

NEWS FROM OUR NATIONAL CAPITAL

Fight Is Started on Time-Honored Secrecy Rule in the Senate.

Washington.—Open war was declared in the United States senate against the time-honored rule of secrecy relating to proceedings in executive sessions.

Following the defiance expressed by several senators in closed session against suppressing debate on the confirmation of Winthrop M. Daniels, of New Jersey, as a member of the interstate commerce commission, actual hostilities began when Senator Kenyon, of Iowa, after a conference with those of his colleagues who are leading in the movement to lift the ban on publicity, introduced a resolution to provide for open sessions on all matters except treaties, unless otherwise directed by unanimous consent of the senate.

It was submitted with the backing of Senators La Follette, Cummins, Gronna, Borah, Clapp, Jones, Bristow, Norris and Poindexter, who propose to discuss fully the question of qualifications of nominees for public office whenever they feel that the public should be informed regarding them.

Bank Reserve Cities Designated.
After three months of consideration the reserve bank announced it had divided the continental United States into 12 banking districts and selected 12 cities where Federal reserve banks are to be located under the new currency law.

The reserve cities are Boston, New York, Philadelphia, Cleveland, Richmond, Atlanta, Chicago, St. Louis, Minneapolis, Kansas City, and San Francisco.

The bank with the greatest capital, \$13,351,925, will be situated at Chicago. New York state will be a district by itself, with its bank in New York City. This bank will have a capital of \$10,687,619.

District known as No. 12, comprises California, Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Nevada, Utah and all but five counties of Arizona.

Selection of Bank Cities Criticized.
The announcement of the reserve districts and cities by the reserve bank organization committee were the signal for considerable adverse comment.

Apparently the most vigorous criticism has been directed toward the choice of Richmond, Va., in preference to Baltimore or Washington, and of Atlanta instead of New Orleans. It was said, however, by those familiar with the committee's deliberations that the trend of trade from the south is north and eastward and not toward New Orleans, and that in consequence Atlanta is more strategically located for a reserve bank.

General Legislation Waits.
Little general legislation is expected in the senate until the all-absorbing tolls issue is decided. The house will devote itself this week to putting through the delayed appropriation measures.

Conservation measures are being rushed through in the house public lands committee. The committee will take up the national leasing bill with a view to revising it and reporting it to the house within a week so as to insure, if possible, action by congress at this session.

Plans for water power legislation are being laid by both the public lands committee and interstate commerce commission. With the interstate trade commission bill agreed upon and to be reported early this week to the house the interstate commerce commission is not disposed to hasten action on the proposed measure to provide for the federal control of railway capitalization.

National Capital Brevities.
Secretary of State Bryan for several days has been confined to his bed, suffering with a cold.

The house has passed a bill designed to give pensions to widows of the Spanish war, Boxer uprising and Philippine insurrection. The widows who are dependent on their own labors for a living would get \$12 a month.

The house refused, after a hot debate, to cut the mileage allowance for members of congress. Twenty cents a mile is the present scale, and it was proposed to cut the allowance to actual expenses.

President Wilson told White House callers that he did not expect any filibustering in the senate during the consideration of the resolution providing for the repeal of the exemption clause of the Panama canal tolls bill.

Senator La Follette introduced a bill imposing \$2000 fine, a term in prison, or both, upon persons who try to influence the interstate commerce commission in its decisions.

Warren Young was honored by a reception by President Wilson and wife and public officials, on the completion of his thirty-third year as a member of the executive staff at the White House.

NEWS OF GENERAL INTEREST IN IDAHO

Important Occurrences Of The Past Week From Cities In Our State

"Wet" Express Is Banned by Court.

Lewiston.—Judge Steele as a climax to an investigation by the grand jury, issued an injunction against the Independent Express company and M. Coon, manager, restraining Coon and employes from soliciting or receiving orders for intoxicating liquors to be sent into Nez Perce county and from bringing in or disposing of intoxicating liquors in any form. The injunction was issued on complaint of Prosecuting Attorney Miles Johnson. The express company has operated between Asotin and Lewiston, the orders for liquor being filled by Asotin saloons.

Ton of Liquor Thrown Away.

Wallace.—Approximately one ton of liquor from beer to champagne was publicly destroyed by Sheriff McCabe and his deputies under an order of the district court in the presence of a large audience at the city dump grounds. The liquors were confiscated by the sheriff in his raid on the Ponzetti saloon at Enaville last October and filled a large dray.

Will Censor Phone Talks.

Kellogg.—A crusade against indecent language over the telephone has been started by the North Idaho company, complaints having been made by the operators. A man has been put on the board at times to detect the use of improper language and the telephones of the offending parties will be removed at once.

Students Greet Parents.

