LEASING SYSTEM IS STILL TO BE URGED

Western Senators, Borah Leading, Are Gathering Strength to Combat Plan.

WHITE HOUSE BEHIND BILLS

Administration, However, Is Committed to Two Radically Different Sets of Measures Yet to Go Before Senate Committee,

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, March 15.-Lack of time was the only thing that prevented the passage of the Administration's conpassage of the Administration's con-servation bills at the recent session of Congress, and their defeat can be directly attributed to the filibuster on the shipping bill. At the next session, however, the conservation bills will be brought to the front, and, under pressure from the White House, prob-ably will be passed. This will not be accomplished without a fight, however, as several Western Senators have deas several Western Senators have deas several western senators have de-termined to make an effort to have the leasing bills radically amended in order that the states may benefit to a greater extent than under the bills as they stand, and a few Western Sen-ators intend, if possible, to defeat the

leasing system.

It is conceded generally that, not-withstanding Western opposition, there will be votes enough to shove through the leasing bills in some form or other.

Administration Wants Doubtful. It is difficult to ascertain just ex-actly what the Administration wants in actly what the Administration wants in the way of conservation legislation. During the second session of the 63d Congress a series of bills was introduced in the House, approved by the Administration, and rushed through under gag rules and over the protest of Western members. Only the Alaska coal leasing bill passed the Senate. When, at the short session, the Senate committees got to work on the bills that came over from the House, substantial amendments were adopted in committee, and the amended bills were reported in form far more acceptable to Western Senators than in ceptable to Western Senators than in the shape in which they passed the House. Again it was announced that the amended bills were as the Admin-istration would have them. The Administration stands committed

at this time to two radically different sets of bills for the development of water power, for the leasing of coal, oil and phosphate lands, for the regu-lation of water power development on navigable streams and the radium bill, yet to be considered by a Senate com-

Bornh Starts Move for Aid.

It is the manifest purpose of West-ern Senators to build up support among their Eastern colleagues, in the among their Eastern colleagues, in the hope of forcing still further concessions from the Administration in the matter of conservation legislation. Senator Borah, of Idaho, who is opposed to the Administration bills as they stand, started the crusade for Eastern co-operation in a speech delivered recently in Philadelphia. In that speech he sought to give his audience something of the Western viewpoint, and in doing so, said:
"Pennsylvania has 28,886,640 acres within her borders. In 1910 she had a population of 7,655,111. In-1912 she had a total assessed valuation of about

a population of 7.685,111. In-1912 she had a total assessed valuation of about 35.474,227,538. This gives an idea of her great wealth as a state and an indication of how you have built up this commonwealth.

"In Idaho we have withdrawn from use or private entry and tied up as forest reserves 17,712,660 acres, considerable more than half of your great state. Nearly 85 ner cent of our entire trate.

state. Nearly 83 per cent of our entire state is withdrawn from entry and use. We cannot tax it and cannot impose on it any of the burdens of state government. We must, howeverr, enforce the criminal laws of the state over that entire area. The other 18 per cent of the state must pay the burdens of the entire 100 per cent. Would you people in Penn-sylvania like to experiment with that proposition?

Emigration to Canada Cited.

"During the past five years more an 109,000 American citizens have th year passed into Canada to ac-dire homes and homesteads. They are of that class of men who constitute the best there is in American life, because they are sinte builders, pioneers in the development of new countries, and will in the end furnish food for the great congested centers of the United States. assert that of the 17,000,000 acres

withdrawn as forest reservations in my state at least 5,000,000 acres of it would, if permitted to be used, make homes and constitute successful agrinomes and constitute successful agri-cultural communities. We have no objection to retaining the other 12,000,-000 acres as forest reserves. But we say that the inclusion in the forest re-serves of 5,000,000 acres of agricultural land while thousands and thousands of land while thousands and thousands of homeseekers are finding homes in an-other country is not conservation; it does not even rise to the dignity of a well-directed stupidity—it is a crime. I presume that condition will continue for a time, but such stupendous folly will not be permitted after intelligent can people come to understand

Masses Must Pay Royalty.
"In addition to this, it is not proposed to fasten on every natural resource of the West an additional tax or source of the West an additional tax or royalty which will be paid in the end by the masses of the people. The coal, the cil. the mineral, the power and everything will carry a tax. We will have about 12 or 15 per cent subject to taxation and on the people who cover that 12 or 15 percent is to be imposed another tax wholly unknown to you people in the East. How are we to build great commonwalths in the West under such a proposition? Do you want us to make great commonwealths, or do you want is to be rewealths, or do you want its to be reduced to colonies and to a landlord and lenant system? We do not want the latter and we are not going to have it. It may take some time to domonstrate that fact, but it will be demonstrated in the end.

