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Today

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No League, Thanks Be. Remember the Kellogg Pact. Russia's Jewish State. The Prince Likes Beer.

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With a war apparently starting between China and Russia, this country may congratulate itself on being out of the League of Nations.

The league will not be able to tell us what part we must play in the war, what men and money we must supply.

The league may even hesitate about establishing a blockade against American goods. If we were in the league, we should be expected to acquiesce in that arrangement as a matter of course.

That's one advantage of having the voters overrule our foolish so-called "diplomats."

This nation has no diplomatic relations with Russia.

Russians and Chinese have been our friends in the past. Russia has proved her friendship practically.

But because foolish boy bankers in Wall Street bought bonds from the czar and Kerensky, when a baby might have known better, and because Russia won't pay, our government refuses to recognize the Russian government. We ought to be offering our services as peace-makers. Having no diplomatic relations with Russia we keep out.

A war between China and Russia would be bitter.

China announces her intention of stopping Russian propaganda in China, and wiping out Russian Communist theories. That not the railway seizure, caused the Russian outbreak.

If Russia conquers China, which is entirely probable, and Communism is forced from China, there is no knowing what chaos may be produced in that country, not suited to bolshevist experiment.

Remember the Kellogg pact, beautiful document, that was China both signed that Kellogg pact. Now watch how beautifully it does NOT work.

To prevent wars between nations, Britain and the United States, with the co-operation of other nations if possible, should make themselves so powerful in the air, and under water, that nations preparing to fight would obey orders when told not to fight.

A policeman can stop fight between boys or men because they know that the policeman has a club and a revolver.

He couldn't stop the fight by pulling out any beautiful peace pact, on pink paper, or by reciting, "Let dogs delight to bark and bite."

Russia plans a great independent Jewish state in Siberia, on the banks of the Amur river, to be known as the "Jewish Soviet Socialist Republic." The state will use its own language, laws and customs, with substantial financial help from Moscow.

The proposed state is on fertile, beautiful land in Siberia, not the Siberia of moving pictures and the novels. It is bigger than France, about as big as Texas, with great agricultural and mining possibilities.

That "made to order nation" might prove more powerful and prosperous than the attempt now being made in Palestine.

The Prince of Wales drank a glass of beer to the health of 209 workmen who wished him good luck when he opened the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine in Gao street.

The prince, who wished them "good luck" and "good health" and returned, is genuinely democratic, and may inherit a taste for beer.

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FLORIDA IN APPEAL FOR FARM HELP

Fruit Fly Emergency to Be Acted Upon Monday — California Grape Industry Plans Early Action — Board Wrestles With General Policy.

WASHINGTON, July 20.—(AP)—Buried deep in work at the end of its first week, the federal farm board passed up the half holiday enjoyed by other government workers to go ahead with its task of organization.

The Florida fruit emergency caused by the fruit fly is the first and only specific proposition to gain the attention of the board. The Floridians were told to get all state agencies together on the question of relief for marketing and to report on Monday.

Pending further consideration of the Florida situation, the board tackled again its problem of determining a general policy for the uplift of agriculture and for handling the \$150,000,000 at its disposal for loans.

The board has decided that all loans must be to cooperative marketing agencies. No loans are to be made until the usual avenue of credit—the banks and the government—intermediate credit institutions—have been exhausted. Because it must deal directly with cooperative marketing agencies, the board has sent word to American farmers to organize. Only about 2,000,000 of the 6,000,000 farmers are now in the cooperative associations of the various commodities.

It appears likely that the California grape industry will be among the first to set up a stabilization corporation to take charge of marketing the crop which matures this fall. Lloyd Tenny, vice president of the California Vineyardists' association, will appear before the board Tuesday to present plans for the stabilization corporation.

The farm relief act contemplated the organization of these corporations by the cooperative marketing associations and producers as a means of centralizing marketing plans. After the formation of the stabilization corporations, advisory councils are to be selected for each commodity. These councils will be the intermediaries with the farm board.

