

YEAR'S CHANGES IN GOVERNMENT MANY

New Currency System, Tariff, Parcel Post Among Noteworthy Events.

CANAL NEAR COMPLETION

Epoch-Making Decisions Given by Supreme Court—Agriculturally Year's Record Is One of Unprecedented Prosperity.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 1.—Twelve months of 1913 wrought changes in the American Government—political, economical, financial—probably more far-reaching than any other year of the last century.

A Democratic Administration in national affairs came to power in this 12 months, with a Democratic President and a Democratic Congress at his back for the first time since Grover Cleveland occupied the White House.

The first constitutional amendments since 1870 were perfected, providing for real changes in the fundamental of government—an income tax and the direct election of United States Senators.

Currency System Reorganized. The National bank and currency system, designed to float the debt of the Civil War, and which has operated ever since, was reorganized into a Federal reserve system in which the central bank plan, the dominant system in Europe, was rejected and a financial reorganization perfected.

A Democratic tariff law became effective, the first since the Wilson bill of 1892, and one of the most comprehensive tariff measures ever enacted.

A parcel post system was brought into successful operation, and some of its rates were later reduced while certain limitations were relaxed.

The Interstate Commerce Commission began a physical valuation of railways a project which will cost millions and take years to complete, but which is ultimately expected to provide a basis of rate-making.

Express Regulation Ordered. Meanwhile the great Eastern railway systems renewed application at once for 5 per cent general increase in freight rates, and the Commission directed regions of express rates which are expected to save the public approximately \$30,000,000 a year.

Last steps in building the Panama Canal were taken, and the probability that the greatest engineering feat of the age will be in operation in the new year.

Virtual control of the Philippine government was delivered to the natives of the islands by President Wilson's appointment of a native majority in the Philippine commission.

What promised a new era in relations of the Government with great corporations in the enforcement of the Sherman anti-trust law, was brought about by the "bloodless" dissolution of the American Telephone & Telegraph Company's relations with the Western Union.

President Wilson's open declaration that the Administration desired to co-operate with "big business" in a peaceful administration of the law was received with business and financial circles with evidences of optimism.

Court Decisions Deep-Seated. The Supreme Court laid down several declarations of deep-rooted importance. It decided that owners of copyrights and patents may not control the price at which retail dealers resell their products to the consumer.

It sustained the validity of the Sherman law as a criminal measure for the first time in the turpentine trust case. In the cotton corner case it laid down the principle that a "cover" in any commodity was a violation of the anti-trust law.

In the state rate cases it decided that states through their railroad commissions have control over interstate lines within their borders, irrespective of the Interstate Commerce Commission.

In foreign relations, affairs of the year were hardly less eventful. Secretary Bryan's purpose for international peace was accepted in principle by more than 30 nations, and the peace treaties with the Netherlands and Nicaragua.

The most important pronouncements of the year were made by President Wilson when he withdrew the support of the United States from the bankers' six-power Chinese loan; in his Latin-American statement in which he proclaimed the intention of the United States to recognize on the Western hemisphere only those governments "founded on law and order"; in the noted Mobile speech in which he pointed out the menace of foreign concessions to the peace and security of Central and South America.

Mexico Is Diplomatic Feature. Relations with Mexico—the American Government's refusal to recognize Huerta and a spirited exchange of notes on the subject—were among the important events of the year. Great Britain's protest against the exemption of American shipping from tolls in the Panama Canal and Japan's protest against the anti-alien land legislation in California were the two other principal features. They still are the course of diplomatic discussion.

Plans for the extension of American trade abroad by the creation of commercial agents of the Department of Commerce were launched; important steps in the Government's participation in relations between capital and labor were the creation of a new cabinet in the Cabinet for the Secretary of Labor, to which William B. Wilson, of Pennsylvania, a prominent labor leader, was appointed, and the creation by Congress of a Federal commission on industrial relations which has begun a study of the entire subject.

Commanding features in the internal affairs of the Nation were the announcement of a liberal policy for the development of Alaska with the proposed building of a Government railroad; a policy of conservation for the immense properties of the Indian tribes, and proposed legislation for the deposits of radium, which lately became so valuable in medicine.

