CAUCUS IS PLEDGED TO CURRENCY BILL

House Democrats Agree on Form in Which Measure Is to Be Introduced.

BANK NOTES TO RETIRE

National Banks Compelled to Become Members and State Banks Permitted to Do So—Early Action Is Probable.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 28.—The Administration currency bill, after three weeks of discussion, was finally approved by the House Democratic caucus tonight by a vote of 163 to 9. The nine dissenters were Representatives Henry, Eagle and Calloway, of Texas; Hardwick, of Georgia; Lobek, of Nebraska; Buchanan and Fowler, of Illinois; Neeley, of Kansas, and Sisson, of Mississippi.

After agreeing to the bill the caucus adopted a resolution by an almost unanimous vote, declaring the bill to be a party measure, and that "members of this caucus are pledged for the bill on its final passage without amendment, provided, however, the banking and currency committee may offer an amendment in the House."

Reserve Section Clarified.

The feature of today's session was the adoption of a committee amendment as a substitute for the section on bank reserves which in effect simply served to clarify the section as originally drawn.

The measure will be re-introduced in the House tomorrow by Chairman Glass and referred immediately to the banking and currency committee, which will meet next Tuesday. It is expected the bill will be at once reported back to the House.

The measure as it stands after adoption by the caucus, is summed up by Chairman Glass, who piloted it through the caucus, as follows:

The bill establishes 12 regional reserve banks with a capital of not less than $5,000,000 each, to which national banks are required to contribute an amount equal to 10 per cent of their own capital stock and to become liable for an additional 10 per cent in case of call. This, it is estimated, will give the regional reserve banks a combined paid-up capital of $105,000,000. These regional reserve banks also are made custodians of a large part of the reserve money of member banks, estimated at about $410,000,000 in the aggregate. They also receive the Government deposits, estimated at from $150,000,000 to $250,000,000.

Federal Board Powerful.

After the whole system of regional reserve banks is to be a Federal reserve board, consisting of seven members. This board will have extensive powers of supervision, examination and control.

The measure provides an advisory council of bankers without actual power, composed of one member from each of the 12 regional reserve drafts.

One important provision is for the gradual refunding, for a period of 20 years, of the United States 2 per cent bonds into 3 per cent Government bonds without the circulation privilege. This will mean the eventual retirement of the National bank notes. The circulation privilege will thus revert to the Government itself, issuing through the regional reserve banks on a gold reserve of 33 1-3 per cent to be provided by the banks.

The notable reserve features of the bill contemplate a reduction of the reserve requirements of reserve and central reserve cities from 25 to 18 per cent and of all country banks from 15 to 22 per cent.

Graduated Tax Provided.

The Federal reserve board is required to establish a graduated tax on the amounts by which banks may be permitted to fall below reserve requirements, such tax to be uniform in its application to all banks.

National banks are compelled to become members of the system under penalty of forfeiture of charters, while state banks are permitted to become members under regulations of the Federal reserve board.

Concerning the provisions relating to rediscounts, over which there was such a prolonged fight, the only change made was to add two and one quarter typewritten lines, declaring that nothing contained in the bill should be construed to prohibit the rediscounting of notes and bills of exchange secured by agricultural products and other goods, wares and merchandise.

PULASKI HAYS SUCCUMBS

Widely-Known Washington Pioneer Dies at Endicott.

ENDICOTT, Wash., Aug. 28.—(Special.)—Pulaski Hays, a retired widely-known pioneer of this state, died at his home Thursday morning at 4:30 o'clock. He was the son of Richard and Catherine Bishop Hays and was born in Ohio April 13, 1846, and married Anna Love Quarriells at Berry, Ill., in 1869. They moved to Dayton, Washington Territory, in 1884 and in the following May took a homestead five miles southwest of Endicott where, after enduring the hardships and trials of all early settlers and pioneers, they acquired a competency sufficient to enjoy several years of sightseeing. They made numerous trips to California and to Eastern states besides leaving those dependent with plenty for declining years.

