

NEWS FROM OUR NATIONAL CAPITAL

President Favors Confining the Special Session to Tariff Legislation

NO OFFICES FOR RELATIVES

Washington.—President Wilson has settled deep enough in office to indicate pretty clearly some of the things that may be expected of him in the near future. He has made no public announcements of policy, but there were a few developments that seemed to show the trend of the first days of his administration.

The president told visitors that he was inclined to favor the plan of house leaders to confine the special session of congress to tariff revision. He indicated that while he did not look forward to the passage of a currency reform measure at the special session, such a bill might be whipped into shape in the house while the senate was wrestling with the tariff and could be brought up immediately after congress convened in regular session in December.

Office Not For Wilson Relations.

President Wilson has passed the word along the line that it is his wish that no member of the Wilson family and no relative have a position in the present administration.

His wishes became known in rather startling fashion to Captain A. M. Wilson, a cousin who lives in Portland, Or. Captain Wilson aspired to be a member of the Philippine commission. He went to see Mr. Garrison, secretary of war, to talk the subject over with him. Secretary Garrison shocked him by saying that President Wilson had sent out word that no relative of the president should have a position in the new administration.

Civil Service Bars Up.

President Wilson has let it be known there was no immediate prospect of letting down the civil service bars to the thousands of Democratic office-seekers. The president told Senator Pomerene that so far he and the cabinet had formulated no policy as to appointments for minor positions in the government service.

There had been a report that President Wilson might revoke the recent order of Mr. Taft, which put 26,000 fourth-class postmasters under the civil service.

18 States Favor Direct Elections.

The secretary of state has received notice of the action of the legislatures of 18 states upon the proposed constitutional amendment providing for the direct election of senators by the people. So far not a single state has acted adversely. The amendment has been approved by Massachusetts, Minnesota, New York, Arizona, North Carolina, Oregon, Mississippi, Colorado, Wyoming, Idaho, Texas, Montana, Illinois, Maine, Nevada, New Hampshire, Wisconsin and Vermont.

Cabinet is Merely Sieve.

Though office-seekers have been requested to address themselves to the heads of the various departments, the members of the cabinet will act merely as sifters of the mass of applicants and their decisions will not be final. This was made clear at the white house.

Published statements that the announcement of the administration's policy about office-seekers might result in a situation whereby the attorney general, for instance, made appointments of federal judges before whom the government's case might be tried, brought forth the explanation that such an impression was erroneous.

National Capital Brevities.

Several congressional leaders are prepared to introduce bills for the repeal of the Canadian reciprocity act at the coming extra session of congress.

Secretary of the Navy Daniels announced that in future a large part of the coal supply needed for the American war vessels will come from Alaska.

Postmaster-General Burlison stated that no appointments of postmasters probably would be made before April 1 except possibly in cases of emergency.

President Wilson is reported to have offered to Richard Olney, of Boston, secretary of state in President Cleveland's cabinet, the post of ambassador to Great Britain.

J. M. Baker, of South Carolina, assistant librarian of the senate, was nominated by the Democratic caucus for secretary. It is equivalent to an election. He received 25 votes to 23 which were scattered among Joseph L. Wilson, the president's brother, former Senator Gardner of Maine.

Speaker Clark was renominated, Representative Underwood, of Alabama, again chosen chairman of the ways and means committee, the entire Democratic personnel of that tariff-making body named and all the house officers renominated at a harmonious six-hour caucus of the Democrats of the house of the Sixty-third congress.

BRIEF NEWS OF OREGON

While working on a farm at Tigard Lloyd Peterson, a deaf mute, lost his left hand when dynamite exploded prematurely.

Much interest is being manifested in the loganberry industry around Jefferson. About 100 acres, adjoining town, are being cleared preparatory to planting.

Almost without an exception farmers in Umatilla county are compelled, by reason of a recent heavy breeze, to reseed their barley crop, which amounts to more than 50,000 bushels each year.

The Charles K. Spaulding Logging company has leased the plant and property of the Newberg Brick & Tile company from the receiver in whose hands they were placed several months ago.

When the county court recently at Pendleton made a call for bids for burying paupers, John S. Baker, of that city, offered to enter into a contract to bury the county's dead at 1 cent per head.

Governor West, Game Warden Finley and Game Commissioner Kelly will hunt cougars and wildcats east of Eugene, to learn the extent of damage done by the animals. They will be gone three weeks.

Dr. L. Victoria Hampton is the first woman to file a declaration of intention to become a candidate for city office in Portland. She will make the race for the Republican nomination for councilman-at-large.

The city treasury of The Dalles was swelled \$1000 by the failure of the Hydro-Electric company to comply with its agreement with that municipality, and the concern likewise loses its franchise to furnish electric light and power there.

