

RELIGION ONLY HOPE OF BETTER MORALS IN U. S.

President Coolidge Sees No Hope of Improvement Except Through Public Conscience Enlightened by Religion

WASHINGTON, Oct. 21.—(A. P.)—President Coolidge believes a public conscience enlightened by religion, rather than the police powers of government, must be looked to remedy a condition of lawlessness which he warns is "altogether too prevalent."

A lack of respect for government and conventions of enlightened society is altogether too apparent," the president declared in an address here last night before the annual council of Congregational churches.

Asserting that "if there are any general failures in the enforcement of the law it is because there have first been general failures in the disposition to observe the law."

The president saw in the "influence of religion," the only adequate remedy for the evil. The government's part in the repression of crime and wrong doing must be buttressed by an enlightened conscience and a determined public sentiment in favor of law enforcement. Mr. Coolidge said "before it reaches the highest application."

"The utmost ingenuity on the part of the police powers," he said, "will be substantially all wasted in an effort to enforce the law, if there does not exist a strong and vigorous determination on the part of the people to observe the law. Such a determination cannot be produced by the government. My own opinion is that it is furnished by religion."

SLICK GRAFTER BUYS DIAMONDS ON FAKE CHECKS

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 21.—(A. P.)—Police and county officers seeking a man who obtained several diamonds from Portland persons, aggregating in value about \$19,000, in exchange for spurious checks, purporting to have been certified by a bank at Oregon City, today found the driver of a car used by the swindler in visiting the homes of his victims. The driver, who officers said was innocent of any connection with the swindle plan, gave the officers a good description of the man.

The swindler, who worked under the name of "James H. Chapman," according to District Attorney Stanley Myers, advertised for diamonds and when persons replied he visited them and offered the checks in payment.

FRENCH CASUALTIES IN PRESENT WARS TOTAL OVER 16,000

PARIS, Oct. 21.—(A. P.)—Casualties suffered by the French forces in Morocco up to October 1 were 2176 killed, including 39 officers, and 8297 wounded, Premier Painleve told the finance committee of the chamber of deputies today.

The premier says that the expenses of the Moroccan campaign had been \$59,900,000 francs.

French casualties in Syria, he said, had totaled 626 killed, wounded and missing since France took over the mandate in 1920.

He stated that the expenses of the French regime in Syria from 1920 to the end of 1924 amounted to two billion francs and in 1925 had totaled 197,000,000.

REALTY BOARD TO HANDLE CITY LOTS

Several members of the local realty board have made arrangements with the city attorney's office, by which they will handle city lots exclusively for several weeks, carrying on a campaign to dispose of the properties. Papers are being drawn up by the city attorney giving the realty dealers option of 60 days to handle said property.

An organized campaign is scheduled to be started this week to sell the lots to prospective home builders or others. Several more realty concerns are expected to join this campaign before it is over.

The city faced two propositions in disposing of these lots: one to raise the price on each \$200 lot or to put on a campaign to dispose of them quickly, the latter method being chosen.

With Medford trade is Medford made.

LOCAL MINISTERS PRAISE OFFICIALS FOR ENFORCEMENT

Following is a copy of a communication sent out by the Rogue Valley Ministerial association to the officials of the county whose duties pertain to the enforcement of the law:

To the Law Enforcement officials of Jackson county:

Dear Sirs: This organization has authorized us to direct this letter to each of you whose official duties give you a part in the apprehension of law violators or the enforcement of the law dealing with violations.

Our association thru several of its members, has as you know, kept in close touch with your offices and the activities pertaining to the enforcement of those laws which deal with public morals. We have given you the best support possible thruout the county, and the churches which we represent and our constituencies are quite solidly behind your efforts in law enforcement.

The principal purpose of this communication is to convey to you the commendations of this association for the manner in which you have, almost without a single exception, given your energies to the difficult tasks which the type of law violations of the present demand. The past several months have witnessed the best law enforcement program this county has known. There has been a spirit of aggressive action which has brought results.

Two things have been responsible for the results attained: individual determination to make good, and a splendid cooperation between the various offices. The growing sentiment thruout the county for actual and real enforcement has, we are sure, been a great help to you.

From the outset the offices of the district attorney and sheriff, where actual enforcement revolves, have revealed exceptional harmony and closest cooperation. We are, with all other good citizens, desirous that this same harmony and cooperation between these offices shall not be lessened by anything whatsoever. The public is entitled to that and feels, we are sure, from past activities, that it will continue.

This judicial district is, in regard to all forms of judicial matters and especially in law enforcement, unusually favored in the person of its circuit judge. The spirit and example of this office is felt down thru the whole process of enforcement and the officials who administer in their various capacities. Judge C. M. Thomas has actually pioneered and set precedents in sentences passed upon violators in this state. For a time it seemed that he almost stood alone. He has not received the backing of the public press in this county that he has had in other counties and other sections of the northwest, and the backing which he deserves.

The justice of the peace and police judges of the county have been unusually diligent in the matter of adequate sentences for violations. We are sure that it reflects the spirit and temper of the public mind.

We believe that we have a trio of state traffic officers operating in southern Oregon unexcelled anywhere for their neat, good sense and impersonal application to their duties. These men are always on the job and have made an enviable record. Of course every one deplores the fact that a criminal is sometimes made to suffer at the hands of an officer in the performance of his sworn duty, but the recent case is by no means an exception. All manner of criminals take their lives in their own hands when they run afoul of the law and fail to respond to the demands of the agents of the law.

