malicious And Wicked Liar.

Washington, March 14.—The row over Senator Couzens' charges against the treasury department threw the senate into bedlam today and before order had been restored personal motives had been impugned; asiding allegations of misconduct had been hurled across the chamber and finally one senator had sought to apply to another the epithet of "wiral, malicious, wicked liar."

It was Senator Ernest of Kentucky who brought the battle of words to its climax by inquiring whether he could call another senator a "liar" under the senate rules, but in the confusion that followed he never had an opportunity to explain to whom he referred.

The Kentucky senator had opened the argument with an attack on Senator Couzens who, he said, had been prompted by "personal animus" against Secretary Mellon. Senator Couzens replied with a reference that Senator Ernest interpreted as an accusation that he had helped pilfer certain important records of the committee. Then Senator Glass of Virginia, a former democratic secretary of the treasury, assailed both Senator Ernest and Secretary Mellon in a speech loaded with biting jibes at the republicans.

Just as Senator Glass concluded.

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REDS DRILLING WITH RIFLES IN GOTHAM JAILED

New York, March 14.—Bomb squad agents last night arrested three men whom they found with rifles at the Ukraine society headquarters. Later the agents seized 50 rifles and 25 sabres at headquarters of the communist or workers' party headquarters.

The men arrested in the Ukraine society were Sol Zalon, Henry Winograph and Aaron Eimen. They were under command of Abe Burman, who police said was a former soldier.

In night court the prisoners said their drill was merely a rehearsal for a scene at Madison Square Garden today when communists will celebrate the anniversary of the Paris commune in 1872.

Winograph and his aids were charged with violation of an ordinance which prohibits citizens carrying or possessing weapons.

"There's a lot more to this than appears on the surface," was all that Captain James Geegan of the bomb squad would say about the raid. The magistrate held three of the prisoners in \$10,000 bail each.

Burman, who authorities learned, is a naturalized citizen, was not held.

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WARREN TO GET RECESS APPOINTMENT

Coolidge Insists Upon Choice For Attorney General—Defies Senate Which Delays Vote.

Washington, March 14.—An announcement was made today at the White House that President Coolidge will offer Charles B. Warren of Michigan a recess appointment as attorney general if his nomination of the post is not confirmed by the senate.

The following statement was issued by Secretary Sanders on behalf of the president: "Notwithstanding various reports and rumors the president is making every possible effort to secure the confirmation of Mr. Warren. As the time is very short and to accommodate the senate he has consulted certain men and certain senators as to what course should be pursued in case Mr. Warren is not confirmed.

"He has decided on no other appointment. He will offer him a recess appointment. He hopes, however, that the unbroken practice of three generations of permitting the president to choose his own cabinet will not now be changed and that the opposition to Mr. Warren upon further consideration will be withdrawn in order that the country will have the benefit of his excellent qualities and the president may be unhampered in choosing his own method of executing the laws."

Washington, Mar. 14.—Convinced of a second rejection of the nomination of Charles B. Warren to be attorney general is inevitable, administration leaders in the senate today asked for time and gave some indications of resigning their last hope of victory.

Some of them believed that President Coolidge himself had become convinced Mr. Warren never could be confirmed and were casting about for another to nominate in his place.

The White House, itself, however, gave no sign that the fight had been abandoned, officials there indicating on the contrary that the president remained determined to wage a war to the finish with his opponents in the senate.

POLICE SEEK MISSING WIFE LOST ON TRAIN

Minneapolis, Minn., March 14.—Police of three cities today sought a 21-year-old Minneapolis woman who ten days ago helped her husband into a berth aboard a Pullman en route to Chicago, kissed him good night and said: "I'll be back in just a minute," and disappeared, leaving no trace of her whereabouts.

From Chicago by way of Eau Claire, Wis., H. B. Cunningham came here to ask police to help trace the woman, Mrs. Harry Fleck, whose husband is seriously ill in Chicago.

Eau Claire police found that the woman dropped from the Chicago train there March 7, at 2 a. m. but were unable to determine where she went after that. A train passed through Eau Claire at 3 a. m. bound for Minneapolis and police sought to question its crew for possible clues.

Fleck, 22 years old, had just taken a position in Chicago and was on his way to begin work when Mrs. Fleck disappeared. Little could be learned of the Flecks here today. Inquiries failed to reveal their former residence and Cunningham could not be located.

Mrs. Fleck's parents are Mr. and Mrs. J. Reed of Missoula, Mont.

AIKEN ELECTED AS PRESIDENT OF EDITORS

Eugene, Or., Mar. 14.—George K. Aiken, publisher of the Ontario Argus, was elected president of the Oregon Newspaper conference at the meeting here today. George S. Turnbull, of the faculty of the University of Oregon school of journalism, was re-elected secretary.

DEATH OF RANCHER AROUSES SUSPICION

Noted Football Critic Found Dead In Bed From Heart Disease



WALTER CAMP DIES SUDDENLY IN HOTEL ROOM

New York, Walter Camp, noted football coach and critic, died today.