Announcement to the effect that a railroad will be built from Albany into the timber on the west slope of the Cascade mountains is construed to mean construction of the first link of an east and west line across the state by the Hill system.

The Hood River Apple Growers union has taken it in hand to supply its members with all kinds of material used on the farm at a wholesale price. Spray material, spraying machines, hay, grain, and like things will be furnished the growers and the retailer's profit will be saved to the consumer.

The coroner's jury, investigating the death of John Van Slyke, who was killed at Weston in a saloon fight, brought in a verdict stating that S. B. Couch, with whom Van Slyke had the fight, was responsible for the killing, but did not charge him with murder, and he has been held to the circuit court in \$2000 bail.

Forty thousand dollars in gold, greenbacks, silver and checks (certified), were turned over to County Treasurer Dimmick at Coquille by Sheriff Gage. This amount represented taxes collected in the last week, and it was by far the largest amount received since the recent rush to pay taxes has begun.

With the coming of the railroad Myrtle Point has developed an unusual thirst and now desires to possess saloons of its own so that the dry ones can be accommodated right at home. At least so a petition filed with the county court states and the court has set apart April 7 as the day on which to vote on the question.

The greatest fruit crop the Rogue river valley has yet experienced is predicted by all orchard men in that locality. There remains but one element to darken the prospect, frost, but probably by continuous smudging the growers will vanquish even that foe. Some fruit men say they would like to have a few buds nipped as that would do away with part of the enormous summer thinning.

The DuBois Lumber company, which owns large bodies of fine timber in the Nehalem country, is making tentative plans for an outlet for the timber by the construction of a railroad to the Columbia river. The road will be built from the heart of the Nehalem country to a point in the vicinity of St. Helens. It is understood that it will be a standard road and thus made available for general traffic.

As the result of a fight in which a large and ugly knife and an ax were freely used, Frank Day occupies a cell in the county jail at Salem, and Fred Corbin lies at his home. The fight occurred in a rooming-house, and the men tell different stories. Day received a bad scalp wound from the ax wielded by Corbin, and Corbin a deep, ugly gash from a knife used by Day, as well as other wounds.

First through-train service over the Salem, Falls City & Western since it was taken over by the Southern Pacific was inaugurated out of the state capital. The service is made possible through the completion of the bridge across the Willamette between Salem and West Salem, which has just been turned over to the operating department. The through trains will be operated from Salem to Dallas, Falls City and Black Rock, and also between Salem and Independence, Monmouth and Airlie.

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OREGON NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

Events Occurring Throughout the State During the Past Week.

\$4,000,000 TIMBER DEAL

Porter Brothers Buy 102,000 Acres of Land in Linn County.

Portland.—Porter Brothers, railroad contractors, agreed to pay \$4,000,000 to the Oregon & Western Colonization company for 102,000 acres of land in eastern Linn county, containing 4,000,000 feet of the best yellow fir timber ever grown, and will begin immediate development of the property by building a railroad to it from Albany, 26 miles away, and by erecting two sawmills on the south fork of the Santiam river, which runs through it. They propose to cut the timber on their newly acquired land as fast as it can be hauled away.

The property is located entirely between the Willamette meridian, which forms the western border and the crest of the Cascade range, which forms the eastern border. It is 12 miles wide, but includes only every alternate section.

Good Roads Association Organized.

Roseburg.—Believing that passable highways are important in the development of a community and that they can only be brought about through the co-operation of the common people, delegations from various localities of Douglas county met and organized what will be known as the Douglas County Good Roads Association. The object of the local association is to get as many auxiliary organizations launched in various parts of the county as possible. In interesting the people living in the rural districts, it is believed that the membership of the association can soon be increased to 1500 or 2000.

May Solve Mystery of 5 Years.

Hood River.—The body of a man found three miles east of Hood River is thought to solve a mystery of five years ago. Gold cuff buttons bearing the initial "H" point to identification of Mr. Hammon, of the Swann-Hammon Lumber company of White Salmon, who suddenly disappeared from Hood River, leaving his wife in the parlor of the Hotel Oregon here. He left just before the luncheon hour, giving her his purse upon leaving.

NEW FARMS MADE POSSIBLE

Reclamation of Hundreds of Thousands of Acres May Follow Survey

Salem.—With \$100,000 available, the work of making a detailed survey of the resources of the Deschutes river can be commenced just as soon as John H. Lewis, state engineer, and the chief of the reclamation service agree on the provisions of the contract between the state and the government for the expenditure of this fund. At present, the contract is being held up because the state engineer wants to have its provisions broad enough to cover other streams besides the Deschutes, and the chief of the reclamation service has drawn the contract so as to confine the work to that one river.

This fund of \$100,000 is made up by an appropriation of \$50,000 from the state and \$50,000 from the government. This is said to be the first time the government has agreed to co-operate with a state on such a large scale in a matter of this kind. Its importance is much greater than is generally understood.

