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PROHI MOVE IS BEATEN VOTE 35-20

Bill to Authorize State Officer to Enforce Prohibition Defeated in House—Sheldon Appointed on Joint Committee to Discuss Jap Question—Witness Pay Adjusted

SALEM, Ore., Feb. 8.—A bill introduced by Representative Belknap of Benton county, authorizing the appointment of a state prohibition enforcement officer and special agents for the enforcement of the state prohibition laws, was defeated yesterday afternoon by a vote of 35 to 20.

SALEM, Ore., Feb. 8.—The house passed Representative Kubli's bill providing that state departments outside of Salem, may invite public competition on state printing. Representative Richards' bill to have all jury lists drawn from a list of all the taxpayers instead of from a selected list as at present, was defeated.

SALEM, Ore., Feb. 8.—The house passed Representative Lynn's bill to compel candidates for election as national party convention delegates to state definitely on the ballot whether or not they would support the choice of the people for the nomination, was also defeated by the house.

SALEM, Ore., Feb. 8.—The house late yesterday passed a bill by Hopkins relating to the pay of witnesses in Josephine and Jackson counties. The house also passed a bill by Sheldon extending the power of eminent domain exercised by the state highway commission in the securing of land for the use of railway companies to be exchanged for railroad rights of way.

SALEM, Ore., Feb. 8.—Speaker Bean of the house has announced the appointment of the house members of the joint committee to meet with committee from the Washington and Idaho legislatures, to consider anti-alien land legislation. The members are Sheldon, Leonard, Fletcher and Overturf.

SALEM, Ore., Feb. 8.—Senator Eddy's bill to place bond dealers under the jurisdiction of the state corporation department was passed yesterday afternoon, following defeat of an attempt by Senator Joseph to have it referred to the revision of laws committee.

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Johnson Requests Colby to Submit a Copy of Jap Treaty

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8.—The senate foreign relations committee, at the instance of Senator Johnson, republican, California, today directed Chairman Lodge to ask Secretary of State Colby, if not incompatible with the public interest, to submit to the committee a copy of the agreement recently reached between Ambassador Morris and Shidehara, regarding a new treaty to deal with the situation resulting from the adoption in California of an alien land law. Senator Johnson urged that the agreement be made public and this precipitated a lengthy discussion in executive session.

R. A. BOOTH WILL GIVE STATUE TO STATE OF OREGON

PORTLAND, Ore.—Pioneer circuit riders, who were important factors in spreading civilization in the old west, are to be commemorated in Oregon by an equestrian statue of heroic size, which is to be presented to the state by R. A. Booth, of Eugene, state highway commissioner and former state senator. The statue will represent the pioneer type of minister who served among early settlers in the Pacific northwest.

Mr. Booth's father, Robert Booth, was one of the pioneer circuit riders of the northwest. He died at his son's home in 1917 aged ninety-seven years. "For many years my father rode up and down the state enduring hardships and braving dangers," Mr. Booth said recently. "There is scarcely a stream in western Oregon that he has not forded when bridges were unknown. Because of my memories of him and of the similar devotion to faith and duty displayed by other early circuit riders, I have conceived this tribute." The model of the statue depicts the circuit rider on his rangy, plodding horse, wind tugging at his cloak, slouch hat above the unshorn hair and Bible in hand upon the saddle bow. Governor Ben W. Olcott has been asked to name a committee to select a site for the statue. It probably will be given a place on the capitol grounds at Salem. The statue will be completed within two years.

AIR CRACK MAKES FORCED LANDING

DOUGLAS, Ariz., Feb. 8.—Lieutenant Alexander Pearson, winner of the transcontinental air race last year, who left Douglas yesterday morning to fly to Jacksonville, Fla., was compelled to make a forced landing in the sand hills thirteen miles west of Columbus, N. M., yesterday due to a connecting rod breaking. He was unhurt.

