

BRIAND RESIGNS

EXTRA

NEWBERRY SEATED

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12.—The senate late today defeated by 46 to 41 the democratic resolution to declare Newberry's seat vacant. In the preliminary vote the amendment offered by Norris, republican of Nebraska, to unseat Newberry was defeated 46 to 41. The amendment was to the republican resolution declaring Newberry entitled to a seat and paved the way for the final vote.

EGG MARKET DEMORALIZED ON THE COAST

Carlond of Hen's Product Dumped on Breaking Market

TWENTY CENT DROP SINCE JANUARY 1

Local Prices Also Suffer as Result of Lack of Outlet for Product in Portland.

(By Associated Press)
PORTLAND, Jan. 12.—The egg market is demoralized here. Prices dropped five cents today. The Pacific Co-operative Poultry Producer's association dumped two carloads of select on the market owing to lack of an outlet. The wholesale price here today was 30 cents for select, representing a drop of 20 cents since January 1.

Market Lower Here.
Butter and eggs in La Grande dropped today, eggs going to 35 cents and butter to 35 cents a pound and 69 cents for a two-pound roll, retail.

ORDERED WEST.
(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, Jan. 11.—E. C. Yellow, chief general prohibition agent now engaged in inspection work in the south, has been ordered to San Francisco to co-operate with State Director Mitchell in reorganizing the California prohibition forces. Commissioner Haynes announced Tuesday.

Ford May Make Muscle Shoals a Large City

(By Associated Press)
DETROIT, Jan. 12.—R. H. Ford obtains possession of the Muscle Shoals project in Alabama. He will take immediate steps to make that part of the south one of the industrial centers of the country. The Associated Press learned Wednesday.

The Muscle Shoals plan of Mr. Ford contemplates one of the greatest undertakings in the history of industrial America. It has become known, and includes development of the property as a model and the eventual extension of the system to other parts of the country.

Mr. Ford's proposal includes the building of a city 75 miles long in the Muscle Shoals region. It would be made up of a number of towns or small cities. This is in line with the manufacturer's view that men and their families should live in small communities, where benefits of rural or near-rural life would not be entirely lost.

Mr. Ford's proposal to the government includes leasing of the property for 99 years. But before the expiration of half that time he proposes to turn the completed project over to the people of the district or to the government in such a way that no one in the future will be able to make a personal profit from the undertaking. He will arrange that neither nor any of his heirs may realize any monetary benefit from the Muscle Shoals plants or the power developed. It

Reply to La Grande Invitation Sent by Telegram Owners

Several days ago an invitation was extended to the Portland Telegram by the editor of the Observer to send Mr. Henry Hansen of the Telegram to Eastern Oregon to learn at first hand sentiment relative to taxing the people in any manner for the Portland fair. While in the following letter Mr. Wheeler deals with the fair he does not mention the tax, which caused the fight. No one objects to Portland holding a fair; no one objects to anyone voluntarily subscribing to stock to help hold the Portland fair, but there is a serious and firm objection to taxing the state of Oregon in any manner for the Portland fair. This point should be made clearer to all, and in Mr. Wheeler's letter it will be observed that he does not mention the tax feature, which is the vital and all-important feature. The letter follows:

Mr. Bruce Dennis, Editor, La Grande Evening Observer, La Grande, Oregon.
My dear Mr. Dennis:

We wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter of January 5th, and to thank you for your courtesy in inviting one of our representatives to visit La Grande in the near future.

This fair business is simply a matter of difference of opinion, and we respect anyone's opinion who honestly subscribes to the other side. In this connection, it is interesting to note that before the vote was taken in Portland some of our best friends were sure that the exposition would not carry here, or if it carried at all, that it would carry with a very close margin. The result of the election showed a four to one vote in favor.

We honestly believe this thing is for the good of the state. If we did not, we would not favor it, and in that firm belief, we cannot help feeling that the people of the state, if given an opportunity to hear the question thoroughly argued out, would vote favorably for the fair. Needless to say, we would not attempt to contradict you in the statement that there are many worthy citizens who are opposed to the exposition.

We are deeply interested in the growth of the state. In fact, that is the main plank in our editorial program. We feel that Oregon cannot continue to go on losing in comparison with the other western states, as she has in the past ten years. Something has to be done to instill some new life into the situation. It is the state, and not Portland that needs the growth, and we believe that the fair would just about turn the trick.

With our best wishes for 1922, we are

Sincerely yours,
THE PORTLAND TELEGRAM.
L. R. Wheeler,
Vice-President.

SERIOUS CHARGES.

(By Associated Press)
BOSTON, Jan. 12.—Charges that the trustees of the Christian Science Publishing Society had donated over \$25,000 from the trust funds to the business manager and various editors in addition to their regular compensation were made by the church directors in supreme court today.

SIXTEEN CENT DINNER WAS SUCCESSFUL

Imbler Section Farmers Serve Square Meal at Low Cost at Farm Bureau Meeting.

The Farm Bureau meeting and sixteen cent dinner held at Imbler yesterday proved a big success in every way. The program started after dinner and J. E. Reynolds, vice president of the County Farm Bureau, started the ball rolling with an interesting talk on the farm bureau movement and also acting as presiding officer. County Agent Avery talked next on the farming situation in Union county and on the opportunities for improvement. DeWitt Barnes, representing the Oregon Farm Bureau association, reported the results of the state and national farm bureau work. DeWitt Barnes and J. A. Gaskill are completing a canvass of Imbler and vicinity this morning.