"This whole scheme of a leasing and royalty wastem for these few public.

royalty system for these few public land states has its most animafed impetus in a desire to find another and subtle way to raise more taxes with which to feed these ever-increasing bureaus at Washington. The number of employes in our bureaus is mounting up not by hundreds, but by thousands each year. The people haven't any idea of the increase in the number of employes, and some way must be found to raise money, and in a more subtle way than that of a direct levy, hence

way than that of a direct levy, hence this royalty or leasing system.
"I maintain that the natural re-sources of a state belong to the state and should be utilized to the upbuild-ing of that state, and that if any roy-alties or licenses are to be paid, they should be paid into the state treasury in order to reduce the burdens of the meeting of that particular state. ople of that particular state."

Greece devotes 222,380 acres to elive groves and produces 30 kinds of clives.

THERE'LL BE SOMETHING DOING ON THE LOWER RIVER TODAY.



PRESS IS DEFENDED

Government Tends to Silence Newspapers, Says Editor.

READERS DECLARED JURY

Director of New York Times' Policy Says Senate Lobby Investigators Infringe on Liberty of Press. European Method Compared.

WASHINGTON, March 15.—Vigorous protest against the "tendency of Governmental investigations to place the newspapers of the country under a sort of duress," was made today by Charles R. Miller, editor-in-chief of the New York Times, before the Senate lobby investigating committee. Chairman Walsh has questioned Mr. Miller at length as to editorials and news stories in his paper, bearing on the ship bill, trust prosecutions and railway mail pay. At the conclusion of his examination, Mr. Miller questioned the authority of the committee to inquire as to many of the matter discussed, and said:

"I can see no ethical, moral or legal in the bills of the committee to ask me

and said:

"I can see no ethical, moral or legal right in this committee to ask me many of the questions you have put to me. It seems to me it would be right for you to inquire whether I know of any improper activities in connection with the ship-purchase bill. I have told you I knew of none.

"The tendency of continued inquiries along the lines of this investigation, it seems to me, would be to reduce the press of the United States to the condition of the press of some of the capitals of Central Europe, where it is known as the reptile press; where it crawls on its belly to the Foreign Office and the government officials every day to get its orders. The continued investigation, I believe, is a kind of infringement of the liberty of the press. It puts the newspapers of the country under a kind of durees."

Senator Criticises Article.

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Senator Walsh compared an article as published in the Times with articles in other New York papers.

The article disclosed that there were no sailings from New York to England scheduled for a week. The Times' article, while it appeared on the first page, Senator Walsh pointed out, was shorter than those of the other papers.

"This article would impress the public with the fact that there was no shipping facilities, would it not?" he asked.

"It would impress the public with the fact that there was a war," replied Mr. Miller. "There may be many mechani-cal or other reasons for the position of that item, besides a narrow and crooked

Sonator Walsh asked why the Time

had not printed an account of the tes-timony of P. A. S. Franklin, of the In-ternational Mercantile Marine before the committee. Mr. Miller said he knew nothing of the matter. News Not Ruled by Editorials,

"The nature of your questions indi-cates that you have a suspicion that we pervert the physical appearance of the Times to accord with the policy ex-pressed in its editorial columns," he

"Nothing could be more erroneous

"Nothing could be more erroneous. We endeavor to make the news columns reflect the news of the day as it occurs. The editorial columns go their way and the news columns go theirs."

Mr. Miller told the committee the Times opposed the shipping bill under a life-long policy of opposition to Government ownership.

Mr. Miller motested against any in-

the editors of a newspaper as large and influential as the Times just as much as it had to question the most humble editor."

Summer is indicated by its new charters of steamships announced today.

The steamers chartered are the Cambrian King, which is to call at some ports in the United States May 31; the Capital Ortegal, due at Portland, Me. the end of March; the Strathallen, du the end of March; the Strathailen, due at Boston April 10; the St. Kontigern, due for a third voyage at New York April 10; the Strathblanc, due at New York April 15; The Wabana, due at New Orleans April 10; the Strathmore, due at New York April 14, and the St. Helena, due at New York April 18.

IRISH RESENT GERMAN ACT

Freedom of City of Dublin Is Withdrawn From Professor.