STEFFENS MEETING IS A QUIET PERFORMANCE

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 8.—Lincoln Steffens and Irvine St. John Tucker were permitted to speak here last night after Mayor Baker was enjoined from interfering. The court held that the restraining order would not prevail in any state law was violated at the meeting. The hall where the meeting was held was crowded, but no unusual incident occurred.

STATE SUPREME COURT DECISION WILL BRING THOUSANDS INTO THE TREASURY

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MOONEY TRIAL AGAIN CALLED A "FRAME UP"

Another Witness Confesses He Was Forced to Perjure Himself—John McDonald, Now a Resident of Trenton, N. J., Couldn't Identify Mooney.

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—Frank P. Walsh, of counsel for Thomas J. Mooney, convicted of murder in San Francisco in connection with the Preparedness day bomb explosion in 1916, early today telegraphed San Francisco authorities apprising them of an alleged confession by one of the witnesses in the case that he had given perjured testimony at the trial.

The witness named by Mr. Walsh was John McDonald, now a resident of Trenton, N. J., with whom Mr. Walsh had a long conference last night. According to Mr. Walsh, McDonald declared in an affidavit covering thirteen type-written pages, that the case against Mooney was a "frameup."

Accused Fickett "McDonald swore in his confession," Mr. Walsh said, "that he could not identify Mooney as the man he had seen with a suitcase prior to the Preparedness day explosion, although he identified Mooney during the trial. He said District Attorney Fickett, the San Francisco prosecutor, had forced him to make the identification."

Mr. Walsh quoted McDonald as saying he stood in Stuart street in San Francisco at about one o'clock on the afternoon of July 22, 1916. He said he saw a man set a suitcase on the sidewalk, then, accompanied by another man who came from a saloon, walk away.

McDonald is alleged to have further said that he walked away and in a short time heard an explosion. He thought it part of the Preparedness Day celebration. Here Are the Men Next day he met a policeman and told him what he had seen but asserted he could not identify the man. He was induced, Mr. Walsh quoted further, to go to police headquarters, where he was questioned by District Attorney Fickett and Captain Matheson, and told them he did not know Mooney who was suspected. He subsequently was taken to Mooney's cell and to that occupied by Billings, another defendant. He asserted, according to Mr. Walsh, that Fickett remarked, "These are the men you saw."

Coached as Witness Further, McDonald is alleged to have stated he was coached with other witnesses in testimony to be given. He asserted he fixed the time of seeing the suitcase dropped at 1:50 o'clock in Billings' trial. In the Mooney trial, he stated at the instance of Assistant District Attorney Edward Cunha "he changed the time to 1:30 o'clock in order to break Mooney's alibi."

Nine persons were killed in the explosion. Mooney was sentenced to death and Billings to life imprisonment. After every appeal from the sentence had failed, President Wilson interceded in Mooney's behalf and Governor Stephens commuted the sentence to life imprisonment.

Called Propaganda SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 8.—The reported statements of John McDonald of Trenton, N. J., that the conviction of Thomas J. Mooney and Warren K. Billings, against whom he testified, was a "frameup" marks the third recent statement of alleged facts tending to show that these men were the victims of perjured testimony. The new evidence, added here, is to be presented to the county grand jury.

McDonald's statement was characterized as the effort of propaganda against Edward Cunha, who as assistant district attorney prosecuted Mooney. Defense counsel said it was a "natural outcome of the injustice done the defendants in the cases." According to the police and Cunha, McDonald was not intimidated and he volunteered every statement and identification he made. Two other statements by James Brennan, who as assistant district attorney, prosecuted Billings and Policeman Draper Hand, who arrested some of the principals, said there were indications of irregularity of the evidence against the suspects.

It was hoped by District Attorney Brady that the grand jury would prepare a report to the governor which would aid him in a final disposition of the Mooney case. The offer of Frank P. Walsh, special counsel in the Mooney defense, to return McDonald to San Francisco for a reiteration of his supposed statement to the local authorities, will be accepted, District Attorney Brady said today. "I will give him every opportunity to appear before the grand jury and present this evidence," Brady said.

