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WILSON GIVES WEEKLY TALKS NEWS WRITERS

CALIFORNIA SITUATION HELD TO BE DELICATE BUT IN CAREFUL HANDS.

TARIFF PROBLEM WINNING

Hopes to See Senators Now Opposed Align With Free Wool and Free Sugar Measures of Tariff Bill—Weekly Discourse to Newspaper Correspondents Brings Out Opinions.

Washington, April 21.—During the weekly audience with newspaper correspondents the president today refused to discuss the removal of Mr. Moore from the weather bureau; declared he had received no further advice from California but did say the California legislature realized the gravity of the situation and would there was no discrimination. Progress made by the tariff bill in the democratic caucus was also pleasing confident that the tariff bill will not to the president. The president is meet with and difficulty either in the house or senate. He said he intended to back the sugar and wool provisions to the end and expects senators now objecting, to recognize that the party is pledged to enact such laws.

Mr. Wilson doesn't sympathize with the view in some quarters that the reciprocity sections of the bill cannot be worked out. China would be recognized as soon as the new republic was a stable government, reports to the contrary notwithstanding.

NEGRO BADLY HURT

Denver Colored Man Run Over Saturday But May Live.

Train No. 5 injured a Denver negro near Pleasant Valley Saturday morning, when the man fell from the rods where he was stealing a ride. His arms and legs were badly mangled but at latest reports the fellow was still alive.

POLICE CAPTAIN WALSH.

Confessed Shaving Graft in New York City With Superior.



BLACKFEET INDIAN SONG PHONOGRAPHED.



Geoffery O'Hara, recently appointed by the Interior Department at Washington to record the travel songs and music of all American Indians, began his work in New York City last week by taking his first phonographic records of the songs of the Blackfoot Indians from Glacier National Park, Montana. Secretary of the Interior Lane took advantage of the presence of the Blackfoot Indians in New York, where they came to attend the Travel and Vacation show as guests of Louis W. Hill, chairman of the Board of Directors of Great Northern Railway. He sent Mr. O'Hara on to New York, from Washington, to begin his laborious task with these Indians. During the stay of the red men in New York, Mr. O'Hara had them sing into phonographs and the records will be sent on to Washington to be put in the government archives, therefore preserving for all time the music of the original Americans, who are rapidly passing to the Happy Hunting Ground.

The accompanying picture shows the Indians singing to the phonographs under the direction of Mr. O'Hara.

The Indians could hardly grasp the idea at first of how they could sing into a tin horn and thereby record their music. After the first song had been sung, however, the reproduction was given them in a few minutes and the magic of the operation was bewildering to them. They thought it was the most wonderful of all the wonders they have seen, since their invasion of Greater New York. Mr. O'Hara had them sing daily to his phonograph, while the Indians were in New York and he is arranging to visit Glacier National Park early this summer and complete his records of the Blackfoot tribe there.

Through the Interior Department arrangements were made to take these records privately in an out of the way loft, second floor of 61 West 37th Street. Mr. O'Hara is a tenor singer and writer of songs of some note. Several of his musical friends prominent in the musical world in New York City and are very much interested with him, in the rhythm of the Glacier Park Indians' love songs. There is one song in particular which the Glacier Park In-

dians sing, in which these musical critics find considerable merit. This is a song descriptive of the Blackfoot Indians' love of his home environment. This is a song which they always have sung when they left the shadows of the Rocky Mountains and rode far over the prairies either on hunting expeditions or to fight the Sioux. Big Top, the Indians' interpreter, says, "His people always sing this song because when they go away from the mountains their hearts are lonely and it makes them think of 'Home, Sweet Home.'" Mr. Louis W. Hill, chairman of the Board of Directors of the Great Northern Railway, who has done much for the Indians of the West in an educational way, both in agriculture and travel, is very much interested in Mr. O'Hara's work and has arranged to accompany him personally on his visit to the Glacier National Park reservation in Montana during the early summer. Mr. O'Hara will take his phonograph with him and make records right in the tepees of these Indians in their own environment.