Success of Apple Sale Astounding.

Portland.—Portland's first general apple sale, the biggest in the history of the United States for the same space of time, ended with a record of between 20,000 and 25,000 boxes of apples sold, an average of about eight apples for each man, woman and child in the city.

Oldtime Malheur Camp is Revived.

Malheur.—Following the example of its sister town of Brogan, 18 miles south, this old mining camp, in the extreme northern end of Malheur county, held a mass meeting and raised a large cash bonus for the establishment here of the Malheur Mining News, a new weekly newspaper. The publisher receiving the bonus will put in a plant here, as well as at Brogan, and the Malheur Mining News and the Brogan Herald will make their initial appearance about April 1, one on Tuesday and one on Friday.

Salem Center of Big Game Preserve.

Salem.—When senate bill 208 goes into effect the city of Salem will be the center of a new game preserve, to be called the Capital Game refuge.

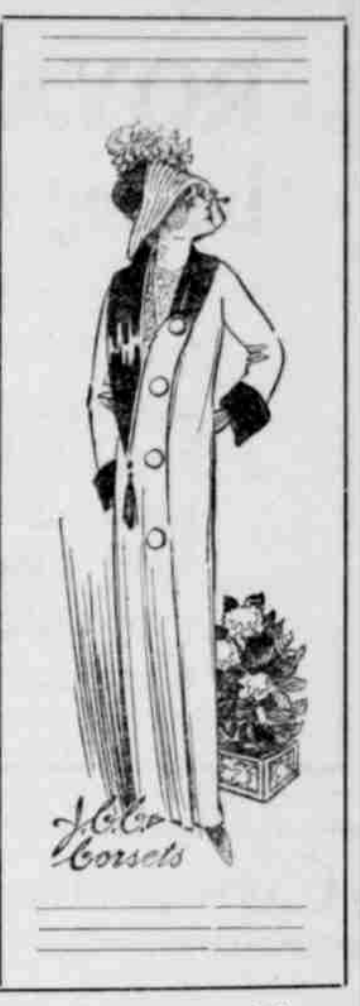
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Franklin K. Lane, of California, who is Secretary of the Interior in President Wilson's Cabinet.

RECALL MOVEMENT BEGUN

Fredericks Opposed for Asking Second Trial of Darrow

Los Angeles.—Plans of labor unions to start a movement for the recall of District Attorney John D. Fredericks because of his attitude toward labor and toward Clarence S. Darrow, the attorney whose second trial on a jury bribery charge ended Saturday in a disagreement, were announced by A. J. Mooney, secretary of the Los Angeles County Building Trades Council.

Mooney said the movement was backed not only by the organization of which he is secretary, but also by the Los Angeles County Central Labor Council. He declared that Fredericks, before his last election, had promised a "square deal to the workingman," but that since election he had "double-crossed" them.

South Dakota Sets Saloon Limit.

Pierre, S. D.—The South Dakota legislature, just before adjournment of the session, passed a bill providing that only one saloon license may be issued to each 600 inhabitants with the exception that two saloons are permitted in each town regardless of size.

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GOMEZ WILL VETO BILL

President Changes Mind Regarding Amnesty Measure.

Havana.—After a long conference with members of his cabinet, congressmen and lawyers, President Gomez decided to veto the amnesty bill, to the passage of which the American government has declared its strong opposition.

President Gomez had previously signed the bill in spite of the protest of the American minister, but he now holds that his signature is ineffective until the publication of the bill in the official gazette, and that therefore he still retains the right to use the power of veto.

The general amnesty bill provides for the liberation of more than 3000 convicts, including negroes who took part in the rebellion last year.

Both Sides.

Crawford To do a thing well, you know, you must do it yourself. Crabshaw—But you miss the fun of seeing the other fellow work.—Judge

HILL SCORES DEPARTMENT

Railway Man Says Management of Irrigation Work Stupid.

Charleston, S. C.—Discussing advisability of applying for government aid in drainage work on the south Atlantic coast, James J. Hill, railroad magnate, criticized what he termed the "stupid management" of the department of the interior in federal irrigation work. Mr. Hill's remarks were made in an address before members of a local advertising club.

The speaker declared that government irrigation work cost twice as much as it should have cost and twice as much as the same work would have cost in Canada. Mr. Hill declared as Franklin K. Lane, the new secretary of the interior, is a Canadian by birth, he probably would inaugurate a more economical programme.

When it Comes.

"Does your wife raise a rumpus when you stay away from home at night?"
"No, but she does when I get home."
—Houston Post.

Unitarian Church

At the morning service next Sunday the subject of the sermon will be "Sin and Salvation." Directly or indirectly some of the following questions will be answered. What is sin? Are there any sinners? Who are saved? Where is Eternity? This sermon will deal with the core of the scheme of Salvation. Special music

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