Germany Decides to Accept Invitation to London Meeting

BERLIN, Feb. 8.—The German government has accepted the invitation to participate in the allied conference on reparations in London, March 1, it was announced here today. The government in sending its acceptance sets forth its supposition that the negotiations will include discussion of the German counter proposals.

MUNICH, Bavaria, Feb. 7.—Premiers of the various German states have agreed to urge the Berlin government to refuse compliance with the allied demands as formulated by the supreme council in Paris two weeks ago. This became known here today when Dr. von Kahr, premier of Bavaria, returned from Berlin.

HOUSE COMMITTEE WILL INVESTIGATE BERGDOLL ESCAPE

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8.—A preliminary investigation of the escape to Germany of Grover Cleveland Bergdoll, wealthy Philadelphia draft dodger, is to be made by the house military committee to determine whether a thorough investigation by a special committee is justified. This was announced today by Chairman Kahn after an executive session of the committee which voted to launch the preliminary hearing Thursday.

"I'm convinced the whole affair was rotten and that we should go to the bottom of it," he said. WASHINGTON, Feb. 8.—A resolution expressing regret that "this government saw fit to apologize to the Berlin government, with which we are still formally at war, for the recent attempt to capture Grover Cleveland Bergdoll on German soil," was adopted today by the National Executive committee of the American Legion.

The apology referred to was reported in press dispatches as having been made by Brigadier General Henry J. Allen, commander of the army forces on the Rhine, for an alleged attempt by men connected with the American forces to take into custody the wealthy American draft evader and his chauffeur. The resolution also endorsed the measure before congress for a thorough investigation of Bergdoll's escape from this country. It also condemned "the system which permitted this arch-slacker to escape the punishment he so rightly deserved."

GA. WOMAN MOONSHINER FACES MURDER TRIAL

ATLANTA, Ga., Feb. 9.—Mrs. Sarah Glass, 50 years old, from the mountains of Pickens county, Georgia, today began serving a thirty-day sentence for operation of an illicit still, and, according to prohibition officers, after serving her sentence, will return to be tried in the state court for killing the man who told on her. Clad in a gingham dress topped by a gray shawl, the sturdy little woman gazed defiantly at the "revenuers" who testified against her, and when the verdict was read her only comment was "they didn't tell the truth."

Daily Record of the Crime Wave

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—Robert P. Brindell, president of the Building Trades council, convicted of extortion from builders, was sentenced today by Supreme Court Justice McEvoy to serve from five to ten years in state prison. SALT LAKE CITY, Feb. 8.—City Detective G. E. Hamby was shot dead today at a local hotel by Tom Burns, 30 years old, who in turn was shot by Chief of Police Joseph E. Burdick. Burns died within an hour. Chief Burdick narrowly escaped death, a shot grazing and bruising his shoulder. SAN ANTONIO, Texas, Feb. 8.—Four bandits held up Night Watchman Paul Menn at Boerne, Texas, early today, entered the state bank, dug their way into the vault and robbed a number of the tin safety deposit boxes of \$10,000 or more in Liberty bonds and \$200 in nickels. OGDEN, Utah, Feb. 8.—Mrs. Laura Barker, mother of three children, charged with murder in the first degree in connection with the alleged poisoning of her husband last July was acquitted last night.

CIVIL WAR IS BEING FOUGHT AT BALLOT BOX

South African Election Held Today Expected to Settle Secession Question—Victory of Hertzog Forces Means Free Africa.

LONDON, Feb. 8.—No less a vital issue than the secession of an important state of the British empire by ballot arises in the election today of a new legislative assembly in the Union of South Africa. Broadly, the question is whether South Africa, comprising the provinces of the Cape of Good Hope, Natal, Transvaal and Orange Free State shall continue allegiance to the king of England as one of the self governing dominions of the empire, or whether the South African union shall set up as an independent republic.

