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RAILROAD SETTLEMENT IS NEAR

Coolidge Lays Down Rules for Europeans

Declares Nations Must Concur in Reservations of Senate, Otherwise No World Court.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Nov. 11.—(United News)—The attention of the nations of the world was focused on Kansas City today, where President Coolidge, speaking indirectly to the European powers, declared that they must concur in the senate reservations to the world court, or there would be absolutely no prospect of this country becoming a member of the tribunal.

"A permanent court of international justice has been established, to which nations may voluntarily resort for an adjudication of their differences," said the president. "It has been subject to much misrepresentation which has resulted in much misconception of its principles among our people. I have advocated adherence to such a court by this nation on condition that the statute or treaty creating it be amended to meet our views. The senate has adopted a resolution for that purpose.

"While no definite decision can be made by our government until final answers have been received from the nations involved, I feel warranted in saying that I do not intend to ask the senate to modify its position. I do not believe the senate would take favorable action on any such proposal, and unless the requirements of the senate resolution are met by the other interested nations, I can see no prospect of this country adhering to the court."

Klamath Is Third In State Amount Building Program

Klamath Falls fell from the coveted second place in the state's building program of the past month of October to third place, according to the monthly building report of the entire Pacific coast, issued by S. W. Straus & Co.

Portland led the entire state with 1,229 permits totaling \$2,624,320. Salem followed with 42 permits, aggregating \$272,800. Klamath's permits totaled 88, with figures reaching \$236,860.

Medford was fourth with 44 permits totaling \$96,175; Eugene, 47 permits, \$87,875; LaGrande, 24 permits, \$69,205; Marshfield, 11 permits, \$13,049; Astoria, 19 permits, \$5,875.

The total for the state shows 1,493 permits for the past month, \$3,292,119 to be expended in building construction against \$2,715,835 for October, 1925, and \$3,367,970 for September, 1926.

In Oregon seven cities report an October aggregate of 24 per cent above that of October, 1925, and slightly in excess of the September total of this year. All but two of these cities show substantial October gains over both previous comparable totals.

California's October total for 57 cities shows a 24 per cent gain over the September figures, but a five per cent reduction from the total for last October. Elimination of the dominant Los Angeles total, however, leaves the 1926 October total slightly above that of last year.

Klamath's record shows a gain of \$165,830 of the past month of October over that of October, 1925. A similar increase is noted for October, 1926, over September, 1926, when permits gained \$46,225 for the past month.

GIRL IS IMPROVING AFTER BREAKING NECK IN DANCING

WOODLAND, Cal., Nov. 11.—Although the top vertebrae of her neck was dislocated by excessive dancing of the Charleston some time ago, Mildred Archer, 9-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Byron Archer of the Madison district, is recovering from the injury, according to word received by her friends here.

Military Police Rules City With Strong Iron Hand

Parade of Armistice Day Waxed Snappy as M. P. Operate Along Conservation Line and Hold Kangaroo Court.

Led by the color bearers' squad, a short parade by the local American Legion Post No. 8, officially opened Armistice Day festivities in Klamath Falls yesterday.

Commander O. D. Matthews, accompanied by his aides, followed the colors, and was flanked by a uniformed firing squad which went through maneuvers in snappy war-time fashion. As the majority of the local bandmen failed to turn out for the occasion, this organization did not lead the parade, as was originally planned. Two drummers from the band gave a martial note to the affair however, with the steady roll of their instruments.

A feature of the parade and one which lasted throughout the morning, was the squad of military (Continued on Page Four)

Houdini Secrets of Magic Never Will Be Known

NEW YORK, Nov. 11.—(United News)—The secrets of magic by which Harry Houdini puzzled the world during his remarkable career will never be known.

Provision for their destruction is made in the famous magician's will, which was filed for probate here Thursday.

"I direct that all of my secrets, illusion and stage apparatus be placed in the custody of my brother, Dr. Theodore Weiss, to be destroyed at his death," Houdini's will said.

Since Houdini's death two weeks ago in Detroit there has been much speculation as to what disposition he might make of the secrets which enabled him to escape from tightly sealed coffins at the bottom of harbors, from chains, jails and strait-jackets. Would the true story behind these seemingly superhuman accomplishments ever be given to the world?

The terms of the magician's will answered this question in the negative, but left the world wondering why Houdini should have wanted his strange magic to perish when he had passed on.

The apparatus with which Houdini worked is a large inheritance, including scores of volumes of instructions and explanations of his tricks. Save for the provision that all his secrets be destroyed, the will revealed no other peculiar quirks of his unusual personality.

He named his widow as the executrix of his estate, but gave no intimation of the estate's real value. Only \$10,000 worth of real and personal property was mentioned.

