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BRAZIL WITHDRAWS FROM LEAGUE SEAT

Resignation Is Result of Controversy Over Permanent Seat in Council.

Geneva.—The Brazilian government Sunday announced its formal withdrawal from the League of Nations in a telegraphic message to the league secretary.

Foreign Minister Pacheco announced Brazil's resignation in a cable to Sir Eric Drummond, secretary-general of the league. By the terms of the league covenant, the resignation cannot become effective for two years.

Through this step Brazil completes the action begun last week when Senor Mello Franco, Brazilian delegate to the league, resigned from the council. Brazil now has severed all connection with the league.

Brazil's resignation was the direct result of the controversy over seats in the council, the South American government insisting on a permanent seat in the face of opposition by all the other delegates, with the exception of Spain. The other delegates, it was pointed out by observers, are determined to keep the pledge made at Locarno to give Germany a permanent seat in the league.

ARE VISITING RELATIVES

Mr. and Mrs. George Gerking and daughter Blanche, accompanied by Mrs. J. W. Pinkerton left Tuesday afternoon for Spokane. The Gerkings will visit at the home of Mrs. Errol Kenworthy, their daughter, and Mrs. Pinkerton will remain at the home of Mrs. Effie Allen, a niece of Mr. Pinkerton until Monday when she will continue on her way to McLeod, Alberta where she will visit her sister Mrs. C. E. Thompson, and also a brother. She will be gone indefinitely.

RESERVOIR OVERFLOWS

For the first time in many months the reservoir of the Athena water works system reached the peak of capacity and overflowed, Wednesday. Since replacing the old mains with new, across the flat to the pumping station there has been a constant gain in quantity of water in the reservoir. The supply was gained however, by all sources being drawn upon, including the pumping station, the springs and the well at the head of the system.

RAIN HELPS POTATO RAISERS

Mountain farmers completed planting potatoes in time to receive benefit from copious rains which fell in the uplands the fore part of the week. A large acreage has been planted by potato raisers on the mountain ranches this season, principally all of the seed being from certified stock. The Irish Cobbler variety along with Netted Gems is becoming a favorite with mountain potato growers.

MARRIAGE AGE PUZZLE

Although he is 34 years of age and eligible for marriage, Harry Pearcey of Salem is wondering what he is going to tell the county clerk when he applies for a license next week. Pearcey admitted that he was born February 29, 1892, and has had only seven birthdays since that time. In the year 1900, February failed to show up on the calendar and he missed a birthday. In other years he also has been disappointed for want of a birthday celebration.

TOMATOES MOVE AHEAD

Field grown tomatoes have appeared on the Walla Walla market two weeks ahead of the previous earliest date. Alta Rogers, Sunnyside, near the state line, has started marketing his crop at the same price as hot-house tomatoes. Rogers has 32,000 plants on his eight-acre tract. Tomatoes will begin moving in large lots within a week or ten days. Approximately 125 acres are planted in the valley, this being a 30 per cent increase over 1925.

FIRE WARNING GIVEN

Forest Rangers are warning people who go into the mountains to camp, to use every precaution when building camp fires. With the coming of dry weather, the fire menace again becomes dangerous.

RAIN HARMED CHERRIES

The Lambert cherry crop was just at the stage where Monday's rain in the Milton-Freewater district, cracked the fruit to some extent.

BIG TRADES UPSET WHEAT MARKET'S UPWARD TREND

Charles D. Micheals, reviewing wheat price conditions for the Chicago Tribune says:

The immediate course of wheat prices is largely dependent upon operations by a number of large professional traders here and in the east. Their purchases and sales of millions of bushels at a time nullify the effect of the general trade condition and market news and frequently turn prices in an opposite direction from what they would naturally take. So long as these conditions exist, it is difficult for the average trader to assume a fixed position and operate to any extent with profit.

