

ANNUAL DISTRICT CONVENTION WILL OPEN HERE FOR A TWO DAY SESSION

Woman's Home Missionary Society to Have Conference in Albany Beginning Wednesday Afternoon.

WORK TO BE PLANNED

Program Includes Addresses From Prominent Workers; Convention to Close Thursday.

Annual convention of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Eugene district will open for a two days session in Albany Wednesday at the Methodist Episcopal church.

Opening devotional services will be conducted by the Rev. J. C. Spieker at 1:30 Wednesday afternoon at the Methodist Episcopal church.

In the evening there will be music, devotional services and an address by Mrs. M. C. Bliss, national field secretary of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

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STUDENTS HOSTS TO LOCAL TEAM

Basket Ball Quint Guests Of Senior High School Student Body

The senior high school was the scene of a hilarious "high jinx" last evening, given by the student body in honor of the basket ball team.

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New Classified

FOR SALE - Studebaker light six; Baby Grand Chevrolet and several other cars.

FOR SALE - Rhode Island Red eggs at \$1.00 per setting.

DR. THOMPSON COMING - Dr. Will J. Thompson, Portland Eye Specialist, is now making regular visits to Albany.

FOR SALE - Cow giving over 4 gal. milk per day. Price \$100.

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AMERICAN MURDERED BY HIS CLERK IN MEXICO IS REPORT

WASHINGTON, Mar. 9.—By Associated Press—Raymond Corcoran, an American, was murdered by his Mexican clerk on February 28, according to advices which have been received at the state department here today.

PIONEER RANCHER OF LINN COUNTY CALLED BY DEATH

George Asche Dies Suddenly of Acute Illness

George August Asche, one of the pioneer ranchers of Linn county and well known throughout the community, died at 11:20 last evening at his home near Dever, following an attack of acute pneumonia.

Asche was born in Pennsylvania on November 10, 1855 and came to Oregon early in his life.

The deceased will be interred at the Millersburg cemetery and the funeral services will be held Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

WEDDED BLISS OF SHORT DURATION

Husband Seeks Divorce Six Months After Marriage

Alleging that his wife, Rose Pree became enamored of "Bud Kay" while they were living at Mobton, Wash., and averring that she likewise lost all affection for him James J. Pree of Albany filed suit for divorce this morning in the circuit court.

The complaint states that the couple were married at Montesano, Wash., on October 24, 1919 and that it was only a few months after the ceremony that the alleged defection of Mrs. Pree occurred.

LEGION TO SHARE IN SERVICES WITH G. A. R. VETERANS

Pursuant to a resolution adopted at the Minneapolis Convention, the American Legion has requested the honor and privilege of sharing in the memorial exercises of the Grand Army of the Republic and the Confederate Veterans.

The resolution of the American Legion provided "that the American Legion request the honor and privilege of participating in the memorial services of the Grand Army of the Republic and the Confederate Veterans while they still live and after death, to be the agency which shall continue those services so that their graves and the graves of all other American soldiers shall be fittingly preserved and the memory of their deeds be perpetuated upon the tablets of love and memory, and that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Commanders of the Grand Army of the Republic and the Confederate Veterans."

Franklin D'Olier, National commander of the American Legion, in a letter to the commanders said: "In furtherance of the sentiment contained in this resolution, it is the desire of the American Legion to receive an expression of the views of your organization on this subject. It is believed that a more complete cooperation may be secured by a conference and if it meets with your approval, a meeting will be arranged for at the National Headquarters of the American Legion, at Indianapolis, or elsewhere, if deemed advisable."

ALBERT POTTER RESIGNS POST

WASHINGTON, Mar. 9.—By Associated Press—Albert F. Potter, assistant forester, has handed in his resignation.

FAILURE OF NAVY DEPARTMENT TO CO-OPERATE WITH ALLIES PROLONGED WAR STATES SIMS

ADMIRAL STYS FOUR MONTHS WERE ADDED TO LENGTH OF CONFLICT BY INEFFICIENT MANAGEMENT OF NAVAL OPERATIONS; THOUSANDS LIVES LOST NEEDLESSLY.

