

NATION HAS TOO MANY NAVY YARDS

So Says Secretary Meyer, Congratulating Pacific Coast on Having but Two.

JAP WARNING IS SOUNDED

Cabinet Official Says America's Fleet Should Not Be Divided, but Westerners Say Ships Should Be Kept on Pacific Coast.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 14.—Secretary of the Navy George von L. Meyer, who was the guest of the business men of the city at a banquet tonight advocated the abolishment of half of the navy yards on the Atlantic Coast, during the course of his after-dinner speech. He congratulated the Pacific Coast upon being fortunate enough to have but two Government ship yards, arguing that these may be brought to a greater degree of efficiency and made adequate to accommodate any sort of a fleet. He said that an effort would be made to expend \$1,000,000 in deepening the channel of Mare Island in order that battleships and cruisers might reach the navy yard on any tide.

Yards Too Plentiful.

"I have inspected all of the navy yards on the Atlantic Coast, from Maine to South Carolina, and I must say that we have too many navy yards on that side of the country," said Secretary Meyer. "Half of them should be abolished and will be if Washington will support me."

"I am in accord with the general movement on the Pacific Coast in these matters, but I am of the opinion that the fleet ought not to be divided at this time. If Russia had not divided its fleet in the Far East, there might be another story to tell in history."

Perkins Is Toastmaster.

Senator Perkins was toastmaster, and present at the table were Governor Gillett, Mayor McCarthy, Representatives Kahn and Knowland, Senator Newlands, of Nevada, and many Army and Navy officers. In his talk, Senator Newlands sounded a note of warning concerning the situation in Pacific waters, speaking directly of Japan as a menacing influence in affairs on the Pacific side of the continent and the island possessions.

"The fleet, if it must be kept intact, should be kept on the Pacific Coast," he said. "If there is danger of war, it is more on the Pacific side than on the Atlantic."

Civilized Nations on Atlantic.

"On our Atlantic side we are faced by highly civilized nations. On the Pacific side, we are faced by nations not so highly civilized—nations that may not have the same self-restraint as the European powers and that might, through sheer recklessness, precipitate themselves into war with the United States. We are faced by a country schooled in war, eager to extend eastward and west for its swelling population, either by land or by sea. "If the Navy is to be kept as a unit, I believe that it should be in the Pacific rather than in the Atlantic. "We should do all in our power to draw into Hawaii immigrants from Southern Europe and immigrants of the white race who would stand with us for defense, and would not turn on our flag in case of a hostile demonstration by the greatest power in the Pacific."

RAILROAD IS ACCUSED

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The association immediately to begin work on the project of securing development of such industries as are most needed in the various counties. Cement factories sought. Cement factories will be sought to utilize the deposits in the vicinity of Chinook and the oil lands of Pacific County will be recommended in the right quarters to interest drillers. Lewis County coal will be estimated and its development urged as a supply for Portland.

Efforts will be made to secure interests in the cranberry lands of Wahkiakum and Pacific counties, while good roads will be attempted for the aid of settlement of interior districts.

This afternoon the committee on resolutions reported in favor of the resolution by which the Department of Agriculture will be requested to detail an expert to study crop and forage raising on the rainy west coast.

Resolutions Demand Development.

The resolutions urge the making of every effort to acquire settlers for the development of the lands and commend sending local exhibits East for further display. They demand the wise use of land, coal, water powers and other resources as the "only true conservation," and declare that conservation is an economic and not a political question. This declaration is made on the subject:

"We believe that right of entry on farming lands, whether located in the heart of the nation or in remote and unpopulated sections and such legislation as will prevent them falling under monopolistic control, but so far should prevent their use by the present generation. Such conditions and such legislation can best be best be met, in our opinion, by the state. We heartily endorse the position assumed on this question by Governor Hays."

Development of logged off lands is urged and the Southwestern Washington State Fair is endorsed. The elimination of "fake shows" from all fairs is favored. The importance of county fairs is suggested. Good roads are warmly commended, and particular commendation is given to State Road No. 5, which gives an outlet to Klickitat County. The plan for a highway from British Columbia to Mexico is also commended. San Francisco is endorsed as the Panama Exposition city. The resolutions close with a tribute to the hospitality of Goldendale.

The resolution denouncing forest reserves and conservation was adopted by the committee because of its political features.

