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OFFICERS CHAMBER COMMERCE RESIGNS

Opposition to Reorganization Campaign Results In Complete Change In Offices.

WILDER IS PRESIDENT

Continuation of Present Program Is Impossible With Funds Now on Hand and Campaign It Nec- essary, Says Secretary.

Opposition and unsatisfactory conditions have at last resulted in a complete change in the Chamber of Commerce, all of the former officers, with the exception of F. W. Churchill, director, having resigned their offices. In their place the following have been elected: A. A. Wilder, president; Roy Bellows, vice president; Henry Harth and A. J. Hochradel, directors. The retiring officers are: J. E. McClintock, president; Carl E. Wimberly, vice president; C. S. Heinline, secretary; F. Churchill and Irvin Brunn, directors.

This action is the outgrowth of an attempt to foster a reorganization campaign in this city and its dependency by a number of leading business men of the city. The former officers of the Chamber of Commerce after negotiating the work of the American City Bureau were greatly pleased with the effect shown in other places of the city. The former officers of the Chamber of Commerce after negotiating the work of the American City Bureau were greatly pleased with the effect shown in other places of the city.

After this contract had been signed and the team arrived in the considerable opposition arose, chief argument against the drive being the fact that it was put on by the side help at what was claimed to be a high rate of commission. The plan was made that a success-drive could be put on locally, with the assistance of the team the opposition proceeded to unfavorably to the continuation of the work of the American City Bureau.

The officers who had given so much time and thought to this campaign expressed themselves as feeling keenly this lack of co-operation because of the failure to establish a harmonious relationship and to step out and afford an opportunity for a complete readjustment, hoping that a better condition result.

Subsequently a meeting was called tonight, with about the usual result, as only nine members were present, and after stating the purpose of the meeting it was voted to let the bills accruing from the preliminary campaign put on before the expiration of the contract. The amount was shown, will amount to approximately \$143.33, and when this is deducted from the treasury \$255 will be left to carry on the work of the Chamber of Commerce. The bills were ordered paid by J. E. McClintock tendered his resignation.

Mr. McClintock following the resignation of Harding, who thought it best to resign as an officer of the chamber and to go into the real estate business. The minutes will show that I elected only until the close of membership campaign. The campaign was closed very suddenly and I resigned my term of office has terminated automatically and I can do nothing else but resign. There were several men as yet untried in this line. They have extended their faith in the future of the Chamber of Commerce and I like to see them placed in office and we will give them all support.

McClintock's recommendation accepted and Judge J. W. Ham was named as temporary chairman. The resignation of Carl E. Wilder was also accepted, following which A. A. Wilder was chosen president of the new Chamber of Commerce, and Roy Bellows as vice president, and Henry Harth and A. J. Hochradel elected in their place.

It is only fair that the new officers have a complete new field to work," said Mr. Heinline, who resigned from office. "The conditions we have had to face are desirable and if the organization is to succeed these conditions must be eliminated. It has been a great pleasure to me to be associated with the growth of this Chamber of Commerce. Starting with a small beginning it has grown until its work is now of a nature that all of a man's energy and personality are demanded for it properly. He must be equal to his work handling this thing and then that thing it proves a strain wearing on mind and body alike. For instance

each day we have from four to a dozen calls for help. That means that we must spend from one to three hours at the telephone endeavoring to locate work for these people. New settlers come in and we must explain conditions to them and attempt to keep them from investing their small amount of money in a place they cannot support in order to make them keep satisfied with Douglas county.

When often we are called upon to obtain an expression from the Chamber of Commerce upon some statewide or nationwide matter, and it means that we must take this up with the individual members over the telephone. We receive a great many letters each day which must be given personal attention and must be answered promptly and correctly. Each letter contains numerous questions which require time and study for us to answer. The secretary must take all of the best publications to keep in touch with affairs. He must study methods of publicity and business systems in order that he

Black Face Farce Said to be Clever

A clever black face farce called "Renting Pickaninies," will be given at the high school tomorrow evening as a part of the vaudeville program offered by the student body. The entire cast, including the female parts, are taken by male characters, and it has been said by those who have watched rehearsals that the negro mammys and society ladies as portrayed by the high school boys, might give pointers to Julian Eltinge, or other famous female impersonators. The cast of the farce is as follows: Mandy Johnson, Glenn Britt; Rastus Johnson, her husband, Merritt Senter; Pickaninies, Abe Linkum, Sam Campbell; George Washington, Lloyd Davis; Sam Adams, Clinton Cameron, Elza Jane, Harry Crocker; Lindy Sue, Clifford Fields; society visitors, Roy Evans and Robert Chilson.