Mr. Hays leaves a widow, two married sons, Clarence R. and Harry P., six grandchildren and a number of nephews and nieces. Funeral services will be held at the family residence Friday at 12:30.

TRIO CONVICTED OF THEFT

Negro and Two Whites Are Found Guilty at Pendleton.

PENDLETON, Or., Aug. 28.—(Special.)—Harry Greers, Frank Miller and John W. Messer, the latter a negro, were this evening found guilty in the Circuit Court of robbing the residence of L. C. Frasier, April 30 of this year.

At the time of the robbery the negro, who had been in the employ of Mr. Frasier, was the first to be suspected and arrested. The other two were arrested a few days later at Walla Walla on instructions from the Sheriff's office.

Greers and Miller have criminal records in Chicago.

INSTITUTE DATES NAMED

Superintendent Churchill Announces Times for County Meetings.

SALEM, Or., Aug. 28.—(Special.)—Superintendent of Public Instruction Churchill announced today that county institutes would be held as follows:

September 17, 18, 19, Morrow County, Heppner; September 22, 23, 24, Crook County, Prineville; September 29, 30, October 1, 2, 3, Salem; October 6, 7, 8, Grant County, John Day; October 6, 7, 8, (joint) Wasco and Sherman Counties, The Dalles; October 8, 9, 10, Harney County, Burns; October 13, 14, 15, Lake County, Lakeview; October 15, 16, 17, Klamath County, Klamath Falls; October 20, 21, 22 (joint) Jackson and Josephine Counties, Grants Pass; October 22, 23, 24, Douglas County, Roseburg; October 22, 23, 24, Umatilla County, Pendleton; October 27, 28, 29, Lane County, Eugene; October 29, 30, 31, Marion County, Salem; October 29, 30, 31, Polk County, Dallas; November 3, 4, 5, (joint) Gilliam and Wheeler Counties, Condon; November 5, 6, 7, Hood River County, Hood River; November 10, 11, 12, Washington County, Hillsboro; November 12, 13, 14, Tillamook County, Tillamook; November 17, 18, 19, Clatsop County, Astoria; November 19, 20, 21, Columbia County, St. Helens; November 24, 25, 26, (joint) Linn and Benton Counties, Albany; November 24, 25, 26, Union, Baker and Wallowa Counties jointly with the eastern division of the State Teachers' Association, La Grande.

Mrs. Josephine Schuele, Pioneer Who Was Buried at Vancouver.

MRS. SCHUELE IS BURIED

OLD-TIMERS AND PIONEERS ATTEND FUNERAL.

Order of Eastern Star Conducts Services at Grave and Rev. Mr. Collier at Chapel.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Aug. 28.—(Special.)—With old-timers and pioneers in attendance, the funeral of Mrs. Josephine Schuele, widow of David F. Schuele, was held today from Knapp's chapel. Rev. E. B. Collier, rector of St. Luke's Episcopal Church, of which Mrs. Schuele was a life-long member, officiated at the chapel. The St. Luke's choir rendered several beautiful selections.

Services at the grave were in charge of Martha Washington Chapter, No. 42, Order of the Eastern Star. Miss Belle Sanderson being worthy matron, and F. B. Wagner worthy patron. After the ceremony, members of the chapter surrounded the open grave and sang "Nearer, My God, to Thee."

The pallbearers were past worthy patrons of the Eastern Star, of which Mrs. Schuele was an active and enthusiastic member. They were William Laughlin, Edson M. Rowley, L. G. Conant, H. S. Bartow, John Dickson and W. P. Connaway. Interment was in the Masonic section of the city cemetery, beside her husband, who died in May, 1908.

Mrs. Schuele was born in Vancouver Barracks nearly 60 years ago. Her father, John Eddings, was Government storekeeper and Colonel Rufus Ingalls, in command of the Fourth Infantry, was her godfather. He took a vote af all officers of his regiment on what the baby at the Eddings home should be named, and the majority voted "Josephine."