Other bequests include \$1,000 to the Society of American Magicians; \$500 to each of his three assistants, Frank Kukul, James Harold and James Collins.

Spreckles Would Tighten Border On Mexican Line

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 11.—(United News)—Rudolph Spreckles has promised to support any movement "to eliminate a center of vice like Tia Juana from our borders."

Spreckles was one of the foremost benefactors of the defeated proposal to legalize pari-mutual betting on California horse racing. He was questioned in regard to his reported leadership of a movement to tighten federal regulations on the Mexican border to curtail the crossing of paying crowds.

He denied that his opposition to Tia Juana was fostered by reported support given by that resort to defeat the pari-mutual proposal.

Europeans Bow Head Silently in Respect

Thousands Attend Services Honoring War Dead in France and England.

Armistice day, which was marked by the solemnity of its observance in many capitals of Europe, was marred by republicans in Dublin, who dragged a British flag across College green and caused fighting in which nine persons were injured.

While Paris and London observed this eighth anniversary of the war's end with periods of silence at the tombs of their unknown soldiers, nationalists caused the battle in Dublin. The clash occurred between royalists and Sinn Feiners, and was caused by singing "God Save the King."

On steamers, train and air transports which now link the allied countries with the former enemy, Germany, the day was observed by a minute of silence.

Germany, while not celebrating, noted with satisfaction the withdrawal of troops from occupied territory. The day found no official recognition.

Poland celebrated its independence which also dates from Nov. 11, and in London and Paris those who rebelled or looked for revenge (Continued on Page Four)

Residents Get First Vision White Blanket

Early morning risers yesterday were greeted with a glimpse of snow on the mountain tops south and west of the city, according to reports from various citizens who witnessed the advent of winter's first white blanket in this section.

The snow extended quite far down the sides of Stukel mountain and adjacent peaks, south of Klamath Falls, and was visible until nearly noon yesterday. The snow on the hills west of town disappeared about mid-morning, however.

Woman Is Caught In Prohi Raid On Broad Street

Caught during a raid by local prohibition officers on her Broad street residence yesterday afternoon, Betty Parker, charged with possession of liquor, is under arrest.

A number of others are reported to have been ensnared in the net of the prohibs, but charges were only preferred against the woman in the case as she claimed ownership of the potatoes.

An attempt had been made to destroy the merchandise on hand, so that the officers arrived in time to find only broken jugs and a strong odor of moonshine in the sink, it was stated.

A nearby house was raided shortly after the officers broke into the Parker residence, but no liquor was found.

Flaming Chariot Draws Out Boys Fire Department

A flaming chariot in the form of a light truck of popular make, gave the local fire department a run at two o'clock yesterday afternoon, when the vehicle owned by L. H. Blehn caught fire on Third street.

The truck had been employed hauling wood, and it is believed that a stick of the fuel lodged near the exhaust pipe and caused the fire. Blehn, with the aid of bystanders, had the flames under control before the arrival of the fire truck. Little damage resulted to the truck, it was stated.

SLAYER DAUGHTER AWAITING APPEAL OF LOWER COURT

SEATTLE, Nov. 11.—Wallace C. Gaines, convicted and sentenced to death for the slaying of his daughter, Sylvia, will not know until next spring whether he is to receive a new trial.

This was indicated today as preparations for the Supreme Court proceedings disclosed that the court probably will not be able to hear the new trial motion until May.

British Strike In Coal Mines Nears Settlement

Miners Said to Have Abandoned Demands for Seven-Hour Day, and Adjustment Will Be By Districts.

LONDON, Nov. 11.—(United News)—Peace for England, after the greatest industrial war in British history, seemed approaching rapidly as the last hours of Armistice day ticked away.

A series of negotiations between representatives of the coal miners, who have been on strike more than six months, and the government was begun in the afternoon, and before evening it was understood that both labor and government leaders predicted settlement.

It appeared that the miners had abandoned their demands for a seven-hour instead of an eight-hour day temporarily, at least, and also had put aside their hopes of a national settlement.

The only factor complicating the negotiations is the absence of the owners, who declare they are unable longer to negotiate for all the mines in England, due to the fact that many insist on district negotiations.

Irish Republicans Fight Royalists; Nine Are Injured

DUBLIN, Nov. 11.—Irish republicans and royalists fought in Dublin today and by the time police had quelled the disturbance nine persons had been so seriously injured as to require hospital treatment.

The outbreak occurred at O'Connell bridge, and grew out of the Armistice day celebration. The police charged the crowd twice with batons.