The world's wheat situation is considered as moderately bullish. Crops abroad are turning out smaller than early expectations. In the United States wheat estimates are being reduced, and it is regarded as certain that the winter wheat yield will fall short of estimates of a month or more ago. The government report given out last week suggested 543,000,000 bushels. As the department of agriculture increased the yield in Kansas by announcing on Saturday that the state would have 163,000,000 bushels or 3,000,000 bushels more than originally estimated, this should make the crop of the country, 546,000,000 bushels, a loss of only 2,000,000 bushels for May.

Trade expectations are that the United States will have around 750,000,000 bushels and possibly 770,000,000 bushels of all wheat. The latter would be 100,000,000 bushels more than last year. With a theoretical carry over of 50,000,000 bushels on July 1, there will be around 800,000,000 bushels as the season's supply, or about 50,000,000 bushels more than last year's total supply, when the carry over was 87,000,000 bushels.

Indications are that Europe will raise less than last year in leading importing countries and with small reserves and a possible improvement in their financial position, they will probably have to import about as much wheat as this season. The carry over is so small that the world will go into the new crop season with unusually light reserves of wheat and a close adjustment of supplies to requirements.

What this will mean in prices is dependent more upon the volume of speculative buying that comes into the market in the next six months than any other factor, as it must be admitted from the action of the wheat market in the last few years that price levels have been produced more by speculative than by actual consumptive and export buying. With a large speculative buying power prices should work higher. Without it the present level may be difficult to maintain.

Harvesting is on in the southwest and a few cars of new winter wheat have come to the Chicago market. There will be no general movement for several weeks, and possibly not before the middle of July.

FORMER RESIDENTS HERE

Rev. and Mrs. Gisler of Anton, Washington stopped in Athena Wednesday and visited Mrs. Jane Harden. Rev. Gisler had been to Aberdeen, where he was a delegate to the convention of the Odd Fellows there. They were on their way home from Salem where they visited relatives and friends. Mr. and Mrs. Gisler will be remembered by many as they formerly resided here.

J. C. PENNEY QUILTS

Tomorrow will be the last day on which the J. C. Penney company store will do business in Athena. That portion of the stock left on hand when the doors close tomorrow night, will be shipped to Goldendale, Washington, where a new Penney store is to be opened and managed by Charles Dudley, who has been at the head of the store in Athena.

OLDEST OREGON BORN

Mrs. P. M. Edwards, oldest surviving white girl born in Oregon territory, died Saturday and funeral services were held in Hillsboro under auspices of the Methodist Episcopal church. Mrs. Edwards was born October 3, 1840, at Savies Island. Her parents came to America from England.

FLAG DAY OBSERVED

Annual flag day was observed in Athena Monday, when flags were displayed on Main street in front of stores and business houses.

ATHENA PUPILS SUCCESSFUL IN SECOND EXAMINATION

The second examination for the sixth, seventh and eighth grades was held June 10th, at the school house under the supervision of Mr. Milton I. Miller, the seventh and eighth grade teacher.

Those taking the Oregon History examination over and passing are Leland Jenkins and Ralph Moore. Marjorie Douglas took the examination over to raise her grade and she was very successful as she raised it from 79 to 95.

James Wilson who failed in the May examination in Civil Government passed with a grade of 92 and now is the proud owner of a diploma.

MRS. BECKNER INJURED

Mrs. Fred Beckner (Francis Williams) suffered painful injuries Tuesday evening when driving near Pilot Rock. A car ahead which was parked at the side of the highway, suddenly turned across in front of the Beckner car. Escape from collision was impossible and though the Beckner car was not overturned, Mrs. Beckner was thrown in such a way that she suffered a broken nose and other injuries and bruises. She was hurried to St. Anthony's hospital in Pendleton.

WHEAT CHARGES REMAIN

Schedule of discounts and scouring charges on wheat from Umatilla county will remain the same this year as last, it was announced by Fred Bennion, who attended the annual convention of northwest millers and wheat growers held at Spokane Friday and Saturday of last week. Request of this section for a wheat quotation basis on bulk wheat of 58 pounds a bushel was denied by the convention, but it was admitted that the time is rapidly approaching when this basis will be justifiable.

