

TEXT BOOK FUSS CAUSES CLASH OVER GOVERNOR

Milton Miller Attacks Sta's Supt. Churchill When Latter Blames Governor Pierce for Tangle Over Purchase of Oregon School Books.

SALEM, Aug. 14.—Finding itself in a state of uncertainty today as to its powers to meet at this time and adopt text books the state text book commission put the problem before Attorney General Van Winkle and adjourned until afternoon.

The commission voted, on motion of A. C. Hampton, of Astoria, to throw the matter of adopting two thirds of the text books used in Oregon open to adoption by open competition on August 20. Whether this procedure is legal is the matter that the attorney general is to decide before the end of the day.

State Superintendent J. A. Churchill and Milton A. Miller, who had been elected chairman of the commission, clashed during the meeting. Miller intimated that Churchill had acted illegally in preparing a state course of study with no contracts existing with publishers. Churchill replied that because of the governor's veto of a bill empowering the board of education to enter into contracts, there was no authority vested in anyone to enter into contracts at this time, therefore he could not be charged with proceeding illegally. Miller said then that he perhaps shouldn't have used the word "illegally," but declared that Churchill's procedure had been irregular. This Churchill denied.

Churchill holds that the commission has no legal authority to meet on August 20, while the commission apparently is unanimous in the opinion that the emergency gives the commission that authority.

SALEM, Aug. 3.—Prior to a meeting of the state text book commission here today, it was apparent that about the only thing the commission could do to solve the textbook problem in Oregon was to allow the "gentlemen's agreement" entered into between State Superintendent J. A. Churchill and the text book publishers to take the place of contracts.

The reasons for this are Governor Pierce's veto of a bill passed by the 1923 legislature empowering the state board of education to enter into contracts at the best possible prices, the fact that the text book commission has no authority under the law to make contracts, and the impossibility at the present date to adopt new books and be able to get them for the coming school year.

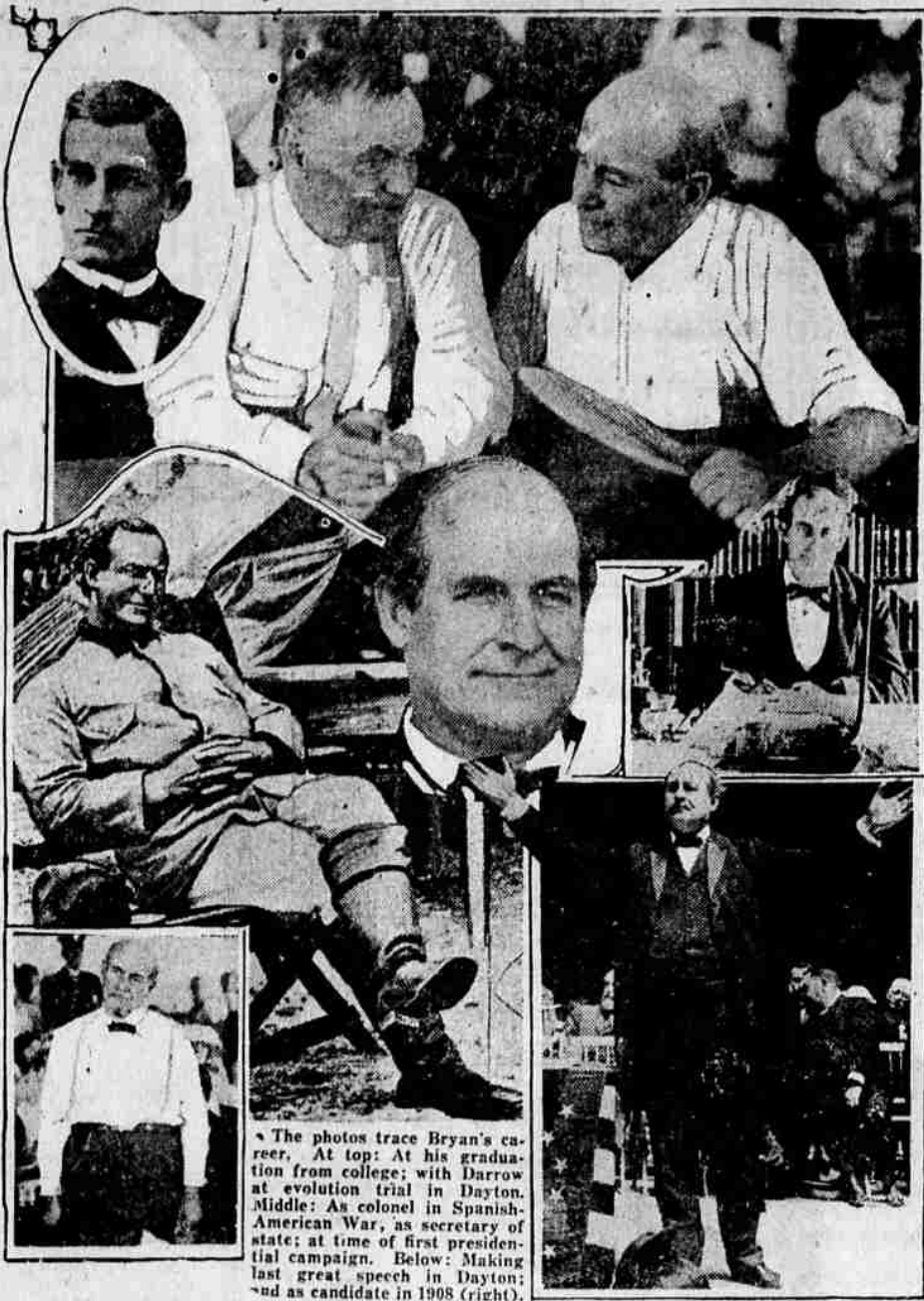
Under the law the contracts must be made by the state board of education, which is composed of the governor, the secretary of state and the state school superintendent.

