

PRESIDENT OFFERS SUGAR COMPROMISE

Free Trade in Three Years Proposed.

SENATE LEADERS ASK TIME

Cent a Pound Proposed as Temporary Rate of Duty.

INCOME TAX RATE FIXED

Individuals to Pay One Per Cent Between \$4000 and \$20,000, With Scale Rising to Four Per Cent Above \$100,000.

PRESIDENT WILL INSIST ON FREE SUGAR WITHIN THREE YEARS.

President Wilson gave his cabinet today an outline of the negotiations through which he hopes to secure a common agreement on the tariff bill. Later members of the cabinet expressed themselves as in hearty accord with the President's views on the tariff, declaring that the President was determined to have the people of the United States get free sugar in three years.

The President was hopeful tonight that he would have the support of the Louisiana Senators on the sugar proposal and that when the bill was introduced next week it would go through both houses of Congress smoothly, thereby giving an opportunity for other important legislation.

WASHINGTON, April 4.—The Democratic tariff revision bill was completed tonight, with the exception of a final decision upon the sugar tariff.

From beginning to end it is a measure modeled in accord with the ideas of President Wilson, with wool, meats and many other foodstuffs and clothing materials on the free list; with low duties on all agricultural products and foodstuffs that are not free, and with the tariff on chemicals, steel and other commodities cut far below the present protective rates.

SENATE LEADERS ASK FOR TIME.

The Senate tariff leaders asked today for an opportunity to study the bill until Sunday afternoon. They then will confer with Chairman Underwood, of the House committee on ways and means, and later will have a final conference with President Wilson. A careful analysis of the Senate will be made in the meantime to determine whether free wool, "one-cent sugar" and low rates on "market-bakers" products will prove acceptable to a majority of the Democrats.

Briefly summarized, the tariff developments of the day were:

President Wilson's ultimatum to sugar interests that they must agree to a tariff of one cent per pound for three years, with free sugar after that time, or he would attempt to secure free sugar at once.

Bill Virtually Completed.

The completion of the bill by the ways and means committee, with the exception of the sugar schedule. The committee is prepared to agree on free sugar if the President insists.

Income tax rates fixed at 1 per cent for all corporation incomes above \$5000, 1 per cent on individual incomes from \$1000 to \$20,000, 2 per cent from \$20,000 to \$50,000, 3 per cent from \$50,000 to \$100,000, four per cent above \$100,000.

The President submitted his proposal on the sugar tariff to Representative Broussard, of Louisiana, early today. Louisiana Senators and Representatives conferred and sounded out other members of the Senate to determine whether enough strength could be secured to fight the free-sugar features of the plan. They had reached no decision tonight, however, as to the course they would take.

Early Agreement Indicated.

Notwithstanding the sugar controversy, events so shaped themselves today as to indicate that the House, the Senate and the President will come to a definite and final agreement upon the tariff bill before Monday, and that the measure will be presented to the House early next week as an Administration measure, and with all the tariff leaders behind it.

After a short meeting of the Democratic members of the finance committee today, Senators Simmons, James and Hughes called on Mr. Underwood and discussed the wool, sugar and agricultural tariffs. A demand from some quarters in the Senate for an increase in the agricultural duties, and a doubt as to the success of both free wool and free sugar in the Senate, constitute the problem over which the Senate leaders will work tonight and tomorrow.

Senators Predict Agreement.

The House tariff makers have left matters entirely in the hands of the President. Members of the Senate finance committee today declared there would be an ultimate agreement with the President over all contested points; it is understood that unless the sugar compromise is accepted by the Senators from Southern states, the finance committee probably will act on its own initiative and comply with President Wilson's desires.

The situation, as it has developed this week, is apparently a consummation of the plan laid out by the President.

BLOTS ON RECORDS BAR DEMOCRATS

REGISTRY AS REPUBLICANS TO COST OFFICES.

Oregon Senators Turn Down Applicants of Whose Complete Regularity There Is Doubt.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, April 4.—It became known today that Senators Lane and Chamberlain in making up their patronage slate several days ago turned down all Democratic applicants who had at any time in the past registered in the Oregon primaries as Republicans.

There were 15 or 20 applicants for various offices who had at one time or another registered as Republicans, but when this fact became known all such were rejected. In one instance a Democrat who had once registered as a Republican was about to be recommended for an office when advice was received as to his irregularity and recommendation was withdrawn.

