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POPE RESENTS PROHI LETTER

Vatican Objects to Pre-mature Publicity Given Out

ROME, Dec. 10.—(United News)—America must enforce prohibition without the special assistance of Pope Pius and the Roman Catholic church. The undisguised displeasure of the vatican is evident at the publicity given the recent letter of the American United Committee for Prohibition Enforcement, which was addressed to the pope from Washington. The letter informed his holiness that Catholics opposed the prohibition law and sought aid in obtaining their co-operation in enforcement. There seems to be no objection to the letter itself, but it is maintained that publication of such an appeal to the pope before the appeal has arrived and been acknowledged by the holy see might prove to be embarrassing. It generally is expected that such appeals will be considered confidential until the proper time for publication. As a result of the vatican displeasure, it is certain that the prohibitionists' letter will be answered courteously, but with a simple acknowledgement of receiving. Prohibition is regarded at the vatican as purely a domestic question. The holy see would have nothing to say regarding the merits of prohibition in any event, as a statement easily might be interpreted as an interference in the internal affairs of the United States.

MINE DISASTER TAKES 25 LIVES

Alabama Coal Miners Lost From Underground Explosion

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Dec. 10.—(United News)—With 16 bodies recovered and nine believed still imprisoned, officials estimated that 25 men lost their lives here Thursday in an explosion in the Overton mine of the Alabama Fuel & Iron Co. The 16 bodies recovered were those of negroes. According to mine officials, four of the remaining bodies were of negroes and the five others white men. No hope was entertained that any of the nine men remained alive. The condition of bodies recovered indicated that death resulted from after damp which flooded No. 2 slope, following a gas explosion. More than 100 men started work in the mine Thursday morning. Approximately 80 came out without assistance, following the explosion. Although some were slightly burned, none suffered serious injury. From the eighth or bottom entry, where the explosion occurred, flames shot upward to the third entry, but did not reach the tipples. To this fact is attributed the saving of many lives. Electric lights are worn in the Overton mine, which is gaseous. The cause of the gas explosion could not be learned Thursday.

Power Co. Worker Gets Honor Award

For having saved the life of Burton T. Green, lineman of the California Oregon Power company after Green had come in contact with a 34,600 volt line, and was apparently killed outright, Howard F. Dyan, electrician of the company, has been presented with the Insull medal award. This award is the highest honor of its kind in the country, and it is the first time that it has been made in the northwest. Green underwent the shock while at work last June. Dyan went to work immediately on the apparently lifeless form of his fellow workman, using the Shafter prone pressure method of resuscitation. In about 45 minutes Green began to breathe and soon regained consciousness. He made a complete recovery within a few days. Both men work out of the Medford office of the power company.

OVER ONE BILLION

SALEM, Dec. 10.—The total taxable property in the state of Oregon, including equalizations and apportionments by county boards amounts to \$1,084,537,618.91, according to the assessment rolls summary for 1925, completed here last night. Of this amount \$155,952,707.71 represents public utilities. The total value of property increased \$25,656,882.30 over last year.

DEMOCRAT CHIEF FLINGS SHAFT OF SATIRE AT DAWES

In First Political Outbreak

DAWES LIKES ATTACK

Vice President Assistant Of Democrats In Helpless Minority

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—(United News)—What promises to be the official indoor pastime of the senate this winter, the hecking of Vice President Dawes, was begun Thursday by Senator Pat Harrison of Mississippi, the chief democratic sharpshooter. This was the first political display of the session, and provoked frequent gusts of laughter, even from the broiling victim in the chair. Dawes made no effort to enforce the rule against laughter in the senate, and allowed the enjoyment of the republicans, democrats and the honeymooning in the gallery to have full sway. This performance promises to be repeated often times during the winter, because of the feeling among many senators toward Dawes over the rules reform campaign. "Picture this 'hell and Maria' person," Harrison said, "booted and spurred, in knightly attire, unafraid, charging from coast to coast this summer against everything from geese to windmills. Gets Roasting. "Picture this only repetition of Don Quixote riding from lakes to gulf, telling the country 'I'm a dangerous man.'" Harrison said sarcastically it was too bad the Cleveland convention didn't know how wise Dawes was. "The delegates wouldn't have done as they did and offered the vice presidency to everyone else in the party before they gave it to Dawes. They offered it to Gov. Lowden and Senator Borah, and it was only when no one else would take it that it was given to Dawes." Harrison also remarked that on inauguration day Dawes "snatched the bridegroom's robes and smeared himself over the first page of every paper in the country." Throughout this humorous assault, during which many republican senators laughed as immoderately as the democrats, Dawes sat twirling his thumbs and laughing as heartily as one would expect under the circumstances. Actually Dawes is the welcome assistant of the democrats during this period, for he proves as a convenient target for minority fun-makers, while their leaders are groping for an issue of general improvement. Democrats have drifted into an aimless policy of going along with Coolidge on taxes. The whole complexion of the democratic group in the house and senate is that of a bewildered minority, wanting to fight about something but not quite certain what it should get mad about.