The "gentlemen's agreement" between Mr. Churchill and the publishers is the promise of the publishers whose books are now in Oregon schools that they will furnish the books at as low a figure as they are sold in any other state, or at which they would have agreed by contract had contracts been made.

Governor Pierce took the position that by "standing pat" the state superintendent would have been able to get the books at prices contained in the old contracts and that to allow the bill passed by the legislature to become a law would have been a surrender to the book trust.

The members of the text book commission are Milton A. Miller, of Portland; George Hug, superintendent of the Salem schools; R. R. Turner, superintendent of the Dallas schools; A. C. Hampton, superintendent of the Astoria schools, and Mrs. Marjorie Delzell Newbury of Medford.

Bryan's Career Told in Pictures



The photos trace Bryan's career. At top: At his graduation from college; with Darrow at evolution trial in Dayton. Middle: As colonel in Spanish-American War, as secretary of state; at time of first presidential campaign. Below: Making last great speech in Dayton; and as candidate in 1908 (right).

PRESIDENT STARTS THIRD YEAR IN CHEERFUL MOOD

SWANSPSCOTT, Mass., Aug. 3.—(A. P.)—Calvin Coolidge started in today on his third year as president, seemingly satisfied with his administration's record, and quietly perfecting plans for legislation and executive action during the remainder of his term.

Two years ago—just before dawn on August 3, 1923, in his father's modest home at Plymouth, Vermont—Mr. Coolidge took the oath as president a few hours after the death of Warren G. Harding.

Looking back over his white house incumbency, President Coolidge, his friends say, feels satisfied with the turn of events, the election results which remain to be settled. Hopeful that anthracite operators and miners eventually will agree on a new wage scale he has determined not to interfere with negotiations. He also believes that an agreement among the powers is near on the vexing Chinese problem, that prospects are bright for favorable senate action on the world court proposal and that the way is being cleared for enactment of a satisfactory tax reduction bill.

Today the president turned his attention to politics, the visit to the summer white house of John T. Adams of Iowa, former chairman of the republican national committee, affording him an opportunity to obtain information as to conditions and prospects, particularly in the northwest.

Passing of the Early Pioneer

PENDLETON, Ore., Aug. 3 (A. P.)—Another of the little band of Civil war veterans in Umatilla county has answered the final reveille. Hiram B. Lee, 81, who served with the 5th Illinois infantry throughout the war died yesterday at his home in Milton, following an illness of months. Lee was born in Illinois in 1844 and shortly after the end of the war in 1867 journeyed west in a covered wagon caravan to Oregon. Arriving in this state he took up a homestead on Dry creek near Milton and lived in and near Milton until the time of his death.

M'MILLAN'S RADIO IS WORKING NICELY

CHICAGO, Aug. 3 (A. P.)—Radio-casting in the human voice from the MacMillan Arctic navy expedition has proved so successful that members of the expedition party expect to broadcast to thousands of home receivers will be possible within a few weeks.

That was the statement of Lieutenant Commander E. F. McDonald, Jr., in a radio communication from Etah, Greenland, announcing that their radio casting of music and voice on Saturday night had been reported heard by amateur radio operators in London, England and in Grand Forks, North Dakota.

Mention Burton as Resignation of Mellon Is Talked



Washington is discussing rumors that Andrew Mellon will resign as secretary of the treasury. Rep. Theodore E. Burton of Ohio (above), is being mentioned as his probable successor.

WIFE-KILLS HUSBAND, PLEADS SELF-DEFENSE

LAKEPORT, Calif., Aug. 3 (A. P.)—Mrs. Anna Howe shot and killed her husband, William D. Howe at the Frank Swartz ranch near here Sunday. Testimony at the inquest given by the woman was that she had shot in self defense. Officers stated the slain man had a death grip on a pruning knife when his body was viewed. Mrs. Howe said the quarrel that ended in the slaying was due to "his jealousy without cause." She is detained but no charge has yet been placed against her.

