



CAREY ACT RAPPED AS DISMAL FAILURE

Suffering of Settlers Vividly Pictured.

IRRIGATION CONGRESS LISTENS

Measure Held Inadequate, Too Expensive and Deceptive.

DRASTIC LAWS ADVOCATED

Land Promoters, Speculators and "Hogs" Scored as Menace to State and Remedies Urged.

PROGRAMME FOR OREGON IRRIGATION CONGRESS TODAY. 10 A. M.—General subject, "United States Reclamation Work in Oregon..."

Severe criticism was directed against the Carey act at yesterday's session of the Oregon Irrigation Congress at the Imperial Hotel.

Speaker after speaker told how their irrigation projects, undertaken under the provisions of the Carey act, either have failed entirely or have been carried out successfully only at an expense far greater than the original estimate.

Particularly bitter and dramatic was the recital by J. N. B. Gerking, of Laidlaw, of the difficulties and sufferings that have been experienced by the settlers on the Columbia Southern project in Crook County, which was started about 10 years ago under Carey act provisions.

Mr. Gerking's straightforward talk, however, was the most interesting that has come before the congress at this or at any other session. His earnestness and his sincerity as he told of the almost utter hopelessness of the Columbia Southern settlers appealed to everyone.

"The Carey act has been a failure in our country," said Mr. Gerking. "It appears to us that it is operated largely in the interests of the promoters and the people looking for a big takeoff."

"The promoters have sent advertisements over the country showing how the state is back of these projects, when, in fact, the state isn't back of them at all."

"I am not a lawyer," he continued, "and can't tell whether the state is duty bound to back it or not. I certainly believe, though, that the state is morally obliged to give its aid to those people who have gone onto this project, when they were given reason to believe, and justly so, that the state would aid them."

"My idea is that the state should get back of the minor propositions. It isn't quite clear to me what the benefit would be of backing these more extensive schemes that we hear talked about if by so doing we would have to neglect some of the less extensive ones."

"I am opposed to the larger schemes if they hurt the smaller ones."

Promoters are Rapped. "We who are on the smaller projects want help first. Our children will be..."

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REPORT LAYS 40 DEATHS TO DRINK

LACKAWANNA ENGINEER ACCUSED BY COMMISSION.

Investigators Say Brotherhood Should Regard Offense as One Against Own Order.

ALBANY, N. Y., Jan. 10.—The engineer had been drinking the night before and had slept less than three hours, hence the wreck on the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad at Corning, N. Y., last Independence day, in which 40 persons lost their lives and 75 others were injured.

The State Public Service Commission so declared today after a careful investigation. William H. Schroeder, the engineer thus accused, was indicted for manslaughter in Steuben County, but not brought to trial. The indictment was dismissed on motion of the District Attorney.

"The primary cause of the wreck," reads the commission's report, "was the failure of Engineer Schroeder to observe signals. The train into which he ran was protected by a full stop signal 250 feet east of the rear train, by a flagman 2500 feet east and by a caution signal nearly 4500 feet east. All three signals were disregarded."

"The investigation developed that the engineer had disregarded the duty of taking proper rest before attempting to run the train. He acknowledged drinking the night before the accident. 'The action of the engineer should be considered as much an offense against the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, of which he is a member, as against the railway and the public.'"

CUPID FELS 7 STUDENTS

North Central High, Spokane, Scene of Secret Marriages.

SPOKANE, Wash., Jan. 10.—(Special.)—The North Central High School now claims the championship of the Pacific Northwest for the number of elopements and secret marriages disclosed among its students in one semester. The school has just by marriage from the student body during the last five months one-sixth as many students as it gained by registration in the period.

With the announcement today by George Woodcock, a senior, that he was secretly married to Miss Agnes Holtgren in the Christmas holidays, the number of elopements and secret marriages reached a total of seven. The list of marriages in the school this semester is as follows:

Grace Pelton, married 18 months before secret was discovered. Gladys Fuller, eloped and married. Ruth Brain, kept marriage a secret three weeks.