English sympathies naturally are with the loyalists. Both sections are however, admired for their decision to settle differences by the ballot rather than by more drastic means. At the head of the loyalist section is General J. C. Smuts, former Boer general, now prime minister of the union. He is better known as one of the leading advocates of the League of Nations. Opposed to him is General Hertzog, also a former Boer military leader.

In the general elections of March 1920 the Hertzog party obtained forty-four seats in the legislative assembly, thus becoming numerically the largest party. It was supported in its opposition to the Smuts government by a labor party of twenty-seven. The result Smuts Victory. The election today is said to hinge on the success of the third or balance of power party, that of labor. English political observers expect a small but working majority for General Smuts.

Confusion of issues has arisen as a result of the nationalists inability to agree upon the time of the establishment of a republic. Radicals insist upon immediate cutting away from the British empire, while others make the time indeterminate. General Hertzog's opinion is said to have been expressed in a speech when he declared for South Africa's right to secede from the British empire. In spite of the act of union, he is quoted as saying South Africans have the right to alter their constitution to gain independence. If the king should refuse to alter the constitution, he would be approached again and again and in the end the king would be convinced that it was better to have an independent friend than a dependent enemy.

ELKS FAVOR ANTI-JAP RESOLUTION

SALEM, Ore., Feb. 8.—The Elks of Medford are prepared "to resist in every lawful way," the colonization of the Rogue River by Japanese driven from California, according to a resolution forwarded to the house of representatives yesterday by the Elks lodge. The resolution referred to in the above dispatch was passed by the Elks' lodge at the regular meeting Thursday night, and was in accordance with similar steps taken by the American Legion, and other organizations of the city and valley.

WOMAN DROPS HER CHARGE OF ROBBERY

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 8.—Dismissal of a robbery charge against Carl (Babe) Helling, former pitcher of the Oakland club in the Pacific Coast league and now under contract to the Detroit Americans, was ordered by the court today, when it was notified that the complaining witness, Mrs. Ira Woodworth, refused to prosecute. Helling was accused of entering Mrs. Woodworth's apartment and stealing \$20 in currency and \$40 worth of clothing. Son Admits Murder. WICHITA FALLS, Texas, Feb. 8.—Henry J. Toussaint, 33, was in jail today and according to the police confessed having slain his father, whom he charged was responsible for the death of his mother and for the son's separation from his wife.

Mrs. Shonts' Million Dollar Damage Suit Thrown From Court

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—The \$1,000,000 damage suit brought by Mrs. Milla D. Shonts, widow of Theodore P. Shonts, head of the Interurban Rapid Transit company, against Mrs. Amanda Thomas, alleging alienation of her husband's affections, was dismissed today by Supreme Court Justice McAvoy on motion of the defense. The court held that Mrs. Shonts had failed to set forth sufficient facts to warrant a trial. Mrs. Thomas was the principal beneficiary named in Shonts' will. Mrs. Shonts is contesting the will.

SUFFRAGE ALLOWS CHINESE GIRLS TO MARRY FOR LOVE

SHANGHAI, Feb. 8.—China, following hard on the peoples of the western world, now has its Chinese woman's suffrage association. The platform drafted at the opening meeting by the membership, composed of women educated in the schools of China and abroad, is as follows: Every woman may have a right to vote. Men and women will have equal protection under the law. Girl slavery shall be prohibited. Women shall have the right to the possession of their property, which shall be registered by name. Women shall have the right to marry whom they desire. Women shall have equal opportunities for education with men. Women shall have equal rate of wage with men. Concubinage shall be prohibited. A single standard shall be maintained for men and women.

