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L. GARRISON QUITS. GEN. SCOTT GETS WAR REINS

GENERAL ONLY TEMPORARILY
IN CHARGE OF WAR DE-
PARTMENT HOWEVER.

CABINET MEMBER AND
WILSON COME TO CRISIS

Wilson's Cabinet Again Disrupted
When Secretary and His Assistant
Both Quit Their Posts, Unable to
Agree with Wilson Over Prepared-
ness Program and Militia.

Washington, Feb. 11.—After designating General Scott as acting secretary of war the President began considering a successor for Lindley Garrison and Assistant Secretary Breckenridge, who resigned last night as a result of a disagreement with the President's preparedness program.

Sharp Note Brings Break.
The resignations followed receipt of a note from Wilson asking Garrison to draw careful distinction between his individual views and views of the administration when speaking before the National Chamber of Commerce.

President Wilson accepted it immediately and he will name a democratic successor and will announce the name within the day, the White House intimates.

A dark horse appears a likely choice. Scott's appointment is for a period of not exceeding 30 days.

Breckenridge Issues Statement.
Breckenridge prepared a statement explaining his objection to building the nation's military policy on a militia system. He condemned the system, not the personnel of the militia, but declared "the most pernicious opposition to creation of real national force of citizen soldiers, comes from persons purporting to represent the rank and file of the militia but having selfish interests."

New York, Feb. 11.—Ex-Secretary of War Lindley Garrison, whose resignation from President Wilson's cabinet, was accepted last night, is in seclusion here today. He was taken to the home of George Leary, a dredging contractor, immediately after his arrival from Washington. Garrison refused to discuss his resignation, and parried all questions.

Reporters Finally Seen.
Later in the day Garrison received newspapermen. "I've retired from politics absolutely. I'm not a candidate for the governorship of New Jersey and wouldn't accept it if handed the election certificate. Get it out of your heads that my resignation was a political move. I have no plans except to resume the practice of law and refuse to think of any subject pertaining to the administration."

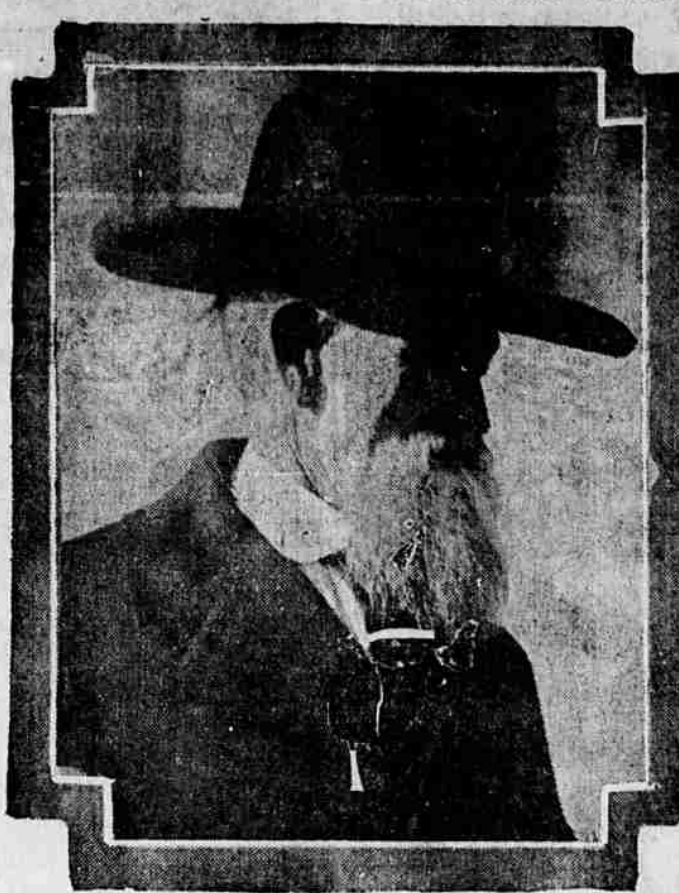
Washington, D. C., Feb. 10.—Secretary of War Lindley Garrison resigned today because the president would not "irrevocably" support his continental army plan, and because he opposed the administration's program of Philippine independence. President Wilson accepted the resignation. His successor has not yet been selected. The president himself will probably take personal charge of the administration's national defense plan in congress.