Kellogg.—The manual training and domestic science departments of the public schools entertained at the high school building Thursday, when the patrons and friends were invited. The pupils gave demonstrations and rendered a short program, including literary and musical numbers.

POLITICAL LEADERS BUSY

Chief Contest at Republican Primary Election Revolves On Senatorship

Boise.—All three political parties are active, for the primary campaign is rapidly approaching and aspirants for political office and party leadership are being named to the front. With the republicans, the main fight will revolve around the senatorship. It will be a four-cornered contest, with Senator Brady, Representative French, Chief Justice Alshie and Frank R. Gooding, ex-governor in the race.

Governor Haines is the only announced republican aspirant for governor but opposition is possible. John P. Vollmer, the heaviest individual taxpayer in the state, one of Idaho's richest men, a railroad builder and pioneer, has indicated that he would not be averse to accepting the Bull Moose nomination for governor.

The Progressives have given out the positive statement that there will be no amalgamation with the republicans or democrats and that the fight will be straight down the line from senator to constable, with full tickets in the field.

The democrats are just as active as the other two parties. Ex-Governor Hawley and John F. Nugent, heads of the two respective factions in the party, are aspirants for senator and are busily engaged lining up their political fences.

M. S. Alexander, who ran against Senator Brady for the governorship four years ago, will be an aspirant for governor again.

Idaho Drys File Petition.

Lewiston.—A petition asking for a local option election has been filed with the county auditor, and will be checked by the county commissioners. Only 1550 signatures were required by law, but nearly 1900 were attached to the petition.

Idaho Crop Outlook Good.

Lewiston.—Ideal spring weather during the last 10 days has given a record growth to fall-sown grain, and the frequent showers have brought the precipitation for the season well up toward normal.

Boys Given Pardon.

Weiser.—Gordon Lodge, Lou Tracy and Sid Beattner, convicted many months ago for gambling in this city, were given complete pardon by the board of pardons. Secretary of State Clifford voted "no" on the pardon, stating he thought the board ought not to meddle with county affairs.

Sweet Pea Prize Offered at Genesee.

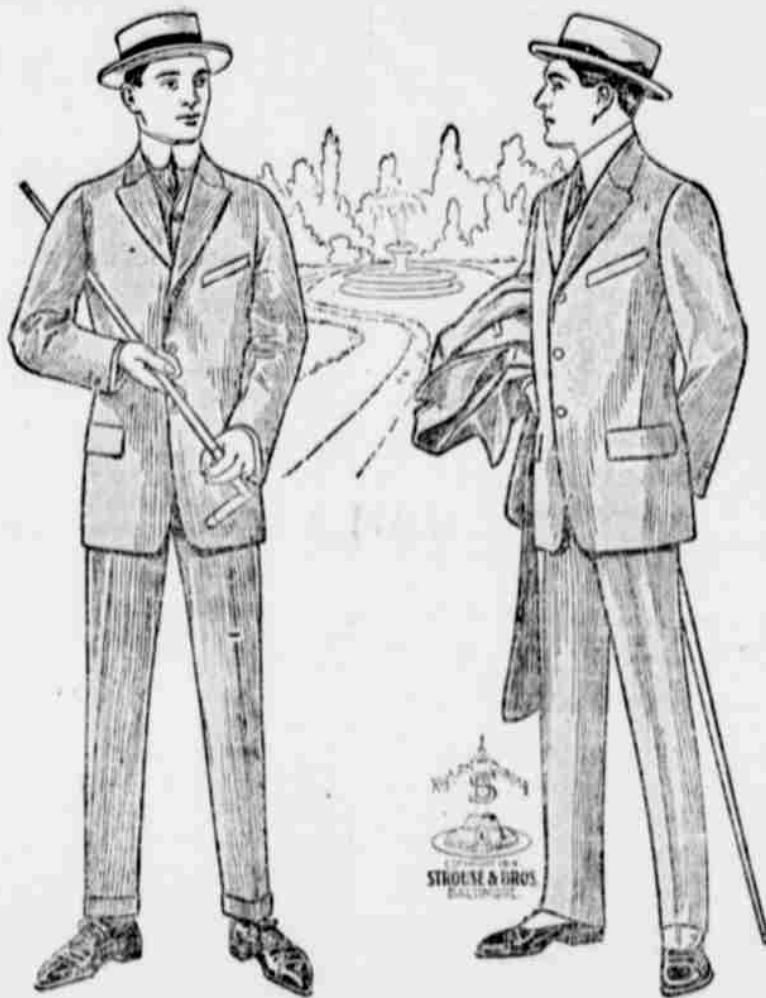
Genesee.—The Improvement Society has decided to give a prize this season to the person who grows the best sweet peas. It gave a prize last year and some fine specimens were produced.

