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## SHORT MESSAGE STICKS TO TARIFF

### President Wilson Advises the Extra Session.

## URGENT NEED OF REFORMS

Chief Executive Says Recent Elections Laid a Duty Upon the Democratic Party, Which Must Lighten the Burden of the People—Says It Would Be Unwise to Move Forward Headlong or With Reckless Haste; That Business Must Be Encouraged, Not Destroyed, but That Everything That Has a Semblance of Privilege Must Be Abolished—Promises Special Message Dealing With Needed Banking and Currency Laws.

The Senate and House of Representatives:

I have called the congress together in an extraordinary session because a duty was laid upon the party now in power at the recent elections which it ought to perform promptly in order that the burden carried by the people under existing law may be lightened as soon as possible and in order, also, that the business interests of the country may not be kept too long in suspense as to what the fiscal changes are to be which they will be required to adjust themselves. It is clear to the whole country that the tariff changes must be altered. They must be changed to meet the radical alteration in the conditions of our economic life which the country has witnessed within the last generation. While the whole face and method of our industrial and commercial life were being changed beyond recognition the tariff schedules have remained what they were before the change began or have moved in the direction they were given when no large circumstance of our industrial development was what it is today. Our task is to square them with the actual facts. The sooner that we do the sooner we shall escape the suffering from the facts and the sooner our men of business will be able to thrive by the law of nature and the nature of free business instead of by the law of legislation and artificial arrangement.

We have seen tariff legislation wander very far afield in our day—very far afield from the field in which our prosperity might have had a normal growth and stimulation. No one who looks the facts squarely in the face or knows anything that lies beneath the surface of action can fail to perceive the principles upon which recent tariff legislation has been based. We long have passed beyond the modest notion of "protecting" the industries of the country and moved boldly forward to the idea that they were entitled to the best patronage of the government. For a long time—a time so long that the men now active in public policy can hardly remember the conditions that surrounded it—we have sought in our tariff schedules to give each group of manufacturers or producers what they themselves thought that they needed in order to maintain a practically exclusive market as against the rest of the world. Consciously or unconsciously we have built up a set of privileges and exemptions from competition which it was easy by any, even the most modest, forms of combination to organize monopoly, until at last nothing is normal, nothing is obliged to stand the tests of efficiency and economy in our world of big business, but everything thrives by concerted arrangement. Only new principles of competition will save us from a final hard realization of monopoly and a complete loss of the influences that quicken enterprise and keep independent energy alive.

### Must Abolish Privilege.

It is plain what those principles must be. We must abolish everything that has even the semblance of privilege of any kind of artificial advantage and put our business men and producers under the stimulation of a complete necessity to be efficient, economical and enterprising, masters of competitive supremacy, better workers and more abundant than any in the world. We must free the duties laid upon articles which we do not and probably cannot produce, therefore, and the duties laid upon luxuries and merely for the sake of the revenues they yield. The object of the tariff duties henceforth laid must be effective competition with the wits of the rest of the world.

It would be unwise to move toward the end headlong, with reckless haste and with strokes that cut at the very heart of what has grown up among

## POMONA GRANGE WILL MEET AT NYSSA FRIDAY, APRIL 18

The Malheur County Pomona Grange will meet at Nyssa Friday, April 18 with the following program: 10 a. m., to 12—Business session. 12 to 1:30 p. m.—Dinner hour. 2 p. m.—Lecture hour, address by H. H. Harlan, Master Idaho State Grange. Music—Kingman Kolony orchestra. Address—Jas. H. Hughes of the Agriculture extension bureau of Idaho. Music.

4 p. m.—business session. Lecture hour, open session, to which everyone is invited. E. M. Dean, lecturer.

## ONTARIO CREAMERY IS READY FOR BUSINESS

### Will Make Both Butter and Cheese—Have Installed Ice Cream Freezer

The Ontario Creamery is now receiving cream and is ready to handle all that you can deliver them. The creamery is fitted with a complete plant for making ice cream, having one of the continuous freezers, also butter, having a churn of large capacity and vats for handling cheese.

Their equipment is the best money can buy, strictly the latest thing in creamery machinery and they will turn out a first class article.

The farmers being now assured of a home market for all the cream they can produce can buy all the cows they have room and feed to care for.

### DR. FRIEDMAN



Dr. F. F. Friedman, the Berlin specialist, whose tuberculosis cure has created wide-spread interest.