New Manager of Telegram
PORTLAND, Aug. 3 (A. P.)—J. E. Wheeler, president and L. R. Wheeler, vice president of the Telegram Publishing company, announced today the appointment of W. S. Jones as general manager of the Telegram.

Mr. Jones said today he had already purchased a home in Portland.

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TANK EXPLODES, TRUCK BURNS UP

The fire department answered a summons at 11:30 this forenoon on West Main and on Saturday night a Ford truck which had caught fire from a gasoline tank explosion. Several gallons of chemicals were used before the blaze was put under control, but the truck, which belongs to the county, was a total loss. Luckily no one was injured when the explosion occurred. A grass fire, caused from the sparks of the fire, was also quickly extinguished.

CHARGED WITH MURDER

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Mrs. Schwartz yesterday is proceed with the funeral of the body which she holds to be her husband's.

"You can announce that Schwartz is wanted for murder," the San Francisco Examiner quotes Tinning as saying. "This body is positively not Schwartz. I have asked the sheriff to broadcast a request to sheriffs and chiefs of police to find Schwartz."

2 HANDCUFFED BOYS HERE ON HIKE TO FRANCE

LaVerne Squires, 22, and Christopher Graham, 19, are two young men who are attempting to win a wager by traveling from New York City to Paris, France, chained together by handcuffs, with but \$5.00 they received at the nation's metropolis May 11, the day of their departure, to cover expenses.

When they arrived in Medford yesterday afternoon they had covered over 4500 miles, with but 450 miles of walking, were enroute to San Francisco, where they expect to board a boat bound for Shanghai, China, from which place they expect to touch Australia, India, Asia Minor, Egypt and then France and Paris. If they arrive in Paris by January 1, 1927, they will receive a three year art course given by the Beaux Arts Institute at the Sorbonne of that city.

The two young men say they have aspirations to be portrait painters, and they had long wished to attend the French school, but due to financial conditions were unable to. As it happened, they belonged to a club known as the All Fools club, whose members are made up of those who are interested in art and literature.

One day the boys talked to the president about three youths from Burma, India, who were going about the world on bicycles, and it came about that the president suggested that if they would leave the city afoot with but \$2.50 apiece, and promise not to beg, steal, or write home for funds and arrive at Paris within the specified time, they would be rewarded with the three year course.

With a 22-inch chain between handcuffs they cannot open, as the keys have been sent to Paris, the boys are continually in each other's company. Their shirts have been so soaped that they can be taken off without the handcuffs being in the way; a question, which the boys state, has often been asked of them as many wonder if they ever take their shirts off.

The two young men carry cards with them, portraits of themselves, which they sell to help defray expenses.

Greb Is Disappointed.
KANSAS CITY, Aug. 3.—Harry Greb, middleweight champion boxer, expressed disappointment here today when he learned that Jack Dempsey would not immediately sign for a bout with him. He expressed determination, however, to obtain the match if it were possible.

S. P. BAGGAGE MAN PROVES TO BE U. S. PARCEL P. ROBBER

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 3.—The unexplained disappearance over a period of months of parcel post and other mail matter the value of which is believed to run into several thousands of dollars was believed by postal authorities here to be solved with the arrest today of John Van Tricht, 60, baggage man employed by the Southern Pacific company at its docks in Oakland.

Postoffice inspectors who have been working on the case for six months reported witnessing Van Tricht extract packages from parcels post consignments as they were being transferred from dock to ferry and dropping the parcels into a small boat tied to the wharf. Whether

COPCO DEFEATED BY OWEN-OREGON

The California Oregon Power company baseball team was defeated yesterday afternoon at the Holly street grounds by the Owen-Oregon Lumber company by a score of 12 to 8. The game was replete with thrills and arguments with the umpire, who was ably assisted by the presence of Jess Willard, former heavyweight champion of the world, who has been visiting in southern Oregon for the past week. Errors were made promiscuously by both teams, and neither played the good brand of ball they usually do. It is said that loose fielding lost the game for the power boys.

Next Sunday the "lighthouse" men will play Eagle Point at the latter place.

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4 Killed, 15 Hurt When Mob Storms Italian City Hall

ROME, Aug. 3 (A. P.)—Four persons were killed and 15 injured in a fight today at San Giovanni in Fiore, in the Province of Calabria, southern Italy, when a mob demanding the abolition of communal taxes and the dismissal of all city medical employees not natives of the place, stormed the city hall.

The police were forced to fire and troops were rushed from Cassano, 25 miles to the west, to restore order.

Bomb Explodes in Brooklyn Declared Result Labor War

NEW YORK, Aug. 3 (A. P.)—Explosion of a bomb early today in the southeast corner of a four-story building in Madison street, Brooklyn, partly wrecked the building and drove 23 snails from their homes. Police believe the explosion may have resulted from labor troubles.

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