HUCKLEBERRIES FROZEN

Practically all the huckleberries in the mountains were frozen the nights of June 8 and 9. According to Forest Ranger Albert Baker, the frost was half an inch thick on the plants each of those nights at Mottet Meadows, nine miles east of the Toll Gate. He says there may be a few berries left on the sheltered slopes but all of them are frozen out on the top.

MILLIONS WIPED OFF

Department of interior figures, made public placed the wiping off of construction charges against irrigation settlers at \$27,456,371, in accordance with the new omnibus reclamation adjustment act, with the Newlands project in Nevada receiving \$5,462,376, the largest charge-off. The Umatilla project charges, totaling \$1,479,944, are included.

SNOW FALLS IN IDAHO

Snow fell in Wallace for several hours Monday, following one of the heaviest rains of the season. At Mullan and Burke, two inches of snow covered the ground.

GYPSY ICE CREAM LAWN SOCIAL TOMORROW EVENING

The B. Y. P. U. of the Baptist church will hold a Gypsy Ice Cream Social on the M. L. Watts lawn Saturday evening beginning at 7 o'clock. Gypsy Princess, D' La Volga, will be there in her gorgeous attire with her many jewels and loads of wit and humor. By her knowledge of the solar system she is enabled to speak with scientific authority with respect to the planetary influences upon mankind. She will tell you your natural tendencies and in a certain way indicate what you should and should not do to make life a success.

No matter how bad your lot may seem to you, and how difficult it is for you to get along in the world, you can readily change all darkness to brightest sunshine, if you will go about it in the right spirit.

The Princess can tell you the conditions, inclinations and fortunes of men and women from the various lines and characters which nature has imprinted in the hand and which are as various as the hands that have them.

She is also proficient in the art of physiognomy, reading you as you look into her eyes. The program of the evening follows:

7 o'clock, Jolly Joy Makers' orchestra; selection, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Pinkerton and C. M. Eager; solo, Miss Edna Pinkerton; orchestra, Jolly Joy Makers; solo, Mrs. O. H. Reeder; reading; selection, Mrs. O. O. Stephens and Mrs. R. B. McEwen; selection, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Pinkerton and C. M. Eager; solo, Mrs. R. B. McEwen; reading; solo, Mrs. O. H. Reeder; piano solo, Miss Frederica Kershaw.

ORVILLE POTTS DISAPPEARS AFTER AUTOMOBILE WRECK

Mystery surrounds the disappearance of Orville Potts, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Potts and brother of Mrs. Archie McIntyre, since the finding of his wrecked automobile on the highway near Arlington, Tuesday.

Mr. Potts left Pendleton, for Arlington, Monday, failed to return and since that time he has not been seen. Search was instituted and his wrecked car was found Tuesday but no trace of the driver has developed. Since then a continuous search has been made and the relatives of the young man are distracted.

PRISON ESCAPE FOILED

An attempt of three convicts to escape from the hospital ward of the Oregon state penitentiary was frustrated Friday morning when guards found Don Hall, two-time loser, hiding in the prison tailor shop. Fred Blake and Lee Duncan, companions of Hall, were said by officials to have returned to their cots when they discovered that Hall had been apprehended.

BIDS CALLED FOR ATHENA STATE HIGHWAY BUILDING

Among bids for construction called for by the state highway commission, is one calling for the construction of a corrugated iron building at Athena which is to be used by the maintenance of way men on the state highway. Bids are to be opened at Salem July 24, it was announced.

The building, which will house the equipment used in the work of up-keeping the highway east and west of Athena, under supervision of Robert Cutler will be constructed on lots at the corner of Main and Second streets.

The city has a deed to the lots in transfer to the State of Oregon, some months ago, and they have been used by the highway maintenance department as storage ground for its equipment since the transfer of the property took place.

BILL MCKENZIE, FARMER MAY BECOME OIL KING

William McKenzie former well known resident of Weston is here on a visit from the Judith Basin country in Montana.

