

NEWS FROM OUR NATIONAL CAPITAL

Anti-Trust Legislation Will Be Curtailed at This Session of Congress.

Washington.—Anti-trust legislation supplementary to the Sherman act will not be undertaken at this session of congress on the broad scale originally outlined by the administration.

After many conferences of democratic and republican senators, who in turn have conferred with members of the house interstate and judiciary committees, a tentative amendment to the senate bill to create an interstate trade commission has been drawn, designed to take the place of proposed bills to prohibit or regulate interlocking directorates, holding companies, stock watering; to provide for government regulation of the issuance of railroad securities and to solve the problem of destructive price discrimination. It would provide that all these problems be referred to the proposed interstate trade commission, directing an exhaustive study of the subject for the information of congress.

Unqualified disapproval was expressed by President Wilson of the proposal in congress to curtail the anti-trust legislative programme for the session.

That opposition to carrying out the full trust legislative programme is growing among senate and house democrats continues in evidence, notwithstanding determination to revive the effort to perfect measures affecting interlocking directorates, holding companies, price discriminations and other evils.

Wilson Sustains Admiral in Tampico.
President Wilson thinks Admiral Mayo was fully justified in insisting sharply that the Mexican federalists at Tampico salute the American flag as reparation, in addition to apology, for the arrest of a United States navy paymaster and marines who had gone ashore to buy gasoline.

So far as President Huerta's repudiation of his Tampico subordinate's action in arresting Americans was concerned, President Wilson and Secretary Bryan had yet to decide between themselves whether it was sufficient.

Lind and Bryan Confer.
The presence in Washington of John Lind, President Wilson's personal representative in Mexico for the last eight months, gave the Washington government an adviser with special knowledge of the military situation at Tampico. Mr. Lind reached here from Vera Cruz aboard the presidential yacht Mayflower early Monday.

Treaty Not Construed, Says Bryan
Secretary Bryan in a statement reviews at length the Panama canal question and in the course of the statement declares that the repeal of the tolls exemption in the Panama canal act "cannot be construed to be a construction of the Hay-Pauncefote treaty," but is "simply a refusal on the part of the United States to raise that question in that way."

Asserting that the opponents of the repeal have seized upon the charge that the president is "surrendering to England," Mr. Bryan declares that the opposition to the repeal has attempted to appeal "to prejudice rather than to reason."

"What has Great Britain done," he asked, "to justify the accusation that she is trying to dictate to this country? She has simply called attention to the terms of the treaty and asked for arbitration of the question of construction, in case this government differs from the British government in the construction to be placed on the language."

National Capital Brevities.
Ex-President Taft has gone to Augusta, Ga., to spend several weeks' vacation.

The democratic majority in the house voted to close the assay offices at Boise, Salt Lake and Deadwood on June 30.

Members of the house judiciary committee voted to censure Representative McDermott, of Illinois, in connection with the recent investigation of the lobby activity.

United States supreme court rules that private light and power companies may extend their plants beyond the city limits without gaining a franchise from the city concerned.

A clearing-house for pure food and drug information collected by the federal and state governments has been established by the department of agriculture.

Representative Henry of Texas introduced a resolution authorizing the investigation of steamship transportation of freight between Pacific and Atlantic ports in the effort to unmask the so-called trust.

Favorable vote has been taken by the interstate commerce commission on the Cummins bill providing for liability to full value for shipments on part of the railroads. Full damage for livestock was included in the amendments.

PRASE FOR FLEET'S WORK.

Landing Operations at Culebra Pronounced Astonishing.

Washington.—The officers and men who participated in the Atlantic fleet's recent landing operations against the advanced base forces at Culebra, near Porto Rico, are highly praised in a report by Captain W. S. Sims, who was detailed as fleet observer. Captain Sims says:

"An examination of the installations made on shore and of the astonishing amount of work required to create the defences in the rocky soil (with, incidentally, inefficient tools for such work), makes it apparent that such results could have been accomplished only by a harmonious combination of thorough planning and admirable administration, actuated by the driving force of an enthusiastic devotion to duty extending throughout the entire command.

"It is a most gratifying example of the great military value of a high degree of esprit de corps and cheerful devotion to duty in overcoming discouraging obstacles and difficulties."

SPLASHES WATCH IN TUMMY.

Quickly Downes Twelve Beers; Then Swallows Timepiece.

Beaver Falls, Pa.—On a wager of \$10 George Konterline performed a brand new beer feat. Just as the hour of 12 began to strike from a big clock in the tower of a bank building near by Konterline downed a glass of beer in a couple of gulps. He followed this with another glass at each stroke of the clock until he had emptied twelve glasses. Then he swallowed his watch, holding the chain in his teeth.

The amazed spectators were invited to place ears against Konterline's breast and hear the watch tick. When Konterline held the end of the chain between his fingers and jiggled it the submerged timepiece could be heard splashing in the beer.

MAWSON WEDS GIRL WOOD BY WIRELESS

Antarctic Explorer Has Had Many Thrilling Experiences.

Melbourne.—Dr. Douglas Mawson, the antarctic explorer, who has just returned from a trip during which his two companions lost their lives and made his way back to the base after thirty days of suffering in blizzards, was married to Miss Delprat, daughter of a mine owner.

The couple became engaged in 1911, when Miss Delprat was nineteen years of age and before Dr. Mawson started



DR. DOUGLAS MAWSON.

on the last expedition. They exchanged love messages by wireless while the doctor was in the antarctic.