One of the Oregon Senators was inclined to recognize several Democrats who had registered as Republicans, but his colleague stoutly refused to agree to the appointment of any Democrat whose regularity was thus questioned.

It is also known that Postmaster-General Burleson will so far as he is able prevent the appointment of any Democrat of this type to any postmaster'ship. Burleson says he will recognize only straight Democrats.

\$7.25 FOR POUND BUTTER

First Roll Made at Hermiston Creamery Bought for \$14,500.

HERMISTON, Or., April 4.—(Special.)—The sum of \$14,500 was paid here today for the first two-pound roll of butter made by the new Hermiston creamery. Bidding was lively, Mayor Skinner started the price at \$5 and kept bidding to \$9. Representative J. T. Hinkle stayed longer, yielding to County Commissioner Waterman, who quit at \$12.25, when Colonel H. G. Newport carried the bid to \$14.50. About 100 citizens were at the opening of the creamery.

The creamery is owned by Kitterly & Kinley, formerly of Cathlamet, Wash. Milk is being shipped here from Echo, Stanfield, Butler Creek, Umatilla and Irrigon.

After bidding in the first roll of butter, Colonel Newport donated it to the Hermiston Commercial Club, and Kitterly & Kinley added other rolls to be sent to the editors of newspapers at Portland, Pendleton and the local newspaper.

SNAKES 'CHARM' CANARIES

Reason for Supposed Malady Affecting Birds in Park Discovered.

After weeks of investigating by Park Superintendent Mische and others it has been decided that what was thought to be a peculiar bird malady among the 100 or more canaries in a cage at the City Park, is really a charm held over the birds by a group of huge rattlesnakes occupying a cage nearby.

The snakes were moved next to the bird cage several weeks ago and soon afterward several of the birds began to get as though dazed. Believing that some new sort of bird disease had spread among the canaries an investigation was begun by Mr. Mische, who is an expert on birds. The malady was new to him and he was at a loss to know what to do until it was suggested that the snakes might be the cause of the trouble. Having heard of snakes catching birds by charming them, he removed the cage and the supposed malady has disappeared.

PORTLAND BOY ELOPES

John P. Lane Secretly Weds Strikingly Pretty Spokane Girl.

SPokane, Wash., April 4.—(Special.)—John P. Lane, of Portland, son of J. Lane, manager of the Moline Plow Company, at Portland, is the hero of an elopement and secret wedding, having married Miss Adeline Crandall, a strikingly pretty Spokane girl, on March 10 at Coeur d'Alene City, Idaho.

The news became known only today, and tomorrow morning the bride leaves for Portland.

Mrs. Lane was employed in the Spokesman-Review business office as a telephone operator, and continued at her post for three weeks after the secret wedding. Mr. and Mrs. Lane will pass part of their honeymoon at a country home near Brownsville, Or.; then will take a trip to California and Hawaii. They will be at home to friends in Portland November 1. Mrs. Lane is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Crandall, of Spokane.

FASTER SCHEDULE DENIED

North Bank Traffic Man Says Running Time Will Stand.

"We have no intention of reducing our running time between Portland and Spokane, as has been reported," said W. D. Skinner, traffic manager for the North Bank road, yesterday. "Our time now is about as good as conditions justify and there is no demand whatever for greater speed."

The O.-W. R. & N. Company now is completing its line between Portland and Spokane. It will be ready for operation in about a year, but it will be only two miles shorter than the North Bank road.

It might be possible to clip a hour off the schedule, but operating officials say that it is about all that will be permissible, even after the improvements now in progress are completed.

JAPAN FORMALLY LODGES PROTEST

California Anti-Alien Bill Is Cause.

BRYAN AND CHINA CONFER

Secretary Gives Close Attention to Delicate Subject.

PREVIOUS ISSUE STUDIED

Negotiations Connected With Refusal to Admit Japanese Children to Schools Have Bearing on Situation.

WASHINGTON, April 4.—The Japanese government has lodged formal protest with the State Department against the proposed enactment by the State of California of what it considers anti-Japanese legislation, the measure prohibiting the alien ownership of land in California.

It was learned today that this protest was made nearly a fortnight ago. Secretary Bryan and Viscount Chifuda, the Japanese Ambassador, were closed for a half hour today at the State Department in a private conference, the subject of which neither would discuss.