## CONVENTION WILL BE LARGE

### Noted Men From All Over the World Coming to Citizenship Meeting

Portland.—Reports from official headquarters, both in Pittsburgh and Philadelphia, continue to indicate that the second World's Christian Citizenship conference, to be held in Portland June 29-July 6, will be a gathering very largely attended and one of commanding influence. The names of those who have agreed to give addresses, the subject assigned for discussion, the number of delegates reporting their desire to be present and the inquiries that are being made concerning this great conference indicate that the conference will surpass anything that has preceded it in its far-reaching effects upon society.

Portland has now forwarded \$12,500 of the \$15,000 pledged by this city for the entertainment and publicity fund of the conference. The local finance committee is devising means for raising the balance.

## WILL SEND FROST WARNINGS

The weather bureau has arranged for service to the fruit men and farmer, in this section from the Boise office to give warnings of probable frost and weather disturbances. This may save your garden or fruit crop.

## RAILROAD OFFICIALS STOP HERE WHILE ON TOUR OF INSPECTION

There was a carload of O. W. R. & N. railroad officials over the lines west of here last week, but they had nothing for publication so we are compelled to report only rumors.

A passenger and freight service has been started from Vale to Harper. The tunnel is now within a hundred feet of being through with one head, but there is much work to be done yet. This will drain the west end of the tunnel, when through, and stop the necessity of the big pumps to keep the water down.

Another contract has been let which will connect with the previous ones and extend the line to the Deschutes river road and form the link to the coast. The country through which this passes has no heavy work and the grade can be completed before the line is graded through the canyon, and as work is to be prosecuted from the west end it is evident they are

going to rush the work through.

While no announcement was made, the officials did not go beyond the present junction and it is safe to state that there will be no new junction established, real estate boomers to the contrary notwithstanding.

## SHAMROCK SALE FOR HOLY ROSARY HOSPITAL IS SUCCESS

The Dominican Sisters wish to thank all the people who so generously contributed to the Shamrock sale on the 17th of last month. Their special thanks are due to those who aided in the selling of the Shamrocks. The amount realized is as follows: Ontario \$37.50, Vale, 26.10, Payette, \$7.45—Total \$71.05.

## TOMORROW IS CLEAN-UP DAY FOR ONTARIO

### Alleys and Yards Must be Cleared Up--Covered Garbage Cans Also

The mayor, city marshal and other officials are busy notifying the citizens to make a thorough cleaning up of the city on Friday. All alleys must be cleaned, streets will be cleaned and all yards and stables will be inspected and must be in a thoroughly sanitary condition. The council will also take action and arrange for all to use covered garbage cans to lessen the fly pest as much as possible and take other necessary steps to that end.

It has been estimated that during the life of the fly—from April to August—the progeny of one female fly would number 240,000,000,000. If you do not "swat the fly" to begin with, you must eliminate their breeding places. This has been done most effectively in the Canal Zone.

In the future the presence of flies will be as much of a disgrace as is vermin today.

The season for making gardens has arrived and all chickens will have to be kept up, so they will not bother the efforts of the neighbors.

Get the weeds out and the shrubbery trimmed and burn up all trash.

The city has arranged to have the streets sprinkled with oil and the old water wagon will soon be on the move settling the dust with crude oil. Do your part to make the city beautiful.

## DREAMLAND SECURING HIGH CLASS VAUDEVILLE

The Dreamland has had some high class entertainers this week in the Mellors. They have excellent voices and good selections. Some thought them a little too classy for Ontario, but the music lovers certainly enjoyed and appreciated them.

On Sunday and Monday evenings they have the McNeils in singing and comedy, Scotch costumes and selections. They are highly endorsed by the press and public in the cities they have visited.

### Houseboat Lives on Umpqua Trip

Roseburg.—Information has been received in Roseburg that the Schlegelmich party of seven persons who left here in a houseboat on March 16, have completed their journey down the Umpqua river without accident. Seventeen days were consumed in making the journey. This is 10 days longer than the party calculated it would take.

Thus passes a feat never before accomplished on the Umpqua river. Few persons believed that the boat could survive the series of wild rapids on the river or that the voyage would be completed without loss of life.

## SECOND SATURDAY SALES DAY BRINGS IN GOOD CROWDS

Saturday was the second sales day held here and the attendance of buyers was much better than the articles offered for sale. Many of the things were sold before the sale at less than they would have brought at auction.

A week from Saturday there will be another sale held and all are invited to bring in anything they wish to get rid of. Make a clean-up around the house and farm and get the money out of your discarded articles and you may be able to buy something you need.

## BIG STRIKE MADE AT THE HUMBOLDT MINE

### Ore Assaying \$1200 to the Ton is Found--Largest Strike Found There.

News has leaked out that the Humboldt mine in Mormon Basin had taken out ore on the 400 foot level assaying \$1200 to the ton. One car alone yielded more than that amount.