Counterfeit Stamp Warning Issued

Warning to carefully examine all 1919 war savings stamps presented for redemption because of the discovery of a clever counterfeit has been broadcasted to all postmasters on the Pacific coast by the post office department. The counterfeit can be recognized by a swelling on the left cheek of Benjamin Franklin's picture which appears on the stamp, making the venerable exponent of thrift look as if he had the toothache. Printed from a steel plate on a good grade of paper, the counterfeit stamp shows the following defects:

Left cheek of Franklin has a pronounced swelling.

Lower one of two left dots below the portrait is comparatively indistinct.

Vertical opening between the lines in the lower left part of the numerical "2" in "1924" is closed.

The chief of the United States secret service at Washington has sent specimens of the counterfeit to secret service operatives throughout the country. Postoffices in metropolitan centers have been instructed to select an employee of known exceptional abilities to acquaint himself with the characteristics of the counterfeit and to examine carefully all stamps of the 1919 series presented for redemption, save those registered before January 1, 1920, as the counterfeit was issued after that date.

The 1920 series of war savings stamps is not affected, as they are an entirely different issue, carmine in color and carrying a reproduction of a portrait of George Washington. They are on sale at all banks and postoffices.

The sixth grade baseball teams of the Rose and Benson schools played a game following school hours last evening. The Rose school aggregation were the winners with a score of 21 to 23.

Daniels Says Signature Forged

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, May 13.—Charges that a cablegram produced before the senate naval investigating committee during the testimony of Rear Admiral Sims bore a forged signature, was made today by Secretary Daniels. He referred to the message which the admiral had presented as a part of his criticism of the navy department, which was purported to have been signed by the secretary. The concluding paragraph said: "In regard to convoys, we consider that American vessels having armed guards are safer when sailing independently." Daniels testified that immediately upon reading the admiral's testimony he knew he had never sent such a cablegram and started an investigation.

TRAIN HITS HACK AT OAKLAND

Two Are Injured In Collision With Northbound Train No. 14 Yesterday.

HORSES FRIGHTENED

Sid Moore Perhaps Fatally Injured When Thrown to Pavement From Hack in Which He Was Riding With Others.

Sid Moore was possibly fatally injured and J. L. Thornton was badly hurt in an accident which occurred at the railroad crossing at the entrance to Oakland yesterday afternoon. Mr. Moore has been unconscious since being thrown to the pavement and a fractured skull is feared.

The accident occurred just as northbound train No. 14 was pulling into Oakland. Mr. Moore was driving a team drawing a hack in which was seated his wife and child and Mr. Thornton. The hack contained several sacks of wool and some cans of cream and Mr. Thornton was seated on top of the load. The train was visible but the driver believing he had plenty of time, started across the track. The team was high spirited and frightened by the nearing train and the warning signals issued by the engineer, started to prance and halted the hack squarely on the tracks.

The long train was moving at a fairly rapid rate of speed but with applied brakes as it was preparing to stop at Oakland. The hack was struck squarely and the occupants thrown to the pavement. The woman and child escaped with only a few minor bruises but the two men were quite seriously injured. One of Mr. Thornton's legs was badly cut at the knee and the flesh peeled from the bone for considerable distance. It is also feared that the bone was fractured. He was cut and bruised about the body, his wounds being very painful but not necessarily fatal.

Mr. Moore was thrown to the pavement, striking his head and a deep cut was inflicted, and it is feared that the skull was fractured. He has been delirious since the accident and requires constant attention.

The accident was witnessed by a large number of people and immediate assistance was given the injured persons. They were given medical attention and are now being cared for at Oakland. S. I. Thornton and J. L. Thornton, brothers of J. L. Thornton, left at once for Oakland, where they will arrange for the care of the injured.

An investigation of the accident is being made by Frank Rogers, Southern Pacific special agent, who left for Oakland on the early train this morning.

Packing Costs to Be High This Year

Along with everything else the cost of packing apples is going up, according to a number of growers who are complaining about the situation they are facing. The box market is very uncertain and it is feared that there will be a great shortage of boxes in spite of the price of 29 cents for shooks, as compared with an average of 18 cents last year. Growers will pay from 12 1/2 cents a pound for layer boards to 17 and 18 cents for light weight paper for their boxes this year. These prices are from 25 to 50 per cent higher than last year. The influx of ex-service men seeking homestead land has worked to the advantage of the growers, as many of these young men are taking places in the orchards and are receiving wages varying from \$75 to \$100 per month.