The dinner was the thing that is still and will be talked about for awhile. For just sixteen cents, the following meal was served: roast beef, mashed potatoes and gravy, bread and butter, apple pie, raisin cake with cream and sugar, Winter Banana apples and also pay for the cooking of the meal. The meal was served at market cost which made possible the low price. All told, one hundred and fifty-two people, of whom fifty were school children, were served, about \$25.00 being taken in on the luncheon and on sale of left-overs. The total costs were about \$24.00 and between 12.00 and \$3.00 was cleared on the dinner. Everybody had a hilarious time. F. L. Lilly serving as dinner bell, having a cow bell around his neck.

About 75 people attended the meeting and everybody entered wholeheartedly into the spirit of the meeting.

A FAIR QUESTION



HUGE PROFITS IN MEATS IS CHARGE MADE

Retailers Double on Wholesale Price Says Investigator

FARMERS GET THE SMALLEST PART

Cost of Meat Greater in Producing Sections Than in Portland, Report Shows.

(By Associated Press)

PORTLAND, Jan. 12.—Retail prices of meats are exorbitant and extremely out of reason when compared to the prices that are being paid for cattle, sheep and hogs on the hoof, according to Fred Watt, federal investigator. Not long ago the department of justice ordered all of its district offices to make an investigation into meat prices, both wholesale and retail, and send the findings to the officials in Washington. D. C. Mr. Watt is carrying on this work here.

An exhaustive study and investigation into the price conditions of this state conducted by Mr. Watt revealed the fact that where the farmer receives six cents a pound for choice steers the slaughterer gets from 15 to 18 cents a pound for the meat over the counter.

Farmers ill-paid.
The farmer, during the month of December was receiving from two and one-half to four and one-half cents a pound for cows and five and one-half and six cents a pound for heifers. Meanwhile retailers were charging from 18 to 22 cents a pound for sirloin steaks, from 20 to 28 cents a pound for round steaks, 15 to 20 cents a pound for rib roasts, chuck roast 12 cents a pound and plate beef at 8 cents a pound. The wholesale butcher in the meantime was selling choice dressed steers at 13 cents a pound.

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CLOTHING IS CHEAPEST IN LA GRANDE

Government Agent Declares Men's Suits Sold \$5.00 Less Here Than in Baker.

Surveys by government agents are under way in Oregon to determine what localities are "high" and which "normal" in prices charged for clothing and other commodities. A man named Fred A. Watt, special agent for the United States Department of Justice, has completed an inspection of eastern Oregon cities. Not much detail is given out as to how he proceeded but he announces on his return to Portland that clothing is higher in the three principal cities of eastern Oregon than in Portland, and that clothing prices are about \$5.00 per suit cheaper in La Grande than in Baker. Astoria and Portland are nearly alike.

Local merchants who have seen the statement as published declare they can name many articles that sell for less in La Grande than they do in Portland. To date on figures have been given out concerning foodstuffs prices.

Poultry Growers Get Corn From Nebraska

The Eastern Oregon Poultry association, an organization of poultry growers organized largely for the purpose of lowering the cost of production through co-operative buying, has received a car of corn from Nebraska, which will save its members between \$10 and \$12 a ton on this class of feed. "By saving on the cost of producing poultry and eggs we expect to be able to benefit the consumer by placing eggs on the market at a lower figure," C. S. Schultz, secretary, declared.

AMENDMENT OFFERED

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12.—Senator Willis, republican, of Ohio, one of the doubtful senators in the Newberry contest, offered an amendment to the republican report holding that Newberry is entitled to a seat, setting forth that the expenditure of large sums by relatives or friends was contrary to public policy and dangerous.

REACTION ON WASHINGTON CONFERENCE IS LIKE BOMB SHELL; ACTION SURPRISE

Martial Law Is Proclaimed

Trouble in Texas Oil Fields Over Saloons and Gambling Dens

(By Associated Press)

AUSTIN, Texas, Jan. 12.—Martial law at Mexico, Texas, and surrounding oil fields was proclaimed today by Governor Neff. The Texas rangers have been on duty there since Saturday when they inaugurated a "clean-up" campaign against saloons and gambling resorts.

Thrift Shop Asks For Contributions

Announcement was made this morning by the Red Cross thrift shop committee that men's underwear and woolen shirts and children's stockings, underwear and shoes are especially in demand now. All having such articles to contribute are asked by the committee to call the shop, Main 125.

BULLETINS

(By Associated Press)

LONDON, Jan. 12.—King George has granted amnesty "in respect to political offenses committed in Ireland prior to the operation of the trade of last July." The release of prisoners will begin immediately.

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, Jan. 12.—The crippled transport Crook weathered the gale last night, said a radio-gram from the vessel 265 miles east of New York.

(By Associated Press)

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12.—Major General William M. Wright, commanding the ninth army corps, embracing the coast district, was assigned to the Philippines.

(By Associated Press)

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 12.—The prosecuting attorneys in the "Arbuckle" case were recommended by the court this morning for being late. The process of jury picking continued.

(By Associated Press)

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12.—A call for a vote in the Newberry case was made in the senate this afternoon. The first question was on Willis' amendment to which the republican leaders had agreed.

Big Score Piled up by Clerks' Team Last Night

The Clerks last night ran up one play last night also were unable to stage their contest and it has been postponed until next Wednesday.

The lineup were: Clerks, Garity and Larsen, forwards; Boyler, center; Theisen and Lindley guards, and for the Hi-Y, Kingwell and Rohan, forwards; Metcalf, center; MacMillan and Stager, guards. C. C. Sawyer refereed.

The Clerks' squad, playing forwards were too much for the Hi-Y's and were responsible for 64 points, Garity scoring 40 and Theisen 24. The final score at the close of the game was 88 to 10. The Cougars and the Lingard fire team who were to play tonight in the west portion.

