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CHICAGO SEEKS MISCHIEF CURE

Remedy For Hallowe'en Jokes Planned By Solons Of Windy City

CHICAGO, Oct. 26.—Chicago has devised a rare piece of diplomacy to prevent its youngsters from eating too many destructive capers on hallowe'en.

The plan goes like this: The public school officials, recalling all too vividly some of the things they used to do in their childhood, realize what disaster would be wrought if such tricks were duplicated in a great congested city.

So the officials, having given force enough of a trial to satisfy themselves it won't work with the present generation, cast about for something more subtle. It strikes them that maybe the kids could be bought off. But what do kids like best? The movies, of course. When the conference is over there comes the announcement that on the morning of Hallowe'en, Saturday, hundreds of thousands of Chicago children will attend the movies free.

And the theatre school combine fully intends to make good on its invitation. What the school kids have yet to learn, however, is that after the show is over they will be asked to take this pledge: "In appreciation of the school officials, and the theatre owners to entertain me, I pledge myself not only to refrain from any act of mischief on Hallowe'en but also to use my influence with every other person to do likewise. I make this pledge, not because I have been entertained, but because I believe it is my duty to my city and my country."

TORNADO DEAD TOTALS 17 SOULS

Order Being Restored From Ravages of Storm Swept Alabama District

TROY, Ala., Oct. 26.—(United News)—A semblance of order had been restored Monday night to the two Alabama counties, which were swept almost bare by a tornado Sunday.

With final check-ups completed the death toll was fixed at seventeen. Three other persons reported killed straggled in Monday with tales of being blown and carried by the wind until their deaths appeared certain.

Seven of the dead were whites and ten negroes. A man and his wife lay seriously injured in a Troy hospital Monday night. Physicians held scant hope for their recovery. Scores of others were slightly bruised and injured by flying debris. Due to the large storm area the number could not be estimated.

Supplied with a \$5,000 relief fund physicians and volunteer workers from Troy, the center of operations, and other towns not hit by the storm, had made rapid progress in relieving suffering throughout the stricken area. By night-fall Monday, wounds of all injured had been treated and more seriously injured placed in hospitals and the homeless provided with temporary shelter.

GUNMAN IS KILLED IN RUNNING FIGHT

CHICAGO, Oct. 26.—Only one criminal bit the dust during the first day of Chicago's new war to the death on gangsters. Capt. John Stege, who picked the hardest and bravest men in the police department and sent them out with orders to "shoot to kill" the gang members, said, however, the first day's work was satisfactory.

The first victim of the war was James De Vito, killed as he fled from the police who pursued him through west side streets. There is some question about De Vito being an actual gangster, but the police who killed him said he was known to be a bootlegger and gunman.

OFFICERS TIRE OF LICENSE OFFENDERS

Local officers are becoming weary dealing with persons whose automobiles bear void foreign license plates.

As a result, two of the alleged offenders were haled into justice court here yesterday and each was fined. Everett G. Denton was ordered to buy a license and, in addition, to pay a fine of \$10. W. T. Cramer simply was fined \$15.

RAILWAYS SPLIT IN SMALL GROUPS ON RATE HEARING

Increase Is Sought of 14.2 Per Cent

REVENUE INADEQUATE

Quarter Billion to Be Spent On Upkeep and Termi- nals in Next Decade

CHICAGO, Oct. 27.—(United News)—The seventy three western railroads that recently demanded a blanket rate increase of five per cent to keep them out of bankruptcy have now split up into smaller groups and are asking the I. C. C. for rate increases of various sizes.

At the special hearing before Chairman Clyde Aitchison here Monday afternoon, T. A. Hamilton, president of the Great Northern and representing five roads in his part of the country argued for a rate increase of 14.2 per cent.

This amount, Hamilton said, represents the difference between the rate schedules of the roads he represented and all of the railroads west of the Mississippi river.

The hearing is conducted under a resolution passed by the last congress authorizing the I. C. C. to make "certain adjustments" in line with the economic conditions prevailing in the west.

The railroads immediately filed petitions asking for blanket rate increase of 14 percent. Later this was reduced to 5 percent. These petitions are still before the commission.

Attorneys for the railroads are completing their arguments at the present hearing. They maintain that prosperity has come to the west but has not been reflected properly in railroad schedules; that western roads' rates are far below those of roads in other parts of the country.

Hamilton, speaking for the Chicago and Alton, the Chicago and Great Western, the Minneapolis and Omaha, the Minneapolis and St. Louis and the Minneapolis and Sault Marie, said the shippers could well afford an increase and that the railroads need it to keep going.