DUBLIN, via London, March 15,-The Dublin City Council by a vote of 30 to 18 withdrew today from Kuno Meyer, of the University of Berlin, the freedom of

the University of Berlin, the freedom of the city, in order to indicate "disapproval of the anti-British campaign he has been conducting in America."

Kuno Meyer, who is a German, and has been professor of Celtic at the University of Berlin since 1911, was for a time director of the School of Irish Learning at Dublin. He is an authority on Celtic philosophy and founded the School of Irish Learning at Dublin for the promotion of the Old Irish language and literature. For his work in promoting the Celtic interests he was made an honorary freeman and burgess of the an honorary freeman and burgess of the cities of Dublin and Cork. During a recent visit to the United States Professor Meyer delivered sev-eral addresses on behalf of Germany.

CITY MANAGER IS REMOVED

Phoenix Official Refused to Surrender Office, Fight Barely Averted.

PHOENIX, Ariz, March 15.-W. A. Farish, city manager, was removed from office today by the City Commission, but refused to surrender his office to Robert

Craig, named in his place. The case will be taken to the courts.

The removal of Farish was preceded by turbulent scenes during which Mayor Young and Colonel J. H. McClintock, ex-Rough Rider, almost came to blows.

County officials were summoned to prevent trouble. vent trouble.
Farish was alleged to be incompetent.
Attorneys representing him said they would base their suit in court on the ground that no legal charges were lodged against Farish.

FATHER IS NOT INFORMED

Beachey's Parent, Blind and Infirm, Unable to Stand Shock.

DAYTON, O., March 15 .- William C. Beachey, father of Lincoln Beachey, has not been told of his son's death.

Mr. Beachey is a ward of the National Military Home here, but is now on a furlough, visiting friends at Lebanon. The parent is blind and is in such physical condition that friends feared today to break the news to him, Lincoln Beachey visited his father at the home last August.

FRANCE IS BUYING HORSES Contract Is Awarded for 26,000 for Cavalry and Artillery.

KANSAS CITY, March 15 .- A contract to furnish the French government 26,-000 artillery and cavalry horses was concluded today by a local firm of borse and mule dealers. The deal will involve between \$5,000,000 and \$6,000,-

borse and mule dealers. The deal will Mr. Miller protested against any inference being drawn from the fact that the Times supported the demands of the railroads for increased mall pay and that shipping interests were also interested in the railroads.

Senator Walsh declared that he wanted it understood that the committee felt it had the right to question the editors of a newspaper as large and fine more than 60,000, valued at approximately \$12,000,000.

Gain Large in Colville Acreage. as it had to question the most humble editor."

Mr. Miller replied that the "newspaper goes to the juror every morning and is judged at the breakfast table."

AID TO BELGIUM GOES ON Commission for Relief Charters Several More Steamships.

NEW YORK, March 15.—That the Commission for Relief in Belgium ex-

WILSON GETS BLAME

Party Split Is Laid at Door of the President.

TAMMANY LIKELY TO RULE

With Democratic Majority of 27 to 29 It Is Pointed Out Comparatively Few Insurgents Can Upset Programme.

ington, March 15.—If the new House of Representatives proves hostile to President Wilson and refuses to support the Administration, the President alone will Administration, the President alone will be to blame. Furthermore, the President can trace the alienation of Democratic support to his handling of patronage, especially in the State of New York. The next House has, on its face, a Democratic majority of 29, but if Republicans are elected to succeed the late Representatives Payne and Merritt, of New York, this majority will be reduced to 27, meaning that it will be in the power of 14 Democrats, acting with the Republi-

Democrats, acting with the Republi-cans, to control the action of the new House of Representatives. When President Wilson undertook to allow Secretary McAdoo to control Fedallow Secretary McAdoo to control Federal patronage in New York State, and when he ignored Senator O'Gorman in filling New York offices, he made trouble for himself with the New York Democrats in Congress. And just before the recent adjournment, the President added to his troubles with the New York Democrats in the House by ignoring them, and allowing Secretary McAdoo to select a Marshal and District Attorney for the eastern district trict Attorney for the eastern district of the state.

Protest Is Voiced.

Representative Fitzgerald, chairman of the House committee on appropriations and the other six Democratic Representatives from Brooklyn united in recommending "organization" Democrats for these positions. The President ignored their recommendations, and appointed men selected not by Senator O'Gorman, but by Secretary McAdoo. Fitzgerald, on behalf of himself and his friends in Congress, immediately announced that these appointments were made over their protest. "These men," he said, "have been appointed because they are not in sympathy or in harmony with the majority of the Democratic party in Kings County. The President informed me," he continued, "that he would not appoint anyone in sympathy with the present management of the party. I resent such an attitude. I am part of that management of the same cause which produces the present management of the party, in the same cause which produces the present management of the party, the expressed will of a majority of the Democrats in an honest primary."