The Florida citrus exchange presented the appeal of the fruit growers of that state for relief in marketing such of the crop as is spared from the fly pestilence. Earle L. Wirt, president, and C. C. Comstock, general manager of the exchange, appeared before the board. They are now collecting the united support of other marketing agencies of the state preparatory to going before the board again Monday.

USE PRESIDENT'S NAME TO SPEED SALE OF APRICOTS

WASHINGTON, July 20.—(AP)—Use of the name of President Hoover in connection with a shipment of apricots from California placed on sale in New York was termed at the White House today as "sharp practice" on the part of some fruit dealer who wished to reap a greater profit on the fruit.

President Hoover was at his fishing preserve in the Blue Ridge mountains but it was said at the White House that the use of his name in connection with a ranch in which he is one of the stockholders had never been authorized in any way. The executive, it was said, together with seven or eight other persons owns the ranch and the fruit from it is never sold except direct to commission merchants.

GOVERNORS' TRIP TRAGEDY MARRED

WASHINGTON, N. H., July 20.—(AP)—Daniel P. Rossiter, a Boston newspaperman was killed, three other men were injured, and a party of 200, including several governors and their families, were stranded here tonight following upon the runaway and explosion of "Old Peppersack," an old engine which was rededicated at exercises on the mountain top earlier in the day.

High Court Jurist Weds Local Couple



The photo shows two former well known, Medford residents, the former Miss Mary L. Boland and Irwin B. Walther, just after they were married, by Associate Justice Emmett Scowell, fully robed, in the courtroom of the California Supreme Court, in the State building. It is rare for a high court justice to preside at a marriage ceremony. The couple are now on their way to Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, where they will make their future home. They sailed Wednesday.

Miss Boland's parents were among the early settlers of Sacramento, Cal. Walther is a great grandson of George Donner, leader of a historic party, that met tragedy before it reached California, in early times.

The wedding of the two scions of well-known California pioneer families was an event of interest in California, as well as locally.

LAST MAN CLUB MEET AGAIN AT BANQUET BOARD

Years Weigh Heavily On Survivors, and One Comes In Wheel Chair—May Be Last Gathering—Immortal Bottle of Wine on Table.

ST. PAUL, July 20.—(AP)—Gathering for what may prove to be their last meeting, three old warriors of another day met across the banquet board today for the annual reunion of the famous Last Man's club, organized after the close of the Civil war.

Age weighed heavily on the trio, all of whom are far past the allotted span of three score years and ten, and one, John S. Goff, 85, of St. Paul, attended in a wheel chair. The others are Peter O. Hall, Atwater, Minn., and Charles Lockwood, 88, of Chamblee, S. D.

Meeting with the three aged survivors of Company "B" First Minnesota Volunteers, were two other survivors of the regiment, making it a reunion of the first as well as of the Last Man's club.

The 43-year-old bottle of wine which has stood on the table every year at the Last Man's club meetings, was brought from its vault in Stillwater and placed at the head of the board. The club gets its name from the provision that its last member drink a toast from the bottle to his departed comrades. When the last man has passed on the bottle will become the property of the Stillwater library.

Meetings of the Last Man's club usually have been held on July 21, the anniversary of the first battle of Bull Run, which was fought 69 years ago tomorrow, but when members of the First Minnesota decided to hold their reunion today, members of the Last Man's club agreed to make it a joint affair.

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STATE FURNITURE MEN NAME STIFF

PORTLAND, Ore., July 20.—(AP)—H. L. Siff, Salem, Ore., furniture man, was elected president of the Furniture Dealers' Association of Oregon today during the closing hours of the first annual convention of the organization.

Other officers elected were: Albert Applegate, Eugene, first vice president; Fred Egan, Astoria, second vice president; Ben Gradish, Portland, treasurer; and J. King Brown, Portland, executive secretary. The latter two were re-elected.

HOP TO TOKIO DUE TO START IN MID-WEEK

Bromley Monoplane to Be Specially Equipped For Flight Over Pacific—Tacoma to Cut Down Trees to Insure Take-off With Heavy Load.