Etta Cleary, kept secret of her marriage from her school friends for several days.

Ed Alvenson, football player, married secretly.

Harold Owens, married and kept the secret for a week.

George Woodcock, kept secret of his marriage for a week.

PHONES EARN 34 PER CENT

Spokane Company Is Investigated by State Commission.

SPOKANE, Wash., Jan. 10.—(Special.)—Whether the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph Company in connection with the operation of its Spokane plant will be allowed to include as for operating expense something like 34 per cent paid annually on the investment of the American Telegraph & Telephone Company in equipment used by the local plant, will be one of questions to be ruled upon in connection with the telephone rate at the hearing before the state public service commission scheduled for February 25.

Henry L. Gray, engineer of the public service board, has found in his examination of the local plant that 4 1/2 per cent on its gross earnings is annually paid over to the big holding company, the American Telegraph & Telephone Company for alleged rental of the receivers and transmitters used in Spokane by the Spokane Company. These instruments are leased by the local company, being offered by the holding company.

The state engineer, taking into consideration 10 per cent depreciation annually on the American Company local investment and another 10 per cent for repairs, figures that the parent company is making 34.11 per cent a year on its Spokane investment.

BANK CLEARINGS INCREASE

Portland and Los Angeles Lead Coast Cities in Gain of Week.

Portland and Los Angeles led the Pacific Coast in increased bank clearings during the week ending January 8. Portland's gain was 24.9 per cent and Los Angeles' gain was 25.5 per cent. Seattle's clearings increased 14.9 per cent. The total clearings in Portland were \$12,846,990 as compared with \$12,845,990 for Seattle. Tacoma was the only Pacific Coast city to show a decrease.

Nearly all large cities registered increases for the month, Boston with a 3 per cent loss, being a notable exception. New York gained 18 per cent, Chicago 21 per cent and Philadelphia 25.2 per cent.

MAUD MALONE IS FINED

Suffragette Requests Filing of Penalty, So She Can Appeal.

NEW YORK, Jan. 10.—Maud Malone, a militant suffragette, who was arrested and convicted for disturbing a meeting at which Woodrow Wilson was speaking, appeared in the Court of Special Sessions in Brooklyn today and asked that she be fined in order that she might appeal her case. Her request was granted.

No penalty had been imposed upon conviction, sentence being suspended.

DANGER POINT NEAR, FINANCIER ADMITS

Control in Bad Hands Real Menace.

MONEY MUCH CONCENTRATED

Baker Says He Thinks It Has Gone About Far Enough.

COMMITTEE IS STARTLED

Witness Before House Committee Believes, However, That Control Could Not Be Retained by Evil Interests.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—That the present concentration of money and credit "has gone far enough," that "in bad hands" it would have a bad effect upon the Nation, that the safety of the situation lies in the person of the men in control and that present conditions are "not entirely comfortable for the country" were a few of the statements today by George F. Baker, master of finance, as the climax of two days' examination before the House money trust committee.

Mr. Baker declared that "bad hands" could not retain control. These statements, coming at the end of a day of routine examination, during which Mr. Baker reviewed in detail the operations of himself, his bank, the First National Bank of New York and J. P. Morgan & Co., in the issuance of bonds, startled the committee and Mr. Baker's counsels.

Baker knows no "Money Trust." Samuel Undermyer, counsel for the committee, was wading through a mass of heavy statistics relating to bond issues handled by Mr. Baker's associates. Suddenly he paused, leaned forward in his chair and shot a question at the 73-year-old financier.

"Mr. Baker, I suppose you do not think there is a money trust?" demanded the lawyer.

Committee, spectators and counsel sat forward in their chairs. The witness leaned back in his chair, smiled quietly and replied:

"I do not think there is." "What do you understand by a money trust?" Mr. Undermyer continued.

"I give it up, I don't know," said Mr. Baker with a chuckle.

Money Becomes Concentrated. "Suppose we define a money trust as an established identity or community of interests between a few leaders of finance which has been created and is held together through stock holdings, interlocking directorates and other forms of domination over banks, trust..."