GOLD FIND DOESN'T PAN

DISCOURAGED PROSPECTORS RETURN FROM SHUSHANNA.

Only One Claim of Value Found in New District of Alaska—Provisions Left on Trail.

SEATTLE, Wash., Aug. 28.—Letters from the North and returned stampeders bring unfavorable news from the Shushanna gold field. Goldseekers going toward the camp meet discouraged men returning and many turned back, abandoning supplies on the trail. Reports say that perhaps $15,000 has been taken out on the Discovery claim, but cross-cuts above and below the claim show barren ground. Seven or eight inches of snow fall every night. The sun next day melts the snow, making much surface water.

Stephen Birch, manager of the Kennecott Copper Mine, who has just arrived in Seattle and who visited the Shushanna country five years ago looking for copper, said today:

"The extent or value of the Discovery cannot be determined until much more work has been done. Little concerning the true merits of the field will be known till next Spring. While it would be nothing short of madness for a man to go in there without a proper equipment, most of the men who went in were poorly equipped."

STAHORN'S VISIT AWAITED

Railroad Official Expected to Arrive at Newberg Today.

NEWBERG, Or., Aug. 28.—(Special.)—President R. E. Strahorn, of the Portland, Eugene & Eastern Railway, is expected to arrive in this city tomorrow and local business men are planning to take him for a trip of inspection of the town and surrounding country. Mr. Strahorn was scheduled to reach here today, but did not appear.

Local citizens attach a great deal of importance to the visit on account of the expected operation of the Portland, Eugene and Eastern line here in a few months.

Five Killed, 372 Injured.

SALEM, Or., Aug. 28.—(Special.)—There were five fatalities in industries in the state in July, according to a report of Labor Commissioner Hoff made public today. Mr. Hoff reports that 372 persons were injured, 24 loggers, 30 machinists, 40 paper mill workers, 24 railway workers, 39 section men, 35 on railway trains, 39 in railway yards, 66 in sawmills, 14 in sawmill yards and 61 engaged in various other kinds of work. One man was killed while engaged in railroad construction, three were killed by railway trains and one was killed in a sawmill.

Postal savings deposits amount to $28,000,000.

POINDEXTER SAYS CHARGE IS UNTRUE

Senator Denies He Is Responsible for Relatives on Federal Payroll.

SEATTLE EDITOR ASSAILED

One Brother Declared to Be Only One Appointed at His Instance. Son, However, Was Made Cadet Through Trade.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Aug. 28.—After seven weeks of silence, Senator Poindexter, of Washington, rose in the Senate today and answered charges of nepotism made against him in the Seattle Post-Intelligencer of July 11. His answer was half denial and half abuse of Scott C. Bone, editor of the Post-Intelligencer.

Charged by the Seattle paper with having placed or kept 11 relatives on the Government payroll, Poindexter asserted today that he had secured a Federal appointment for only one relative, William Poindexter, his brother, who holds a position in the Senate folding room at the Capitol. Five Poindexters in Government service, said to be there through his influence, Senator Poindexter declared were not related to him and were perfect strangers, of whom he had never heard until charge was made in print.

Son Appointed by Request.

While Senator Poindexter denied having appointed his son, Gale, to the Annapolis Naval Academy, he admitted that the appointment had been made by Representative La Follette on his recommendation and request, and explained further that in return for this favor he had appointed Earl Chambers, of Spokane, to the West Point Military Academy, at the request of Representative La Follette.

Senator Poindexter denied that his brother Ernest had been appointed to an attorneyship in the Department of Justice by this Administration, as charged, and said that this brother is not now and never has been on the Government payroll except as a census enumerator years ago, before he became Senator. His brother, Fielding L. Poindexter, First Lieutenant in the Army, now retired, he said, had secured his commission and been retired before he (the Senator) entered Congress. Fielding Poindexter, he said, served as a private in an Oregon volunteer regiment in the Philippines and got his commission in the Regular Army after the war closed. He is now detailed to recruiting duty. The Senator made no reference to the charge that while his brother was drawing retired pay he had him assigned to recruiting duty, thus giving him full pay, though on the retired list.