JURY FREES BEN GAY OF CHARGES

It took a circuit jury just two and one-half hours to decide that Ben Gay, who resides in this vicinity, was not guilty of a charge of operating a distillery. The jury, which received its instructions at 12:30 o'clock, returned to its box yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Gay was arrested some time ago by state officers. Taking the stand in his own defense, he swore that the distillery found by the prohibitionists was at least one-half mile from his property.

CALKINS NAILS ALLEGED FORGER

Bybee Butler of Chiloquin Is Bound Over to the Grand Jury

Bybee Butler exercised questionable judgment yesterday when, according to the sheriff's office, he entered the Klamath Tire House, Sixth and Klamath, and endeavored to pass a check for \$155 which, it is charged, was worthless. H. E. Calkins, proprietor of the store, declined to accept the alleged worthless paper and turned Butler over to the officers. Butler, arraigned before Acting Justice of the Peace Emmitt, sitting as a committing magistrate, waived preliminary hearing and was bound over to the Klamath grand jury. Later he was lodged in the county jail. Butler faces a technical charge of forgery. The check was made out on the First National bank of Klamath Falls. In order to get some cash out of the check, Mr. Calkins explained that the man appeared at his place and requested to look at tires. This he did and, later, decided to purchase two of them. A few minutes later he was staring a deputy sheriff in the face. Butler, it was said, is from Chiloquin, and when searched had a considerable amount of money on his person.

Elks Planning for Big Night Tonight

For every antlered lodgeman in Klamath Falls, near-by towns, Lakeview and all way points, tonight is one which they will not soon forget. It is a special meeting, at which Ben S. Fisher, of Marshfield, deputy grand exalted ruler for the southern district of Oregon, and E. M. Page, of Salem, president of the state lodge, will be the guests of honor. Mr. Page is a banker in the capital city. A big delegation of Elks is expected to arrive here some time today from Lakeview, according to C. S. Curran. Following a formal gathering, there will be a smoker and a lunch, he said.

MACADAMIZING 6TH STREET

Beginning Monday the local unit of the state highway department will begin its work of macadamizing from the end of Sixth street to the Klamath Falls-Lakeview junction, it was announced by officials yesterday. About 10 days will be required to complete the work, it was explained. No extra employes will be needed, officials stated.

RATIFY BOUNDARY

DUBLIN, Dec. 10.—The Dail ratified the Foster-Free State boundary agreement Thursday by a vote of 71 to 20.

CHILD'S APPEAL HARD TO RESIST

Local Kids Get Results in Seal Sale Fight With White Plague

A dollar's worth of fresh air to bring color to pale little cheeks and brightness to dull eyes— A dollar's worth of yellow milk to be transformed into good red blood in the veins of a little child threatened with tuberculosis— A dollar's worth of hope for some family burdened with the spectre of the great white plague. These are but a few of the things that the Klamath Falls Tuberculosis association will give for every dollar's worth of Christmas Seals sold to the kind-hearted folk of this community. A Ninth street housewife, perhaps due to the proximity of the Central school, has answered her doorbell a dozen times in response to the call of some timid boy or girl, clutching an envelope of Christmas Seals. "Peath Mith," quoth a hisping young salesman yesterday shortly after school, "have you bought any Chritthm Thseah?" By actual count he was the eighth child in two days that had put the same question as appealingly and yet as straightforward. "Yes, sonny," said the Ninth street housewife, "I've bought from every child and I'd take some from you but I only have four cents." "Thath all right Ma'am, I'd just ash shoon have your penneth and thank you very much. I'm going to thell all theese before I go home for lunch, goodbye." Brave young America tackling the gigantic task of sending millions in to the tuberculosis fund.