Assistant Secretary Breckenridge also resigned as a mark of loyalty to Garrison, whose views he shared. The president accepted Breckenridge's resignation. Both are effective immediately. Major General Hugh Scott, chief of the army staff, automatically becomes secretary of war ad interim.

It is known that one of Garrison's principal reasons for his conviction that only a federal continental army instead of reorganization of the militia could be the nation's main military dependence was his belief that the United States some day may be called upon to defend the Monroe doctrine. In that event, he foresaw that the National Guard might not be available for use outside the United States before war was declared. Upon the contention on the one hand that a continental army or an eventful universal service was the nation's only reliance, and the position on the other that no one plan could be enforced upon congress, President Wilson and

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"CYCLONE" WEARING HIS FIRST COLLAR.



Congressman "Cyclone" Davis.

This is the first photograph taken of "Cyclone" Davis, representative in Congress from Texas, wearing his first collar. For more than twenty years of public life he refused to wear one. In Texas, at least in that part of Texas most frequented by the Davises, Mrs. Davis could stand that. But when the couple reached Washington, where loving constituents had sent him, she found things different. "She just cried so much I had to," he said.

JANUARY WHISKEY SALES TOTAL LESS THAN 50 QUARTS

Thirty-seven quarts of whiskey, four quarts of wine, six quarts of "liquor" and one shipment of 24 quarts of beer, constitute the sum total of "strong drink" shipped into Union county during the first month of prohibition. These figures are brought out in affidavits of common carriers filed with the county clerk up to yesterday, the 10th of each month being the time limit for carriers to file their reports for the month preceding. North Powder took six quarts of whiskey, Island City the lone shipment of beer, North Powder some wine, La Grande chiefly whiskey straight and from Union comes the report of "liquor." The affidavits don't say if this is brandy or whiskey, or just what specie of the family alcohol that it was. Perry got one lone quart of whiskey but this was partially the fault of the shipper as one quart was accidentally broken in transit. La Grande got the major portion of the balance, some few scattering quarts going to outside points.

Alcohol Sales Many.

Union county was sorely beset with sore shoulders, backs, and limbs in January, indicate the affidavits of pharmacists filed with County Clerk Ed Wright. In all there were 189 who bought Ethyl alcohol during the month, and some oddities creep out in the reasons for the sale. True, most of the women who bought the alcohol, did it to "make hand lotions." But the majority of men had sore shoulders. Besides that it was generally the left shoulder that ached. Those who didn't have aching bones often took baths; some few had barbers' itch, and others wanted to make massage cream for shaving. One lot was sold for a confinement case in North Powder. Cove had a case of chicken pox, it seems, and some alcohol had to be used.

The amounts bought by each during the month vary greatly but eight ounces seems an average. In scattering instances a gallon was taken out, generally by the half pints and five or six ounces.

Elgin's drug stores haven't taken out licenses to sell the liquor hence no reports came from there. Cove had five or six of these sales, Imbler about seven, Union twenty odd and La Grande the rest.

War News of One Year Ago Today.

The Kaiser was on the western front. The Germans forced the Russians from their positions and took 26,000 prisoners in the historic battle of the Mazurian Lakes. The Russians admitted their retreat in East Prussia. Thirty-four British aircraft attacked German positions on the Belgian coast.

Wallowa Residence Burned.

Fire destroyed the home of Delbert Greer on Bear creek Monday about noon, says the Wallowa Sun. The fire started from the fire place, it is thought, and the building was a total loss, with \$1500 insurance. The household effects carried \$400 insurance.