BALL FANS ON THE QUI VIVE OVER 1ST DAY

SPUDS BEACH YAKIMA IN EXCELLENT TRIM TO OPEN SEASON.

NORTH YAKIMA'S TWIRLER

King Has Not Announced His Pitchers For First Day—Baker Has Gone to Boise and Pendleton to Walla Walla—Engle Has Sturdy Yonks, Nine of Them From Home Town.

Tomorrow is the day! North Yakima, Walla Walla and Boise the places. The Western Tri-State league will be ushered in under auspicious conditions at the three corners of the circuit La Grande being at the most northern end of the territory. The Spuds will invade North Yakima this afternoon, dangling three bloody scalps at their belts. At Milton last Friday, they trimmed their adversaries 21 to 1, at Prosser Saturday and Sunday they enacted a 9 to 1 and a 2 to 0 victories, respectively.

Manager King has not announced his pitching choice for tomorrow, leaving that problem until the last moment. Manager Engle himself will essay the twirler stunt for the Yakimas however according to advance dope on the game. Baker went to Boise this afternoon to open there, and Pendleton goes to Walla Walla tomorrow morning, to open there. It will be a big day all along the line, and some juicy paychecks should be issued tomorrow evening to the six managers.

(By L. B. Rowland.)

North Yakima, Wash., April 19.—No more releases have been given out by Manager George M. Engel of the Yakima team in the Western Tri-State league in the last week of practice and the Yakima manager now has 19 men on his list including himself. He will cut them down to 15 in the next two weeks, and by May 15 will have but the 13 men he is allowed.

The men who have been practicing regularly are: Pitchers—Oass, Kille, Rundstrom, Kane, Nelson, and Marks; infielders—Fuller, Russell, J. Grovers, Miller, R. Grovers; utility—Stolke; catcher—Stanley; outfielders—Shaver, Ried, Wabe, Saunders and Cromer. Nine of them are local boys, Rundstrom, Nelson, Marks, Russell, J. Grovers, R. Grovers, Riebe, Saunders, and Cromer and it is practically sure that most of them will stick. Oass played semi-pro ball around Seattle last year and was one of the first men signed by Engel. Kille pitched for the fast Wenatchee team for the last two summers and Kane is a left handed twirler who was with Hoquiam in the Washington State league last year. Matt Stanley is a veteran catcher who managed the Spokane team a couple of seasons seven or eight years ago and who had the reins on the Wenatchee team last year. Fuller is a Seattle boy who was with Wenatchee last year on first. Jimmy Miller is as sure of his place at short as any of them. He was with the Leavenworth team last spring and went to Kellogg in the Coeur d'Alene league later.

Stolke is as valuable a man as the team has. He was signed in Seattle and is a good utility player being able to go in any place in the infield or to pitch. Ried was released the first week by McGinnity of Tacoma and gobbled up here.

"I figure I've got as fast a bunch

BURKE NAMED COLLECTOR OF CUSTOM OFFICE

BAKER FAITHFUL REARED WITH PORTLAND JOB BY WILSON.

ALASKA POSTS ARE FILLED

Astoria Customs Office Likewise Taken Care of—Three Captains of the Navy Elevated to Rear Admirals of the Navy—La Grande Postmastership Still Undecided.

Washington, April 21.—President Wilson today sent the following nominations to the senate:

Thomas C. Burke of Baker, to be collector of customs in the Portland district.

J. F. A. Strong to be governor of Alaska.

William C. Logan to be collector of customs in the Astoria district.

Charles E. Davidson to be surveyor general of Alaska.

Captains George Willetts, Walter Worthington and William Little to be rear admirals of the navy.

Local politicians have received no information dealing with the reasons for the holdup of the La Grande postmastership at Washington. Except for a few, two or three others, the La Grande office is the only federal job of any consequence in Oregon that has not received an appointment.