Agriculturally, the year was one of unprecedented prosperity. The volume of crops was below the average, their value totalled nearly \$10,000,000,000.

MONTH'S ARRESTS ARE 2500 About 1000 Cases Directly Traceable to Liquor According to Report. More than 2500 persons were arrested in Portland, December 1913, for infractions of city ordinances and state laws. Of this number nearly 2400 were men and only 120 were women. Harry Circle, record clerk of the police de-

partment, summed up the arrests in making his monthly report yesterday. About 1000 of the cases were directly traceable to liquor, comprising simple drunkenness, drunkenness and disorderly conduct, disorderly conduct and disorderly conduct by fighting. Aside from these offenses the Goddess Fortuna drew most of the police notice, 54 of her devotees being arrested. Vagrancy, a term used to cover many minor offenses, brought 481 to jail.

Ninety-six accidents were reported in the month. There was one murder, 33 ambulance calls, 12 demented persons taken, 24 fire alarms. Just 139 persons were sent to the Linnton rock quarries for offenses. Fourteen persons committed suicide. An unusual number for a winter month. Fifty-eight larceny cases were cleared up by the police. Dogowners who did not comply with the license laws to the number of 38 were arrested.

BREWSTER TO VIEW SITES

Commissioner Would Hasten Selection for Auditorium.

The City Commission Wednesday adopted by unanimous vote a report and resolution from Commissioner Brewster, authorizing him to appoint a committee of four to act with him in the selection of sites and plans for the new auditorium, which

PRICE OF ANNUAL, STAMPED FOR MAILING, 10 CENTS.

The price of The Oregonian Annual, issued yesterday, is only 5 cents. The postage is only 5 cents additional. The Annual, wrapped, stamped and ready to mail, may be bought for only 10 cents. The public is advised that this is the correct price, and is cautioned to pay no more.

An order blank is printed in The Oregonian today. Fill in as many names and addresses as you want copies and send to The Oregonian Circulation Department with 10 cents for each name.

The Annual is being sold only in GREEN wrappers. Remember the price, including postage, is only 10 cents. Pay no more.

Mr. Brewster proposes to get under way as soon in 1914 as possible.

The resolution and report as adopted authorized Mr. Brewster to appoint the committee and proceed with the investigation. He is authorized to expend \$100 in engaging a stenographer to take the proceedings down in shorthand, so that a transcript of all the doings of the committee can be submitted to each member of the City Commission, who will be asked finally to pass upon the action of the special committee.

After the resolution was adopted Commissioner Brewster announced that he would appoint the committee within a day or two and would arrange for meetings as soon as possible. He says he believes the ground can be covered within a month.

NEW SPELLING INDORSED

Idaho State Teachers' Association Favors Simplified Form.

BOISE, Idaho, Jan. 1.—(Special.)—The Idaho State Teachers' Association in session here went on record today as favoring the adoption for instruction in the schools of this state simplified spelling as outlined by the spelling board.

Resolutions adopted recommended that medical inspection be followed in the schools; that world-wide peace be encouraged; that the State Board of Education be supported in its efforts to unify the schools of the state and that Utah be given an expression of sympathy in the loss of its able educator, Superintendent Nelson.

O. M. Elliot, of Twin Falls, was elected president of the association; Mrs. Alice Cosgrove, Pocatello, first vice-president; W. H. Siders, Pocatello, president; vice-presidents, Professors Black, Axline, Soule, Bryden and Turner; Professor Hart, secretary, and Professor Block, treasurer.

Peace League officers of the association were elected as follows: W. H. Siders, Pocatello, president; vice-presidents, Professors Black, Axline, Soule, Bryden and Turner; Professor Hart, secretary, and Professor Block, treasurer.

COLORED MAN IS SHOT

Joe Cole Alleged to Have Fired at Robert Cunningham at Dance.

WALLA WALLA, Wash., Jan. 1.—(Special.)—Robert Cunningham, colored, is lying in a hospital, dangerously wounded, with a bare chance to recover, while the police are searching for Joe Cole, also colored, as the result of a fracas at a colored dance this morning.

