

BATTLING SIKI DIES IN BRAWL

CRISIS FACED BY KIMBALL AS TO FUTURE

Meeting At Seattle Only
To Solve Site Problem
Financial Support Still
An Issue.

That Kimball school of theology faces a crisis in its history, which will only in part be solved at the meeting of ministers and laymen at Seattle Thursday, is conceded by those closely in touch with the school's affairs.

Like most schools of its kind, Kimball is confronted with problems of a financial nature. In its present position of hesitancy between Salem and Seattle, with an admitted desire on the part of the school's administration to move north, indications are that financial support in Salem will be lacking. Salem men do not intend to support a Seattle school, and until the question is definitely settled where the future location of the school is to be, little or no money will be forthcoming.

To Point Way
The meeting on Thursday, December 17, at Seattle, will not definitely settle whether Kimball is to be moved, but is expected largely to point the way toward a settlement. The meeting is called for 9 a. m. at University church. Numerous prominent Methodists, laymen and ministers, will be present.

A few delegates from the general education board of the Methodist church will also be on hand to take part in the proceedings. No definite statement has been given out as to which way the delegates lean, but from the fact that they were sent to the meeting at the request of Dr. E. C. Hickman, president of Kimball, who is known to favor the proposed move, it is assumed that they will probably be in favor of taking Kimball to Seattle.

President Hickman himself has been in and near Seattle since Sunday, interviewing persons who will be at Thursday's meeting.

Not Firm Financially
At present Kimball is not on a firm financial basis. Its endowment is said to amount to only about \$35,000, the income from a large portion not at present being available for use by the school, but is given to outside parties during their lifetime. Some \$6000 annually is at present given toward the support of Kimball by the general education board of the Methodist church. The executive committee of the

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Washington, Dec. 15.—(A.P.)—Underwritten by a warning that he would follow an "independent course" in furtherance of the policies of his father, the republican senator today formally accepted Senator Robert M. La Follette into the republican fold from which the elder La Follette had been excluded.

GOOD EVENING WORDS and MUSIC By Stoddard King

ODIOUS COMPARISONS
The drowsy moon was like a blushing maid;
The wailing moon a strip of melon rind.
He said the lake was like a bowl of jade,
Although, of course, 'twas nothing of the kind.
Describing trees upon the mountain side,
He likened them to armies in retreat.
Except one birch, which was a timorous bride
Meeting her bridegroom with reluctant feet.

Being a writer of no small renown
He said the breeze was like a baby's breath,
And later, that the highways of the town
At midnight, were like papers cold in death.

A yellow pelurese by the river's brim,
To most of us an unexciting thing,
No ordinary pelurese was to him,
But a gold coin dropped from the purse of spring.

Lush similes came dripping from his pen—
The glow of sunset was a mother's smile;
And that, in turn was something else again,
Which, my dear friends, is what is known as style.

"Byron," says Dr. Moore, "said he ate fish three or four times a week to counteract his tendency toward corpulence." But the doctor falls to point out that Byron was also crack swimmer, which furnishes still other pro-fish argument.

LIMERIQUE
There was a young man of Bordeaux,
Who took his best girl to a bazaar.
As they went down the aisle
They observed some smallish,
So they sat in the very rear.

There is a town in Louisiana that levies no taxes, but what a dull place it must be, with nothing for an indignant taxpayer to be indignant about!

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ULSTER GUARDS SEIZE BARRACKS WHEN LET OUT

Belfast, Ireland, Dec. 15.—(A.P.)—Members of the "special" constabulary today seized the Prince's dock barracks in Belfast, declaring they would hold the buildings pending a satisfactory reply to their demands for compensation for their disbandment under the new Irish agreement.

In Derry 3500 "specials" placed armed guards over their stores and arms to prevent the authorities from removing them.

The Ulster authorities take a serious view of the situation, but feel that a way will be found to settle the difficulty without resort to drastic disciplinary action.

The special constables are demanding a bonus of 200 pounds sterling free of income tax for each man of disbandment and this is granted must be borne by the exchequer of the northern Irish government.

The men were surprised by the decision to disband them almost immediately and the prospect of being thrown out of employment so suddenly was responsible for their present action.

FRONTIER OF MOSUL FIXED BY THE LEAGUE

Mandate State of Iraq
Given Disputed Land—
Terrible Tales Of Turkish Atrocities.

Geneva, Dec. 15.—(A.P.)—After an hour's secret session of the league of nations council today a report was circulated that it had been unanimously decided to fix the provisional frontier of Mosul, thus awarding the greater part of the disputed territory to the British mandate state of Iraq. The conditions of the reported decision directed that economic treaties favorable to Turkey be negotiated and that Great Britain formally engage to extend her mandate over Iraq for 25 years. There was no confirmation of the report.

However, it was accepted as a fact in some circles where it was openly declared that the council logically had been driven to it through the impossibility of handing over Mosul to Turkey in consequence of an additional report by General Laidoner, the league's investigating agent.

Terrible Picture Presented.
This report issued today presents a terrible picture of massacres of Christians by the Turks.

The report was prepared in Mosul by the assistants of General Laidoner of Spanish, Italian and Estonian nationalities. The report charges that the massacres were committed by officers and soldiers of the 62nd Turkish infantry.

The report estimates that 3000 Catholic Chaldeans have been deported from the Mosul-Turkish frontier. It accuses the Turks of violating and slaying Christian women. All Christians were deported from the village of Merkan north of the provisional line which was fixed at the Brussels conference pending definite demarcation of the frontier.

Women Buried Alive.
Five aged women who were unable to keep up with the marching columns are declared to have been buried alive under piles of stones and left to their fate.

According to Christians who escaped, these remaining in the Turkish concentration camps are not supplied with food by their captors and are forced to live on corpses.

At Jaljo alone, the report says, 40 men were shot down in cold blood. Dying marches from other villages, the deportees were given no food for 10 days and those falling by the wayside were immediately killed by the soldiers, who used their bayonets and rifle butts.

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VOLSTEAD ACT FAILURE EDGE TELLS SENATE

New Jersey Senator Declares Amendment Permitting Beer Necessary To Make It Work.

Washington, Dec. 15.—The Volstead act is a failure and congress must amend it if existing conditions are to be improved, Senator Edge, republican, of New Jersey, declared in a prepared address today in the senate.

Proposing as the first step toward amendment his bill for 2.75 beer and removal of the restrictions on the amount of liquor a physician may prescribe, Senator Edge said that if he had the power he would amend the 18th amendment so as to provide for a reasonable distribution of hard spirit beverage under governmental supervision.

Friends Admit Failure.
Pointing out that several years would be required to bring about such a change in the fundamental law the New Jersey senator said some immediate steps should be taken to remedy the present "intolerable" conditions brought about, he added, through an effort to enforce a law that in itself is unenforceable.

"Real friends of prohibition or at least temperance admit failure," he said. Surveys conducted by original proponents of the legislature prove an increase in intoxication and an appalling condition of violation of law.

"The failure to enforce the present law being beyond controversy, the increase in the violations, being beyond successful contradiction, the influence of existing conditions an admitted menace to the peace and prosperity of the nation."

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CLIFFORD BROWN INJURED IN AUTO STAGE COLLISION

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It was reported that Littlefield was this afternoon being held for \$100 bail in the Oregon city jail in connection with the affair.

ARE YOU HELPING SANTA? Kiddies Face Dark Xmas YOUR QUARTER NEEDED

CHRISTMAS CHEER FUND	
Capital Journal.....	\$ 25.00
Salem Ad Club.....	10.00
Deputy Santa Claus.....	5.00
Mrs. Fanny Tracy.....	5.00
Marion-Polk County Realty Association.....	10.00
A Friend.....	5.00
Unknown.....	5.00
Contributor.....	1.00
Harry Jarquet.....	5.00
Total.....	\$ 67.00

Is the lack of your quarter, half dollar, dollar or larger check going to keep Santa Claus from remembering little boys and girls like those who have written the following letter to old St. Nick:

"Dear Santa Claus—I was just reading your letter in the paper and I thought I better write you and tell you where I live or you might forget me. I do not expect anything this Xmas for Father is out of work now and there is rent to pay and wood to buy and there is 5 of us children. I have a brother 11 and one 3 and two sisters. One is 7 and one is 19 months old.

"There is lots of nice things we would like to have. Will be pleased with anything you send so I hope you don't forget us."

There is another little boy who does not care much for himself, (continued on Page Nine)

FOREIGN POLICY IS HANDS OFF SAYS KELLOGG

New York, Dec. 15.—(AP)—The United States is committed to a policy of cooperating with European powers for all legitimate purposes, but of avoiding European politics. This was the keynote of an address by Secretary of State Kellogg at a dinner given in his honor last night by the council on foreign relations.

Secretary Kellogg outlined policies of his department and defended it against recent criticisms, especially with regard to allied debts and loans and the exclusion of foreigners from the United States of foreigners whether "prince or peasant" who seek to preach radical doctrines.

Characterizing the security conference at Locarno as "Europe's sincere effort to free herself from the old system of balance of power supported by military alliances," he said:

"It has been the settled policy of the United States not to interfere in purely European questions certainly not unless invited, and there was no reason to invite the United States to attend the Locarno conference."

"We shall go to the very limit of reasonable cooperation for all legitimate purposes but we will not commit ourselves to the European system of alliances and counter-alliances to maintain the balance of power upon that continent."

As for the foreign debt policy, Mr. Kellogg said it is out of the question to contemplate "an outright gift of billions of dollars." The debt settlements, he said, have been approached in a spirit of utter fairness.

