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TENNESSEE RATIFIES SUFFRAGE AMENDMENT BY VOTE OF 49 TO 47 AND WOMEN HAVE RIGHT TO VOTE IN EVERY STATE AT ALL ELECTIONS

REDS DRIVEN FROM DANZIG CORRIDOR IN POLISH ATTACK

France Will Vigorously Protest Commissioner's Decision Regarding Ammunition—French Troops Clash With Kattowitz Residents.

Paris, Aug. 18.—(By the Associated Press).—The Polish counter-offensive with Thorn as its base has successfully cleared the Danzig corridor of Russian troops. According to reports received from the Polish forces are driving eastward, the report says. The French government intends to protest energetically against the decision of the League of Nations, allied high commissioner at Danzig, which yesterday forbade debarkation at Danzig of French munitions for Poland, it was learned today.

"GOD IS TOO HIGH AND FRANCE TOO FAR"

Paris, Aug. 18.—Warsaw is holding well, according to the latest news received here. The Poles, who were beginning to repeat their old despairing cry of 1831, "God is too high and France too far," fortified by the counsel of France's expert soldiers, have plucked up spirits with immediate effect.

POLES HEAR PEACE TERMS OF SOVIETS

Russians Demand Guarantee From Polish Landlords Against Future Aggression.

Berlin, Aug. 18.—(Uninterrupted fire and grenade explosions were reported today from Kattowitz, Upper Silesia, where 11 persons were killed and 25 wounded yesterday in clashes between French troops and civilians who struck in protest against the Russo-Polish war and demanded disarmament of the occupational troops. The French officer commanding at the office of the international commission is said to have offered to surrender the soldiers' arms to the crowd.

RESPECT NATION'S FREEDOM

Will Give Poland More Territory Than Allies And Permit It To Choose Government.

Moscow, Aug. 17.—(By the Associated Press).—The Russian peace terms were read to the Polish delegates at their first meeting with the Soviet representatives in Minsk today. The Polish answer will be made tomorrow. An official statement says: "The Minsk conference opened today at 7 P. M. with a speech by Chairman Danilovsky, after which credentials were exchanged. Danilovsky emphasized Russia's respect for Poland's independence, sovereignty and right to determine her own form of government, and said Russia accorded Poland more territory than the Entente."

SEVERAL KILLED, MANY HURT IN RIOT NEAR SIENA, ITALY

London, Aug. 18.—(Reuter).—A riot occurred at Abbazia, near Siena, Italy, resulting in the death of seven persons and the serious injury of several others, according to a Central News dispatch from Rome. After a speech at a meeting by Signor Mascagni, a Socialist deputy, disturbances developed among the crowds and peasants broke into churches in the town. A monk, a child, a soldier and four Socialists were killed.

LABOR UNION POSTPONES ACTION ON MASS MEETING

The Lancaster Central Labor Union decided on Tuesday evening to postpone indefinitely the suggestion of the State officers of the Federation of Labor that a mass meeting be held here for the purpose of protesting against the stand taken by Dr. Finnegan, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, on teachers' organizations. At a meeting last week the Union put the question up to the local Federation of teachers to decide at a mass meeting. The teachers met on Monday evening and decided to let the Union take the responsibility for the meeting. As the Union postpones action indefinitely, this probably ends the proposition for holding a meeting.

UNITED STATES SHORT AT LEAST 1,000,000 HOMES

Baltimore, Aug. 18.—(Senator Cader, of New York, today said there is a shortage of at least one million homes in the United States as ascertained through questionnaires submitted to large cities. A Senate committee, of which he is chairman, held a hearing today on the housing situation in Baltimore.

LOCAL TEMPERATURE

The local temperature for today as recorded at Demuth's was as follows: 6 A. M., 58; 9 A. M., 68; 2 P. M., 78; 2 P. M., 83.

BUILDING AND LOAN BODIES THRIVING

Eight Lancaster Organizations Capitalized At \$15,000,000. Business Is Growing.

7,000 CITIZENS HOLD STOCK

Many Persons Helped In Securing Loans For Purchase Of Homes And Other Property.

Lancaster city has eight building and loan associations. The total assets approximate \$2,500,000. Present capitalization is \$15,000,000. The total number of stockholders is more than 7,000. Three have increased capital stock, and two more will in the near future. Lancaster is a leader in cities of similar size. Capitalization will soon reach \$20,000,000.

HOW AMERICAN ATHLETES SCORED IN OLYMPICS

Table listing Olympic scores for American athletes in various events like 100-Meter Dash, 200-Meter Dash, 400-Meter Hurdles, etc.

P. R. R. EMPLOYEES GET BIGGER CHECKS THIS MONTH

Larger checks based on the increased rates that have been granted to railroad employees will be received within a week by the employees of the Philadelphia division of the Pennsylvania Railroad. These will be the first increased checks to be received since the rate advance went into effect.

CALL OFFICE BEFORE 7 P. M.

All subscribers who miss the regular delivery of the "Examiner-New Era" on any day, are urged to call the office before 7:30 o'clock. A paper will be sent out by special messenger if the complaint is made before that hour.

THOMSON MAKES WORLD'S RECORD

Canadian Wins 110-Meter Event In Olympic Games In 14 4-5. With Barron Second.

ITALIAN KISSED FOR VICTORY

Porkola, of Finland, Is First In Shot Put, Liveredge And McDonald Score Points.