Carl D. Poindexter Not Related.

Carl D. Poindexter, the Senator asserted, is no relative, or if so is so distantly related that he does not know of the relationship. He holds a civil service job under the Isthmian Canal Commission, and for his appointment the Senator disclaimed all responsibility.

Samuel J. Graham, Senator Poindexter admitted, was a distant cousin, but he disclaimed all responsibility for having secured him a Federal job. Graham, he said, was one of the Wilson floor leaders at the Baltimore convention, and owed his place to Pennsylvania Democrats.

Senator Poindexter directed his main attack at Mr. Bone. He declared the article assailing him was criminally libelous, but did not indicate any purpose to prosecute the newspaper in courts, though he asserted that men guilty of such an attack as that on him should be sent to the penitentiary for ten years. He declared that Bone had been a "complete failure in the newspaper field in Washington, and was a failure in Seattle for the reason indicated by his name, Bone—more bone than otherwise—too much bone."

Senator Poindexter asserted he had never appealed to any Senator to aid him in getting a Federal job for any relative.

FILLING OF SLOUGH URGED

Marshfield Citizens Appeal to Congress to Have Work Done.

MARSHFIELD, Or., Aug. 28.—(Special.)—A movement has been started here to secure the closing of Mill Slough, a small tidal estuary which reaches back through the center of Marshfield, dividing the town into two parts. Just at this time the matter is attracting more attention than usual because of the important bearing it has on railroad construction, and the matter will be taken up with the Oregon delegation to secure special legislation by Congress.

Mill Slough at low tide is but a rivulet, but at high tide it probably is 50 feet wide and has three or four feet of water.

A delegate has been sent to Washington to secure the closing of the slough, a petition has been circulated among the business men asking Congress to pass the bill to permit its closing, the Marshfield Chamber of Commerce has passed resolutions favoring the closing of it and so has the City Council, but F. M. Friedberg and Charles Hickox, who own property near by, and some of the Socialists oppose the proposition.

LUMBERMEN FORM CLUB

Seattle Luncheon Attended by 140 Timbermen of Northwest.

SEATTLE, Wash., Aug. 28.—(Special.)—Gathered around the tables at a luncheon today, 140 men, representing all branches of the lumber and timber industry from Portland to British Columbia, formed a Lumbermen's Club for social purposes.

H. S. Stine, of Seattle, presided, and was authorized to proceed with the appointment of five men to complete the organization and arrange for regular Thursday luncheons at which topics of general interest to the trade will be discussed.

Among the speakers at the meeting today were J. B. Alexander and George Cornwall, of Portland; Frank B. Cole, of Tacoma, and R. H. Hartley, of Everett.

Prosser Old Settlers Frolic.

PROSSER, Wash., Aug. 28.—(Special.)—The annual old settlers' picnic was held at Wilgus Grove, two miles west of here, yesterday. About 100 were in attendance. Attorney Linn, of Prosser, was the orator of the day, and several other local men made brief talks. Everyone enjoyed a big feast from the well-filled baskets at noon, and the afternoon was devoted to sports and discussions of old times.

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APPEAL IS TAKEN

Bank Failure Case Goes to Idaho Supreme Court.

W. G. CRUSE IS INVOLVED

American Surety Company Held Liable to Depositors for Failure of State Examiner to Perform Duties.

BOISE, Idaho, Aug. 28.—(Special.)—The American Surety Company of New York has appealed from the judgment of the District Court for Blaine County in the case of the State of Idaho to and for the use and benefit of Clara Mills et al. vs. the American Surety Company. In the trial court the surety company was held liable to the depositors of the defunct Idaho State Bank of Haily for the failure of William G. Cruse, ex-State Bank Examiner, faithfully to perform his duties.