The federal and state special officers, the county court, the deputies and city police have contributed immensely to the law enforcement program of the past several months. The former have done commendable work in connection with the county officials. In some communities the city officials have been slack or unconcerned in their dealing with serious moral conditions. At the feet of the mayor and his official family must the public lay the blame for failure in moral and vice conditions of the towns. Medford and Ashland have seen a real elevation in the moral tone, but certain of the smaller communities have been unjustifiably slack.

This communication makes no reference to the past or reflection upon former officials who diligently pursued their duties in these things. Many of them did exceptionally well. The Rogue Valley Ministerial association authorized this statement without the knowledge of any of the officials concerned.

This association stands ready always to assist in the promotion of every public good. We will stand by every official who we believe to be diligently and aggressively doing his duty. You may expect our cooperation in any way possible.

J. E. Coan, President.
E. J. Johnson, Secretary.

WIFE ASKS FOR \$100,000 FROM PRETTY ACTRESS

MINEOLA, N. Y., Oct. 21.—(A. P.)—Mrs. Katherine M. Frey of Louisville, Ky., taking the witness stand in the supreme court today in her \$100,000 alibi suit against Wilda Bennett, actress, charged that the actress stole the affections of her husband, Charles C. Frey, sportsman and race horse owner. Miss Bennett and Frey sat in the court room and heard the wife's accusation. Mrs. Frey said her husband was a racing bookmaker in Louisville when she married him in 1919. Once in 1921, they quarreled and she left him but returned the next day.

Up to the summer of 1923 her husband, she said, was affectionate and kind. She was then in New York studying at the New York School of Fine Arts. Frey told her at that time, she testified, that he never wanted her to visit his New York apartment "because there were people there who gambled."

When she was preparing to return to Louisville Mrs. Frey said her husband told her he wanted a divorce.

"If it's money you want I can get you \$100,000," she quoted him as saying. When she asked him where he would get the money he replied: "From a woman."

Mrs. Frey contends that it was in 1923 that Miss Bennett stole her husband's affections.

WOMAN SHOOT RUNNING COYOTE

ROSEBURG, Ore., Oct. 21.—While on her way back with her husband on a hunting trip in Josephine county, Mrs. George Dyer of Myrtle Creek this morning saw a huge coyote crossing the road ahead of the car. The machine was stopped and Mrs. Dyer seized a small .22 caliber rifle from the machine, and running out to a nearby clearing, saw the animal crossing an open place and shot it twice, killing it with the second shot. The animal proved to be an exceptionally large one. She brought the pelt into Roseburg and secured the bounty. The coyote was killed near the summit of Canyon Mountain.

NEW ENGINEER TO HAVE CHARGE OF WATER DEPT.

P. M. Kershaw, the new councilman, took part in his first council meeting last night, and any lingering doubt held by fellow city officials that he would make a good municipal statesman was dispelled at this time by the fact that he held his cigar at the right angle as he listened intently to the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting, thereby violating all Medford city hall precedent.

Mr. Kershaw in addition to falling heir to membership on committees that was held by his predecessor, Dr. B. H. Elliott, was last night appointed by Mayor Alenderfer to the land appraisal committee, on which he will serve with A. J. Crose, P. B. McDonald and J. W. Jacobs. He is now chairman of the health committee.

An important coming change in city affairs became known at this meeting when it was announced that by agreement between the council and city water commission, City Superintendent Chas. W. Davis will have nothing to do with the city water affairs after the first of the month.

The occasion for this change is that Mr. Davis, it has long been realized by the city government, has had too many duties to look after. It is the plan now of the water commission to have its new engineer, yet to be chosen, in charge of the construction of the new \$275,000 water system, look after the superintendent's duties, with the assistance of J. T. (Shorty) Conrad, who has long been the right hand man of Superintendent Davis as assistant water superintendent.

Superintendent Davis after this change is made will still have plenty of work to do to keep him busy from morning until night, as he will continue to be superintendent of streets and the city building department, city purchasing agent and inspector of electric, lighting and plumbing affairs.

Another change announced is that the council has decided to employ a competent stenographer-clerk for the office of Superintendent Davis and his assistant in the above departments, so that the office in the city hall will be kept open all during the day as an accommodation to the public.

In addition to passing a number of delinquent property settlement ordinances and transacting much routine business, the council last night passed an ordinance prohibiting the throwing of hand bills and advertising cards into autos, other than city or federal notices like forest fire warnings. Violation of this ordinance provides a fine up to \$100, and jail sentence up to 30 days.

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SENATOR GERRY TO MARRY WIDOW OF GEO. VANDERBILT

LONDON, Oct. 21.—The Evening Standard today states that United States Senator Peter Goulet Gerry of Rhode Island will within a few days be married here to Mrs. Edith Vanderbilt, widow of George Washington Vanderbilt.

Friends of Senator Gerry and Mrs. Vanderbilt this afternoon confirmed the report of their plans. The ceremony will be performed tomorrow morning.

Senator Gerry was divorced in an action brought by his wife in Paris several months ago. The Rhode Island senator is socially prominent, member of a family famous in American history since early colonial times and is known as a lawyer, scientist and philanthropist. He is 46 years old.

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