Antwerp, Aug. 18.—(By the Associated Press).—Earl Thomson, the Dartmouth College star, who represented in the Olympic games, won the final heat of the 110 metres hurdles today, hanging up a new world's record of 14 4-5 seconds.

MINERS AND EMPLOYERS ARE UNABLE TO AGREE ON WAGES

Cleveland, Aug. 18.—Previous to today's conference of the scale committees of the United Mine Workers and the bituminous coal operators of the Central competitive field it was believed there would be a showdown. The operators made the miners a better offer than the one they unanimously rejected Monday, it was said, but its nature could not be learned until it has been presented to the full scale committee.

REPRESENTATIVE VARE'S DAUGHTER DIES IN CHINA

Peking, Aug. 18.—Ida May Vare, a daughter of Representative William S. Vare, of Philadelphia, died in a hotel today of tonsillitis. She and her sister Beatrice were ill since their arrival here, but the latter recovered.

Bottled "Tickles" In New York Theatre Appreciated

New York, Aug. 18.—James Shevlin, Federal prohibition enforcement agent, started an investigation today to ascertain whether there is really any "tickles" in the little souvenir bottles passed out last night at the opening performance of "Tickle Me" at a theatre.

SUFFRAGE LEADERS ARE ELATED HERE

One And All Join In Hearty Commendation That The Right To Vote Is Won.

LOCAL WORK DATES TO 1895

"I Could Jump For Joy" One Suffragist States—Another Says "Right Has Triumphed."

When told of the ratification of suffrage by the Tennessee Legislature today, leaders of the woman's suffrage movement in Lancaster were highly delighted. Mrs. I. H. Herr, county chairman of the organization and an active worker from the time the suffrage organization was started had from the time the referendum failed in the State of Pennsylvania said that suffrage was only delayed. Her predictions are fulfilled now, and she says that the younger women will never know how hard the older ones worked so that suffrage might be possible.

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LOCAL OFFICIALS READY FOR VOTE

County Commissioners Quietly Prepared For Ratification By Tennessee.

ASSESSORS TO MAKE ROUNDS

All Women Who Want To Vote Must Pay Taxes And Then Personally Register.

For some time the Lancaster County commissioners have been quietly preparing for the woman vote in case the suffrage amendment was ratified by Tennessee. Although a great amount of forethought and detail work has been required, the preparations are now completed. The machinery will be set in motion for qualifying the women of Lancaster county as voters and the receipt of their ballots at the polls.

The first move will be the placing of the names on the registration lists. The registration of men had been completed and it was necessary to have additional books, blanks and instructions prepared and these are ready for the registry assessors.

The registry assessors will at once make their rounds and place on the lists the names of all women qualified by age to become voters. When the names have been entered on the registration lists, it will be up to the voters to qualify themselves in the payment of taxes. Women who are property owners, or those who pay State tax on money at interest will not have to pay a poll tax in order to vote. But all who do not pay other State or county tax will have to pay the same poll tax as is assessed against men—fifty cents for single women and twenty-five cents for married women.

The names must be placed on the registry list two months before the date of election, therefore the registry assessors must complete their lists by September 2. Then, those who have not paid a State or county tax within two years will be required to pay the poll tax thirty days before the election, or October 2. To be on the list, the party will leave Saturday for Tokio.

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SUFFRAGE MOVEMENT GAINS MOMENTUM

On Oct. 30, 1756, a widow named Lydia Taft used her husband Josiah's proxy vote to help decide whether the town of Uxbridge, Massachusetts, would increase its contributions to the French and Indian War. Whether she knew it at the time, Taft was the first woman in colonial America to cast a vote. The U.S. Suffrage movement began in earnest following the first Seneca Falls Convention in 1848. It was at this event that the first notable public call was made to allow women to vote, thanks to an impassioned speech given by Frederick Douglass. Throughout the next decade, conventions would begin to pick up steam for the movement, up until the outbreak of the Civil War. By the time the war had ended, the end of slavery would initially prove to be a dividing issue, as some women weren't confident that advancement both of African Americans and women could be pursued

simultaneously. This directly led to Susan B. Anthony and Elizabeth Cady Stanton creating the National Woman Suffrage Association in 1869, based on the idea that the 15th Amendment be opposed until it included women's right to vote. Anthony would be arrested in 1872 for voting in that year's presidential election and was given a \$100 fine that would remain unpaid. In the remaining years of the 19th century, the suffrage movement would find enemies on all sides. Upper-class white women would band together to oppose suffrage because of racism against nonwhite women potentially having the right to vote, as well as a biblical belief in women's subservience to their husbands. Some politicians feared having to cater to an entirely new voting bloc, and the priorities that bloc would hold. Beginning in 1910 in the state of Washington, women slowly began making

inroads toward meaningful change nationwide. World War I would help create change considerably as women filled roles in work environments previously occupied only by men, now gone to fight for their country. In 1918, President Woodrow Wilson would praise the suffrage movement in a State of the Union address, which helped finally push the 19th Amendment toward the finish line. Due to the requirement that 36 states must ratify an amendment before it passes, it wasn't until Aug. 18, 1920, that Tennessee voted 49 to 47 to accept and fully allow women to legally vote in the United States. In an instant, 17 million women were given a voice that generations had fought decades for. While icons of the movement such as Anthony and Stanton receive and deserve credit, it was thousands of women — dating all the way to the time of Lydia Taft — that made the tiny inroads that led to the triumph of 1920.

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