WASHINGTON, Mar. 9.—By Associated Press—Admiral Sims made bitter attack upon the navy department today during the opening session before the senate investigating committee. He charged the department with a failure to co-operate with the allies plans which resulted in prolonging the war by at least four months.

He denied that he was attempting to serve any ulterior ends by his attack upon the naval bureau and said that he was at the end of his career and that he had no purposes which could be fulfilled by throwing "mud on the administration."

CLASH ENLIVENS BONUS HEARINGS

Officers Don't Want Bonus, Privates do, Says Fordney

WASHINGTON, Mar. 9.—By Associated Press—Charges that member of the House ways and means committee were endeavoring to kill measures intend to give added compensation to ex-service men in the form of a bonus, were made today by Chairman Fordney, when the committee resumed hearings on soldier relief.

Members of the committee suggested that a postponement of the hearings be taken until after the meeting of the American Legion which has been called for March 22. It was this suggestion that aroused the chairman to make his accusations and be protested against any such postponement.

Fordney said that the officers in the army who had good pay did not want any bonus but that the privates who suffered the big losses are overwhelmingly in favor of some kind of relief. The hearings were continued for the balance of the day without any definite conclusion being reached.

PASTOR RETURNS AFTER SESSION

Pastor N. C. Erntson of this city, who has been in attendance at the session of the North Pacific Union Conference which was held at Walla Walla, Wash., returned last night. He reports great progress in all lines of work. There have been 2667 persons baptized during the quadrennial period. The amount of tithe paid reached the sum of \$1,103,116.81. The total amount donated to Foreign Mission Work was \$829,965.60.

PROBATE COURT PETITION FILED

Petition for the appointment of administrator of the estate of the late Laura Luscher was filed in the probate court this morning by John Luscher.

Mrs. Luscher died at Lebanon in May 1914 and left no will according to the petition. Court is asked to appoint J. C. Magee, S. P. Bauch and B. A. Millsap appraisers of the estate.

INFLUENZA HAS RAPIDLY GONE

Influenza in Albany has dwindled to almost nothing according to the report of the health authorities today. There are only 12 cases known existing in the city at the present time and the number is gradually diminishing.

ORCHESTRA AT BAPTIST CHURCH

Because of the lack of heating arrangements it was announced today that the Serbian Tamburica Orchestra which was to have given its performance tonight at the armory will be heard instead at the Baptist church.

CASHER KILLED IN SENSATIONAL HOLD UP OF BANK TODAY

KANSAS CITY, Mar. 9.—By Associated Press—Glenn Shockey, cashier of the South Side Bank in the heart of the residence district was killed this morning during a sensational attempt of four bandits to hold up the bank.

ROBERTS IS HELD SANE BY WITNESS

Prosecution puts Aliens on Stand Today

MONTESSANO, Mar. 9.—By Associated Press—The state placed several aliens on the stand in the I. W. W. murder trial here today who testified that Loren Roberts, one of the defendants who confessed before the trial and whose sanity was questioned, was in their opinion entirely normal. They indicated that he might have been putting on all the alleged hallucinations that he claimed to be suffering under at the present time.

During the testimony for the defense aliens were brought in who declared that although Roberts was in their opinion sane at the time of the shooting on armistice day they believed that at the present time he was insane.

Roberts made sensational remarks when he was first put on the stand. He addressed his attorney Vanderveer as Colonel Brice P. Disque and made other apparently insane statements.

HITCHCOCK IS ASSAILED BY PEERLESS ONE

Bryan Opposes Democratic Leader for President

LINCOLN, Mar. 8.—By Associated Press—Opposition to Senator G. M. Hitchcock as democratic candidate for president was expressed today by William Jennings Bryan in a statement issued here. Bryan stated that he would not vote for Hitchcock if elected to the convention although the state delegates were instructed for him.

