

OPPOSITION TO NEER SUBSIDING IS INDICATION

Local school board politics remain in an unsettled condition despite the fact that it became known today that a number of Salem realtors and insurance dealers have appointed a committee to secure an opponent for Frank Neer, who at present is apparently the sole candidate in the field to succeed Curtis Cross, retiring member of the board.

Opposition to Neer among his opponents seems to have subsided slightly, due to an impression among them that Neer has weakened somewhat from his original stand, which they claim was a stand in qualification in favor of parceling out the school insurance business as it is at present parcelled out. Three local insurance men, one in particular, get the great bulk of school insurance business, they claim. William Burghardt is the chief favorite of the present board, they state, getting \$30 a month as clerk as well as more insurance business than anyone else. Burghardt has been clerk for 12 years. The present annual budget handled by him amounts to some \$250,000.

Neer's stand as given to representatives of the press is that he refuses to attempt to become a member of the board committed to any definite program, preferring to depend entirely on his own judgment as to what he will favor after election.

BRAMWELL WILL FIGHT MANDAMUS

Mandamus proceedings instituted by the Capital Journal through its publisher to force the state superintendent of banks to maintain his principal office in Salem will be vigorously fought, states Bank Superintendent Frank Bramwell, who will appear in court May 6th to answer to the complaint.

He announces the retention of Sidney Graham of Portland as his attorney to fight the case. He did not know whether the state bankers association will intervene in his behalf as reported or not.

"We intend to secure court ruling as to the meaning of the law," said Mr. Bramwell, "and if it is decided that we must come back to Salem, we will have to come."

LONDON WILL HAVE HUGE MOVIE HOUSE

London. — London's newest moving picture theatre, the Capitol, which is to provide the British capital with entertainment of the sort furnished at Broadway's great movie palaces, will seat 2,000 persons and will house two ballrooms and a huge restaurant.

The theatre, situated in the Haymarket, is built on the first floor above the street. Valued at \$1,550,000, the house has been leased for 60 years at an annual rental of \$100,000.

U. S. FAMILY MENACE SEEN

Urbana, Ill. — The size of the American family of native stock in one generation has decreased 24 per cent, according to R. H. Fisher, professor of sociology at the University of Illinois, who added that today the native stock family has less than three children, while it requires four, under the present mortality and marriage rate, to replace the stock without increase.

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COLLEGE, HI SCHOOL GRADUATES IN JAIL

Los Angeles.—Surveys among prisoners in the Los Angeles county jail indicate that there is something wrong with present educational and religious methods. In the opinion of Raymond L. Turney, director of the Los Angeles Crime Commission. He expressed this view at a recent meeting of the Southern California Academy of Criminology.

Seven per cent of the inmates of the county jail, Mr. Turney said, were college graduates, as against 4 1/2 per cent in ordinary civil life. 12 1/2 per cent of the prisoners had college training; 45 per cent were high school graduates, compared with 25 per cent outside the walls.

BORNEO TRIBES BURY HATCHET IN CEREMONY

The Hague, Holland.—Dispatches from Borneo, Dutch East Indies give interesting details of a peace ceremony between the different Dyak tribes of that island. These clans have been constantly fighting each other for years, and have the reputation of being ferocious and bloodthirsty headhunters.

Some 4,000 Dyaks came to the gathering. There were present also a few Dutch and British officers, who witnessed curious war dances, songs and prayers by medicine men. Finally the head priest killed a pig by a slow method and sprinkled its blood over the multitude, pronouncing a terrible curse upon anyone who should presume to revive the inter-tribal quarrels.

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FRENCH SHEIK TAKES IN PLENTY OF MONEY

Paris, France.—The French fiscal authorities are after a professional dancing partner attached to one of the night resorts of Paris. An automobile valued at \$5000 is regarded as an evidence of great prosperity, and it is desired to make him pay his income tax to the last centime.

This young man is said to be making \$9,000 francs a month, derived entirely from the subsidies of fair partners who engage his services regularly at the rate of 2000 francs minimum a month. He has no maximum, generously inclined ladies who are particularly satisfied with him as a dancing partner, being given full freedom to show their pleasure in the size of their monthly checks.

WORLD PEACE CITY IN SOUTH SEA ISLANDS

Honolulu, H. I.—The Palmyra islands, some 1000 miles south of Hawaii will be deeded to the Pan-Pacific union as a gift if the United States agrees to withdraw sovereignty from them and recognize the isles as a neutral inviolable place of refuge for all persons who wish to confer on matters looking to the advance made by the owner L. Fullard-Leo at a Pan-Pacific luncheon.