Most of the household goods on the

first floor were saved, but nothing in the second story was saved.

Claude Pinhead Brings Suit.

Dopetown, Ind., Feb. 11.—Alfred Claude Pinhead, Dopetown's Pale Pink Symphony—and Mr. Pinhead certainly is all of that, from smile to socks—created a sensation here today by filing a \$25,000 breach of promise suit against Miss Agatha Elite Ambereye, a member of the younger social set and well known for her work as a local telephone operator. Some inkling of the sensation in store was obtained for Dopetownites a few days ago when members of the gang that loafs at the drug store saw Mr. Pinhead emerge from the Ambereye home at least an hour before his accustomed time and, pausing on the porch, angrily break his beautiful walking stick. When the next day Miss Ambereye appeared on Main street wearing a bandage over her left optic, speculation was rife. Told of the suit filed against her by Mr. Pinhead, Miss A. had nothing to say. It is understood from friends in a position to know, however, that Miss A., having proposed to Alfred and been accepted, broke the engagement after he met her unexpectedly in the hall one evening and stabbed her in the eye with his mustache. Mr. Pinhead, on the other hand, insists there is nothing wrong with Miss A.'s eye but a slight sty and that she is going back on her word to him because she doesn't think he is, to quote Mr. P. "sufficiently ribald."

Wants Only the Ten Commandments.

Albany, Or., Feb. 10.—The Albany Merchants' association held its monthly luncheon and business meeting last night, when arrangements were made for a debate with the Commercial club on "National Preparedness" at an early date. The March meeting will be taken up in the discussion of "Inefficient Expenditure of County and State Funds." President Mason of the association stated that he was in favor of repealing every law except the Ten Commandments.

FLOODS HARASS PORTLAND

Portland, Feb. 11.—Floods threatened Portland today from two sides. A sudden rise of the Upper Columbia, due to breaking of an ice jam will back the Willamette, probably flooding the Water Front streets. Although the Willamette is falling between Oregon City and Albany, a new rise is reported from Eugene and all tributaries.

Three thousand acres of land in the Lents district are under water. A small dyke keeps the water from Lents. Armed guards patrolled the dyke last night because a Japanese threatened to use dynamite to release water

from the homes. If the dam broke Lents would be flooded under seven feet of water.

The channel of the Columbia river is filled with ice.

Ranchers Want Bridges Cleared.

Hood River, Or., Feb. 9.—Snow covering bridges on the west side of the valley yesterday afternoon brought complaints from west side ranchers, who were alarmed lest the structures, overweighed by the slush and rain, might fall. It was said that the bridge timbers were liable to snap because of the frost in them.

Peace Party Asks Armistice

WAR BULLETINS

Washington, Feb. 11.—High officials said today that America cannot protest the Teutonic plan of torpedoing armed merchantmen. It is believed the central powers are within their rights in pursuing such a course, and that the administration will have to warn Americans not to travel on beligerent ships which are armed.

London, Feb. 11.—Fighting that be-

gan with local attacks at Artois, is spreading along the western line. Russians are strongly attacking northwest of Czernowitz, on the entire front from Bessarabia to Volhynia. French have been making counter attacks for two days at Vimy Heights between Lens and Arras. They recaptured practically all lost territory at Artois and were successful around Frise. The fight is spreading to the British front where artillery battling is reported.

VALUATION OF ROADS BOTHERS

STATE COMMISSIONS DOUBT I.
C. C.'S ABILITY.

Lookout to Be Kept of Methods Used
in Appraising Railroads.

Washington, Feb. 11.—State public utilities commissions are going to establish Lookout Bureau at Washington to keep close watch on developments in the valuations placed on railroads by the Interstate Commerce commission.

Commissioners of State Public Service commissions in attendance at the Interstate Commerce Commission's hearing are sponsors for the Lookout Bureau. After presenting their arguments to the Commission as to the method of conducting valuation proceedings, the Commissioners expressed fear that methods unfavorable to them will be used.