TACOMA, Wash., July 20.—(AP)—Following a day of rest after his eight-hour hop from Los Angeles to Tacoma, Lieutenant Harold Bromley tonight was impatiently awaiting the arrival of factory experts tomorrow to give his low-wing monoplane, "City of Tacoma," a final check before he attempts a non-stop flight to Tokyo.

More efficient gas valves, and a pump, special spark plugs and a wheel instead of a tail skid to give more speed in taking off, will be installed. The wheel will be dropped after the take-off to cut down wind resistance.

If the factory engineers are able to get through their tasks Monday, a test flight may be made on that day and the final take off will be as soon thereafter as the weather permits. Bromley is now studying the weather reports. While there is a heavy possibility of a take off Tuesday morning, it is hardly expected that the plane will be in shape to get away before Wednesday.

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FIRST SNOW FLIES ON M'KENZIE PASS

BEND, Ore., July 20.—(AP)—A fifty-mile snow blizzard snow which whitened black craters, just west of the McKenzie pass last night, according to a telephone call to Veldon Parker, forest service lookout, today. The blanket of snow extended to the lower lava beds.

SWEET SINGER GETS DIVORCE, BOTH HOPEFUL

Husband and Wife, To Appear Together In Grand Opera Wish Other Happiness — No Alimony and No Contest — Edith Mason Given Child.

CHICAGO, July 20.—(AP)—A divorce was granted today to Edith Mason Polacco, prima donna of the Chicago Civic Opera company, from Giorgio Polacco, director of the same company.

The decree, granted by Judge Hugo Friend in circuit court, gives Miss Mason custody of their four-year-old daughter, Grace Edith. No alimony was asked and a property settlement was made out of court.

Polacco did not appear, although represented by an attorney. A short statement from the famous musician, released through his attorney, said:

"I have nothing to say but that I am broken hearted. This terrible situation is certainly a dreadful blow to me. I am sure that during my absence some misunderstanding brought this about. I wish Mrs. Polacco every happiness, and shall always hold her in the highest regard and affection."

His name was signed to the statement. It was shown to Miss Mason.

"I certainly wish him every happiness," she said. "We both have contracts for the coming season with the Civic Opera company, and I will sing while he is conducting the orchestra. It will give me very great pleasure to sing with him."

MR. FOGARTY NOW SUES MR. TUNNEY

STAMFORD, Conn., July 20.—(AP)—Property of Gene Tunney, retired heavyweight champion of the world was attached here today in a \$50,000 suit, brought by John E. Fogarty of Fort Worth, Tex., charging alienation of affection. Fogarty is the former husband of Mrs. Catherine Fogarty, who is suing Tunney for the same amount, alleging breach of promise.

ROCKETS TO AID MAN IN SKY JAUNTS

Science Views Recent Tests as More Impressive Than First Airplane Flight — No Trip to Moon Planned, But Study of Heavens Expected.

WASHINGTON, July 20.—(AP)—A day when rockets might be sent as far into the atmosphere as man desires is foreseen by Smithsonian Institute scientists as the result of Dr. R. H. Goodard's "moon rocket" tests in Massachusetts, the last of which alarmed Worcester three days ago.

The institution has spent more than \$12,000 in the last 12 years in backing the experiments and Dr. C. G. Abbot, its secretary, today made public from Dr. Goodard's official report the importance of the recent explosive test.

"No such wild project as going to the moon is contemplated," Dr. Abbot said. "We wish to create a method to gather meteorological and atmospheric data in outer space which man cannot reach by aerial navigation, balloons or kites."

Delicate instruments will be carried in the completed rocket, which will be equipped with a parachute. When the force of the propellant is expended, the rocket, if everything goes as planned, will float gently to earth and the instrument returned unharmed.

What the ultimate value of the rocket is to mankind is a question of interesting conjecture to scientists, as it has been throughout the years to fiction writers and inventors with a Jules Verne imagination.