Alexander Hume Ford, director of the Pan-Pacific union, said that the offer will be taken under advisement by the union, and its decision as to acceptance will be reserved until the attitude of the state department at Washington is learned.

WOMEN PREVAIL IN VIENNA

Vienna.—The fair sex is decidedly in the majority in Vienna, according to a census taken by the city authorities on January 1, 1925. The figures are 1,005,270 women and 852,038 men.

SWEDISH KING, 67, PLAYS FAST TENNIS

Stockholm.—King Gustav of Sweden, despite his 67 years, is an ardent sportsman and in the recent open amateur handicap tennis championship here won, with his partner, second place in the doubles, being eliminated in the finals by a score of 5 sets to 2. His speed and sure playing created astonishment among the spectators, with whom he proved very popular.

GERMANS THREATENED WITH U. S. BEVERAGE

Berlin.—Much comment has been caused in Germany by the

extensive advertisements of a company producing a new beer containing only one-half of 1 per cent of alcohol. Brewers are up in arms, as they see a prohibition movement behind this beverage with the small alcoholic content. It has, however, the endorsement of many doctors and physical educators.

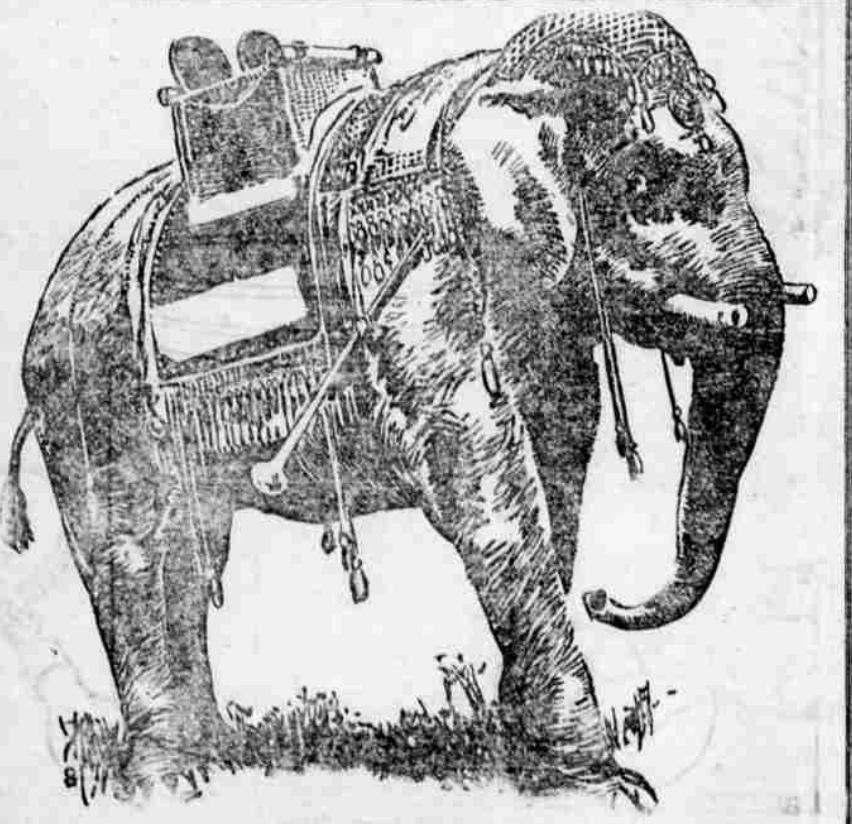
JAPS DESIRE NO MILITARY DRILLS

Tokio.—The proposed institution of military training in the middle and higher technical schools has aroused violent opposition among students, many intellectual societies and in the bulk of the native press. Student bodies have sent deputations to the war department to register their objection to the plan, and a number of educators have made

public addresses or contributed articles to the newspapers against it. The supporters of the plan maintain it has no essential military objective, but is intended as a substitute for sports and to invigorate the youthful mind as well as the body. We have studied how the American authorities are, through military discipline, trying to keep the spirit of the nation vigorous, steady and energetic," said General Baron Tanaka, former minister of war, "and we have found their system so clever that we intend to copy it. To impute any intention to us of making preparations for war is absurd."

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