The Clothing War Goes Merrily On

No Stopping--No Guessing,--New Shipments Almost Daily

What Should be Marked and sold at \$15 a suit, regular, go at **\$8.75**

The highest grade makes that should bring \$20.00, \$25.00 and \$30.00 go at **\$13.50**



Our Losses are Your Gains This Easter

No guess work which is a winner from one of these new models— You'll find them of the famous "HIGH ART MAKE"

Materials, workmanship, individuality and style. All the essentials and even more too in these "High Art Suits."

Greatest of all

SHIRT SALE

The well known Eclipse make, \$1.50 to \$2 value at **\$1.15**

85c Negligee Shirts with Military and Soft Collars with Attached Soft Cuffs, values \$1.25

First Showing of This Season's Straw and Panama Hats

ALEXANDER

One Price Clothier

Ontario, Oregon

People in the News

John G. Bowman resigned as president of the state university of Iowa.

Mrs. Woodrow Wilson is recovering slowly from the effects of a fall on the White House floor two weeks ago.

E. A. Sullivan, a prominent attorney of Louisiana, wants \$60,000 for the destruction of his beard. The trimmings were cut off by opponents during an election fight.

President Huerta at Mexico City agreed to let the United States embassy receive arms and ammunition consigned to it by the Washington government for use in case of an anti-foreign uprising.

Unless his health improves soon, United States Charge d'Affaires Nelson O'Shaughnessy states he would resign and return to the United States. His physicians said he was in danger of complete nervous collapse.

Robert Lansing of New York was chosen by President Wilson to succeed John Bassett Moore as counselor for the state department, and Cone Johnson of Texas was selected for state department solicitor, succeeding Joseph W. Folk.

A defense of insanity will be the only one interposed to account for the actions of Mrs. Edith Edna Hawley, the Portland, Ore. woman who confessed the attempt to cause the death of her husband, three step-children and a neighbor woman, by sending them boxes of candy in which bichloride of mercury had been placed.

Announcement was made at Seattle of the sale to the Pacific Sea Products

company, composed of John Lind, President Wilson's personal representative in Mexico, and several other Minneapolis capitalists, of the Alaska Whaling company, organized two years ago by Captain Otto Sverdrup, the Norwegian explorer.

It would be better to leave the present anti-trust statute unchanged than to risk losing the advantages gained through years of judicial interpretation, in the opinion of William H. Taft, as expressed in his closing lecture before the law school of the University of Minnesota.

GIRL OF TODAY.

The typical American girl of today differs from the girl of sixty years ago in that she is more artificial. She has more accomplishments, but not so many solid requirements. She has to be differentiated into the society girl and the girl who is not what might be called a social factor in one of our great centers. Fashionable girls are so few in comparison to the rest that I think among the great mass of the latter must be found the typical American girl. But the girl who represents a great many American women in the country differs from the type of sixty years ago only in this, that she is more traveled, and her horizon is broader. Her education is on a higher plane, but she knows less of domestic accomplishments and is more expensive as a wife until she learns them.—Chauncey M. Depew.

The Columbia and Snake River

Waterways Association will hold their fifth annual meeting in Portland on the 13th and 14th. They are after the development of the upper Columbia and Snake rivers, the deepening of the lower Columbia and the bar at the entrance.

Paris calls her new dance the "Very Mustard" We suppose it contains a lot of what the baseball writers call "pep."

Texas is getting mixed on the menu. They have pork sausage and strawberries at the same time.

A correspondent wants to know how to get rid of undesirable neighbors. Ever try playing a flute or a graphophone?

The shearing plant is about ready and will start up about the 15th of April. In the neighborhood of 125,000 sheep have been booked and others are being booked daily. Frank the manager of the plant states that this will be a record run for a single plant in this state or any of the neighboring ones. Juntura Times.

NOTICE

Sealed proposals will be received by the City Recorder of The City of Ontario, Oregon, up to the hour of eight o'clock P. M. on the 15th day of April, 1914, for the construction of lateral sewer district No. 2., Lateral district No. 3., Lateral District No. 4., and Lateral district No. 5., of sewer, in said City according to the plans and specifications, herefor on file with the City Recorder. All proposals must be sealed, marked, "proposal for sewer construction," and addressed to Harry B. Grauel, City Recorder, Ontario, Oregon.

Bids to be submitted for pay for construction to be in cash and also bids for pay for construction to be made in improvement bonds of the City of Ontario, Oregon, to be received at par and accrued interest. The bids will be opened by the council at the above named hour and the contract awarded.

The Council however, reserves the right to reject any and all bids or proposals.

Each bid must be accompanied by a certified check for 5 per cent of each bid.

By order of the City Council, HARRY B. GRAUEL, City Recorder.

Three lots for sale 2 blocks west of postoffice at a bargain. Inquire at Argus office.