Widows shall have financial recompense from the state for the care of their children. WASHINGTON, Feb. 8.—Representative McClinton of Oklahoma continues to keep speeches which were never made in the house out of the Congressional Record. It used to be the custom with members given as little as thirty seconds to speak to put pages into the record. But that was before McClinton began to handle the axe. An epidemic of unspoken speeches always came during consideration of measures with a popular appeal—the soldier bonus for example. But nowadays nobody can break through when McClinton is around.

M'CLINTICK DESERVES VOTE OF THANKS, BUT HE'LL NEVER GET IT

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NEW ELECTION BILL PASSES IN SENATE

SALEM, Ore., Feb. 8.—Senator Bell's bill providing for the creation of counting boards in election precincts of 100 or more registered voters, has passed the Oregon senate. It provides that the counting boards shall begin their duties after twenty votes have been cast and its purpose is to make known the results of Oregon elections in a short time after the closing of the polls.

HOWAT ARRESTED AGAIN FOR CALLING MINERS STRIKE AGAINST KANSAS LAW

PITTSBURG, Kas., Feb. 8.—Alexander Howat, president of the Kansas miners' union and five members of the district executive board arrested yesterday for calling a strike of 200 miners in this county, were expected to appear today and ask a continuance. They were said to want time to prepare an answer to the citation of contempt for violation of an injunction issued last summer restraining the union from calling a strike. The strike hinges on the age of Karl Miahnab, who no longer is employed in the mines. Two years ago he received boy's wages, but a joint board of miners and operators agreed to pay him a man's wage from his nineteenth birthday. The union claims \$250 is due for the time he worked after he attained the age of 19, but the operators maintain the Miahnab family bible shows two dates of birth and they were unable to determine his nineteenth birthday.

REDUCTION OF NAVY IS NOT LIKELY

Senate Naval Committee Opposes Borah Resolution for Suspension of Building for Six Months—Sir Philip Gibbs Testifies—Jap Speaks for Reduction.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8.—A negative report was ordered today by the senate naval committee on the resolution of Senator Borah, republican, Idaho, asking for the committee's opinion whether it is practicable or advisable for the government to suspend naval building operations for six months.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8.—Great Britain will not undertake a race with the United States for sea power, Sir Philip Gibbs, British correspondent, declared today before the house naval committee. England has not the money, he said, and most Englishmen do not regard the American navy "as a menace."

Sir Philip said that before any agreement for disarmament could be reached by the principal powers the Russian question would have to be settled and the Russian people drawn back into the "family of nations."

Russia Only Danger Representatives of the Russian soviet government should be included in any conference to discuss disarmament, he declared. He characterized the Russian red army as "the greatest military menace in the world." There is a spirit of revolt, entirely apart from bolshevism, in Europe today because of the general fear of another war, he said, adding that the people felt that they had been betrayed in the last war, because they had been told that it was a war to end war.

An invitation from the United States for a disarmament conference would meet with the approval of most of the people of Great Britain, Sir Philip said, although some sections of the government are opposed to the general idea of disarmament.

Appearing today before the naval committee hearing, which was expected to be the last hearing on the Borah resolution to suspend capital ship construction for six months, officers of the navy general board urged that work on those ships be rushed. They also asked the committee to support immediate construction of two air plane carriers.

Jap in Favor. TOKIO, Feb. 8.—Yukio Ozaki, a former leader of the Kensei-Kai or opposition party, told the Associated Press that he would today introduce independently before the diet a resolution proposing curtailment of naval armament. His resolution, he said, would ask Japan to communicate with the United States and England, and to decide on the best way to restrict naval programs in conjunction with those nations.

M. Ozaki was expelled from the Kensei-Kai because he had not supported a suffrage bill urged by that organization.

12 YEAR OLD GIRL IS H. S. TEACHER

PITTSBURG, Feb. 8.—Yvonne Webster, 12, has established a record in the public schools here. She graduated from public school as class valedictorian yesterday. She speaks four languages and teaches physical culture and dancing in the high school class.