

WOMEN SHOP FOR OTHERS IN LONDON STORES

Make It Profession by Charging Commission For Their Work

London, Sept. 20.—High railway fares and the increased expenditure occasioned by the termination of the war, has brought out the professional shopper who is finding that her circle of clients is rapidly widening.

One woman who knows the art of dress has recently taken up the work with marked success. "I have become a professional shopper," she said, "and the women in the provinces are beginning to find me useful. I work for a great many women who live a long distance from London, some of them in the far northern counties."

President Wilson Urges Children to Join Jr. Red Cross

By Associated Press.

New York, Sept. 20.—A letter from President Wilson to school children in New York, New Jersey and Connecticut, urging them to join the Junior Red Cross, "which has planned a work for peace times even larger and more systematic than the work done during the war," was made public here by the American Red Cross.

The president's letter, after recalling that millions of children joined the Junior Red Cross last year, and that what they did "is warmly appreciated by the whole country," said in closing:

"Your education will not be complete unless you learn how to be good citizens and the Junior Red Cross plans to teach you simple lessons of citizenship through its organization and activities. It is your generation which must carry on the work of our generation at home and abroad and you cannot begin too soon to train your minds and habits for this responsibility. By doing what you can to make happier the people of your own neighborhood, your state, your country and also the people of other lands you will make yourself happier."

New York Messenger Steals \$140,000 Bonds

New York, Sept. 20.—Another sensational robbery by a messenger boy entrusted with \$140,000 in Liberty Bonds was reported to the police late yesterday, making the total losses of brokerage houses during the last six months more than three quarters of a million dollars. Leon Jofsky, 21 years old, was the last messenger to disappear with a fortune placed in his charge by his employers, Levinson & Company, brokers. Like his absconding predecessors, young Jofsky was unable to resist the temptation to break before him in easily negotiable bonds and fled without leaving any trace as to his whereabouts.

WILL VOTE ON TREATY CHANGE

Republicans Have Measure to Give U. S. Equal Footing With British

By Associated Press.

Washington, Sept. 20.—After the Covenant of the League of Nations, a part of the German Peace Treaty, had been read last yesterday in the Senate, Republican leaders claimed votes enough to pass, probably next week, an amendment which would give the United States equal voting power with Great Britain in the League assembly.

While confident the amendment will be adopted, the Republicans hold that it would not reopen the whole question of peace and force the return of the pact to the Peace Conference at Paris, as President Wilson and Democratic leaders have predicted.

There was no session of the Senate to-day, but the fight will open Monday in earnest, with prospect of a vote on the British-American amendment, proposed by Senator Johnson, Republican, of California, at the end of the week. Telegrams were sent Thursday to Senator Johnson by Senator Borah, of Idaho, after a conference with Senator Lodge, chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee, in charge of the Treaty on the floor, and Senator Knox, Republican, of Pennsylvania, telegraphed him that he might proceed with his western trip and keep on raking the League for and after as he has been doing for the last ten days.

It was assumed by Republicans last night that Senator Johnson would continue his speaking trip. Senator Hitchcock, of Nebraska, leader of the administration fight for ratification, was as steadfast as heretofore, however, in the belief that all amendments would be rejected. Democrats made no attempt to disguise the feeling of elation that their cause was in good shape, citing the hurry call sent to Senator Johnson as evidence of doubt in the opposition camp. It was while they were still discussing this phase of the situation that word reached them of the Lodge and Knox message to Johnson to stay on the trail of the President in the west.

Retail Food Prices Reached the Highest Level Last Month

Washington, Sept. 20.—Retail prices of food increased one per cent. in August as compared with July and reached the highest point in the nation's history, despite the Government's campaign to reduce the cost of living.

The exact increase—probably already apparent to the consumer—was revealed when the Department of Labor's bureau of labor statistics made public its monthly report. The foodstuffs increasing in price were eggs, rice, potatoes, milk, pork chops, butter, cheese, coffee, dry beans, sugar and bread. Prices declined for sirloin and round steak, rib and chuck roasts, onions, bacon, flour, cabbage and canned peas, corn, beans and tomatoes.

Clamor in Senate Swells For Probe on Palmer Deals

Washington, D. C., Sept. 20.—If 25 per cent. of the charges made against the Alien Property Custodian's office, trust, there should be an investigation, Senator Calder, of New York, told the Senate in urging adoption of his resolution calling for an inquiry into A. Mitchell Palmer's administration of the trust fund on former German-owned property.

Although Senator Underwood, of Alabama, made a vigorous defense of Mr. Palmer's operations, and termed attacks on the Alien Property Custodian's office a part of the German Government's effort to break down the status of the office, other Senators expressed belief that an investigation should be made.

The Wonderful Stories of "OZ" By L. Frank Baum

The Nome King

When Ozma cried out in her impatient demand that the Nome King appear, there was no reply, except that the shifting Nomes upon the mountain laughed in derision. "You must not command the Nome King," said Tiktok, "for you do not rule him, as you do your own people."