It is known that Secretary Bryan is giving close attention to this delicate subject, studying carefully the history of the negotiations that took place between Secretary Root and Baron Takahira in the Roosevelt Administration, when a severe strain was placed upon the relations between America and Japan by the attempt of the California authorities to exclude Japanese children from the public schools.

The next step may be a communication from the Secretary of State to the Governor of California calling his attention to the international questions involved in the proposed legislation.

ROBBERS USE HANDCAR

Iowa Sheriff After Postoffice Robbery Finds Man With Stamps.

MILTON, Iowa, April 4.—The post-office here was entered early today and the safe robbed of more than \$1000. The robbers are supposed to have come to Milton on a handcar and left by the same means. The Sheriff at Keosauqua was notified and when he reached Mount Sterling arrested a stranger who had just bought a ticket to Moulton.

The stranger was taken into the ticket office and searched. He had \$200 and \$1000 in stamps on his person.

NUN PLEADS FOR BROTHER

Sister of Julian Hawthorne Seeks Pardon From President.

WASHINGTON, April 4.—Mother Alphonsa Haltrop, a Dominican superior, a Catholic nun, went to the White House today to ask President Wilson to pardon her brother, Julian Hawthorne, under Federal prison sentence of a year for fraud in connection with the sale of mining stock.

Mother Alphonsa did not see the President, but Secretary Tompkins promised to put the case before him. Hawthorne already is eligible for parole.

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PHONE GIRLS MAY STRIKE

Operators in Boston Vote to Break Off Negotiations With Company.

BOSTON, April 4.—A strike of the 2300 telephone operators of the New England Telephone & Telegraph Company's Metropolitan system is threatened.

Members of the Boston Telephone Operators' Union voted tonight to break off negotiations with the company in connection with the demands for increased wages and a readjustment of hours.

A vote on the question of striking was ordered taken Monday. Previous votes on the matter have been in favor of a strike.

The operators' union officials say that should the girls decide to stop answering calls they would be joined by the linemen, installers and other electrical workers in the district. Such a strike would tie up 32 exchanges in this city and its suburbs.

TWO GIRLS ARRESTED

Two Girls Suspected of Being Militant Suffragettes About to Commit an Outrage were Arrested Today Before Dawn.

They carried bags containing paraffine, paper saturated with oil, candles and matches. In each of the bags was a paper bearing the scrawl: "Beware how you treat Mrs. Pankhurst."

There was also an attempt during the night to blow up Oxted Station in Surrey, on the London, Brighton & South Coast Railway, but the damage caused by the explosion was inconceivable. A traveling basket, found in a lavatory, contained an elaborately devised infernal machine set to go off at 3 A. M. and exploded a charge of gunpowder and several cans of gasoline. Apparently the gunpowder exploded without igniting the gasoline. A revolver, which apparently had been

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TORCH IS APPLIED BY SUFFRAGETTES

Friends of Mrs. Pankhurst Retaliate.

COUNTRY HOUSE DESTROYED

Empty Trains Dynamited, and Two Girls Are Arrested.

INFERNAL MACHINE IS SET

Threats Are Made to Burn Railway Stations in Various Parts of Country and Authorities Redouble Vigilance.

LONDON, April 4.—The suffragettes, continuing their campaign of retaliation against the sentencing of Mrs. Emmeline Pankhurst, their leader, to a term of imprisonment, succeeded tonight in destroying another large country house by fire.

As in several previous cases of the kind, the residence, which was situated at Chorley Wood, Buckinghamshire, was unoccupied, but was being prepared for the reception of a tenant. The owners of the building, a firm of contractors, estimated their loss at \$12,500.

SUFFRAGETTE MOTTOES FOUND

Cards bearing the inscription "Votes for Women" and other suffragette mottoes were found on the grounds. No arrests were made.

The police believe that some of the criminal acts attributed to the suffragettes, principally attempts to destroy railway property, were the work of men engaged by the women.

These attempts within the last 24 hours have included the planting of inflammables and explosives under a seat in an empty train. The resulting explosion splintered several cars.

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ELIGIBLE VOTERS IN CITY NOW 62,419

NUMBER QUALIFIED AT NOVEMBER ELECTION 45,575.

New Registration Since February 15 Is 14,844, of Which 12,953 Are Women—Bull Moose Claim 1401.