At the same time lessors on the 100 foot level found ore equally as rich. No strike has ever been made in the mine to surpass this last one. Specimens of the ore were amazingly rich, gold being plainly visible in the rocks.

### WM. B. WILSON



William B. Wilson, of Pennsylvania, who is secretary of labor in President Wilson's cabinet.

## BRYAN HAS NO CHARGES

### Reported Attack on Ambassador Wilson Without Official Standing.

Washington.—Published reports that Luis Manuel Rojas, second vice-president of the Mexican house of deputies and grand master of the grand Masonic lodge of the valley of Mexico, has filed with the state department charges that Ambassador Henry Lane Wilson was "responsible morally" for the assassination of President Madero and Vice-President Suarez, brought forth from Secretary Bryan the statement that no such charges had been received by him.

It is not impossible that the state department would refuse to entertain communication of so grave a nature received through any other than the usual diplomatic channels.

### Michigan Women Seem to Lose Vote.

Detroit.—For the second time in less than six months on the face of significant returns available, the constitutional amendment permitting women suffrage was defeated in Michigan.

The initiative, referendum and recall amendments to the constitution and the pensioning of firemen all appear to have carried.

### Mrs. Bourne Files Suit For Divorce.

Portland.—Charges that he frequently called her vile names and threatened her with physical violence are made against Jonathan Bourne, Jr., ex-United States senator from Oregon, by Lillian Elizabeth Bourne, in a divorce complaint filed in the state circuit court for Multnomah county.

## IMPROVEMENT BONDS SELL AT A PREMIUM

### Denver Firm Pays a Bonus \$433 For Paper.

## COUNCIL HOLDS BUSY SESSION

A special meeting of the city council was held Friday evening to open bids for the city bonds being offered.

It was found they run from \$87 to \$433 bonus and they were awarded to Causey Foster & Co., of Denver, on their bid.

The necessary attachment for the sprinkler and an oil tank were ordered in preparation of oiling the streets. This will enable the council to oil most of the streets of the city at about the cost for sprinkling Main street in the past.

The regular meeting was held on Monday evening with all members present.

There was an unusually large grist of bills owing to the work on the hill to the east of the city.

Reports of recorder, treasurer and fire chief were read and filed.

The usual applications for liquor licenses were acted on.

Complete specifications for the new trunk drain sewer system were received from Green & Co., and referred to the street committee.

The street commissioner was instructed not to loan any city tools in the future.

Mr. Orr, representing the Idaho-Oregon Light & Power company stated that their company had made a reduction in rates April 1, which would apply to city lighting, notwithstanding the contract. The sign will be free to January 1914, area \$5.60, incandescent \$1.50 and similar reductions for the string lights or the adoption of the cluster lighting system.

Petitions from residents on the property adjacent to the city were read praying to be taken into the city and referred to a committee consisting of Zimmerman, Kenyon and Gregg who were appointed to fix proposed new boundary and report to the council.

Mallory submitted plans for city hall which were referred to city hall committee, consisting of A W Trow, Zimmerman and A E Fraser, who canvassed them with a committee from the Commercial club and accepted and it was ordered that bids for the construction of the city hall be advertised for to be opened on April 17 at 8 p m The selection of a superintendent was left to the building committee.

Council adjourned to April 8.

All present at the adjourned meeting.

On motion the digging of the sewer was to be done by day labor and not by contract, and mayor instructed to order the sewer pipe and the work will start at once.

The boundary question was reported and adopted. It provides for the extension of the boundaries to the north west and south.

## WORK AND WIN CLUB ANNOUNCE LECTURE TUESDAY

The Work and Win club held its regular meeting at the home of Mrs. H. W. Clement on April 3.

The president gave a report of the money and supplies contributed for the relief of the flood sufferers and stated that the response had been very generous. She announced also a lecture on Tuesday evening at the high school on "The New Education."

After the reports of committees, the club listened to a very interesting paper by Mrs. E. M. Greig on "Woman's Legal Status in Oregon."

Mrs. Greig said that important laws concerning women had already been passed in Oregon. Many states, such as California, Texas and Tennessee were working hard for the same laws and it is a matter of pride to all women of Oregon, who have recently been given the suffrage, that such laws as the Widow's pension bill, Joint Guardianship and community interest, have already been passed by the legislature of this state.

## NO. 17 CHANGES TIME HOUR AND HALF EARLIER

The time of No. 17 has been changed so that train will now arrive one and a half hours earlier, when on time, and arrive at Portland at a much better hour, 6 p. m.