It has been pointed out before that Tammany will hold the baliance of power in the next House of Representatives. Tammany is sore at the Presi-SAN FRANCISCO, March 15.—The funeral of Lincoln Beachey, killed Sunday in an exhibition flight, will take place Wednesday.

Tammany will hold the bulance of power in the next House of Representatives. Tammany is sore at the Presiplace Wednesday.

"Watch Your Step"

If you haven't spent any money for clothes lately, "watch your step"-the fellow behind you wants your job.

A slovenly appearance is a grouchy



The Shop of Style Creations Morrison, Bet. 4th and 5th.

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Republican Situation Paralelled. The situation in the new House is similar to the situation which developed in the Republican House during The situation in the new House is similar to the situation which developed in the Republican House during the Taft Administration. The President way resent their respective districts, and once an insurgent movement organizes and gains headway, it will gather recruits from among members who sympathize with those whom the President has undertaken to punish. It was so with the Republican insurgent movement, and it will be so with the Democratic insurgency, unless the Democratic insurgency in the experience of his predecessor and makes peace in his own party.

The Congressional situation is fraught with all sorts of possibilities, and the stage is set just about right to pull off an insurgent movement that will be every bit as effective as the insurgent movement that resulted in the defeat of the Republican party in 1912. President Wilson has lost popularity as the insurgent movement that resulted in the defeat of the Republican party in 1912. President Wilson has lost popularity as the insurgent movement that resulted in the defeat of the Republican party in 1912. President Wilson has lost popularity as the president willow has been written in 1913, to be held until death visited the old General Bussey was appointed as Assistant Secretary of the Interior, and after his term of office expired he stage is set just about right to pull off an insurgent movement that resulted in the defeat of the Republican party in 1912. President Wilson has lost popularity as the property of the interior, and after his term of office expired he considerable in Washington and was burled was a brother; the late Major-General Cyrus Bussey, and the Major-Genera

surgent movement that resulted in the defeat of the Republican party in 1912. President Wilson has lost popularity as fast as he gathered it; he is no longer accepted as invulnerable; the defeat of his shipping bill demonstrated that his power to drive Congress has been curbed, and his Administration is facing a situation which may prove discistrous

MR. VAIL HAS SOLUTION

PAITH IN PUBLIC SERVICE AND OTHER CORPORATIONS URGED.

Relict Seen for 2,000,000 Unemployed if Big Concerns Can Get Capital for Extensions.

NEW YORK, March 15 .- There are 2,090,000 persons unemployed in the United States whose yearly earnings should be about \$1,250,000,000, says Theodore N. Vail, president of

American Telephone & Telegraph Com-pany, in the annual report of the com-pany issued today.

These unemployed are now living at the expense of their savings, their friends or the public, he says, and what is needed to bring about their re-em-ployment and the return of prosperity is a restoration of conditions which would inspire confidence in the securi-ties of public service and manufactur-ing enterprises to enable them to ob-tain capital for extension and improve-ment.

A billion dollars a year is needed, he asserts, to put these enterprises in a position to meet the demands of the country, both as "growing" and "going" concerns, and if they could begin the expenditure of even a part of that sum "It would restore the normal condi-tions of employment, expenditure, con-sumption and production."

Conditions at Lewiston Excellent. LEWISTON, Idaho, March 15.—(Special.)—The condition of Fall-sown grain in this district is excellent, There s an increase in Fall-sown wheat of

by Late General Cyrus Bussey.

Baker Girl's Clothes Ignite From Fire and Death IS Expected.

BAKER, Or., March 15.—(Special.)— As the result of playing around a picnic fire yesterday, 10-year-old Mark, daugh-ter of Mrs. Johanna Berg, of 2150 Ne-vada street, is not expected to survive

FREE CONCERT RECITAL At Eilers Recital Hall, 3 P. M. Daily

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Wilber W. Allen, Violinist FOLK DANCES By Miss Pauline Baynes, Miss

Julia Groo. PROGRAMME 1. Selections from Thais..., Massenet 2. "Behold the Terrible City"... Thais Hector Dufranne.
3. "Love Is a Virtue Rare"
Mary Garden. Thats Mary Garden.

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John McCormack
Violin Obligato, W. W. