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## CHENOWETH IS NOW AT SALEM INSTITUTION

MAN WHO KILLED ALLEGED BETRAYER OF HIS DAUGHTER DECLARES NOT INSANE

## WAR HERO IS NOW BROKEN MAN

Believes Order Sending Him to Salem Was to Prevent Fresh Outbreak of Trouble

(Marshfield Record)

With drawn, haggard face and haunted eyes, George D. Chenoweth, state representative from Curry county and slayer of his daughter's alleged betrayer, George Sydnam of Langlois, was this morning taken to the state insane asylum at Salem, accompanied by a guard, but in every way allowed his freedom in spite of the verdict of insanity, passed by the jury.

Less than a year ago, Mr. Chenoweth passed through this city, broken from wounds received in France and more than a year's suffering in various hospitals of Europe, but jubilant over the prospect of again being reunited with his family whom he had not seen for nearly two years—since his entanglement in the Canadian army—he had left them a happy little group, a wife and four children every one of whom he felt proud to call his own. He returned to find his eldest daughter, a girl 21 years of age, the disgraced mother of a year-old child. She told him 18-year-old George Sydnam was the infant's father.

For the first time, Mr. Chenoweth today gave his side of the story of the tragedy which followed. His wife, said Mr. Chenoweth, upon learning of her daughter's betrayal, asked young Sydnam to marry her. She would pay all the expenses of the marriage she told him and would continue to support her daughter. All she wanted was to give a name to the expected child. This the youth refused to do, and arrogantly said he could not be forced into the marriage, not being of age. To the mother he applied an unspeakable epithet, and reiterated his refusal to consider a marriage. Later, the mother again made her request to again be refused.

Upon his return to his home, said Mr. Chenoweth today, he did not see Mr. Sydnam, who immediately upon hearing of the presence in the community of the girl's father, left for California. He remained there, until Mr. Chenoweth went to the winter session of the state legislature, and then returned to Langlois. He told several persons, alleges Mr. Chenoweth, that should the father of the girl insist upon marriage he "would blow his head off." "I'm quicker on the trigger than he is and he had better not talk to me," is the alleged remark of the youth.

Mr. Chenoweth sat through the legislative session, and according to the testimony of witnesses at the trial of last week, seemed to be the victim of great mental disturbance and distress. He returned, and shortly after, on the evening of the 29th of March, he went to a dance hall at Langlois where he knew George Sydnam would be. Without parley he walked up to the youth, drew a gun, and before any action could be taken to restrain him, shot the boy twice. He calmly walked from the dance hall and later remarked to a group of bystanders, "I hope I killed him."

Mr. Chenoweth this morning talked freely of the tragedy to the Record.

"I believe the order of the court, sending me to the asylum was one of expediency," he said. "The judge feared an eruption of feeling should I be allowed to return to my family and thought that to send me to the asylum would allay any anti-

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## RACIAL SITUATION MOST DANGEROUS

Churches of Christ of America Outline Program for Protection of Negroes Against Mobs

New York, Sept. 26.—Asserting that "we must face frankly the fact that a most dangerous inter-racial situation now threatens our country," the federal council of the Churches of Christ in America made public here a "constructive program" for protecting negroes against mob violence, bettering their condition, and removing the cause of racial troubles.

The plan was formulated by the council acting in conjunction with a committee representing white and negro citizens from all parts of the United States. At a meeting of the committee held here recently a discussion of the racial situation took place and it was decided to issue "a call to the citizens of the United States to act in conformity with the high ideals of democracy and Christianity in the present condition of strained relations between the races."

The first paragraph of the program urges protection against mob violence. It follows:

"The government, local, state and national, should impartially guarantee to all classes security of life and property. Mob violence is becoming a crowd habit. When life and property are ruthlessly taken, when men and women are lynched with no protection from officers or courts, law and order are trampled under foot. We call upon the pulpit, the press and all good people to create a public sentiment that will support necessary legislation for the enforcement of existing laws, that life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness may be equally secured to all classes."

"The negro should have economic justice, equal opportunity to get and hold work on the same terms as other men, with equal pay for equal work and with fair working and living conditions," the program continues. "The entrance of large numbers of negroes into the various industries emphasizes the necessity of an immediate amicable adjustment of relations with white employers and fellow-workers."

Referring to crimes that provoke mob violence it is said:

"We call upon men and women everywhere to protect the sanctity of home and womanhood. We record with satisfaction the growing enlistment of negro leaders in a program of education and Christianization such as tends to prevent crimes that provoke mob violence. The home of the negro should receive the same measure of respect and protection as that of other Americans, and the sanctity of his home relations should be safeguarded in every possible way. Swift and impartial action of the law should strike the violators of the sanctity of any home, white or black."

## WHITE SOX AND 'REDS' TO PLAY WORLD SERIES

Cincinnati, Ohio, Sept. 26.—Baseball enthusiasts from all parts of the country will come to Cincinnati to see the Cincinnati Nationals and the Chicago White Sox clash in the world series games. If letters requesting seat reservations and hotel accommodations can be relied upon, President "Garry" Herrmann of the Cincinnati Nationals was besieged weeks in advance of the closing of the National league season for tickets for the games by Cincinnati followers of the "Reds" and by fans from every section of the country, who desired to witness the games to be played in this city. Hotels also reported that hundreds of requests for rooms had been received. To give every attention and conveniences to visitors during the world series games, the Cincinnati Chamber of Commerce planned to cooperate with the Cincinnati club management.

## STRIKE CLOUDS GETTING DARKER AND SPREADING

Huge Crowds of Strikers Plan Mass Meetings and Prepare to Use Force—Troops and Workmen Exchange Shots. Portland and Whole West Coast is Hit

Columbus, Ohio, Sept. 26.—Governor Cornwall, of West Virginia, today telegraphed Governor Cox of Ohio, that he understood that 5,000 Ohio strikers were planning to cross into West Virginia to force workers to quit their jobs.

Governor Cornwall declared that such an invasion would be regarded as "an attack upon the sovereignty of West Virginia." Governor Cox instructed the sheriff to try and prevent any conflict.

Stubenville, Ohio, Sept. 26.—Local steel workers will hold a mass meeting tonight, at which workmen from the Weirton Steel Company mills, at Weirton, West Virginia, near here, have been invited to attend. If they fail to attend, the local strikers will parade to Weirton the first of the week to hold a meeting.

Washington, Sept. 26.—Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, told the steel strike investigating committee today that the right of employees to have some voice in determining the conditions under which they work is a paramount issue of the strike. After he had testified for three hours, the committee abandoned their plans to examine tomorrow William Z. Foster, secretary of the steel workers' committee, who had been attacked in the house as a radical and an I. W. W.

## DANIELS QUIZZED ABOUT THE MARINES

Washington, Sept. 26.—Secretary Daniels was asked, in a resolution by Senator Knox, Pennsylvania republican, adopted today, about the report whether American marines were landed at Trau, Dalmatia, to compel its evacuation by the Italian forces, as press dispatches have stated.

Secretary Daniels said he had no information regarding the landing, and doubted it.

Paris, Sept. 26.—The crisis through which Italy is passing is imputed to the general powers by Giuseppe (Peppino) Garribaldi in an interview published in the Petit Parisien this morning. He reproaches them for not having given Italy all that was promised in the treaty of London, and declares it to be the intention of the Italian people to keep Fiume, "even at the price of another war."

"It depends on France and England," he says, "whose populations are with Italy in the Fiume affair. Whatever should be President Wilson's answer to Italy's proposals, we will say to him that this dispute is between Europeans and must be settled by Europeans. We know the American, French and British peoples are with us in this matter."

## "ROUND-THE-RIM" PLANE TURNED BACK BY FIRE

Missoula, Mont., Sept. 26.—The army Martin bombing plane, making a "round-the-rim" flight of the United States, was forced to return to Missoula today, after starting for Spokane. It encountered forest fire smoke. There was snow and a hail storm over Dixon, Montana, today.

Pittsburg, Pa., Sept. 26.—State troops and steel workers exchanged shots in the woods between Clairton and North Clairton, it is reported, but no one was injured. Three of the strikers were arrested. The path through the woods has been used by men taking shots at workers who were going to the plants.

Portland, Ore., Sept. 26.—Unless Director General Ackerson of the shipping board, rescinds his order delaying the wage increase recently agreed to, until after the industrial conference at Washington October 6, 10,000 steel shipyard workers here will strike on October 1. It is predicted by labor leaders.

London, Sept. 26.—The conference between the railroad men and the government resulted in a failure to come to terms and a strike has been ordered, effective tonight. Wages are the cause of dispute.

Chicago, Ill., Sept. 26.—Steel strike conditions here are unchanged. Union leaders today denied reports that the strikers were returning to work in small groups.

Washington, Sept. 26.—Two hundred thousand shipyard workers on the Pacific coast are to strike, unless the shipping board's order is withdrawn, in regard to an increase in wages.

## ARMENIAN WOMEN BUILD BRIDGES AND ROADS

Marash, Mesopotamia, Sept. 26.—Five hundred Armenian women employed by the American Red Cross have built 100 miles of stone roads and reconstructed several steel bridges in this section within the last four months. The roads were rebuilt in order to facilitate transportation of Red Cross supplies. There were no male laborers to be employed so Captain Edward Bickel, of Seattle, who had charge of the engineering work, engaged the women who were glad to have employment of any kind.

## 150 AMERICAN FLIERS MET DEATH IN EUROPE

Paris, Sept. 27.—Of the 150 American aviators who met death in aerial combats there are only seven whose graves have not been located. The search for the burial places of the heroes of the air is being conducted by an army officer and a representative of the American Red Cross and thousands of kilometers have been covered in France and Germany.

The 143 graves have been decorated according to the rules in force in the A. E. F. and photographs have been sent to the relatives of the dead. The seven remaining graves are being sought with particular care.

## FIRES STILL RAGE IN SOUTH

San Bernardino, Cal., Sept. 26.—Five thousand fire fighters are being recruited in San Bernardino today to fight fires in the Pine forests of the San Bernardino mountains.

## MILITARISM DIES HARD IN GERMANY

New Scheme for Reserve Army: "Freiheit" Says Times Will Come When Huns Will Need Force

With the American Forces in Germany, Sept. 26.—An entirely new scheme for establishing a reserve army in Germany in anticipation of some future opportunity to establish German military power is seen by some German newspapers in a plan they have just discovered and exposed.

While the scheme is confined to only one regiment and so probably has no sanction from the war ministry it is an indication, in the opinion of American army officers who for eight months have been studying demobilization of the German forces, of how hard Prussian militarism dies.

The Lichtschlag corps in Westphalia, now the 62nd Reichswehr (national army) regiment of the 31st Reichswehr brigade, has sent out circulars to all men who have served in this volunteer unit since the armistice, urging them to sign a pledge to answer to a call to the colors in the event of general disorder or a new revolution. The Freiheit, the independent socialist organ in Berlin, suggests that the men responsible for the scheme really have in mind something more than suppression of disorders, the paper then quoting from the circular as follows: "Soon the time will come when the Fatherland will have need of every resolute and proven arm."

## STATE FAIR RECORD BREAKER

Salem, Ore., Sept. 26.—Attendance at the state fair has broken all records by more than 5,000, it was announced today. Paid admissions were between 35,000 and 38,000 it was stated, and yesterday's attendance, when Portland and the Elks celebrated a joint day at the fair, was expected to surpass yesterday's.