He died of heart failure in the Hotel Belmont.

Mr. Camp attended a meeting of the football rules committee last night, leaving about midnight and returning to his room at the Hotel Belmont. He apparently was in good health when he retired, hotel attaches said.

When the rules committee assembled this morning in the hotel Pennsylvania the members delayed opening their meeting pending Camp's arrival. When some time had elapsed and he had not appeared, Bill Roper, Princeton coach, was delegated by the committee to look for Camp at the Belmont. Roper went to the famous coach's room and getting no response had the door opened. Camp was lying dead on his bed.

Arrangements for the funeral probably will be made later today after the arrival of Mrs. Camp, who was in Atlantic City this morning.

Members of the rules committee shocked by the news, adjourned their meeting immediately. E. K. Hall, the committee chairman said that Camp had appeared in the best of health and in excellent spirits at last night's session, which adjourned about midnight.

Mr. Hall said that Camp's failure to appear this morning caused him some worry and that at about 10:30 o'clock he delegated one (Continued on Page Nine)

Berlin, March 13.—Princess Hermoine, wife of former Emperor William, is in a Berlin sanitarium under treatment for rheumatism.

Drainage District to Await For New Law Before Validation

Decision on the matter of the drainage district in southeast Salem will await the conclusion of the 90 day period for the new law to go into effect which attempts to validate the governor's signature on the petition as representative of the board of control.

While the court has made no announcement to this effect, the fact has been learned from a reliable source.

It is stated that the very introduction of the bill in the legislature providing for such validation was a tacit admission on the part of proponents of the district that there was a wholesome doubt as to its validity as it originally appeared on the petition. This being

Fred Swartz Killed by Premature Blast On His Ranch—Involved In Neighborhood Feud and Implicated In Keunzli Murder Case—Had Neighbor Arrested

His body badly mangled and torn, Fred Swartz, 48, rancher 12 miles south of Salem, was killed by a premature dynamite explosion on his ranch early this morning.

As a result of the killing all facts surrounding a long standing feud in the community probably will be aired at a coroner's inquest which District Attorney Carson stated today would be set in motion in the near future.

The death of Swartz, while on the face of it was purely accidental, gives rise to conjectures which make a careful investigation of all possible circumstances surrounding it imperative.

NEW ORDER OF KU KLUX KLAN INCORPORATES

Improved Order of Klansmen filed articles of incorporation today with the state corporation department. The incorporators are Harold Mulbar, Jack Mantor, C. C. Harris, LaMar Pacer, H. H. Pettygrove and Roy S. Glenn. Headquarters will be in Portland. Jack Mantor was formerly deputy warden of the state penitentiary. Assets are said to be less than \$100.

The organization proposes to associate white male Protestants together in educational, religious and charitable objects for mutual benefit and the public good.

Other articles filed today were: Modoc Pine company, Portland; incorporators, L. B. Menefee, V. DeLoach, P. L. Menefee; capital, \$100,000.

Roseway Community club, Portland; incorporators, Bradley Sizer, W. B. Cameron, J. A. Vallancourt.

Lincoln Realty company, Portland; incorporators, George C. Ulrich, Frank C. Watkins, M. Pailay, Harold A. Wormser; capital, \$5000.

Under the blue sky act the following permits were issued: Interstate Securities company, Portland; to sell stock in the sum of \$20,000 and 200 shares of non-par value stock.

Articles of incorporation were filed today with the state corporation department by the Bush College Community club of Polk county, just across the river from Salem. The incorporators are Al H. Steiner, U. J. Lehman, F. C. Ewing, John Schindler and Emma McCarter.

CONFIDENCE VOTED IN PREMIER MUSSOLINI

Rome, Mar. 14.—(By Associated Press)—The chamber of deputies gave the government of Premier Mussolini two votes of confidence today. Supporting the government's internal policy the chamber voted 215 to 12, while the second vote on the colonial policy was 211 to 15.

The case the court figures that to approve the district plans now would merely be inviting litigation which would virtually assure a nullification of such action.

It is not to be taken that the court will finally approve the district, even with the law becoming effective, although it is known the court would like to sanction the prayer of the petitioners if it could be done legally and in such a manner as not to harm parties not benefited in any great extent.

Even with the law effective the query remains as to whether the legislature has the power to validate the signature of the governor in such fashion.

Whatever happens it seems likely that litigation will follow.

AUMSVILLE HI USED INELIGIBLES

A protest made by the high school of Crabtree, Linn county, against the Ames-Davis Memorial High school of Aumsville, charging the Aumsville school with using two ineligible players in basketball games played with the Gates high school on February 27, were today by the board of control of the state high school athletic association here today. It was alleged that one ineligible player was used on the boys' team and another on the girls' team of the Aumsville teams. Irregularity in attendance and failure to maintain passing grades were the basis of the charge.

The board of control which heard the witnesses in the case were G. A. Briscoe, superintendent of the Ashland schools, president of the board; J. O. McLaughlin, superintendent of the Corvallis schools; secretary, and Austin Landroth, principal of Pendleton high school, vice-president.