Cole, it is charged, went to the dance to "get" another man and Cunningham refused to let him enter. Cole fired one shot, striking Cunningham in the abdomen, making 27 perforations. Cole escaped and officers believe he is still hiding in the city.

Naylor Makes Settlement.

HILLSBORO, Or., Jan. 1.—(Special.)—George F. Naylor, Forest Grove capitalist, yesterday settled the judgment rendered against him in Circuit court in favor of Miles Watrous for alienation of his wife's affections. The jury had given Watrous \$5000, but it was reported today that a concession was made in lieu of immediate settlement.

STEWART IS HALTED

Injury to Spokane Records Is Basis of Charge.

\$5350 DUE BANK INVOLVED

Member of Washington Legislature and Spokane School Board and Former County Official to Be Tried—Bond Is Waived.

SPOKANE, Wash., Jan. 1.—(Special.)—Zach Stewart, member of the Legislature, and who for 14 years has occupied the various offices of County Auditor, Treasurer and Superintendent of Schools, and at present member of the School Board, was charged Wednesday with "injuring and mutilation of county records."

County Prosecuting Attorney Crandell made the charge before Justice S. C. Hyde, after several Prosecutors conferred with Mr. Stewart. It appears that Crandell became aware of the discrepancy and gave Stewart 48 hours in which to make an explanation.

Upon the earnest plea of Mr. Stewart, Crandell waived a bond of \$1000, which he had at first recommended to Judge Hyde. Mr. Stewart left the courtroom upon his own recognizance. The charge against Stewart, who went out of the office of County Treasurer on January 13, 1913, involves \$5350, evidence of which was brought to the attention of Prosecuting Attorney Crandell through County Treasurer Evenson and officials of the Farmers and Mechanics' Bank through which institution Stewart did his banking.

A subpoena was served on every member of the Farmers and Mechanics' Bank today. They are due to appear before Judge Hyde Friday, when the hearing for the trial will be set. The complaint filed by Crandell against Stewart is as follows: "That Zach Stewart, then and there being an officer of Spokane County, State of Washington, did willfully mutilate, destroy, cancel, obliterate and falsify a record and papers appertaining to his office, and did willfully and fraudulently appropriate to his own use and to the use of W. F. Binge, with intent then and there to appropriate to his own use or to the use of the said W. F. Binge, the property entrusted to him by virtue of his office."

The complaint further charges the record said to be mutilated was a book containing certificates of delinquent tax matters, that Stewart removed the certificates from the county records and the duplicates marked "cancelled," and signed with "Z. S." and "W. F. Binge" in Stewart's own handwriting. The Farmers and Mechanics' Bank now holds these certificates, and that by Stewart's action it stands to lose \$5000.

FULLER BRINGS IN SIX

PORTLAND BOY ACCUSED OF SELLING LIQUOR TO INDIANS.

Murder Charge Also May Be Made in Connection With Death on Siletz Reservation—Five Others Held.

Deputy United States Marshal Fuller started the new year by bringing six alleged offenders against Federal laws from the Siletz Indian Reservation and lodging them in the County Jail late yesterday afternoon. They were held to await action by the Federal grand jury.

Vincent Wantoch, 15 years old, a Portland boy, was the most important of the prisoners, as indicated by his bail, which was fixed at \$5000 by United States Commissioner Davis at Siletz.

Wantoch is charged with introducing liquor on the reservation. The Federal authorities also are investigating the death of an Indian who was killed in a drunken row on the reservation. It is said Wantoch is suspected of having done the killing.

There are two charges against Moses Alvarado, a Mexican, and Claybourne Arden, an Indian, who are held on \$2000 bail. The charges are those of introducing liquor on the reservation and obstructing the administration of justice. Alvarado was in court here a few months ago on a charge of introducing liquor.

Joseph Watts, Norman Strong and Thomas Scott are held on \$1000 bail, charged with obstructing the administration of justice in connection with the Alvarado and Arden case.

James ("Hickey") Ross, former Sheriff of Lincoln County, accompanied the party as a guard.

Yakima Sends Out Sheep. NORTH YAKIMA, Wash., Jan. 1.—(Special.)—Seventeen carloads of sheep for the Frye and Henry packing-houses in Seattle were shipped from the Yakima reservation Tuesday. Two cars of cattle for the Frye house were also loaded at Wapato. Since snow has stopped the grazing the animals are being shipped to be fed in the yards on the west side of the state.