There are now 62,419 men and women, residents of the City of Portland, registered at the Courthouse and thus eligible to participate in the municipal election, in June, and to participate in deciding the fate of the commission form of government charter at the primary on May 2.

Those affiliated with the Republican, Democratic and Progressive parties will nominate candidates for the various municipal offices at the primary. The other parties—Prohibitionist, Socialist and Independent, are not primary parties under the law.

The new registration since the books opened, February 15, and women first started to sign the rolls is 14,844. Of these 12,953 are women and 1891 are men. These figures include up to closing time Thursday night. They are divided into parties as follows: Republicans, 8894; Democrats, 2544; Progressives, 1401; Prohibitionists, 559; Socialists, 274; Independents, 402.

The total city registration prior to the November election was 47,575, divided into political parties as follows: Republicans, 36,815; Democrats, 7696; Progressives, 525; Prohibitionists, 245; Socialists, 995; Independents, 1396. The present total of 62,419 does not include the country precincts of Multnomah County.

FATHER TRIES TO JAIL SON

Prosecutor's Office Then Moves to Keep Lad Out of Prison.

The peculiar spectacle of a father trying to send his son to the penitentiary and the District Attorney's office interfering on the boy's behalf to have him freed from that fate was presented in Circuit Judge Davis' court yesterday.

The case was against DeLoe H. Watson, aged 21, who was indicted by the grand jury last June, the witnesses against him being his father, D. Harley Watson, a barber, of 1191 Everard street, and his mother. The father was in court yesterday when the young man pleaded guilty.

"Here," interposed Deputy District Attorney Maguire, "do you understand that you are pleading guilty to a felony and are liable to be sent to the penitentiary?"

Investigating further, Mr. Maguire found that the crime charged against the young man was the theft of eight silver teaspoons from his parents. The boy was not represented by counsel and Mr. Maguire threw himself into the breach.

"Do you mean to tell me that you caused the indictment of your own boy and would have sent the lad to the penitentiary?" demanded Mr. Evans of the elder Watson.

"Yes, I thought it was the only thing to do. What would you have done?" was the answer.

About a year ago young Watson was discharged from the United States Navy on account of defective eyesight. He came back to Portland and took up his residence with his parents. Some of his old shipmates came here on the cruiser Maryland during the Rose Festival, and, desiring to show them a good time, he pawned the spoons.

LION PEDICURES CUT PRICE

Circus Man Would Perform Operation on Nero for \$50.

Strong competition among lion tamers of Portland is rapidly pulling down the size of bids for the contract to trim the toenails of Nero, the City Park lion. The market value of the service dropped yesterday from \$100 to \$50.

The first announcement by Park Superintendent Mische that the toenail operation is necessary brought half a dozen bids of \$150 for the job. The price next dropped to \$100, which was bid by Ben Seligman, a sailor. Yesterday R. A. Mercer, of 41 Union avenue, put in a bid of \$90, which was low up to noon, when Alfred Segrit, who says he is a former circus man, presented a bid of \$50. Superintendent Mische says he is going to let the proposition rest, in hope of getting the price down even lower. So far there have been about 20 applicants for the job.

WIFE TO PAY NO ALIMONY

Woman, Tired of Supporting Husband, Is Rid of Burden.

NEW YORK, April 4.—Mrs. May E. Thorpe, buyer in a department store, is rejoicing today because she will not have to pay alimony to her husband. Supreme Court Justice Greenbaum granted her petition for a decree of separation and asked her how much alimony she wanted.

"I don't think I ought to pay any," she replied. "Can't you put a provision in the decree to keep my husband from demanding money of me? I have been supporting him for so long I've gotten tired of it, and I want to be rid of it."

Justice Greenbaum promised to word the decree as she wished.

TWO BROTHERS MURDERED

Assassins Shoot Youths After They Had Quarreled on Road.

HUNTINGTON, W. Va., April 4.—George and Beckley Griffin, brothers, each less than 20 years old, were shot to death in a public road near Williamson, W. Va., today. Their assassins escaped.

The Griffin brothers had engaged in a quarrel previous to the shooting. A posse is searching the mountains for the fugitives.

Need of Co-Operation Emphasized.

"It is only through a commercial organization such as the committee of which you are the head, working coordinately with the Commercial Club itself, the Oregon Development League, the State Immigration Commission and affiliated development bodies of our neighboring states of Washington and Idaho, that this vast work can be handled. No other body of men has had either the ambition, the experience or

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