Southwestern roads were represented by L. W. Baldwin, president of the Missouri Pacific, who said the country needed better and stronger railroads rather than more railroads.

"Present revenues are not enough to permit the roads to expand with the new lines and new equipment that they need," Baldwin said. He said that during the next ten years his road alone would have to spend \$250,000,000 on maintenance and new terminals.

When representatives for the railroads have finished their arguments the shippers and others opposed to the increase will be heard.

HIGHWAY BIDS TO BE OPENED TODAY

This morning at 10 o'clock, the state highway commission, sitting in Portland, will open bids on three projects affecting Klamath Falls and vicinity. Most important, perhaps, is the proposed surfacing of 20 miles of The Dalles-California highway, between LaPine and Crescent. When this job is completed, only about 25 miles of road will need attention, it was said.

The bids on clearing and cutting timber in Drew's valley, about 50 miles east of Klamath Falls, also will be considered. About 14 miles is to be covered.

The third proposition has to do with the highway shops, to be built here, across the tracks from the Klamath Moulding company. It has been estimated that the two structures, one a shop building, and the other a service building, will cost between \$10,000 and \$20,000.

A number of local contractors have bids on the jobs, it was said yesterday.

NEWSPAPER MAN KILLED
BUBNOS AIRES, Oct. 26.—Albano Martinez Lujan, chief of the Spanish Telegraph, Service of the Spanish Telegraph, a widely known newspaper man, died Monday as the result of an airplane accident.

BABE RUTH TO QUIT "SAPPING"

Swat King Says He Is Through With Pests and Good Time "Friends"

NEW YORK, Oct. 26.—Babe Ruth, the big, bad boy of baseball, admits he is the "Sappiest of saps."

In an interview appearing in Colliers' Weekly, the Babe tells how he has lost \$250,000 through boobyery. This is his boobyery budget:

\$125.00 lost through gambling on the horses and with dice and cards.

\$100,000 vanished in ill-chosen business ventures.

\$25,000 lost in fighting suits of attempted blackmail and fees to lawyers and detectives.

While detailing his looseness with coin, the world's champion home run hitter and the idol of millions of fans forgot to tell how much he gave to charity. It is known his charity gifts and efforts are large.

Ruth's extravagance can be judged he says, when he confesses to having owned nine automobiles.

"I'm through with the pests and good guys," says the Babe. "I know if I'm to wind-up sitting pretty I have to admit that I've been the sappiest of saps. I'm going to start all over, and I hope they'll all be watching my smoke in 1926."

STEWART SILENT OVER STATE RACE

Well Known Politician Says Nothing on Candidacy For Governor

Mentioned in the widely-read Oregon Voter as a possibility in the coming gubernatorial race, "Jim" Stewart, well known state politician, was in Klamath Falls yesterday as a representative of the state land board.

"Nothing to say," Mr. Stewart grinned when he was confronted with the item. "Guess they're trying to kid me a bit." Nevertheless, politicians who should be "in the know" realize that Stewart's influence over the state is considerable and that he has a wide circle of friends.

Mr. Stewart is registered at the Hall hotel. He expects to return to the capitol at Salem, today.

It was Stewart who played a prominent part, a couple of years ago, in the move to arrest the ousting of Dr. R. E. Steiner, superintendent of the state hospital. Stewart was successful in his work.

BOB LA FOLLETTE IS CENTER OF VORTEX

WASHINGTON, Oct. 26.—(United News)—"Young Bob" LaFollette, the picturesque Wisconsin fighter sent to the senate to succeed his late father, is on the scene of the action which promises early in the coming congressional session to revolve around him as the center of a political vortex troublesome to republicans.

Elected as a republican, LaFollette faces the same action on the part of the republican senate majority which resulted in his father being read out of the party. He is likely to be denied a part in the councils of the party, and generally treated with the "cold shoulder" method for his pronounced progressive ideas.

LaFollette, while already equipped with a plan of action intended to nullify this anticipated procedure, if nullification is possible, is busily engaged now in seeking a home to accommodate himself and his mother, who will join him shortly.

ELECTION BOARD SHORT OF CLERKS

Announcement was made last night by City Clerk L. L. Gahagen, that several vacancies existed on the election board, and any one wishing to serve, whether man or woman, may do so by getting in touch with Judge Gahagen at the city hall this morning. The position is paid for at regular rates for such work.

Vacancies are reported existing for the boards at the following polling places:

Epperson's Radio Dept., Van Fleet's, 208 Main street. Basement of the courthouse. Davis Furniture store, 124 No. 7th street.