Friday Specials At The Owl Drug Co. The increasing response to "The Owl's" Friday offerings is indicative of the appreciation on the part of "Owl" patrons. The following list of items should prompt many to come to "The Owl" today and share in the economies. 25c size Leakanol 12c. 25c size Tincture Arnica 15c. 25c size Sweet Spirits of Nitre 15c. 15c size Churchill Soap 15c. 25c size Pape's Cold Compound 17c. 25c size Essence of Peppermint 17c. 25c size Witch Hazel Cream 17c. 25c size Seidlitz Powders 17c. 25c size Sani Flush 19c. 5c size Sage 10c. 35c size Quinine Pills 23c. 50c size Canthrox 29c. 50c size Williams' Pink Pills 30c. 50c size Poslam 33c. 50c size Nestle's Food 33c. 50c size Baume Analgesique 39c. 75c size Armour's Beef Extract 59c. \$1 size Swamp Root 63c. The Owl Drug Co. 20976 Prescriptions Filled by The Owl Drug Co. in November. Washington and Broadway. Twenty Drug Stores on the Pacific Coast.

FOOD TEST FOUND

Federal Official Hails Discovery as Important One.

VALUABLE WARNING GIVEN

Dr. Alsberg Warns Against Fraudulent "Radium Cures" for Cancer, Falsely Declared to Contain Radium.

BLOOD CLOT CAUSES DEATH

Pomeroy, Wash., Man Drops Dead Late at Night in Walla Walla.

ATLANTA, Ga., Jan. 1.—Discovery of a test whereby it is possible to ascertain whether a person has eaten contaminated food, was announced today by Dr. Charles W. Stiles, of the United States Public Health Service.

ILLAHEE RIDING CLUB POSED JUST BEFORE IT STARTED ABOUT THE CITY ON A TOUR OF NEW YEAR'S CALLING.



LEFT TO RIGHT—W. M. RYAN, MRS. H. M. KERROX, MISS PEARL COOKE, J. M. HEALY, MISS SADIE NOYES, JOSEPH LESLIE, MISS EDNA CHURCH, S. A. VOLKMAN, MRS. MAHEL WEID, BUGLER EATON, WILLIAM WHITEFIELD, MISS M. WALLIN, MISS F. C. THORNTON, J. T. FRELAN, C. V. BOWMAN AND HARRY M. KERROX.

MISSIONS IN NEED

Student Volunteers Told of Evangelical Opportunities.

HASTE HELD IMPERATIVE

New York Pastor Says if Idea of Christ Does Not Permeate This Generation, Other Ideas Will Supplant It.

KANSAS CITY, Jan. 1.—"The evangelization of the world must be accomplished in this generation," declared Dr. Robert E. Speer, of New York City, in an address today to the student volunteer convention.

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SEATTLE, Wash., Jan. 1.—A dispatch from Victoria, B. C., says that the Yarrow Shipbuilding Company, of Glasgow, Scotland, has purchased the plant of the British Columbia Marine Railway Company, at Esquimalt, B. C., together with eight acres of land adjoining, for \$1,000,000.

A. F. Yarrow, representing the purchaser, says the plant will be greatly enlarged.

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ARE you suffering with rheumatism of any kind? Are you willing to accept a remedy that you pay for only if it cures you? We believe you should and will write at once for the FREE book, which does not obligate you to buy anything, but which explains the remedy 6088 (sixty-eighty-eight) which has cured thousands and the diet and exercise that aid in rapid recovery. You need to see the System Chart for Inflammation, Chronic Arthritis and Muscular Rheumatism and Gout and Rheumatic Gout. You must know how 6088 dissolves and removes the deposits from joints and muscles—acts as a tonic, laxative and blood purifier. Not a drop of "dose"—dangerous drugs—in 6088. Our book has been called the most concise, practical, intelligent discussion of the entire subject of rheumatism ever written. Ask your friends about their experience with 6088. Write for book today. Matt J. Johnson Co., Dept. X, St. Paul, Minn.

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