After both factions had joined in the two-minute silence commemorating the armistice, trouble began when republicans dragged a British flag across the college green. Observers of this incident rebuked the republicans with a demonstration in which "God Save the King," was sung.

Fighting between the republicans and their opponents followed. It was one of the few clashes in the peace which has followed institution of the Irish Free State.

Home of Bee Begin Destroyed by Fire As Big Storm Rages

A heavy wind that raged through this city several hours after midnight Wednesday, is believed to have indirectly caused a number of fires which kept the local fire department busy throughout the early morning hours.

The first call came in shortly before four o'clock yesterday morning when a Southern Pacific employe spotted a bad tule fire near the Chelsea box factory site. Believing the Ewanna Box factory to be threatened, the man called the fire station and Chief Keith K. Ambrose with one of his firemen, turned out to look over the situation.

As the factory was not in danger, the firemen returned without summoning the truck. The tule fire, which is still burning over some 20 or 25 acres, started from sparks blown out of the open incinerator near the Shaw-Bertram mill. The flying sparks necessitated the firemen keeping a sharp lookout until the heavy wind abated.

Shortly after six o'clock in the morning the South Octavia street residence of Bee Begin, broke into flames and was totally destroyed in a short time. Summoned to the blaze, the firemen were unable to successfully cope with the fire, due to a lack of water.

The house was four blocks from (Continued on Page Six)

Old Guard in Senate Striving For Peace

Overtures Made Designed to Insure Working Peace With Insurgents Hold Balance Power.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 11.—(United News)—Regular senate republicans undertook a practical observance of Armistice day by beginning overtures designed to insure a working peace with the insurgents who in the next senate will hold the balance of power between the closely divided old parties.

One regular republican leader is understood to have indicated to Senator Lynn D. Frazier, North Dakota insurgent republican, that he will be welcome back in the regular organization.

Senator Borah of Idaho also has appeared on the scene as a kind of official intercessor for Frazier. He has written a letter to Senator Watson of Indiana, chairman of the committee on committees, urging that the regular republicans correct their former error of judgment and restore Frazier to his original committee assignments.

This would enable Frazier to become chairman of the important Indian affairs committee in the next (Continued on Page Five)

Land Withdrawal Irrigable Land Denied By U. S.

Word received here yesterday was to the effect that the petition of the Enterprise Land & Investment company of Klamath Falls, for exclusion of its lands from the Klamath Irrigation District until all construction and water right charges are paid in full has been denied by the Department of the Interior.

In refusing to grant the petition, it is reported, the officials of the department upheld a decision of Commissioner of Reclamation Elwood Mead.

Charles W. Eberlein, president of the company, petitioned the irrigation district for elimination of 85 acres from its limits and conveyance of certain rights of way for ditches given to the United States. The district board ordered release of the Enterprise lands from all charges levied by it and recommended that the secretary of the interior assent to their exclusion.

Testimony at the hearing at Washington, D. C., held on Eberlein's request, indicated that the lands involved were worth from \$600 to \$1,000 per acre, due to their proximity to the industrial section of Klamath Falls.

Clouds of Tule Ash Settle Over City of Klamath

Klamath Falls had another visitation of high winds during the early morning hours yesterday. A cloud of tule ash, sawdust and dirt hovered over the city from midnight until nearly dawn, all but obscuring street lamps.

Main street bore chief evidence of the young hurricane after it had quelled yesterday morning, as parts of the street were covered with a two-inch coat of sawdust, mingled with dry leaves. The rain, which accompanied the wind, soaked the residue and left Main street a sorry looking sight for several hours.

Telegraph and telephone lines leading into this city, were blown down and electric power lines of the Oregon California power company came in for their share of wreckage. Wire service was impaired for several hours, until the crews of men sent out to various points, succeeded in repairing the damage.

ROYAL FAMILY OF ENGLAND BOW HEADS ON ARMISTICE DAY

LONDON, Nov. 12.—The British observed Armistice Day in front of the cenotaph in Whitehall. The king, the prince of Wales and the duke of York led scores of persons who filed silently past this monument to the war.

London observed the day with a minute period of silence.

Kiwanians Honor Departed Vets At Noonday Luncheon

Members of Club Invite Legion Boys and Patriotic Program Carried out in Keeping With Armistice Day.

Sixty Kiwanians and American Legion buddies, the latter in uniform, crowded around the luncheon board of Kiwanis at noon yesterday and observed Armistice Day for an hour and a half.

George McIntyre, an ex-service man, was chairman of the luncheon.

Dr. G. S. Newsom, head of the Klamath county health unit, and member of the Legion, spoke for half an hour on Armistice Day, its significance in the everyday life of the nation and how it should be taken by the cities of the United States, and the world.