He gave as his reasons for opposing Hitchcock the fact that the latter had voted against prohibition, woman suffrage and the fact that he opposed the currency bill. Bryan was bitter in his denunciation of the administration leader.

Out of Flu—The health officers reports that Albany is down to six cases of flu today.

LEAGUE URGING AMERICAN DAY

Albany Chamber of Commerce has received a request from the National Security League headquarters in New York City urging support for the movement to have May 1 declared "American Day" and observed as a national holiday.

EDWARDS WAGES FIGHT ON DRYS

MILWAUKEE, Mar. 9.—By Associated Press—Accepting an invitation from the order of Camels to attend their banquet in New York city, March 30, Governor Edwards of New Jersey declared his intention of carrying the prohibition fight to the democratic national convention.

NUMBER KILLED BY EARTHQUAKE

TIFLIS, Mar. 9.—By Associated Press—Several hundred are dead and thousands homeless as the result of an earthquake today which destroyed several villages near Tiflis.

RAILROAD MEN NOT TO STRIKE

CHICAGO, Mar. 9.—By Associated Press—Railroad maintenance of way men will not strike, according to the vote taken by the heads of the grand lodge brotherhoods who vote to give the railway bill a fair trial.

RESERVATIONS OF REPUBLICANS ARE FATAL TO TREATY AVERS PRESIDENT

Letters to Hitchcock on Treaty Declares Qualifications Suggested are Virtual Nullification of Document.

ARTICLE 10 IS VITAL

States That Weakening of This Provision Would Cut the Heart Out of the Covenant.

WASHINGTON, Mar. 9.—By Associated Press—Modified draft of the republican reservation of article 10 of the league of nations covenants is understood to have been assented to today by a number of the republican leaders working with the democrats for a compromise on ratification.

President Wilson's letter to Senator Hitchcock, administration leader on the peace treaty gave a new angle to the treaty fight that is being waged in congress. Although the president did not say what reservations he would accept or reject, he declared almost all of the qualifications suggested were in effect virtual nullifications of the league covenants. To weaken article 10, said the president would be to cut the very heart out of the covenant.

A great deal of interest was manifested in the president's declaration that imperialistic policies were by no means dead in the nations that we trusted most. This is contained in the following extract from the letter:

"It must not be forgotten, Senator, that this article constitutes a renunciation of wrong ambition on the part of powerful nations with whom we were associated in the war. It is by no means certain that without this article any such renunciation will take place. Militaristic ambitions and imperialistic policies are by no means dead, even in the counsels of the nations whom we most trust and with whom we most desire to be associated in the tasks of peace."

"The imperialist wants no league of nations, but if, in response to the universal cry of the masses everywhere, there is to be one, he is interested to secure one suited to his own purposes, one that will permit him to continue the historic game of pawns and peoples—the juggling of provinces the old balances of power, and the inevitable wars attendant upon these things."

FARMERS MAKE USE OF BOOKS

System of Tabulating Expense and Income, Boon to Agriculturists

Farmers of Linn county are using 900 farm record books of the 10,000 which have been issued by the farm management demonstrations department of the Oregon Agricultural college. The state-wide distribution has been accomplished by cooperative assistance from 20 county agricultural agents and 75 local banks.

"The purpose of our work is to assist farmers in the business organization of their individual farms," said R. V. Gunn, farm management demonstrator. "Encouraging and instructing groups of farmers in the keeping and summarizing of records and accounts and assisting in the interpretation of the results so secured. The records and accounts are serving at least a three-fold purpose to the individual farmers, pointed out Professor Gunn. "It gives each man a record and tells him just where he stands at the close of the year. It gives reliable information for correct filing of income tax returns. This in itself means an aggregate saving of thousands of dollars to farmers, who otherwise would overlook many items of farm expenditures throughout the year or who would fail to make use of their inventory value when preparing"

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