

DISARMAMENT IS NOT FAVORED BY LEAGUE LEADERS

(By Oscar Watson, Cable Editor. The Associated Press.) Russia's proposal for immediate and complete disarmament by the nations of the world went by the board last week in the sessions of the preparatory disarmament commission of the League of Nations.

Though invited to join with Russia in this proposal, the United States, represented by Hugh Gibson, ambassador to Belgium, declined the invitation and Gibson explained that in seeking the outlawry of war his government was alone taking a step in the way of preparation for disarmament.

The British delegate, Lord Cushendun, repeated Great Britain's proposal, first made at the 1919-1920 conference at Geneva for a reduction of naval armaments to the extent of smaller battleships, smaller guns and a longer life for capital ships before being replaced.

The commission adjourned after having rejected a resolution presented by Count Bernstorff of Germany, asking that a date be fixed for a disarmament conference and will meet again at the call of the chairman when he finds that the governments are in a fair way to settle their divergencies on naval armament.

Spain has returned to the League of Nations, at the request of the league, notwithstanding that it is officially withdrawing from that body.

Premier Mussolini called upon all black-shirts in Italy to "go guard." In felicitating thousands of Italian youths who are entering the political and military ranks of the fascists, he told them that millions of men constituted the essence of the fascist revolution and urged them to live up to the slogan of the Aditi.

Actual settlement of the Tangier zone question has not yet been reached, although there is a tentative agreement between Spain and France. These two countries, together with Italy and Great Britain, have been in conference in Paris. The ratification of the latter countries is necessary for completion of the settlement and divergencies of opinion are reported.

The Latin American countries flouted prominently in the news with an earthquake in Mexico that shook a large section of the country and did some slight damage to the American embassy in Mexico City, the petroleum controversy over which Ambassador Meroy and the Mexican minister of industry and commerce, Luis Mirones, conferred and fighting between federals and insurgents in which the insurgents faced badly; ratification of the treaty between Colombia and Peru whereby Colombia cedes to Peru the Putumayo territory, long the subject of dispute; and, a turbulent campaign in Argentina over the coming presidential elections.

In Nicaragua, President Diaz issued a decree establishing military supervision over the presidential election in October. The decree was made necessary because the Nicaraguan congress has refused to pass the electoral bill which provided for such control under Brigadier-General McCoy.

SALEM, Ore., March 26.—(AP)—Dale Pointer, who escaped from the state penitentiary in 1924, was returned yesterday from Reno, Nev., and will serve out his original sentence of one year.

Pointer was first received in 1922 from Jefferson county for stealing a calf. He was paroled May 1, 1922. He was received again April 14, 1923, from Harney county for horse stealing. He escaped 20 days later and was not heard from again until three months ago, when he was arrested at Reno for failure of fence. Upon finishing a jail sentence he was turned over to a guard from the Oregon penitentiary and returned here.

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BIG CROWD SEES OBSCENE PLAY IN LOS A. THEATER

LOS ANGELES, Mar. 26.—(AP)—Members of the cast and two producers of "The Captive," for the third time in two consecutive days, last night closed the show with a trip to the police station. All were charged with participating in an obscene play and, as on former occasions, were released on bail.

A capacity house was attending the play last night and was warned at the opening of the drama that it would be closed by the arrest of the cast at the close of the second act and any who desired would be invited to leave and get their money back. So far as observers could see only one left.

The case of the producers, A. L. Pearce and Ed Rowland, last night's arrest marked their fourth time since the opening of the show. Their trial on their first arrest has been set for March 30.

ROSES FROM AIR FOR DIAMOND JOE

CHICAGO, Mar. 26.—(AP) Roses that rain from airplanes were the final touch that friends added to today to the funeral of Diamond Joe Esposito, the "White Italy" politician and ward leader who was shot down by unknown assassins last Wednesday.

Two airplanes filled 10,000 roses into their planes early today and awaited the signal that the funeral procession of "the little" had started to move from the Holy Family church to Mount Carmel cemetery. Snoving low, they were to mark the route to the cemetery with the blooms.

What Next? LONDON.—Now some theatre lights on the last night plan. Seats for one show may be reserved six weeks in advance at the rate of a shilling a week.

Snow at La Grande LA GRANDE, Ore., March 26.—(AP)—Following a bright, sunny day with a maximum of 50 above, a swirling snowstorm enveloped the Grande Ronde valley early this morning, leaving an inch of snow on the ground. A minimum temperature of 32 above was registered last night.

SPRINGFIELD.—M.E.C.E. site highway from here to point north west of Ashcroft will be closed this summer.

1 CHILD KILLED, FIVE INJURED BY BRITISH PLANE

DUKINFIELD, Cheshire, England, Mar. 26.—(AP)—Attempting to bring her plane to a stop on a small field near here, Miss Winthrop Brown crashed into a wall yesterday, killing Jackie Hood, 10, and injuring five other children, seated on the top of the wall.