A demonstration of stump burning by the char-pit method, which is a revival of the pioneers' method of making charcoal, was given west of town by officers of the Washington Agricultural College. When the stumps had been fired and the base covered with soil and earth the fire burns down along the roots. Clay can be thus cleared at a cost not exceeding \$50 per acre. The plan will not work in gravel or loose soil.

H. K. Benson spoke on the "Development of Logged-Off Lands." He said that experiments conducted by the United States Department of Agriculture

RICH BROKERAGE FIRMS BANKRUPT

Liabilities Amount to Nearly \$2,000,000 in Two New York Failures.

STOCK EXCHANGE STIRRED

One Firm Attributes Downfall to Death of Former Head and Predicts Early Settlement, Other Due to Cotton Market.

NEW YORK, Oct. 14.—Two New York brokerage houses failed today with liabilities aggregating nearly \$2,000,000. One is the Stock Exchange firm of Charles Minzeshelmer and Company and the other the firm of Thomas G. Gaylord, who was engaged in business under the name of Latham, Alexander and Company, cotton and stock brokers. In each case, an assignment for the benefit of the creditors was made. Rainbridge Colby, attorney for the firm, was named as assignee for the Minzeshelmer Company. With the announcement of the assignment, creditors of Minzeshelmer and Company filed a petition in voluntary bankruptcy against the concern, and Edward G. Benedict was named as receiver. The petition in bankruptcy alleges the liabilities exceed \$1,000,000 and consist chiefly of loans from banks and trust companies. The collateral securing these obligations is estimated to be worth 20 per cent more than the claims.

In a statement tonight Mr. Colby estimated the liabilities at \$1,750,000, with assets aggregating \$1,000,000. He predicted an early settlement. He denied that the firm was heavily interested on the short side of the market, and said that the death on May 4, of Charles Minzeshelmer, former head of the firm, and son of its founder, resulted in weakening the company's finances and necessitated temporary suspension for the purpose of reorganization. The Gaylord failure was not regarded in financial circles as of particular significance, as the business was but moderately large.

METEORS FLY IN STRING

BRILLIANT SPECTACLE SEEN BY MOUNT Tabor People.

First of Autumn Shower of fiery Bodies Shoots Over Suburbs Into Washington County.

The first meteor in the string of earth is now passing through was seen by residents of Mount Tabor last night. The brilliant spectacle was noticed about 8 o'clock, traveling from east to west a little to the south of Mount Tabor, apparently over the line between Clackamas and Multnomah counties. The speed was terrific and it soon disappeared in the south part of Washington County.

W. J. Cuddy, who was sitting on his porch, saw the meteor when it first appeared and watched either till it fell to the earth or was lost beyond the horizon. "The head was bright green and yellow," said Mr. Cuddy, "and the tail was a fiery red. The tail was about 20 degrees long. The meteor was traveling at a declination of about 15 degrees. It was a beautiful sight, but did not last long, suddenly disappearing in the west just over the southern portion of Washington County."

Miss Nona Lawler, who saw the meteor as she was walking along the street. Her description tallies with that given by Mr. Cuddy. J. W. Davis, professor of astronomy at Hill Military Academy, said last night that this is the time of year for the earth to pass through a big string of meteor showers. "The meteor shower will probably last a month, and it may last longer," said Professor Davis. "Space is full of flying meteors all the time, but an unusually big string of them is encountered at this season of year. While meteors will be seen most any night if a person is watching, they will be more numerous and more brilliant now than at any other time of the year."

SENATOR IS IMPROVING

DOLLIVER'S DOCTOR REPORTS NO BAD SYMPTOMS.

Governor Carroll Passes Through Fort Dodge Without Asking About Senator's Health.

FORT DODGE, Ia., Oct. 14.—(Special.)—The most encouraging reports since the illness of Senator J. F. Dolliver were issued last evening by the attending physicians. Each declare his stomach pains are less severe and he is suffering less with his heart and experiencing less difficulty in breathing. There are no bad symptoms it is reported. While assisting Senator La Follette in Wisconsin, Senator Dolliver suffered a slight indisposition and a few days after his return he took a 35-mile automobile drive, where he addressed a farmers' gathering, and contracted a severe cold. Physicians have ordered the cancellation of all speaking dates this Fall and that he take two weeks' rest in bed.