Dr. Abbot asserted that the rocket's recent flight compared with the first flight of Dr. S. P. Langley's engine-propelled airplane, May 8, 1890, over the Potomac. That pilotless craft flew half a mile.

"Suppose anyone had said," Dr. Abbot asked, "Oh, well, what good is a half mile flying machine?" The answer is that in 1927 Lindbergh flew a 3,000-mile flying machine and the other day Mendell and Reinhardt flew an 18,000-mile flying machine.

"Similarly, if anyone now says: 'Well, what good is a 1,000-foot flying rocket?' the answer is that, like Langley's first flight, it demonstrates the success of a new method of propulsion in the atmosphere.

"With automatic stabilization, and carrying more fuel, rockets built on exactly the same principle as Dr. Goodard's will soon fly as high as we like and bring back precious records."

Instead of high explosives, propulsion is furnished by the steady combustion of hydrocarbons in liquid oxygen. Dr. Goodard's conquest of all the difficulties of burning hydrocarbons steadily in liquid oxygen for the first time experimentally overcame the problem of high flight.

"The last remaining obstacle in developing a suitable rocket," Dr. Abbot said, "has been passed in several stages of development. There remains now only the final work of perfecting in field trials the guiding mechanism to insure continuously vehicle flight, and of adding automatic recording instruments for observation."

Through the medium of the rocket, science seeks to secure four things: Samples of the upper air for chemical analysis; measurements of temperature and pressure in distant space; camera spectacles of the sun, beyond the ozone layer which now cuts out the region of the ultraviolet; and measurements at will of the condition of the atmosphere for aviation.

DELAP ELECTED STATE ELK HEAD

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., July 20.—(AP)—Perry O. Delap, Klamath Falls, was elected president of the State Elk's association today at the final meeting of the B. P. O. E. delegates. Portland was selected as the next convention city, dates for which will be set later.

Delap succeeds H. R. Cusick, Albany, Ore., and is past exalted ruler of the Klamath lodge.

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Roseburg Youth Finds Potato on Corn Stalk Root

ROSEBURG, July 20.—(AP)—Frank Norton, 19 years old, may have found a partial solution to the farm relief question. Frank is a junior gardener, and planted potatoes last year between his corn rows. Today while thinning out the corn, the boy pulled up a corn stalk to which was firmly attached a medium sized potato. The tuber had completely separated itself from the parent vine and had attached itself to the corn root, where it was apparently growing as well as it would have in its own hill.

The potato was fully up to the average size of those between the rows. The curiosity attracted much attention here.

ALTURAS ROUTE READY AUG. 15 TO HAUL FRUIT

Balasting Rushed By Espee — Means Money and Time to Valley Growers — Detroit Bosc Manager to Be Named at Early Date.

The Alturas cut-off of the Southern Pacific railroad, giving to the fruit shippers of the Rogue River valley, and southern Oregon, a direct route east, will be ready for the reception of through shipments August 15, meaning the saving of an auction day in Eastern markets, and thousands of dollars, and assurance that pear shipments will arrive at their destination in the best condition in the history of the fruit industry in the Rogue River valley.

The laying of rails to a point on the main line in Nevada, and the opening of the road is now a question of balasting, which is proceeding with all possible speed.

While the Alturas cut-off may not be in prime condition for the shipment of Bartlett's, which will be less than usual, owing to heavy sales to Northwest and California canneries, it is practically assured, the route will be ready for rapid transit of the Winter varieties of apples, the packing and shipping of Bartlett's in this section, will start the week of August 12.

The Winter Pear committee of the Fruitgrowers' League, expect to announce the coming week, the name of the sales manager, recommended by Eastern distributors to take charge of Bosc pears in Detroit, the city selected for widening of the Bosc market.

Three or four men, versed in Middle-western and Eastern fruit sales conditions, are under consideration.

It is expected that Prof. H. T. Hartmann of the Oregon State college, selected to study all phases of the marketing of the Winter varieties of pears in New York, will commence his duties early in September, and that as will be engaged in the work until late next spring.