The plane carried away the top of the wall with its nose. The propeller was smashed but neither Miss Brown nor her companion, Captain Browning, were injured.

Miss Brown, who was the first woman in Manchester to qualify as an air pilot, was flying her own plane, given her by her father, who is a noted yachtsman and motorist.

It was announced that Miss Brown would alight on a field about 200 yards square surrounded by an eight-foot stone wall, as an advertising stunt for a motion picture she was carrying to Stalybridge, where it is to be shown. Many spectators mounted the wall and others stood below it.

Miss Brown made several attempts to bring the plane down within the enclosure. Each time she was close to the wall and had to rise again.

Finally she managed to land in the center of the field. There were cries of horror as the machine failed to halt and rushed toward the part of the wall where the children were sitting. The crowd scattered in panic and several women fainted. Miss Brown tried to clear the wall by taking off again, but failed and the plane crashed into it with fatal results.

DEVELOPMENT OF AIR TRAVEL IN OREGON AMAZING

PORTLAND, Ore., Mar. 26.—(AP) With a rush that scarcely is believable to those not in direct touch with the infant industry, aviation has taken its place in the commercial life of the country, and Portland has made great strides in this new industry.

Characteristic of the swift flight of an airplane, and setting the pace for a new age into which the world suddenly has advanced, this business has not had to go through a long period of pioneering. Within the comparatively few years that the whirr of the airplane has been heard overhead, there has come a big development, and already great fortunes are invested in plants turning out flying machines of all kinds.

The air-mail, which now covers the country like a network, has almost overnight become an indispensable adjunct to modern business. Air travel is rapidly becoming a necessity, as need of rapid locomotion is being felt. Air touring—travel and flights for pleasure—is quickly gaining in popularity, as safety becomes an element to be relied upon.

One concern in Portland, which operates an airport, sold during the month of January 24 airplanes. These went to all parts of the Pacific Northwest. This flying service reports that during the past few weeks it has turned down orders for 30 to 40 planes which could not be supplied. The planes sold were about evenly divided between commercial and pleasure craft. An official of this company estimated that there would be marketed for 200 to 300 airplanes a year in Portland. Most of the planes sold had three and five seated cabins.

There are seven aviation schools in Portland and nearby points, including Vancouver, Wash. The largest of these schools in Portland has already turned out 250 pilots, and has now enrolled 350 students.

Regular passenger service between Seattle and California points, with stops in Portland and other Oregon points, has been established in the past few weeks and is now functioning daily.

Pleasure trips from Portland around Mount Hood are run daily on regular schedule with large cabin planes. Plans are under way for other passenger air lines in the Pacific Northwest.

HILLSBORO, Ore., Mar. 26.—(AP) Eight hours after he is alleged to have set fire to the R. L. Tucker lumber yard here, causing a loss of \$5,000, Alexander Rossen, 26, who is in the county jail here today, charged with arson and, according to court officers, had confessed. Rossen, arrested by Patrolman Grant Zuma, is reported to have said: "I felt mean last night and wanted excitement. I tried to set fire to another place but was frightened away so I went to the lumber yard and touched it off."

Rossen came to the United States from Poland in 1908. He told officers that he had a criminal record in California.

SPORT HERMANN DESERTS MAYOR AND LEN SMALL

CHICAGO, Mar. 26.—(AP)—V. G. (Sport) Hermann, whom Mayor Thompson picked to rid the police library of un-American history books, has cut the political ties binding him to the mayor, insofar as the executive endorsement and support of Governor Len Small's third term candidacy are concerned.

"Undoubtedly," said Hermann, "Bill Thompson is still my friend. It's Small I'm against. How Bill Thompson ever could climb back on the bandwagon after Small double-crossed him, is simply incredible to me."

"I'm still his friend. I haven't seen him in five months. I can't get in. I mean I could get in if I wanted to go over there and wait, but I won't wait for any man."

Hermann's remarks concerning the mayor whose cronies he has been for many years, resulted from his decision to place a banner across Dearborn street, from his Court theater, urging the nomination of Louis Emerson, who is running on a ticket which Mayor Thompson opposes.

"Suppose the mayor should refuse you the permit to stretch the Emerson banner, then what?" Hermann was asked.

"Then I'll put it up anyway," was the answer. "I'll take a shotgun and sit in my office window, overlooking the sign. Then let's see anyone pull that banner down."

Conrad Nagel and Marion Davies at Rialto Today

Marion Davies in "Quality Street" is now at the Rialto. She proves conclusively that one of the quantities of Sir James Barrie's heroine has been lost in its transition to the screen.

Seldom has a stage vehicle like this been treated with such kindness by those who adapt stage plays to the screen.