The south pole was not Dr. Mawson's goal. He aimed at the exploration of the vast coast line of the antarctic which was discovered by the American, Captain Wilkes, seventy years ago and named after him. The party returned to Adelaide, Australia, on Feb. 27 of this year. The scientific results of the expedition are said to be very valuable. Besides the mapping out of newly discovered lands, extraordinary marine fauna were discovered at a depth of two miles and copper deposits and a vast coal bed were also found.

Dr. Mawson was born at Bradford, England, in 1882. He holds the position of lecturer in geology in the University of Adelaide.

PREACHES FOR HER HUSBAND.

Pastor's Wife Takes His Place in Cleveland Pulpit.

Cleveland, O.—Three times in her life Mrs. L. C. Hallock, wife of the pastor of the Asbury Methodist Episcopal church, has been called upon to perform the duties of a clergyman. Twice in her husband's absence and once in the absence of her son, Rev. Rollin Hallock of Science Hill, O., has she been equal to the emergency and taken their places in the pulpit.

When Mrs. Hallock's husband was called to Youngstown she agreed to preach his Sunday sermon at Asbury church. She went into the pulpit and preached what members of the congregation said was one of the most interesting sermons they had heard in a long time.

BRIEF NEWS OF OREGON

In the city election at Florence a new charter was adopted by a 6-to-1 vote. It provides for what is practically a commission form of government with a budget for expenses.

A fall of 790 feet, one of the highest in the world, to be used for commercial purposes, will be utilized by David A. McKeon, of Prairie City, for placer mining and development of electricity.

One hundred and nine bottles of beer and 12 bottles of whisky went into the Willamette river, via the Albany sewer. Police officers poured it out.

Two months more will be required on preliminary plans and specifications before bids can be called on the \$100,000 classroom and administration building of the university of Oregon.

The fishermen's union at Astoria has asked net 6 cents a pound as the price this year for cannery salmon, and 7½ cents for the cold storage variety. The prices are the same as prevailed last season.

The board of regents of the Oregon agricultural college approved a plan submitted by the student body which will result in the establishment of a students' co-operative bookstore, with a capital of \$2500.

Forty-one schools out of 70 in Polk county have completed the 14 requirements and are standardized. Competition was the outcome of the plan, and each school has received a pennant for its work.

The report of State Treasurer Kay for the quarter ending March 31 shows that there was less money in the treasury at that time than during any preceding quarter for a number of years. The aggregate in all funds was \$613,397.24.

President Wilson wrote to Senator Chamberlain of Oregon endorsing the proposition to lead a United States army engineer to China to supervise reclamation and conservation work and flood prevention. He praised the Red Cross for conceiving the idea and expressed the hope that congress will approve it.

Senator Chamberlain reports that the agricultural committee has agreed to the appropriation of \$10,000 for the importation of Corriedale sheep for breeding purposes, \$5000 for continuation of the biological survey in Oregon, \$10,000 for further farm experimental work in Alaska, and \$100,000 for forest protection from fire in cooperation with the states.

Although the federal forestry bureau made announcement a few weeks ago that 410,000 acres of land in various parts of central Oregon were about to be withdrawn from the forest reserves, it develops upon close analysis that only 30,000 acres of this entire area will be available for actual settlement for other than dry farming purposes.

The Oregon bureau of mines and geology will publish before the end of this year a dozen principal reports besides numerous small ones as the result of investigations made in 1913 and 1914. They will deal with the discussion of building stones, coal resources, clay and clay products, the metal mining industry, cement materials and road materials.

Farmers in Lane county, who recently agreed to plant more than 4000 acres to clover, in hopes of reinvigorating land which has been exhausted by the continual growing of grain for the past 50 years, are preparing to experiment with the use of lime to aid in the clover growing. The experiments are being made under the direction of the Lane county farm expert. Samples of soil from all parts of Lane county are being analyzed to determine parts of lime needed.

State Game Warden C. H. Evans states that the 32 elk, brought from Jackson Hole, Wyo., to the Billy Meadows pasture in Willowa county, are to be turned loose to shift for themselves. Sportsmen of Joseph petitioned the state fish and game commission to have the elk transferred to the head of Willowa lake, where they could be seen by tourists, but the board decided that expenditure of about \$4000 for the purpose would not be justified.

State Bank Superintendent Sargent has notified 75 corporations that they would either have to quit business or comply before June 4 with the law relating to trust companies, which was passed at the last session of the legislature. He suggested to the companies having the word "trust" in their names and not doing a trust business that they file supplemental articles of incorporation changing their names.

A uniting of Jackson, Klamath and Josephine counties for the exploiting of Crater lake, upper Klamath lake, upper Rogue river, Oregon caves, Ashland butte and other natural scenery in southern Oregon, is the latest "get together" movement started. A meeting of delegates from the commercial bodies of Ashland, Grants Pass, Klamath Falls, Talent, Gold Hill, Rogue River and other cities will be held in Medford the latter part of the month. The meeting has been called by the Medford commercial club.

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FATHER TIME.

He who knows most grieves most for wasted time.—Dante.

The days are made on a loom whereof the warp and woof are past and future time.—Emerson.

Time which strengthens friendship weakens love.—De La Bruyere.

Think not thy time short in this world since the world itself is not long. The created world is but a small parenthesis in eternity, and a short interposition for a time between such a state of duration as was before, it may be after it.—Sir Thomas Browne.

That great mystery of time, were there no other; the illimitable, silent, never resting thing called time, rolling, rushing on, swift, silent, like an all embracing ocean tide, on which we and all the universe swim like exhalations, like apparitions which are and then are not; thus is forever very literally a miracle, a thing to strike us dumb, for we have no word to speak about it.—Carlyle.

For Sheriff

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