BEND LUMBERMAN DENIES INTEREST IN COAST PLANT

Scanlon Says He Is Not Interested

VISIT BEND TERRITORY Party Including Officers Of N. P. Will Return Again to Coos

BEND, Dec. 10.—(United News)—Bend that he is planning to take a personal interest in the Pacific States Lumber company at Marshfield, as was intimated in news dispatches from the coast city Wednesday, was made today by M. J. Scanlon, prominent Minneapolis lumber man and vice president of the Brooks-Scanlon Lumber company of Bend. Arriving here this morning with a party of railroad officials and members of the Pacific States Lumber Company Bond Holders Protective association, Scanlon explained that his own visit to Marshfield was to represent the interest of C. A. Smith, president of the lumber company, who died the same day at Berkeley. Smith and Scanlon have been close friends for many years. Members of the party who came to Bend in a Northern Pacific private car were taken today by local mill officials on a trip through the local plants, and through the timbered areas surrounding Bend. Their visit here was primarily for the purpose of obtaining an idea of the extent of conditions of the lumbering industry in this part of the state, it was reported. The party included William Smith, general agent of the Northern-Pacific at Minneapolis; A. G. Blighmer, president of the Diamond Iron works, large saw mill machinery manufacturer; F. H. Fogarty, assistant general freight agent of the Northern Pacific at Portland; and four members of the Pacific States company's Bondholders' Protective association, Alex Ostrum and Davis Winton of Minneapolis; C. T. MacNells of Chicago, and N. V. Wagner of Milwaukee. The party will leave Thursday night for the coast again, planning to go to San Francisco before leaving for the east.

Pershing Can Lick Germans But Can't Line Up Chileans

ARICA, Chile, Dec. 10.—(United News)—Gen. John J. Pershing has been brought up against the bleak wall of discord in his efforts to carry out the plebiscite to determine whether Tacna and Arica shall belong to Chile or to Peru. The situation is in a stalemate as Chile prepares to protest Pershing's activities to President Coolidge, whose arbitrary decision the general is endeavoring to effectuate. Mr. Coolidge now must decide the merits of the Chilean contention that the American plebiscitary delegation has misconducted the business and is sent here to perform. The Chilean appeal to the president is being drafted now.

WOLVES ATTACK VIENNA, Dec. 10.—Bands of wolves, 100 strong, are roaming the inhabited mountain slopes of Jugoslavia, attacking man and beast, according to dispatches from Belgrade. The peasants are engaged in a life and death struggle with the vicious animals, which are driven to desperation by hunger and cold. Within a week two girls have been killed by wolves, and the loss in stock is heavy.

FLOWERS WINS BOSTON, Dec. 10.—(United News)—Tiger Flowers, the Georgia middleweight, won the judges' decision over Frank Moody, the English middleweight, in a 10-round bout here Thursday night. Flowers outclassed his British opponent throughout in the early rounds, and seemed on the way to a knockout victory. In the last few seconds of the first round the dusky southerner hit Moody almost at will.

BERLIN, Dec. 10.—German socialists want to curb tax dodging by American methods. Germans admittedly lead the world in their ability to escape taxes, and the socialists believe the best remedy would be publication of income payments.

ORE IS RICH BAKER, Ore., Dec. 10.—The recent strike of gold and copper in the Bain creek section was assayed Thursday and its richest value found to be \$71.12 in assays per ton.

GIN UNDOING OF ROADHOUSE MAN

McBride and Knowles Make Arrest on Charge of Possession

And it came to pass that the rotond Omar, summoning a handmaiden, or somebody, suddenly demanded some copy paper and, for the city editor of a certain Persian daily, scribbled thereon as he sipped: "O, thou who didst with pitfall and with gin Beset the road I was to wander in, Thou wouldst not—" But Omar, to dip into the vernacular, was a bit damp. Gin caused William Jacobs, said by Prohibition Officer McBride to be the most recent boniface to reside at the Three-Mile house, and a man who gave his name as Williams, considerable trouble last night. McBride and County Traffic Officer Knowles followed an automobile. It was being driven, they said, by Williams. A short distance from the Three-Mile house the Williams machine was overtaken and ordered to stop. Two quarts of gin were in the car, the officers said. The pair was arrested and jailed, charged with speeding and the unlawful possession of intoxicating liquor. They probably will be arraigned in justice court before Acting Justice of the Peace Emmitt today.