"Quality Street" is a period play dealing with provincial England at the time of the Napoleonic wars. The heroine falls in love with a young doctor whom she believes is about to propose. If he had such an idea in mind he promptly lost it by listening to a recruiting sergeant in search of men to fight Napoleon. Years later when he returns he is greeted and shocked at the changed appearance of the heroine.

The latter, however, is able to make herself up as the beauty of years before, and after soundly teaching the doctor a lesson, succumbs to his love declaration and accepts his abject apologies.

Conrad Nagel plays the hero. The production is lavish as well as exquisite and will long be remembered by picturegoers.

ANDERSON CREEK

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. MacDowell made a business trip to Medford and Ashland Tuesday.

Frank Marques and family spent Tuesday in Ashland.

Mrs. Jas. Marx was a Talent visitor Monday.

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Summons for Publication. In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Jackson County. M. L. Hartley and Minnie N. Hartley, Plaintiffs.

Deanna Dunlap and G. A. Dunlap, her husband; Mattie Coleman and W. R. Coleman, her husband; Mary D. Farlow and E. J. Farlow, her husband; Lita Staley, her husband; John Doe Chambers, her husband; Lottie Prescott and John Doe Prescott, her husband; Eugene Staley and James H. Staley, his wife; W. N. Campbell, S. A. Nye, Thomas J. Goodpasture, L. F. Stanciliff, J. D. Henry, Willie C. Lane, Harvey Ferguson and James Doe Ferguson, his wife; Eli Ferguson and Mary Doe Ferguson, his wife; Mount Ferguson and Sarah Roe Ferguson, his wife; and other persons, parties unknown claiming any right, title, interest, lien or estate in or to the land hereinafter in this complaint described.

In the name of the State of Oregon, you and each of you, are hereby notified and required to appear in the above entitled court and cause and answer the complaint of plaintiff now on file against you, within four (4) weeks from the date of the first publication of this summons upon you, which is the 19th day of March, 1928, and if you fail to so appear and answer within the time required, for want thereof the plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief prayed for in their complaint, to-wit: For a decree of the court quieting the title to the premises described in volume 136 at page 479 of the Deed Records of Jackson County, Oregon; in volume 26 at page 259 of said Deed Records; in volume 39 at pages 609 and 601 of said Deed Records; in volume 35 at page 607 of said Deed Records; in volume 59 at page 199 of said Deed Records; in volume 126 at page 310 of said Deed Records; in volume 155 at page 273 of said Deed Records; in volume 117 at page 499 of said Deed Records; in volume 118 at page 98 of said Deed Records; in volume 158 at page 625 of said Deed Records; in volume 78 at page 499 of said Deed Records; and in volume 80 at page 47 of said Deed Records.

This summons is served upon you by publication in the Medford Mail Tribune, a daily newspaper of general circulation, published in Medford, Jackson County, Oregon, once a week for four (4) successive weeks, in pursuance of an order made by the Honorable M. C. Shaw, Judge of the said Court, which order was made on the 13th day of March, 1928.

G. H. NEWBURY, Attorney for Plaintiff. Residing in Medford, Jackson County, Oregon.

Notice to Creditors. Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed by the County Court for Jackson County, Oregon, Administratrix of the Estate of Joseph M. Rader, Deceased. A list of persons having claims against said Estate are hereby notified to present the same duly verified to the undersigned Administratrix at the office of her attorney, Don R. Newbury, in Room 219 of the Medford National Bank Building, Medford, Oregon, on or before the 15th day of April, 1928, from the date of this notice.

Dated and first published March 9, 1928.

BERTHA M. RADER, Administratrix of the Estate of Joseph M. Rader, Deceased.

Synopsis of the Annual Statement of the London & Scottish Assurance Corporation, Limited, of London, England, in the thirty-first day of December, 1927, made to the Insurance Commissioner of the State of Oregon, pursuant to law:

Table with 3 columns: Description, Amount, Description. Rows include Amount of capital stock, Net premiums received, Interest, dividends and rents, Income from other sources, Total income, Disbursements, Assets, Liabilities.

Windows and Doors. LARGEST STOCK IN SOUTHERN OREGON. TROWBRIDGE LUMBER YARD. Medford, Oregon.

Synopsis of the Annual Statement of the Atlas Insurance Co., Ltd., of London, Kingdom of Great Britain, on the thirty-first day of December, 1927, made to the Insurance Commissioner of the State of Oregon, pursuant to law:

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Synopsis of the Annual Statement of the National Surety Company of New York, in the State of New York, on the thirty-first day of December, 1927, made to the Insurance Commissioner of the State of Oregon, pursuant to law:

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Synopsis of the Annual Statement of the National Reserve Insurance Company of Chicago, in the State of Illinois, on the thirty-first day of December, 1927, made to the Insurance Commissioner of the State of Oregon, pursuant to law:

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