At the time of the failure of the bank, August 31, 1910, Cruse was State Bank Examiner, the American Surety Company having furnished his $50,000 bond. Although the affairs of the bank have been in the hands of several receivers, the depositors have been unable to force the payment of their claims.

The depositors charged that while Cruse was Bank Examiner he "did not well, faithfully and impartially discharge his duties," and that although the bank failed on August 31, 1910, he knew as early as May 10 of the same year that the bank's books were being tampered with and that the institution was unsafe, but took no action toward closing its doors and saving the assets to the depositors. It was further alleged by the depositors that Cruse did not regularly examine the bank to ascertain its condition, as required by law, and therefore the surety company that insured him was liable under the bonds and should be required to pay the claims of the depositors.

The same complaint of 48 other depositors is identical with that of Clara Mills, but by stipulation between counsel for the depositors and the surety company, only the names of the depositors and the amount of their deposits in the bank at the time it failed are given in the appeal. In addition to the deposits claimed by them, the plaintiffs ask for 7 per cent interest from the date of the bank failure to the present time. The total claims of the depositors amount to about $50,000, the amount of the bond carried by the surety company.

NEW CHARTER IS SOUGHT

Bill Before Seattle Council Hints at Commission Government.

SEATTLE, Wash., Aug. 28.—(Special.—A Council bill introduced at the meeting June 2 by Austin E. Griffiths, providing for submission to the voters at the next election the question of selecting 15 freeholders who shall have been residents of Seattle for not less than two years preceding their election whose duty it shall be to prepare and propose a charter consistent with and subject to the constitution and laws of the State, which shall be submitted to the voters again for approval or rejection at the following general election, was recommended today for passage by Mr. Griffiths, chairman of the judiciary committee. He was the only member of that body present. Councilmen Haas and Wardell, the two other members, were absent.

In brief, Mr. Griffiths' bill, if approved by the voters next March, would mean a commission form of government for Seattle.

Mr. Griffiths' bill will come before the Council at its regular meeting Tuesday, September 2, for final action. It is believed that it will not receive the necessary five votes to put it through.

CHARTER REVISION IS PLAN

Seattle May Adopt Commission Form of Government.

SEATTLE, Wash., Aug. 28.—The Judiciary Committee of the City Council today approved a resolution submitting to the voters next March a proposal to elect 15 freeholders to revise the city charter.

It is the intention of the framers of the resolution to bring about, through the new charter, a commission form of government. The Council will pass on the resolution next Tuesday.

Washington Elk Inspected.

NORTH YAKIMA, Wash., Aug. 28.—(Special.)—D. C. Nowlin, of the United States Biological Service, arrived in North Yakima last night and will stay here several days investigating the condition of the 50 head of elk brought here last Winter from the Yellowstone Park, and the conditions under which they are living. He left this morning with County Game Warden Frank Bryant for Bumping Lake, to traverse the Upper Naches Valley, in which the elk were placed.

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FORGERY CHARGE DENIED

Eugene Saxton Declares He Did Not Attempt to Evade Officers.

KLAMATH FALLS, Or., Aug. 28.—(Special.)—Eugene Saxton, accused of forging the name of J. W. Siemens to a note for over $7000, asserts most positively that he is not guilty and also says that the wife the officers have been looking for is a myth.

He was brought here from Mineral, Idaho, to answer the charge, after having been released from jail by the Sheriff at Weiser, Idaho, on the ground that he did not believe him guilty.

He denies that he was fleeing when taken, saying that he returned from Weiser to Mineral, and notified the Sheriff at Weiser of his whereabouts.

FOREST FIRES REPORTED

Three Dangerous Blazes Said to Be Burning in Chehalis County.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Aug. 28.—(Special.)—Three dangerous fires in Chehalis County were reported to the State Fire Warden today. All are in cut-over lands, but are not under control and threaten green timber.

One fire is west of Matlock, on the Mason County line, in the Simpson works; the second about five miles north of Montesano, and the third, reported to be the worst of the three, is raging south of South Elmo.

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