The home is closed to all visitors and will remain so for two weeks. He intended tour of the state and assistance to Kansas Insurgents has been abandoned. Governor Carroll, on an automobile campaign through this section, passed through Fort Dodge today without stopping. His failure even to express his sympathy at Senator Dolliver's illness has roused the ire of local Republicans, and adds to the assertion he will seek the Senatorial nomination two years hence.

VANCOUVER HIGH VICTOR

Portland Academy Eleven Is Defeated by Score of 18 to 0.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Oct. 14.—(Special.)—Scoring almost at will, Vancouver High School rolled up a score of 18 to 0 against Portland Academy

today in the second game of the Interscholastic League in this city. Dissatisfied with the showings of his boys in the game with Washington High School two weeks ago Coach Corcoran had had his men hard at work and the results of his work were shown today. Although outweighed several pounds to the man and playing on a strange field, Portland Academy made a plucky defense against the well-drilled local eleven. Vancouver, had it been deemed necessary, could have scored at least two more touchdowns, however. Two men, members of the Portland eleven, were seriously hurt. The shoulder of one was dislocated and another was kicked in the head and was unconscious several minutes. With surprising speed behind each play Vancouver fairly dazed Portland Academy with forward passes, end runs, line buck and punts, on each of which yardage generally was made. The contest was a fair example of the game made possible under the new rules. At least the game was snappy.

THEATER SITES TAKEN

SIMON GETS OPTIONS ON THREE LOCATIONS FOR BURLESQUE.

House to Cost \$150,000 Will Be Erected on One—East Side to Have Theater Also.

With three options on theatrical sites in Portland in his pocket and a lease already ready for each, David Simon, representing a syndicate that is promoting a string of 66 burlesque houses in the West and South, left the city last night for a question of time only as to which site he will select. The leases each provide that we shall erect a theater to cost not less than \$100,000. However, ground rent is a question of time only as to which site he will select. The leases each provide that we shall erect a theater to cost not less than \$100,000. However, ground rent is a question of time only as to which site he will select.

"I want it understood that we are not backing any other theater or anybody. We are simply going into a business that will net 35 per cent on the investment. There will be no cutting of prices. The leases provide that we must have possession January 1 and have a theater open September 7, next year. On the first day of January operations will begin on the new theater. The theater will have only two floors, with large roomy seats so arranged that everybody can see."

Aluding to the 10-cent vaudeville house on the East Side, Mr. Simon said: "I went across the river yesterday and stood at the corner of Grand Avenue and Morrison street for three hours watching the crowds go by and the immense traffic at that transfer point. I made up my mind right there that a 10-cent vaudeville house on the East Side will pay. Today I closed a proposition with an agent here to purchase or lease a site, fix up a little theater that will seat about 300 people, and have it ready to open not later than the first of the year. The 10-cent vaudeville stunt is merely a venture of my own and the syndicate I represent has nothing to do with it."

THEATER VENTURE FAILS

Portland Goes Dark, but Creditors, 'Tis Said, Will Be Paid.

"By Right of Sword" was not played at the Portland Theater last night. Instead the house was dark. The managers say it will remain dark. Non-support is given as the cause. The public is charged with the failure to provide means of keeping the foot-lights burning. Incidentally James Haswell, former manager, has been missing nearly a week. He was relieved of responsibility soon after the house opened, two weeks ago, the remaining members of the company say. They also say that his agreement with the owners of the show required him to open the house, start the business, and then to proceed on his way—nothing more. In Haswell's absence, Ed Quimby has been in charge of the "front" of the house. William A. Dowlan, leading man, has directed the stage.

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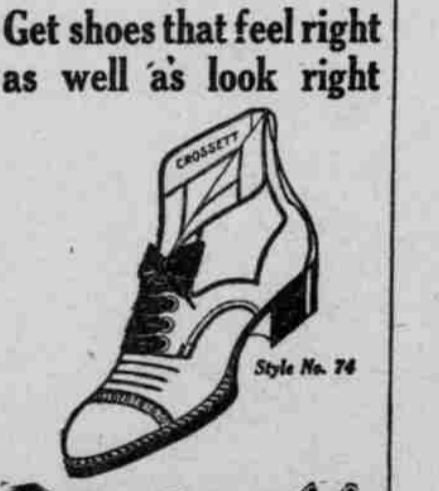


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