One fear of the state commissioners is that the real estate of railroads, terminals and rights of way, will be appraised at condemnation value. This would make a difference of \$8,000,000,000 over the valuations as made by State Commissions.

Some of the Commissioners in attendance at the valuation hearings express fear that the Interstate Commission is hazy on the subject of valuation. Only two members they allege, have had experience in valuation cases. They are Mr. Meyer and Mr. Daniels, the Commissioners say, has had experience mostly with public utilities rather than railroads.

If the high valuation that would be made by following the carriers' theories is adopted by the Interstate Commission, the state officials say government ownership would be the only thing and the most economic to resort to then. Appeal has been made to certain Senators by Commissioners. Senator Cummins was called into conference and asked to lead a possible fight.

Charles A. Prouty, former member of the Interstate Commission, is head of the valuation division which prepared the data for the Commission to inaugurate its hearings upon. If the State Commissioners do not have their way in determining methods of valuing, they threaten to seek abolition of the valuation division or to ask that its appropriation be cut off.

If the valuation is made the railroads' way, allowing market or condemnation value, the carriers naturally would be given credit for higher assets than under the Original Cost or physical valuation method of the state bodies. In the instance of terminal and right-of-way property there would be a large appreciation in values since the land was acquired.

The state commissioners say that little attention has been paid by the Interstate Commission to the Original Cost side of the proposition because of the difficulty of determining original costs or original values. Several state commissions have given much consideration to the original cost question.

With the raising of funds for the establishment of their Lookout Bureau the state commissioners will inaugurate a fight to have the valuation made according to their views.

IRRIGATION MEET NEARS

PORTLAND CENTER OF MANY-
ANGLED CONVENTION

March 9th Will Find Intensely Inter-
ested and Earnest Gathering.

Portland, Ore., Feb. 11.—The State Irrigation, Drainage and Rural Credits Conference authorized by the Oregon Irrigation Congress, will be held at the State House in Salem, March 8. A call for the conference has been issued by the special committee which was given the responsibility, and more than half the delegates from representative state organizations have been appointed.

The conference delegates are asked to formulate a plan for state guaranty of irrigation and drainage securities. It is proposed to draft a constitutional amendment for submission to the people at the next general election. The conference probably will decide whether to submit enabling legislation at the general election or, later, to the legislature.

Already there is sweeping the state a conviction that no more important gathering has ever been planned in Oregon. It will have the bigness and serious responsibility of a constitutional convention. The best brains and experience from all walks of life and all occupations will be represented and will be called upon to produce the plan which, when enacted into law and administered, will solve the state's great development problems of irrigation and drainage.

All authorities—financiers and farmers, railroad men and organized labor—have made statements recognizing a necessity for action and supporting the fundamental character of the procedure outlined. The only doubt has been as to whether pre-judices and differences can be laid aside in the common purpose to do now a big thing for Oregon.

Because of the great public interest in and the significance of the conference, many will probably journey to the proceedings, their concern keener even, than if it had been a session of the legislature which they had come to attend.

Today's Oddest Story.

Harrisburg, Pa., Feb. 11.—Dauphin county had difficulty getting rid of its discarded gallows, useless since Pennsylvania has adopted electrocution for capital punishment. Finally a colored kindling wood dealer who wasn't superstitious paid 50 cents for it.

Will Live in Springfield.

Independence, Or., Feb. 11.—The R. H. Knox family, who have been residents of this city for many years, left the first of the week for their new home at Springfield, where Mr. Knox will engage in the grocery business.

Minister, Shot by Woman, Dies.

Sherman, Tex., Feb. 10.—The Rev. H. M. Cagle died of wounds inflicted when he was shot on the street by Mrs. Annie Faust. Mr. Cagle died without making any statement with regard to the affair. Mrs. Faust said the minister had "slandered" her but declined to go into details. She was released soon after the shooting on \$1000 bail.