Bobbed Hair Craze Dies Out

LONDON, April 12.—The fashion of cutting women's hair short is waning and scores of short-haired women are searching West End hairdressing shops for locks with which to replace those which they were worn a few months ago when they had their hair bobbed. This has created an abnormal demand for hair of all colors. Possessors of rich auburn or pure white locks of suitable length can obtain \$12 or \$15 by submitting to the "bobbing" operation.

There is some irony in the fact that many London women who paid five or six shillings a few months ago to have their hair "bobbed" and left the tresses with the hairdresser, not knowing they might have received money for them, are now spending anxious hours in other shops in an often futile "matching up" endeavor.

POLICE BARRACKS ATTACKED

(By Associated Press.)
DUBLIN, May 13.—At least 19 police barracks in various parts of Ireland were destroyed in the course of the widespread destruction of property and other activities by bands of armed and masked men last night.

ARMY SALE SATURDAY

Another sale of surplus army supplies will be held Saturday morning at 10 o'clock at the city hall. Thirty cases of canned bacon, 10 cases of roast beef, barrack bags, neck scarfs, candy, shoes and blankets will be on sale.

INDICTMENTS RETURNED

The grand jury this afternoon returned indictments charging James A. Thompson, of Riddle, with murder in the second degree; Kid Williams, Joe Brown and Charles Williams, all colored, with burglary of a Glendale store; Jack Dennis and Frank Harden with burglary at Glendale, and Claude Cain, a young man of this city, with burglary of the Breier store. Thompson was arraigned at 2:30 o'clock before Judge J. W. Hamilton. Arraigned at 3 o'clock this afternoon, Thompson was given until 10 o'clock in the morning to enter his plea to the charge against him of murdering Odie Bates at Riddle.

Six Hundred Strikers Return

(By Associated Press)
PITTSBURGH, May 13.—Six hundred shopmen, yardmen and trainmen of the Pittsburgh and Lake Erie railroad, who have been on a strike on the important terminal Dickerson run, returned to work today, according to an announcement at the general offices of the company. This is the most important break in the ranks of the strikers since the strike was called a month ago.

Rebels Fighting Carranza Men

(By Associated Press)
VERA CRUZ, May 13.—Furious fighting between the rebel troops and forces commanded by Carranza occurred yesterday at Hacienda Tamazulac, north of San Marcos, in the state of Puebla, according to dispatches received here. The area of the battlefront is reported as approximately five miles. Carranza, according to a Mexican City wireless, is said to have personally directed his troops for eight hours Tuesday.

Socialists Put Up Debs For President

(By Associated Press)
NEW YORK, May 13.—Eugene V. Debs, at present serving a term in the federal prison for violation of the espionage act during the war, was today nominated by acclamation by the socialist party for the presidency. Cheers upon cheers greeted the naming of Debs for the nomination. Debs has been the party leader during several national campaigns in the past 20 years.

Separate Peace Voted on May 15

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, May 13.—The provision in the republican peace resolution requesting the president to open negotiations with Germany for a separate treaty, were stricken out today on motion of Senator Lodge. An agreement was later reached for a final vote on the resolution at 4 o'clock Saturday afternoon.

Mexican Governors Cross to U. S. Side

(By Associated Press)
BROWNSVILLE, Tex., May 13.—Governor Miraflores of Coahuila, crossed to the American side of the Rio Grande today. The Mexican leader is quoted as saying that the governors of Tamaulipas, Nuevo Leon, San Luis and Potosi, are now awaiting transportation to the American side of the river.

LUXURY BUYING PASSES THE PEAK

Is Now Going In New York at the Rate of Over a Billion Dollars Per Year.

JEWELRY IS LARGEST

Candy is Also Bringing in a Enormous Revenue—All Amusements Are Getting Their Share of The Amount Expended.

(By Associated Press.)
NEW YORK, May 13.—Luxury buying in New York is now going on at the rate of \$1,200,000,000 a year, judged by the amount of luxury taxes—aggregating \$10,500,000 a month—which are being collected by William H. Edwards, United States collector of internal revenue of Manhattan. In February, according to the collector, the government received from his office \$2,000,000 more in luxury taxes than was paid in any previous month in the history of the department. The month of April probably will exceed them all. The receipts, he says, have been mounting higher and higher for six months.