Mrs. Francis R. Oids, accompanied by the piano by Miss Pearl Blehn, sang a number of patriotic songs.

The names of those Klamath county boys who laid down their lives in the World War, and the Klamath county men who died during the Spanish-American and Civil war conflicts, were read by Rev. J. Henry Thomas of St. Paul's Episcopal church immediately before the close of the luncheon.

Legion Desirous Shaping Lives of New Generation

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Nov. 11.—(United News)—The building of the liberty memorial does not complete the obligation of Kansas City to the war dead, said Howard P. Savage in a short address at the dedication of the memorial today. The obligation includes that shaping of the lives of the youths now growing into manhood. They must be instilled with the ideas of good citizenship and patriotism.

"Looking back eight years this very hour to the hollow mockery of it all," Savage said, "I wonder whether we realize our full responsibility to the brave ones to whose memory this memorial raises its shaft.

"Not only must we realize our responsibilities to them but we must teach their children their responsibility to the country."

Commander Savage hurried to Omaha after his address here, where he again spoke.

Touching Respect Paid to Departed Heroes World War

The beautiful Service of Remembrance, which was given at 11 o'clock yesterday morning in St. Paul's Episcopal church by Rev. J. Henry Thomas, the rector of St. Paul's, called out a large number of men and women who gathered before the altar of the church in which he recalled events preceding and during the great World War.

The names of the heroes from Klamath county who died during the World War, the Spanish-American and Civil Wars, were read by Rev. Thomas to the assemblage.

Rev. Thomas announced yesterday that his plans carried a similar service for the coming years.

Library Club Will Entertain This Afternoon

Members of the library club of Klamath Falls will hold a meeting this afternoon in their club rooms, with Mrs. R. C. Groesbeck and Mrs. H. D. L. Stewart in charge. The topic to be discussed will be "Books in the Home," and all members are requested to be present. The meeting will be called to order at 2:30 o'clock.

Northern Has Hope Entering Klamath

Progress Made and Report Circulated that Executives Hope to Avoid Action I. C. C.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 11.—(United News)—Progress sufficient to inspire hope for successful outcome in the negotiations for entry of the northern lines into Klamath Falls is reported here, based on statements of the chief negotiators. It is said that while no immediate announcement can be made the conferees are proceeding with fair speed and in a fair spirit.

One encouraging note is the belief that the railroad executives on both sides wish to avoid the necessity of further intervention of the interstate commerce commission.

The next meeting of the railroad interests will be at Chicago at the meeting of the National Railroad association.

NEW YORK, Nov. 11.—(United News)—Wall street had a little tempest in teapot all its own when the Great Northern and Burlington-Northern Pacific merger was suddenly swung back into the limelight today.

The plan has been under way for six months and virtually all of the known details are a matter of record on the various statistical card systems which every broker keeps in his office. However a generalizing statement made by Arthur Carliss James, the largest individual stockholder of railroad securities in the country and a director of the Great Northern thrust the matter to the fore again. In regard to this statement, Howard Elliott, chairman of the board of directors of the Northern Pacific declared:

"The directors, executive officers and counsel of the three roads have discussed the question of consolidation ever since the transportation act of 1920 was passed. In the six years that have elapsed since that act was passed, a workable plan for (Continued on Page Four)

Qualifying Medal Scores Are Made By Local Golfers

Rapidly growing enthusiasm carried some three score golfers to the Reames Golf and Country club links to face the rather raw breezes of Armistice day.

The course, following the rain earlier in the morning, was in excellent condition for play, and the effects of the chill breezes were alleviated by the hot coffee and sandwiches, served by the ladies of the club before a blazing wood fire at the clubhouse.

Qualifying medal scores have all been turned in, and Eddie Bunn, club "pro" his handicapped the players, and awarded buttons, numbered serially to indicate the standing of each player. The buttons are to be held in continual challenge, the ranking players being subject to challenge at any time from their lower ranking fellow members. All challenges to be decided by match play.

The first ten ranking players now stand in the following order: Women—Margaret Bowness, Mrs. Henrietta Quinn, Mrs. F. T. Bowness, Mrs. C. I. Roberts, Mrs. H. W. Bridgeford, Mrs. W. O. Smith, Mrs. Claude Davis, Mrs. Albertson, Mrs. Leslie Rogers, Mrs. A. J. Voye.

Men—E. T. Bowness, C. I. Roberts, G. A. Krause, H. Barnheol, A. J. Voye, J. F. Maguire, Tom Malarkey, Dr. Paul Noel, R. E. De Weese, H. R. Harrison.

The above standing is extremely likely to be altered, as many challenges already have been filed, and some interesting matches will be played before the season closes this fall.