Land Board Names Attorney.

Salem, Or., Feb. 11.—C. E. Woodson of Heppner, has been appointed attorney for the state land board in Morrow county. He succeeds the late W. L. Smith.

Soup Served at School.

Independence, Or., Feb. 11.—The pupils of the grade school here are being served daily with vegetable soup at the luncheon hour, and the consumption is running close to 100 bowls a day.

Roosevelt Leaves for Vacation.

New York, Feb. 11.—Colonel Roosevelt sailed for the West Indies on a six week's pleasure tour, today.

PLANS DRAFTED WOULD SILENCE GUNS 2 WEEKS

COMMISSION SITS IN BERNE TO
EFFECT LASTING PEACE
THROUGH ARMISTICES.

AIR RAIDS VIOLENTLY
OPPOSED BY MEMBERS

If After Two Weeks Armistice, Belligerents Still Persist in War the Plan is to Reduce Many of the Horrible Features of it, Should Such a Thing be Possible.

Berne Switzerland, Feb. 11.—The permanent peace committee has met to propose an armistice to find some means effecting lasting peace. Several neutral nations attended. The delegates hope to obtain a four night's armistice before the spring season renewal of killing. It is believed that if guns are silenced a fortnight, the belligerents wouldn't renew the fight. If the conference cannot gain a truce, it hopes to eliminate the horrible features of war, like air raids.

Many Bridges Are Put Out by Flood.

Pendleton, Feb. 11.—Floods in the Heppner country and on Butter creek have been sufficient to destroy many bridges and put the Heppner branch railroad out of commission for the time being, according to a phone report from the Heppner Herald to the East Oregonian this afternoon.

Willow creek was real high last night and two bridges, both wooden, were washed out. One was the bridge in Heppner and the other a bridge above town. Several bridges were washed out on Butter creek.

On the branch railroad three bridges are out of commission, one at Morgan, one at Lexington and one at Heppner, the last named bridge being the least affected of all. There has been no train service today and there probably will be none tomorrow.

Rhea creek also has been very high and there are reports of bridges damaged. However, little farming property seems to have been damaged and there have been no injuries to people.

EASTBOUND TRAINS DELAYED.

Floods and Washouts Interfere on the Western Division.

Hood River, Feb. 11.—The Columbia river rose ten feet last night. Floods have washed out a part of the Mt. Hood railroad. The Columbia river is filled with huge ice jams and general interference with traffic on the O.-W. R. & N. is feared.

Both eastbound trains, No. 4 and No. 6, are delayed in arrival in La Grande today. The delay is caused by a washout near Arlington. No. 18 last night was delayed four hours in reaching La Grande, and at latest accounts the two trains due today will not arrive here until six o'clock this evening and perhaps later.

Medical Graduate Ranks High.

Eugene, Or., Feb. 11.—Dr. Harvard C. Moore, a graduate of the University of Oregon and the medical school of the university, was awarded third place in the recent competitive examinations for surgeons in the United States government service at Washington, D. C. Dr. Moore was a member of the class of 1909 at the university and the class of 1913 at the medical college in Portland. Third place for a graduate of the Oregon school is considered quite an honor by members of the faculty here, inasmuch as several graduates of the larger Eastern colleges made a less favorable showing.

Fireman Hurt at Hood River.

Hood River, Or., Feb. 9.—E. Boyed, fireman on an O.-W. R. & N. engine, fell from the top of a water tank here Monday, striking his head on the brick pavement beside the local passenger station, and it was thought his skull was fractured.

Boyed was reaching for the spout of a standpipe, preparing to fill the tender with water, when his foot slipped on the icy surface of the tank.

Wants New Road Built.

White Salmon, Wash. Feb. 11.—At a meeting of the road committee of the White Salmon Commercial club held recently, resolutions were passed favoring the construction of the Reckers Point road, connecting White Salmon and Underwood. Work will commence in the spring.