"What some people call the 'orgy of spending' has not exhausted itself," said Mr. Edwards today, "but my men, in their talks with merchants and others who pay the great bulk of the taxes, have been told that the 'peak' of extravagance seems to have been reached and that a period of retrenchment is close at hand."

"We hear a lot about the income and excess profits tax which falls due in the spring of every year and about the hardships of meeting it, but the fact is that the steepest tax, and one which is least felt by the public and of which we hear very little, is the luxury impost. The poorer chap who buys his girl an ice-cream soda doesn't flinch at the penny or two tax any more than does the rich youth who presents his fiancee with a diamond tiara or a touring car. Neither misses it as the item is so small as compared with the expenditure."

"A king's ransom was spent for candy last December but the biggest revenue came from dealers in jewelry, furs and automobiles. The theater showed that in January they did an unusually prosperous business. When persons start to economize but in January, in the borough of Manhattan alone, \$782,891.42 was paid in taxes. Multiply that by ten and you will get some idea of how much Father Knickerbocker and his guests are paying to be entertained at just the theaters. There are no indications of any panic in these figures. The man who said: 'Always be a bull on the great U. S. A.' seems to be vindicated."

"An interesting thing about the luxury tax is that more revenue is being derived from ice cream sodas and other small sales which carry a penny or two of tax than there is from the sale of motor cars, diamonds and other luxuries. Drugists paid a large sum on expensive perfumes and cosmetics. Every manufacturer, producer or importer is required to make such returns as will clearly show each taxable transaction in the sale of certain goods and these are verified by revenue officers. Section 594 of the Revenue Act of 1918 provides that 'on and after May 1 1919' the tax of 10 per cent shall be levied and collected on luxuries, including many kinds of expensive articles in daily use. In the sale of these articles the dealer acts as a collection agent for the government. Other taxes are paid in the form of stamps."

"One of the reasons for the falling off in the receipts of income and excess profits taxes this year was the deduction which the taxpayer made for sums which he paid to the government for luxury, proprietary, and other taxes. Here is an illustration: Let us say that a man takes his wife to the theatre twice a week. He pays \$5 each time he goes for two tickets. The tax on each of the seats is 50 cents. On four seats a week he pays \$12.50 privileged to deduct that from his net income before computing his net income tax. The same rule would apply to any other tax he may have paid to the government during the year. A person, however, is required to prove that he actually expended the money for luxuries. If any question is raised on his returns, there have been comparatively few attempts at evasion. In fact, the amount received by this office in luxury, and other taxes is a monument to the honesty of this great city."

WILL HAVE PICNIC

The Christian Endeavor society of the Christian church will have a picnic this evening. They will leave

the church in cars about 8 o'clock and motor to Garden valley, where they will have supper. A bon fire and games will also be in order and the return trip will be made to this city at a late hour.

LODGE HAS SOCIAL EVENING.

The lady members of the Knights of Pythias lodge last night entertained the men with a social evening. There was a large attendance and a fine evening of entertainment was offered. Miss Helen Grey, of Wilbur, sang and played several selections which were much enjoyed. A banquet was served in the banquet room, and following this games of "500" were played until a late hour.

Large Classes Take Exams.

Eighth grade examinations began in the various schools of the city this morning and will be continued over tomorrow, finishing in the evening. A class of 29 pupils at the Rose school and 22 at the Benson are taking in all subjects. The advanced class of the sixth grade in both schools are taking the physiology examination, and the advanced seventh grade class in geography. This is according to the new ruling in use for the past few years that these subjects shall be taken before the others. It is the opinion of the instructors that the class will acquit themselves well and enter the High School next year with few missing from the ranks.

Elks' Will Have Big Salmon Feed

The local Elks of No. 326, B. P. O. Elks tonight will be served with delicious Umpqua salmon, baked under the personal direction of the "royal chef" of the order—and that's not all. The lunch committee today divulged information to the effect that the tables will be loaded with numerous other delicacies, too numerous to mention. And then there's some thing else. "The pep" committee have agreed to put on the finishing touches for the entertainment of the bunch tonight and will stage some "hair raising" exhibitions, destined to go down in history as the "best ever." It will all happen tonight, Bill, and it will do you good to be there. From all appearances, it's going to be some live-wire session. Last, but not least, the Purple Jazz Kings will pound a piano to bits and break two saxophones and crack a few fiddles while sawing out their time—worn jazz melodies.

Lager Beer Seems Attractive

LOUISVILLE, Ky., May 13.—Lager beer, increased salaries, and decreased cost of living in Germany are the lures that attracted ten members of the First Division at Camp Zachary Taylor to apply for transfer to the American forces in Germany, according to members of the detachment.