SMITH GAINS IN FOLLOWING FROM 2ND WARD VOTERS

Candidate Tells of Aspirations

EXPECT HEAVY VOTE

Men and Women Both Out To Elect Klamath Falls Business Man

Better than ever, is the way reports from the second ward view the candidacy of Oscar A. Smith, Klamath Falls business man, who is to be voted on during the election here Wednesday, when the vacant seat caused by the resignation of Merle West is to be filled by voters of that district. Indications are that a large vote from the second ward will be polled on Wednesday. In addition to the male population there are many women who have announced their intention of voting. The majority of these, declare reports, are strong for Smith, in spite of attempts to injure him by political enemies.

Polling booths will be open at the following places:

Basement of the county Court House.

Epperson's Radio Department, Van Fleet's Electrical Store, 208 Main street.

The Davis Furniture Store, 124 No. 7th St.

Smith, in discussing his stand on issues, declared last evening, he stood fore-square behind his platform, no matter how his enemies tried to twist his words.

In reference to attacks made on me through the railway, city parks and city morals:

"I wish to say that at no time have I ever been approached by any official, or employee of either the S. P. company, or the Strahorn road with any proposal of any kind (Continued on Page Ten)

Father Dies While Visiting Son Here

Samuel DeWeese, father of R. E. DeWeese, of Klamath Falls, died suddenly at the DeWeese home at 4:30 yesterday morning following a brief illness which proved to be bronchial pneumonia. The aged man was 85 years old and had been a semi-invalid for many years suffering with heart trouble. He was a resident of Wendell, Idaho and was making a visit with his son and family when he contracted the fatal illness.

The remains of the deceased man will be shipped east this morning accompanied by DeWeese who will be joined at Ogden, Utah, by his sister, Mrs. E. L. Simonton of Wendell, Idaho. They will proceed to Wamego, Kansas, where interment will be made in the family plot. Mr. DeWeese will be buried by the side of his wife, Margaret L. DeWeese who died several years ago.

Born July 15, 1840, Samuel DeWeese lived a life of service and love for his fellowmen. Two children survive him. For years he was a prominent merchant of Wendell, Idaho where he was interested in the cloak and suit business. He retired some time ago under the doctor's care. He was 85 years, three months and eleven days at the time of his death.

WINTER'S BLAST IS FELT IN CHICAGO

CHICAGO, Oct. 26.—A fresh nor'easter has brought wintry blasts to the midwest.

Sleet and snow, obscuring the vision of motorists and making streets and highways slippery, resulted in five traffic deaths in Illinois Monday.

More sleet and lower temperatures are in prospect for the balance of the week.

The coldest weather of the season will be experienced after the skies clear Tuesday or Wednesday, the federal weather bureau here predicted.

Snow and sleet have caused damage to communication lines in southern Minnesota and Wisconsin.

Strong winds are reported from the head of Lake Superior, adding to the inconvenience of lake shipping and causing some suffering.

Below freezing temperatures are in prospect throughout the Chicago forecast area for Tuesday and Wednesday.

FALL MADE HIT WITH AUDIENCE

Actor Offered \$100 Week To Repeat Tumble Which Kay-od Players

LONDON, Oct. 26.—(United News)—An involuntary dive from the stage to the orchestra pit which Edmund Gwanna, comedian in Charlotte's Revue, took the other night, was such a laugh-getter that Gwanna has had to refuse an offer of an extra \$100 a week to repeat it at each performance.

Gwanna's refusal was superfluous it turned out, as members of the orchestra, hearing of the offer, notified the management that they would strike if the fall were repeated.

Gwanna, attired as a drill sergeant, gave the order "Forward, march," to a squad of rookies, and began stepping backward to keep ahead of them. He stepped over the footlights and disappeared. A crash and two groans were heard amid a dead silence elsewhere before Gwanna's head emerged and he ordered, "Halt!"

The crash sounded as Gwanna went through the bass drum. The groans came from two trombonists, whom his descending heels knocked out.

JURY FINDS TWO CONVICTS GUILTY

Kelley and Willos Doomed to Face Gallows Unless Fate Intervens

SALEM, Oct. 26.—After 51 hours deliberation, the jury returned a verdict of guilty late Monday in the trial of James Willos and Ellsworth Kelley, Oregon convicts accused of murdering John Sweeney, prison guard.

Inasmuch as the jury made no recommendations for life imprisonment, the court will condemn the two convicts to hang when sentence is passed Friday.