OREGON SENATOR REFUSES BERTH HOOVER OFFERS

PORTLAND, Ore., July 20.—(AP)—The Oregonian will say tomorrow that President Hoover has offered Fred E. Kiddle, state senator for Union, Umatilla and Morrow counties, a position in the commerce or postal departments, which the senator has refused.

The newspaper says that the private secretary of President Hoover called Senator Kiddle by telephone one day this week and offered him a position. The secretary said President Hoover thought the commerce or postal departments would be satisfactory.

Senator Kiddle declined the proffered post, the newspaper says, "explaining that his private business is requiring all his attention." The senator is in the milling industry at Island City, Union county, and the way prices of wheat have been fluctuating makes it necessary for him to be constantly on the job."

Endorse Prohibition CHARLOTTE-TOWN, P. E. I., July 20.—(AP)—The prohibition act of the Canadian province of Prince Edward Island was decisively endorsed by a plebiscite yesterday, at which voters were asked to decide between its retention or substitution of government sale.

Ambassador Claudel, however, reported to Secretary Stimson a message from Foreign Minister Beaudouin which he had delivered to the state department earlier in the day.

Chinese Minister Wu is expecting a reply from his government to the secretary's message within 48 hours.

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NO WAR ACT ROUTS WAR IN ORIENT

China and Russia Both Pledge Loyalty to Kellogg Pact With Provisions — White House Convinced War Averted — Proclamation Ceremony Wednesday.

(By the Associated Press)

Russia and China, through official spokesmen, have pledged their loyalty to the Kellogg anti-war pact and some of the international tension over the Manchurian situation was felt to be relaxed by their decision. However, each made it clear that this position depended upon absence of overt acts by the other.

Commissar Rudzutak, acting head of the Russian government and Foreign Minister G. T. Wang, of the nationalist government, declared their nations had not forgotten the obligations of the signature of the pact. Both made their peace pledges conditional on abstention of their opponents from what Rudzutak described as "war-like acts."

Foreign Minister Wang said that "any move on the part of the soviet to place troops within Manchuria will be viewed by the Chinese people and government as an act of war."

French consular officials at Shanghai said they had a report from the French consul at Harbin that Russian troops had actually crossed the frontier at the eastern end of the Chinese Eastern railway on Friday.

A similar Harbin report to the Japanese newspaper Asahi was officially denied by Moscow. Direct Japanese reports from Manchuria, however, the scene of action declared the news incorrect.

Announcement that the International government had severed relations with Russia on Friday, came in a delayed dispatch from Nanking.

Meanwhile Moscow reported from all over the soviet union a rush of recruits to the red army, and Chinese reinforcements were concentrated along the Siberian-Manchurian frontier.

President Chiang Kai Shek, in his capacity of commander-in-chief of China's military forces, appealed by telegraph to the country's military leaders and to the public to "stand united against the menace of soviet Russia."

American officials at Washington expected the Kellogg pact to exert a profound influence for peace between Russia and China. Minister John V. A. MacDonnell at Peking postponed his impending visit home while the situation continued tense.

Great Britain and France both pledged their cooperation with the United States in the effort to prevent war.

WASHINGTON, July 20.—(AP)—Extensive plans announced by the White House late today for the proclamation ceremony Wednesday when the general pact for the renunciation of war will become effective were interpreted in diplomatic circles tonight as indicating that President Hoover is fully convinced the pact will be the means of averting war between Russia and China.

Secretary Stimson, who has taken steps to call to the attention of both governments their obligations under the pact, returned to Washington this afternoon from the president's fishing preserve in Virginia, where he had been conferring on the situation with Mr. Hoover. While the secretary did not go to his office at the state department, he immediately received French Ambassador Claudel at his hotel.

The French ambassador communicated through his government the secretary's word to the soviet regarding their adherence to the pact and their obligations under it. The French embassy said that so far no reply has been received by the Paris foreign office from Moscow.

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