WASHINGTON GIRL LUNG POWER BEST

STATE UNIVERSITY PHYSICAL DIRECTOR GIVES DATA.

Breathing Capacity of Average Seattle Institution Maid Is 168.23 'Cubic Centimeters.

SEATTLE, Wash., Jan. 10.—(Special.)—Girls in the University of Washington are healthier and better proportioned than those of any other college in the country, according to data submitted by Miss Jessie Merrick, women's physical director.

"Figures, statistics and averages count for nothing," says Miss Merrick. "If a clay model were made according to the average measurements of all university girls, it would be the fittest looking contortionist off the stage."

"Men are most interested in the height and weight of girls. Women are concerned with girls' measurements. Neither have any bearing on the physical condition of the individual. That which counts is the lung capacity and the size of the muscles."

The breathing space of the average University of Washington girl is 168.23 cubic centimeters. This is two-hundredths of a centimeter greater than the average at the University of Oregon. The Washington maiden can expand her peak-a-boo eight centimeters more than the average University of Michigan girl.

The average Washington girl weighs 120 pounds and is five feet two inches tall.

LIGHT TANGLE CONSIDERED

Mayor Has Engineer Preparing Report on Municipal Plant.

Mayor Russhigh and members of the lighting committee of the Executive Board are soon to attempt a solution of the lighting problem now confronting the city. The Mayor and members favor the city taking over the distributing system now owned by the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company or building a new plant.

"The company now says that it will install new lamps this year only with the understanding that the city shall either award it another contract for five years or repay the expense of installation," said the Mayor, "and I propose to see what can be done about it. I recommended in my annual message to the Council that the city prepare to manage its own lighting plant. I will have an engineer's report on such a plant before long."

ROUMANIA RAISES HOPES OF TURKEY

Wallach Kingdom May Have Russian Aid.

AMBASSADORS CANNOT AGREE

Porte Threatens to Withdraw From Peace Conference.

GREEKS ARE DISTURBED

Report That Powers Will Prevent Acquisition of Turkish Islands Results in Peppery Statement by Delegate.

LONDON, Jan. 10.—The pendulum of peace in the Balkans swings between the fall of Adrianople and action by the powers of Europe. Both Turkey and the allies have been unresponsive to the advance of friendly offers and pressure by which the powers have attempted to bring the conflicting parties to terms over Adrianople. Compromises by which the "holy city" neither would be separated entirely from Turkey nor ceded entirely to Bulgaria have been refused by both sides.

Turkey's hopes of saving Adrianople undoubtedly have been revived by the threatening attitude of Roumania. It is believed in some quarters that Roumania's stand is backed by Austria.

Naval Demonstration Unconfirmed. The Ambassadorial conference met today, but it was announced no important decision had been reached. The Ambassadors would not confirm reports that a naval demonstration to influence Turkey had been planned as a last resort.

Turkey's threat to withdraw her peace delegates next week if the allies refuse to reduce their demands is not taken seriously by the Ambassadors. The allies have made a counter-threat that they will give necessary notice of a termination of the present armistice if the Turkish delegates withdraw.

The hope that the dinner given last night by French Ambassador Cambon would give an opening for friendly conversations between the rival delegates, leading to the end of the deadlock, proved fruitless, as the dinner is described as a cold and stiff affair.

BUILDERS ARE REASONABLE

Inspector Plummer Says Trouble With Telephone Company Over.

Building Inspector Plummer said yesterday that the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph Company officials are now co-operating with his department in the construction of the company's building at Park and Oak streets.

When his deputy first went to the scene early in the week, Mr. Plummer said, there was a disposition on the part of the builders to ignore him. "My deputy reports that he is cordially received and that his instructions are cheerfully complied with," said Mr. Plummer. "Furthermore, the company's superintendent of construction assured me personally that he had no disposition whatever to ignore this office and that all plans would be submitted for our inspection."

MARCHING ON.



WOODROW WILSON GETS MUCH ADVICE

PRESIDENT-ELECT'S MIND IS OPEN ON EVERY SUBJECT.