Luther League Formed.

The first meeting of the Luther League of Zion Ev. Lutheran church will be held at 1706 Adams Ave., Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock. A short program will be rendered after which the evening will be spent in a social way. It is expected that all the young people of the church will be present and also many of the older people. There will be no offering or admission fee connected with the meetings. All are invited who would enjoy a social evening under the auspices of the Luther League.

of boys as there will be in the Tri-State and I expect to finish in the first division," says Manager Engel, who is considerable of a pitcher himself. "The Yakima fans are back of the team, as their enthusiasm shows, and I believe the gate receipts here will equal those in Boise and Walla Walla."

La Grande will open here tomorrow afternoon for a series of six games. The baseball followers in North Yakima have organized a parade to celebrate opening day. The plans are for 100 automobiles with the players in uniform and the fans, led by a band, to form on West Yakima avenue and traverse the business section of the city to the baseball park, where Mayor A. J. Splawn, pioneer of the Yakima valley, will pitch the first ball into the hands of ex-Mayor H. H. Schott, one of the big hop growers of this district.

The Yakima Lineup.

The Yakima team will go to bat in its opening game with La Grande here Tuesday in the following order: Miller, ss; J. Groves, 2b; Ried, 1b; Shaver, cf; R. Grovers, 3b; Fuller, 1b; Stolke, rf; Stanley, c; Engel, p. Kane and Kille will be ready to relieve Manager Engel in the box.

SEATTLE BEER FAMINE BREWS

SEVEN THOUSAND BREWERS MAY WALK OUT.

Better Wages, Free Beer and Copious Other Demands Made.

Seattle, April 21.—A beer famine threatens the northwest if difficulties with union brewery workers and employers are not patched up the next few days. An increase in the wage schedule and a half-hour rest in the morning and afternoon and free access to all amber liquid is demanded by the men. The impending strike may cause a walkout of 7000 brewery workers. It may also mean a walkout of union waiters who refuse to handle non-union brew.

Moffat Road Sold.

Denver, April 18.—The Denver, Northwestern & Pacific railway, known as the Moffat road was scheduled to be sold to the highest bidder today. Failure to meet interest obligations to the Bankers Trust of New York, trustees under the mortgage, was the cause of the sale.

BIG AUDIENCE HEARS BROWN

INTERNATIONAL SECRETARY ADDRESSES UNION SERVICE.

Baptist Church Packed to Doors With Listeners to Brown.

Every seat and every foot of stand-school field. Children, their proper was occupied last evening by a very much interested crowd of La Grande people to hear Rev. Wm. A. Brown, international secretary of the Sunday school field. Children, their proper education as children, the various phases of their development, and the rounding out of their education as young men and women, formed the axis about which the address revolved. The address has been classed, by those who heard it, as being one of the best masterpieces heard from a local pulpit in some time.

During the afternoon a large audience of men, meeting in the Baptist church, heard an address on Sampson. Mr. Brown will lecture in only two other Oregon towns this tour.

DEBATERS TO MEET TONIGHT

FRESHMEN AND SECOND YEAR STUDENTS COMPETE.

Elimination Debate to Bring Good Attendance It is Hoped.

The second of the elimination debates between the freshmen and sophomores occurs tonight at 8 o'clock. The winners tonight will then meet the seniors, winners of the junior-senior debate held two weeks ago in competition for the gold medals which have been hung up for the debaters. The two teams to compete this evening will be:

Freshmen—Clarence Lambert, Isabel Miller, Mattie Schofield.

Sophomores—Blanch Clark, Ellis Williamson, Annetta Johnson.

The students have been diligent in their preparations for these debates and the student body anticipates a large attendance this evening for support and encouragement. Debating is held to be one of the most important functions of high school work and its success in the immediate future in La Grande will depend largely on how the public supports it this year.