Mr. McKenzie is farming quite extensively in Montana and has raised some excellent wheat crops there.

Recently in the course of digging a well on his property he came upon conditions indicative of oil. He at once called a geologist who upon looking into the matter became convinced that oil is present in that vicinity.

Mr. McKenzie is now leasing his property on a royalty basis and has every reason to believe that his new venture will be a success.

TOM PAGE ACCUSED

Seattle—Charge of subornation of perjury was filed against Thomas D. Page, brother-in-law of Miles Pindexter, of Spokane ambassador to Peru. Page was attorney for Thomas McMahon, convicted here Saturday of robbery and murder. Thomas Ferdinand Randall, a witness, after swearing that he saw McMahon at a certain place at the time of a hold up, changed his narrative and explained that "Mr. Page is my folks' attorney and I thought my testimony would help out."

WILL RESIDE IN MILTON

Armonde de Merritt will arrive this week from Marshfield and will be employed with the Standard Oil company at Milton, where with Mrs. de Merritt he will reside. She has been with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Dell for several months and their friends are very pleased with the prospect of having the young couple settle so near.

YOUNGSTERS GET LICENSE

A boy aged 18 and a girl 17 were issued a marriage license at Walla Walla, the parents of the couple giving their consent to the marriage. The contracting parties were Floyd Hodson, of Walla Walla, and Thelma E. Bruce, of Freewater.

BOARD IS TOLD WHITMAN COLLEGE IS IN FINE SHAPE

Whitman college is in excellent financial condition with an endowment fund of \$1,187,512.53 exclusive of the recent Thomas Burke bequest of \$100,000; and it has buildings and grounds valued at \$413,720.10 not including Lyman hall and the new girls dormitory owned by the Whitman Building corporation and rented to the college, President S. B. L. Penrose reported to the board of overseers at the annual meeting. The dormitories are leased to the college and when debt free will be turned over to the institution.

There were 608 students regularly enrolled in the college, in addition to 241 at the conservatory of music, making a total of 849.

Dr. Penrose recommended that the duties of Dorsey M. Hill, treasurer, be extended, and that he devote half his time to acting as financial or field agent to visit alumni and prominent people of the northwest.

The veteran educator who on his election to the presidency of the college in 1894 was the youngest college president in the United States told the board that aside from his blindness he is in splendid health, and hopes now to round out forty years of service, at the institution.

The college will be able now to increase salaries of the faculty members long in service, but still not adequately, he stated. The report states that the faculty is not large enough in proportion to enrollment, being at the ratio of one professor to 15 students, whereas the ratio should be one to ten.

"THE SEA BEAST"

Coming to the Standard Theatre for a two-night engagement, Friday and Saturday June 25 and 26, is a super picture acclaimed by the national board of reviewers as being one of the best productions of the year, "The Sea Beast," founded on one of the greatest sea stories ever written, "Moby Dick." The stellar acting of John Barrymore, Dolores Costello and George O'Hara, bring out in vivid portrayal, the living characters that forced Herman Melville's book into the class of best sellers, and the screen version all that could be desired. Two nights showing will give Athena and vicinity the advantage of viewing the great picture from good seating vantage.

GIRL RESCUES POET

Miss Statira Smith, 14-year-old Portland girl, rescued Leland Davis, 31, Portland poet from drowning in the ocean at Rock Away Beach. Davis became exhausted while swimming about 500 yards beyond the breakers and almost opposite Twin rocks. Miss Smith was swimming not far distant, but the writer sank twice before the girl reached him. The strong tow made the rescue difficult and the couple were carried nearly half a mile before the beach was reached.

PLUNGES TO HER DEATH

Alberta Legge, 15, a Seattle high school girl was swept to her death over the 275-foot Sunset falls near Index Washington, Sunday. Leaping from rock to rock at the top of the falls while her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Legge and two brothers, were sitting nearby, the girl slipped and was hurled over the cataract. The waterfall has claimed the lives of 20 men who attempted to leap it in boats.