M'CUSKER PICKED FOR POSTMASTER

Williams Submits His List to Taft.

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PRINCETON, Jan. 10.—President-elect Wilson is en route tonight for Chicago, where he will address the Commercial Club tomorrow night. The engagement to deliver an address before the Commercial Club was accepted by Governor Wilson long before election. The speech probably will be the last he will deliver outside of New Jersey before he becomes President. Returning he will leave Chicago at 12:40 P. M. Sunday, reaching Trenton Monday, when he will speak at a luncheon to the New Jersey electors, who meet that day. Members of the Legislature have been invited. The affair will mark the renewed activity of the Governor in state affairs.

With the New Jersey Legislature commanding his daily attention, it is expected the President-elect will have comparatively little time for National affairs. Mr. Wilson, however, has received much advice in the conferences with Democratic leaders, but he reiterated today that he had not made a single decision on any subject and added that he had not even made a tentative selection, either on paper or in his mind, as to who will be in the Cabinet. He made it clear that he intends to pick men for their serviceability rather than in reward for political activities in his behalf.

The Governor will continue his conferences with members of Congress. His views on the policy to pursue at the extra session will be enunciated in the special message which he will send to Congress. He will write it immediately after his inauguration.

"SAMMY" SMALL IS WIFE

Question as to Woman's Signature Brings Explanation of Name.

"Sammy Small," read Deputy County Clerk Wilde, yesterday, in glancing over a non-support complaint which he had handed a woman for signature. The deputy rubbed his eyes and looked twice, but there it was unmistakably, "Sammy Small."

"I beg your pardon, madam, but I want your own signature at the bottom of the complaint. It won't be legal otherwise," courteously explained the deputy.

"Strange," she said with a smile, "I reckon as how I will have to explain. You see, I was born in the South, in the Cumberland Mountains in Tennessee, and down there they have a habit of picking out a baby's name before it is born."

"My grandfather's name was Sammy, and before I arrived my parents determined to do him the honor of naming me for him. It was spoken of as Sammy before I was born. When I turned out to be a girl it didn't make no difference. Sammy was my name, and they didn't even think of changing it. I guess it looks kind of funny to you, but it sure is my legal name."

Muttering an apology, Wilde took the paper and proceeded to issue a warrant calling on the Sheriff or any of his deputies or any police officer to arrest Charlie Small, the said Charlie Small being guilty of the non-support of Sammy Small, his wife.

GIRL RECOVERS DAMAGES

Couple Sued for Falsely Accusing Young Woman of Theft.

SALEM, Or., Jan. 10.—(Special.)—A jury today returned a verdict for \$1749 in the case of Lillian Walling vs. Alec La Follette and wife. The suit was to collect \$5000 damages for defamation of character and false imprisonment.

Miss Walling, while employed in the La Follette home, was accused of stealing jewelry, and was arrested and imprisoned at the instigation of Mrs. La Follette. The jewelry was found to be only misplaced, and the young woman was released after passing the night in the city jail. Mr. La Follette is a retired rancher and has been prominent in state politics. He is a cousin of Senator La Follette, of Wisconsin.

MORTON D. YOUNG IS DEAD

Pioneer Road Man, Long a Portland Resident, Victim of Diabetes.

Morton D. Young, 69, died Thursday evening from diabetes. Deceased had been a resident of Portland for 40 years, was a Mason and pioneer railroad man. He had seen many changes since the days when the present Southern Pacific was known as the Oregon & California Railroad. Bad health caused his retirement some 17 years ago.

In addition to his widow, his son, Clarence, and his daughter, Miss Hazel M. Young, survive him. The funeral services will be held this afternoon from Holman's chapel at 2 o'clock. Dr. Benjamin Young, of the First Methodist Church, will conduct the services at the chapel, while the Masons will have charge of the rites at the grave at Riverview Cemetery.