Willos, Kelley and Tom Murray figured in a sensational prison break August 12, when Sweeney, another guard named J. M. Holman and a convict, Bert "Oregon" Jones were killed. Murray already has been sentenced to hang.

The jury began its deliberations at 12:15 p. m. Saturday. Thirty-seven ballots were taken before a verdict was reached. According to members of the jury the first ballot, taken just after the case was placed in their hands, stood 8 to 4 for conviction of the two men on the first degree murder charge.

On the sixth ballot the jurors had agreed as to the guilt of the two men on the charge of murder in the first degree but failed to agree on the death penalty.

At 11:30 o'clock Monday morning the jury came into the court room for additional instructions from Judge Kelly.

On the 36th ballot the vote stood 11 to 1, and on the next ballot the jury agreed for the extreme penalty for both men.

Kelley and Willos arrived at the court house shortly after 4 o'clock Monday afternoon under heavy guard to hear the verdict read. In spite of their efforts to put on a bold front and appear unconcerned as to their fate they could not conceal the evidences of the strain under which they were laboring. Kelley especially, appeared worn and haggard, while his face presented a pallor that was not altogether born of the atmosphere of a prison.

The couple were married on April 22, 1920, at Lakeview, and there are three children, the custody of whom Mrs. Dawson asks.

North Is Too Slow Says Spanish Swain

BUFFALO, Oct. 26.—(United News)—Francis di Silvia, a son of Spain, pleaded not guilty here Monday to charges of violating the Mann act by carrying a pretty Michigan university co-ed, Margaret Kelly, from Detroit to Chicago and back again in his automobile.

Di Silvia waived extradition and declared he was anxious to return to Detroit, where authorities say he is under indictment, to clear himself.

"Northern girls are too particular," the young Spaniard said at his hearing, adding that "humanity" in the north was "slow."

BOULDER CANYON DAM EXPENSES GUARANTEED

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 26.—Assurance that the cost of the proposed Boulder canyon dam to conserve Colorado river waters would be guaranteed the government, was made to the senate's irrigation committee's hearing on the Swing-Johnson bill here Monday.

LOCAL BANK IS HIGH BIDDER ON CITY BOND ISSUE

American National Tender Taken

BUILD NEW LIBRARY

Price Offered at 5 Plus 52 Calls for Ten Years to Redeem Issue

The American National bank, of Klamath Falls, proved successful bidder on \$140,000 worth of city improvement bonds when the city council held its regular meeting last night; Mayor Fred Goddard's formal suggestion that the city take steps to recover \$300,000 from the O. C. & E. railway was ignored by his aldermen; it was decided to draw a resolution calling for bids having to do with the erection of the new public library, and a proposed ordinance, providing that the mayor be permitted to enter into a contract with C. C. Kennedy for a preliminary sewer survey was found to be lost when the city fathers finally threw their snipes away, shortly before midnight, and repaired to their respective homes.

The improvement bonds were bought by the American National at five per cent plus 52 cents on \$1,000 premium. It is supposed that the bonds will be redeemed within a period of ten years.

The proposed legal battle, sponsored by Mayor Goddard, was to have been waged, he said, with a view to recovering for the people of Klamath Falls, money they contributed the Strahorn line while under the impression that he would build a road to Bend. Declaring that Strahorn had failed to make good his promise, Mayor Goddard, made a plea for legal action, but aldermen held that, since Strahorn had set no time limit as regarded his plans, it would be fruitless to spend thousands of dollars in what, they believed, would be a losing fight.

"We'd better let it rest for the present," was the final statement of Alderman C. E. Stuckey. Other councilmen concurred and the matter was dropped.

It was at the suggestion of Chas. Coseboom, local architect, that the council decided to take action which will pave the way toward the erection of the library, to be located across from the city hall, which will cost between \$40,000 and \$50,000. A resolution is expected to be acted on at the next regular meeting. Just when actual work will start on the library will be determined by the aldermanic body.

Again the council failed to act (Continued on Page Two)

Husband in Prison; Wife Seeks Divorce

Because her husband is now in the state penitentiary at Salem, following alleged moonshine activities, Nettie Fay Dawson, of Klamath Falls, yesterday filed divorce proceedings against her husband, Geo. Raymond Dawson, with Lloyd DeLap, clerk of the circuit court here.

The defendant, his wife alleges, "has persisted in selling moonshine liquor, notwithstanding the fact that the plaintiff repeatedly pleaded with him to desist."

The couple were married on April 22, 1920, at Lakeview, and there are three children, the custody of whom Mrs. Dawson asks.

Town Talk

Silk Specials in Our October Sale

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