Soldiers returning from Germany said an American army private's pay of \$1 a day would buy him 1,400 "schooners" of beer. A dollar is equal to 140 marks and a glass of beer costs one-tenth of a mark. The finest Rhine wine, it is reported here, costs 15 marks a quart. "Ninety per cent of the soldiers formerly in Germany would return if they could," said Sergeant Donald McCraney, first engineer.

"I am going to Germany to lower my cost of living," asserted Regimental Supply Sergeant Charles Kleiner, 16th Infantry. "Pay that has the buying power of several hundred dollars a month is the attraction for me."

Life on the Rhine is joyful for the American soldiers, according to returning veterans who tell of week end boat excursions on German rivers and week-long trips to European cities.

Carranza's Days Nearing an End

(By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS.)
MEXICO, May 13.—Mexican rebel forces seem to be rapidly closing in on President Carranza and all that remains of his army has been entrenched in the hilly country 150 miles northwest of Vera Cruz. The stage for the final act of the drama of the revolution is apparently being set and the rebel chieftains are evidently determined to capture the president, who fled from the capital last Friday. Governor De La Huerta of Sonora, who has been named supreme leader of the revolution, is preparing to go to Mexico City to take over control.

LARGE AUDIENCE HEARS LECTURER

Montaville Flowers, the Noted Chautauqua Speaker, Tells of Gen. Wood's Ability.

HISTORICAL FACTS CITED

Orator Infers That Hiram Is the Candidate of Foreign Element and Says Man Like Leonard Wood is Needed.

Hon. Montaville Flowers lectured and author of international repute, last night addressed a large audience at the lecture at the interest of the candidacy of Gen. Leonard Wood for president of the United States. His lecture was excellent from all standpoints and was well received.

He indulged in no personalities about other candidates, but confined his remarks to straightforward argument intended to show Wood as the ablest and most efficient candidate available. With due deference to all the other candidates he declared that Wood has had more varied experience fitting him for the presidency than any of our presidents had had before becoming president.

In his address he made it plain that in his belief the contest was between Wood and Hiram Johnson for the republican nomination, and that the people would overwhelmingly demand Wood. "A vote for Wood is a vote against Johnson," he said.

Mr. Flowers called attention to the spirit of unrest throughout the country, much of which was fostered by a radical foreign element, which he said if not curbed might keep on growing until it threatened the very principles of the declaration of independence, and to check which and restore normal conditions required the election to the presidency of an able, conservative, tested, typical efficient American of wide administrative experience, like Leonard Wood.

Then the orator sank the fangs of poison by inference into Hiram Johnson by saying: "If we capitalize all the foreign element and spirit of unrest in this country under one head and elect him as president, no matter how honest he is and what he personally feels of patriotism he will find himself powerless to contend with the new strikes, dissensions, riots, and troubles which will have arisen through his very election by his having catered to this element, until the very existence of our government is threatened."

With regard to the attacks made upon Wood by his political opponents about the prodigious use of money in his campaign, Mr. Flowers declared that "every dollar of ours is an honest dollar and is honestly and legitimately spent. He declared the Wood campaign was principally financed by William Cooper Proctor, the millionaire soap manufacturer, and manager of the Wood campaign, and the wealthy fathers of sons who attended Wood's military training camps.

Will Carry On Campaign Here

A committee has been appointed in this city to care for the campaign in Douglas county for the raising of money for Williamette university. This committee includes Supt. O. C. Brown, chairman; C. H. McKnight, secretary; A. G. Marsters, A. J. Goides, Geo. Neuner, Jr., Carl Wimberly, Dr. Chas. Wade, A. S. Huey, and F. H. Churchill. Williamette University, in common with all other institutions of higher learning in the state faces a crisis. It is necessary that more housing room be arranged for at once if any new students are to be accommodated next year. A new girls' dormitory is now under process of construction, although sufficient funds are lacking to complete it. Walter Hall, known as the old Liberal Arts building, was seriously destroyed by fire last winter and it is for the completing of the dormitory and the rebuilding of Walter Hall that the students, faculty and friends of the university have pledged the amount of \$100,000.

Butter and Eggs On Downward Drift

(By Associated Press.)
PORTLAND, May 13.—The live stock market has experienced no change this week, but has remained steady, both cattle, sheep and hogs holding even quotations. Butter is somewhat weaker, and eggs are quoted at 39 cents today.