So Ozma called again, saying: "I request the Nome King to appear." Only the mocking laughter replied to her, and the showy Nomes continued to flit here and there upon the rocky cliff.

"Try en-treat-y," said Tiktok to Ozma. "If he will not come at your request, then the Nome King may listen to your pleading."

"Do you wish your ruler to plead with this wicked Nome King?" she asked. "Shall Ozma of Oz humble herself to an creature who lives in an underground kingdom?"

"No!" they all shouted, with big voices; and the Scarecrow added, "If he will not come, we will dig him out of his hole, like a fox, and conquer his stubbornness. But our sweet little ruler must always maintain her dignity, just as I maintain mine."

"I'm not afraid to plead with him," said Dorothy. "I'm only a little girl from Kansas, and we've got more dignity at home than we know what to do with. I'll call the Nome King."

"Do," said the Hungry Tiger; "and if he makes hash of you I'll willingly eat you for breakfast to-morrow morning."

So Dorothy stepped forward and said: "Please Mr. Nome King come here and see us."

The Nomes started to laugh again; but a low growl came from the mountain, and in a flash they had all vanished from sight and were silent.

Then a door in the rock opened, and a voice cried: "Enter."

"Isn't it a trick?" asked the Tin Woodman. "Never mind," replied Ozma. "We came here to rescue the poor Queen of Ev and her ten children, and we must run some risks to do so."

"The Nome King is honest and good natured," said Tiktok. "You can trust him to do what is right."

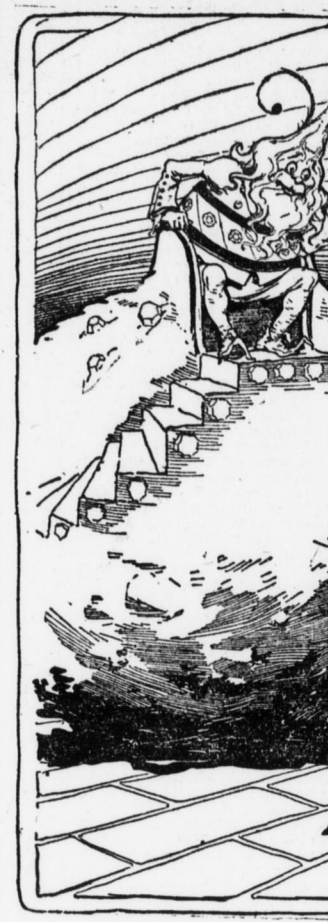
So Ozma led the way, hand in hand with Dorothy, and they passed through the arched doorway of rock and entered a long passage which was lighted by jewels set in the walls and having lamps behind them. There was not one to escort them or to show them the way, but all the while they passed through the passage until they came to a round, domed cavern that was grandly furnished.

The center of this room was a throne carved out of a solid boulder of rock, rude and rugged in shape but glittering with great rubies and diamonds and emeralds on every part of its surface. And upon the throne sat the Nome King.

This important monarch of the Underground World was a little fat man dressed in gray-brown garments that were the exact color of the rock throne in which he was seated. His bushy hair and flowing beard were dressed in gray-brown garments, and so was his face. He wore no crown of any sort, and his only ornament was a broad, jewel-studded belt that was a broad, jewel-studded belt that was a broad, jewel-studded belt.

While they seated themselves the Nome King picked up a pipe, and good humored, and his eyes were turned merrily upon his visitors as Ozma and Dorothy stood before him with their followers ranged in close order behind them.

taking a glowing red coal out of his pocket and placing it in the bowl of the pipe and began puffing out clouds of smoke that curled in rings above his head. Dorothy thought this was the little monarch look more like Santa Claus than ever; but Ozma now began speaking, and everyone listened intently to her



"They Belong To Me and I Shall Keep Them"

speech, and it made him laugh aloud. "He had a red face and a round little belly. That shook when he laughed like a bowl full of jelly!"

quote the monarch, in a pleasant voice; and they could all see that he really did shake like jelly when he laughed.

Both Ozma and Dorothy were much relieved to find the Nome King so jolly, and a minute later he waved his right hand and the girls each found a cushioned stool at her side.

"Sit down, my dears," said the King, "and tell me why you have come, all this way to see me, and what I can do to make you happy."

While they seated themselves the Nome King picked up a pipe, and would be unjust, he said, to give votes to the small independent nations and exclude such great dominions as Canada.

Praising the labor and self determination features of the Treaty, the President declared that, without the League of Nations, the other peace terms would not be worth the paper they were written on. It was a "final decision," which the United States now must make, he added.

Some of the changes proposed in the Treaty, the President said, seemed to have it as their object to upset the theory of equality among the nations and put the United States in a special position of privilege. He declared that to go into the League without assuming an equal responsibility would be a "mockery."