WHEAT EXPORTS

Wheat is moving from Portland in unusual volume at the present time, exports for last week amounting to a total of 1,088,961 bushels. Flour exported during the same period totaled 10,855 barrels. A prediction made by Overbeck & Cooke on present volume of shipments, approximately 6,000,000 bushels of that cereal would clear from Portland during the month of June, in addition to flour shipments.

THREE HUNDRED COYOTES

A total of nearly 300 coyotes were killed by United States biological survey hunters in Oregon during May, according to the monthly report issued by Stanley Jewett, leader of predatory animal control. The big kill of the month was made by H. H. Gulker of Klamath Falls, who killed 21 coyotes and 5 bobcats, all adults. Tom Rice of Condon took 30 coyote pups and 2 adults, an exceptionally large kill.

TWO DIE WHEN PLANE CRASHES

Pilot and Observer Killed When Airship Plunges to Ground in Flames.

Vancouver, Wash. — Lieutenant Henry Walton Goode, of Portland, was burned to death at Pearson flying field, Vancouver barracks, when Lieutenant Oakley G. Kelly's big DeHavilland plane took fire while in the air and crashed to the field.

Lieutenant Julius Charles Syfford, Hanford, Wash., quartermaster's reserve corps, on temporary duty at Vancouver barracks, observer with Goode, was thrown clear of the wreckage but died as a result of his injuries.

A loosened connecting rod tore through the crank case of the motor, according to Lieutenant Kelly, who investigated, causing the accident. The plane, which had just taken off and was about 200 feet in the air, burst in flames, which shot from the crankcase, Lieutenant Kelley, who saw the accident from the vicinity of his office, said.

"Goode apparently realized the danger and tried to land," said Lieutenant Kelly. "He made a hairpin turn and then the plane appeared to sink to the ground. The nose hit the field and skidded a short distance."

Mrs. Goode witnessed the fall, being among the few spectators on the field.

Lieutenant Goode was a second lieutenant of the 321st observation air squadron.

CHANGE IN MARINE ACT IS ADVOCATED

Washington, D. C.—Chairman Jones of the senate commerce committee, who opposed the sale by the shipping board of the five vessels of the American-Orient mail route out of Seattle to the Dollar interests, introduced two amendments to the merchant marine act which he said would militate against a recurrence of similar transactions.

One would declare the policy of congress to be the discouragement of monopoly by the American merchant marine.

Opponents of the Dollar sale had contended it would encourage monopoly.

The other amendment would define domestic communities primarily interested in the lines as the geographical division of the coast lines of the United States, together with the ports from which the lines to be sold run or are intended to run, and the regions naturally tributary to the ports and coastal divisions.

12 DIE IN MIDWEST STORMS

Hundreds of Homes Flooded and Bridges and Roads Washed Away.

Chicago, Ill.—Hundreds of flooded homes, bridges, highways and railway tracks washed out, electric and telephone service disrupted and scores of fires were in the wake of wind, electrical and torrential rain storms that swept the Middle West, causing thousands of dollars in property damage as well as bringing relief to drought-stricken areas. The number of dead in week end storms totaled 12. The deaths included six in Illinois and six in Iowa.

Rockford, Ill., experienced its worst flood in 36 years. Hundreds were forced to flee from their homes while others took refuge on the roofs and in upstairs rooms.

Farmers of the middle west called the storm "a million-dollar June rain." They said that any damage to crops was much more than offset by the soaking of thirsty fields which had been suffering from drought. The fruit crop also was greatly benefited by the rain, they reported.

Public Hearing Refused Dymont.

Eugene, Or.—A public hearing for Colvin V. Dymont, dean of the college of literature, science and arts, recently deposed by the board of regents of the University of Oregon, was denied by the vote of the board, members of the 91st division, who took up the fight for Dean Dymont, were informed.

Norge Pilot Now Major General. Rome. — Colonel Umberto Nobile, who superintended the construction of the Amundsen polar airship Norge, and later piloted the ship in its flight over the north pole to Alaska, has been made a major-general for his feat.

June Bugs