GIRL, 13, POISONS BROTHER

Baby Cries and Tablets Are Used to Make It Cease.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Jan. 10.—To keep her little brother quiet while the mother was away Hazel Lundinghaus, aged 13 years, gave Adam Lundinghaus, aged 3 months, two poison tablets at their home in West Olympia today and the baby died before help could be called. Adam Lundinghaus, Sr., the father, is in prison.

WILLIAMS SUBMITS HIS LIST TO TAFT

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OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Jan. 10.—National Committee Williams today recommended to President Taft that the following Federal appointments be made in Oregon: Thomas McCusker, Postmaster at Portland; John H. Burgard, Collector of Customs, Portland; E. C. Kirkpatrick, of Dallas, United States Marshal; C. V. Johnson, of Corvallis, Appraiser of Customs at Portland; D. L. Keay, of Portland, Surveyor-General; Frank L. Parker, Collector of Customs at Astoria; L. H. Arneson, Receiver of The Dalles Land Office; Harold T. Hopkins, Register of The Dalles Land Office; Preston A. Worthington, Receiver of the Burns Land Office.

The following Presidential postmasters also are recommended: Frank J. Carney, Astoria; John E. Logan, Burns; Ella V. Powers, Canyon City; Ben Weathers, Enterprise; John E. Beasley, Falls City; William M. Brown, Lebanon; F. W. Harnes, Roseburg; Edgar Hostetter, The Dalles; Merritt A. Baker, Weston; Philip A. Lively, Woodburn; John H. Pearce, La Grande; John F. Miller, Jacksonville.

Nominations to Go in Soon. Every man recommended by Williams supported President Taft.

While no appointments have yet been announced, it is expected that nominations in accordance with the foregoing recommendations will be made tomorrow or Monday.

The prospect for the confirmation of most, if not all, of these men is regarded as favorable, if the Republican Senators can break the Democratic opposition and compel a minority of the Senate to assent to the confirmation of those Taft appointments who are not personally objectionable to individual Senators.

Senator Chamberlain indicated today that he probably would not oppose confirmation in cases where appointments have been delayed, and he has previously intimated that he would not object to confirmation where appointments are made when the terms of incumbents expire, provided the men appointed are not personally objectionable to him.

Mr. Chamberlain personally said he would act on each appointment according to the personality of the man named, and if good men were nominated and were not personally objectionable, he would not ask that their nominations be held up. It is also thought probable that Senator Bourne will acquiesce in the confirmation of the men recommended by Williams, though no such assurance has yet been given.

In selecting men for the general offices Mr. Williams was guided by a desire to name out-and-out Taft men and men whom he believes can be confirmed, it being his judgment that no personal objection will be raised against any man on his list, inasmuch as these appointments all fall due in Taft's Administration, he takes the position that the appointees should be men who have been loyal to the Taft Administration. He personally made the selection of the men for the general offices and consulted with Representative Hawley regarding the postmasters in the First District and with Representative-elect Sinnott regarding the postmasters in Eastern Oregon.

Anti-Bourne Men Named. Mr. Sinnott in addition to recommending Eastern Oregon postmasters also strongly urged the appointment of Harold T. Hopkins as register of The Dalles Land Office, and it was on his recommendation that Williams included Hopkins in his list. Mr. Sinnott backed Pearce for the La Grande postoffice.

Both Pearce and Hopkins were bitter anti-Bourne men in the last campaign. All the postmasters on the foregoing list, with the exception of those at Roseburg, Woodburn, La Grande and Jacksonville, are recommended for reappointment.

Mr. Williams submitted no recommendation for United States Attorney at Portland and probably will make no recommendation regarding that office for some time. There are various applicants and he has not determined which one to endorse.

The nomination of C. V. Johnson as appraiser is already pending before the Senate, held up by the deadlock, and Arneson, receiver of The Dalles Land Office, is a reappointment.

McCusker's Chances Good. If the Republicans of the Senate can break the deadlock brought about by the Democratic and force through any considerable number of confirmations, it is probable that McCusker will be confirmed as postmaster at Portland, for his relations with Senator Bourne have always been friendly and his...

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