"I will not join," he said, "in claiming the name of justice an unjust position for the country I love and cherish. Neither am I afraid of responsibility. Neither will I scuttle. I will not be a party to belittling America."

Emphasizing the arbitration feature of the Covenant, the President said, in a simple and efficient device of discussion was shown in labor controversies. He asserted that whenever either side to such a controversy refused to discuss its case he presumption was that it was on the wrong side.

It would be the "death warrant" of the children of the country, declared the President, should the League fail.

Wasson to Demand His Name on Ballots in November Election

By Associated Press.

Pittsburgh, Sept. 20.—Judge Henry Wasson, of the Common Pleas Court, will demand of the Secretary of the Commonwealth that his name be placed on the ballots in the November election. The judge made this announcement here following a conference with friends and acquaintances of the bar.

Judge Wasson in the recent primary election did not secure enough votes to place him among the five nominees. In case action is denied, he said, he will take the case to the Dauphin County Court, as the law directs. If the decision is unfavorable there, action will be started in the Supreme Court.

Rumanians Loot Hungarian Towns; Take R. R. Equipment

Budapest, Sept. 20.—The situation here is growing more critical. As the Rumanians withdraw they continue to requisition railway equipment of all kinds. It is stated in Hungarian quarters that the food in Budapest is insufficient to care for the needs of the people.

Not only have the Rumanians failed to arm the Hungarian police as they were requested and promised to do, but they have looted the police equipment and arrested the policemen. The telephone equipment has been removed from the Ministerial Offices, so in case of disturbances the situation will be aggravated by lack of communication.

Army Sells Autos Long Exposed to Weather at Cost of Tires

Baltimore, Sept. 20.—Sixty-two of the 11,000 touring cars, trucks, motorcycles and other machines in Camp Holabird, the bad condition of which, owing to being left in the open for so long, was the cause of a Congressional investigation, were sold at auction. The sale realized \$25,000 for the Government. Some of the machines went for less than their nearly new tires cost. Most of the machines, having been exposed to all kinds of weather for months, were in a very poor condition. Some were minus tires, wheels and engines, while many of them only consisted of the bodies, and these were in bad shape. July 2,000 men attended the sale. The terms of the sale was a deposit of \$20 on a sale of less than \$200 and \$50 for a sale exceeding that amount.

The first bid was on a summer touring car and was for only \$5. This car eventually sold for \$130 to a second-hand dealer. The lowest bid was \$25 on a Ford summer chassis, minus wheels, tires and engine. The highest bid was \$650 for a limousine, which was bought by a local dealer. The average bids, however, ran around \$150, but there were a few cars that were sold for \$300, \$400 and \$500.

According to an Army ruling all cars must be removed at the end of forty-eight hours, and if they are not taken away by that time the Army guard will be withdrawn from the vicinity of the roadside, where the cars are now parked, and any one coming along can help himself to them.

American Merchant Ship in Irish Port

Belfast, Ireland, Sept. 20.—Old Glen was hoisted from the masthead of a merchantman in Belfast harbor the other day, the first time in a great many years. She is the Lakeside, bringing a cargo of many things which Belfast wants, and is the first of a line of American ships which will ply fortnightly between New York and Belfast. Her appearance here is taken as proof that Americans are not going to neglect the Irish trade.

Two Duellists in Battle on Street

Memphis, Tenn., Sept. 20.—O. W. Webster, a deputy United States marshal, and William Smiddy, a former city detective, were killed and a negro bystander was wounded in an exchange of shots near the center of the downtown shopping district here yesterday afternoon.

Webster was passing in an automobile, the police say, and over-hearing a remark supposedly from Smiddy, he stopped his machine and the two men engaged in a fist fight. Revolvers were drawn and both men were killed in the duel.

the Nome King uttered a shrill whistle and gold doors flew open and ranks of Nome soldiers marched out from every one. So great were their numbers that they quickly filled the immense underground cavern and forced the busy workmen to abandon their tasks and their tools. Although this tremendous army consisted of rock-colored Nomes, all squat and fat, they were clothed in glittering armor of polished steel, inlaid with beautiful gems. Upon his brow each wore a brilliant electric light, and they bore sharp spears and swords and battle-axes of solid bronze. It was evident they were perfectly trained, for they stood in straight rows, rank after rank, with their weapons held erect and true, as if awaiting but the word of command to level them upon their foes.

"This," said the Nome King, "is but a small part of my army. No ruler upon Earth has ever dared to fight me, and no ruler ever will, for I am too powerful to oppose."

He whistled again, and at once the martial array filed through the silver and gold doorways and disappeared, after which the workmen

Boric Acid Food Picklers Opposed

Paris, Sept. 20.—Proceedings are being instituted in France against boric acid food picklers. It is claimed that the yokes of eggs, literally pickled in boric acid, are being offered for sale in many markets while butchers are employing borates to retard putrefaction of their wares.

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