Tokyo, Dec. 15.—Official advice from Mukden, capital of Manchuria, report that the troops of Marshal Cheng Tso-lin, Manchurian dictator, are retreating from Sianlinfu and Mukden and that looting is general. The Japanese residents are panic stricken. It is understood that the war office is planning a hurried replacement of troops if the situation becomes more serious but that the additional troops will bring the total to no more than the normal quota which at present is much decreased.

Shot In The Back



Battling Siki

SENEGALESE SHOT TO DEATH UPON STREET

Pugilist Who Defeated Carpenter Found Murdered After Quarrel In Dive.

New York, Dec. 15.—(A.P.)—"Battling" Siki, the Senegalese pugilist, whose turbulent career in the prize ring and elsewhere has given him wide notoriety, was mysteriously murdered early today in West Forty-first street, in the district known as "Hell's Kitchen." The one time light heavyweight champion was found lying face downward with two gunshot wounds in the back. A revolver with two exploded shells was found in the gutter not far away. The police could find no one who had witnessed the killing.

The neighborhood had not been aroused. Patrolman John J. Meenan who had exchanged greetings with Siki shortly after midnight, came upon the body four hours later. An ambulance physician found the Senegalese dead with one bullet in his lung and another in the kidney. Siki is believed to have had a brawl in one of the numerous night clubs in the neighborhood and that after the altercation he was followed into the streets and struck down from behind. He was killed in the same spot where last summer he was attacked and almost killed with a knife in a street fight.

The Senegalese lived near the scene of the killing. His wife identified the body at the police station.

Was "Good Boy"
Siki's widow told police that she last saw her husband about 7 o'clock last night at the street door of their apartment. She said Siki had told her he was going for a talk "with some of the boys for awhile." She went to a movie, returning about 11 o'clock. Siki was not home, and she retired.

At 4 o'clock this morning she was awakened with the news that her husband had been killed.

Mrs. Siki said their household effects were all packed, preparatory to going to Washington, where her husband had a theatrical engagement.

"He was a good boy," she said of the fighter. "He was just mischievous. He would never harm anybody."

Siki recently had trouble with a resident of the neighborhood over an alleged debt of \$20, which the man said Siki owed for liquor, the widow told police.

Carpenter Regretful
Paris, Dec. 15.—(AP)—Georges Carpentier, who was toppled from his world light heavyweight championship throne in 1923 by Battling Siki, expressed regret today upon learning of the tragic death of the Senegalese.

"It seems a pity," said Carpentier, "that an athlete of such magnificent gifts should have met with this end. The time has passed when boxers could indulge in drinking and carousing and be champions. I only hope poor Siki's fate will be a lesson to other aspiring pugilists."

Demands City Pay \$500 Reward Offered For Pervert's Arrest

C. C. Ferguson of Newberg, through his attorney, F. B. Layman, is making demand upon the city of Salem for the payment of a reward of \$500 offered for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the man who criminally assaulted two small girls in Salem, March 5, 1922. The information received from Ferguson is said to have led to the arrest and conviction of Clay A. Stout, a Linna county school teacher, who is now serving a life term in the state prison for the crime.

A letter received by City Recorder Poulsen from Layman points out that at a special meeting of the Salem city council March 5, 1922, the reward of \$500 was offered. Subsequently the city attorney gave an opinion holding that the city could not legally pay a reward for the apprehension of

Many Trees Planted In Landscaping of University Grounds

Details of the landscaping to be done on the Willamette university campus this winter were made public today following receipt of a letter from Henry Booth of Roseburg, who has charge of the work. The original plan to have a row of red and white Hawthorne trees along the walk at the north edge of the campus has been abandoned.

There will be 35 cut-leaf birch trees in the parking along Birch street, extending from the corner of State and Winter streets to the site occupied by Kimball college

FRENCH CRISIS GROWS GRAVER

Paris, Dec. 15.—(A.P.)—Finance Minister Loucheur resigned today following definite rejection of his fiscal projects by the finance committee of the chamber of deputies.

Paris, Dec. 15.—(A.P.)—The political situation in France has suddenly become grave in consequence of the setback experienced by Minister of Finance Loucheur in the deliberations of the finance committee of the chamber of deputies. Two of M. Loucheur's most important measures for stabilization of finances were rejected by the committee.

MANCHURIAN TROOPS RETREAT

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Japanese authorities in Manchuria were instructed today to warn belligerent Chinese that they must not battle within gun range of leased Japanese territory in the vicinity of the railway. It is also understood that orders have been issued by the Japanese commander at Kwantung warning General Kuang Sun against aggressive warfare in that region.

French At Russian Debts
Paris, Dec. 15.—(A.P.)—French and Russian delegations will soon meet in Paris to resume negotiations for settlement of the Russian debt to France. It was announced today.