INDIANS COMBINE TO SUPPRESS VICE

Moral Conditions on Upper Sprague Said to Be Decidely Lax

Older Indians of the Beatty section of the reservation are very much concerned over the extent of gambling and drinking of moonshine now prevalent among the younger tribes folk. They are to seek the advice of Indian Agent Arnold to find ways of combating the evil, according to Jeff Riddle, one of those who, after the halcyon days of his youth now finds himself relegated to the class known as old men. A chief feature of the complaint is that the system of punishment now in vogue that the old men must pay the fines of the younger men. This, after seeing their morals corrupted. Formerly the Indian judges put lawbreakers to work at hard labor on the roads. Superintendents prior to Arnold's advent as agent failed to back up the Indian judges. The old men think that it would be wise to return to the tribal invoked punishments. As it is now the fines paid by the Indians represent money from which they get no return. Suppression of gaming would go a long way toward breaking drinking practices. About five bootleggers, both Indians and whites, are now operating in the Beatty district. The bootleggers prey about the gambling games to no little extent, according to Riddle. As the result of the laxity brought about by drinking an astonishing condition has resulted. Debauchery has increased at an alarming pace. The young people, drunk on moonshine, give themselves over to riotous conduct, Riddle says, and illegitimate births have increased. "Unless drinking and gambling, which is now driving the younger generation to the rats, is stopped there is going to be trouble. Already there have been threats of shooting. Some day there will be murder," said Riddle. There are about 300 Indians in the Beatty section. Five of them are organized to seek suppression of vice conditions. They are Harrison Brown, Watson Duffy, Joe Baker John Pitt and Riddle.

DELEGATES BACK FROM MEETING

Klamath Falls presented a splendid representation at the annual mid-year meeting of the western division of the United States chamber of commerce held in Seattle this week, when five members of the local chamber appeared during the session. They were R. C. Groesbeck, director, Lynn P. Sabin, secretary and T. P. Henderson, A. L. Wishard and C. T. Darley, members.

GOLDEN RULE CORPORATION

In the Center of the Shopping District.

PECHOLT STRUCK WITH "SAP" SAYS LOCAL PHYSICIAN

Grand Jury to Probe Next Week

PAPER REPORT MIXED

Operation Relieves Injured Man Who Now Has Good Chance to Recover

Frank Pecholt, proprietor of the Country club, was not the victim of an automobile accident when, on the night of November 28, he suffered grave injuries about the head, but instead was "sapped" with some instrument in the hands of an unidentified individual, in the opinion of Dr. J. G. Patterson, attending physician. There were new theories advanced yesterday as to the possible manner in which Pecholt may have been injured. Dr. Patterson, explaining that his statement made last night was purely an "opinion," added, however, that he is willing to testify relative to that opinion before any probing body which may investigate. It was reported yesterday that the Klamath county grand jury, which convenes next week, will concern itself with details surrounding the case. Dr. Patterson stated that for days the newspaper accounts of Pecholt's condition had been inaccurate in that the patient had been in control of his mental faculties since the operation. "The operation was successful in every way—as successful as any operation could be under the circumstances," said Dr. Patterson. "While it is true that Pecholt was delirious prior to the operation, he recovered his reason immediately thereafter." Should Recover Pecholt's condition is still such as to preclude the possibility of his making any statement, it is said. The condition of the injured man, said to have been held in the city jail when a physician's attentions were necessary, was last night reported good by Dr. Patterson. Pecholt, the medical man said, has a good chance to recover from his injuries. Unless Pecholt is able, when completely recovered, to tell exactly what happened and unravel the tangle of counter-statements and charges, it is doubtful if the real facts will become known for many days, if ever. Police yesterday entertained as possible the theory that Pecholt had already met with a mishap at the time he was accosted by Cole and McMills. It was thought he might have been hit and was wandering about out of his mind at the time. This theory is borne out by the fact that he was not known to have any business in the neighborhood of the (Continued On Page Two)

DISCHARGING TWENTY SAILORS PER MONTH

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—(United News)—The United States government is dishonorably discharging sailors in the dry navy at the rate of 20 a month. This startling condition was revealed today when it was revealed that 1500 members of the coast guard, of a total enlisted strength of 9,000 men, have been subjected to court martial for one offense or another during the last 12 months.

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