## CUMMINS SAYS WILSON WON ENMITY OF WORLD

Washington, Sept. 26.—When President Wilson ended his work at Paris, the United States had not a friend in Europe, Asia or Africa, and our brilliant service in the war was almost forgotten in the storm of protests which followed him home. Senator Cummins, Iowa republican, declared today, in attacking the league covenant. The senator said the people are gradually understanding that there are some provisions in the covenant which must inevitably provoke war.

## COPE WILL ATTEMPT TO REACH SOUTH POLE

London, Sept. 26.—John L. Cope, leader of the expedition to the South Pole to start next June, says his airplane flight to the Pole will be about 750 miles. The base from which the airplane will start is about that distance from the Pole. The airplane will be heavily loaded. "We shall be compelled to take a sledge with us and extra provisions to enable us to return in case the airplane breaks down," said Mr. Cope. "Because of this additional weight it will be necessary to cut down our fuel to the minimum for taking off will be very difficult and it will be impossible to lift the machine for crossing the mountain ranges.

"We propose to set off with as much petrol as we can and then, half way on the outward journey just before we get to a range of mountains that we have to cross, to dump half of it and to pick it up on the way back."

## PRES. WILSON HAS CANCELED SPEAKING TRIP

ADMIRAL GRAYSON SAYS IT IS NOTHING SERIOUS, BUT ONLY NERVOUS BREAKDOWN

## HURRYING BACK TO WASHINGTON

Says "World Be Plunged Into War, to Which Last One Was Child's Play if Treaty Defeated"

Wichita, Kan., Sept. 26.—President Wilson has cancelled the remainder of his tour, under orders of Admiral Grayson, his personal physician, who declared today that there was nothing critical about the president's condition, but a nervous reaction affecting his digestive organs made the suspension of the trip imperative.

The president was ill most of the night but wanted to continue the program, but Dr. Grayson would not permit it, and today's program was cancelled. The president is even unable to greet the crowds at the stations.

The special train will reach Washington Sunday morning, going via Kansas City and St. Louis.

Although outwardly the president appeared to be standing the trip well, it became known today that he has suffered from a headache for several days. Confinement on the train and riding through crowds in automobiles at parades tired both the president and Mrs. Wilson, who has lately shown evidences of being anxious to have the strain end. Dr. Grayson believes the president's indigestion will pass quickly if he remains quietly in bed.

On Board President Wilson's Special, Thursday, Sept. 25.—In his most solemn and impressive manner, President Wilson late yesterday warned the reservationist senators in Washington and their supporters everywhere, that the adoption of article 10 reservation meant that he, as the executive of the United States would have to regard it as a rejection of the entire treaty and that it means the negotiation of a separate peace with Germany.

"The issue is final," he said. "We cannot avoid it. We must make it now. Once made there is no turning back."

He had no harsh words for the senators who had drawn the reservation to article 10. He held it in his hand as he spoke and said that he understood that some men are for it who do not realize what it means.

Carried to its conclusion, the president's argument is that the whole world will be plunged into a most terrible war, compared to which the last war was "child's play." If this proposed reservation is voted on favorably, he predicted such a war. He told of the new explosives and new engines of destruction, flying shells, going 100 miles.

"I am going to keep up the fight," said the president. "Forward with my fight on the enemy. We are coming now to the grapple. We are going to have a show down on a very definite issue."

## SHRINERS' DAY AT THE LEWISTON FAIR

Lewiston, Idaho, Sept. 26.—There is no excuse for anyone in Lewiston being hungry or thirsty today. This is Shriners' day at the county fair and local nobles started in this morning with a supply of 300 gallons of free cider, 1000 dozen doughnuts and 500 pies, expecting to give away all of these drinks and eats before night, and get more if necessary. The Shriners furnished many forms of novel entertainment for fair visitors here during the day. They will give a formal ball this evening.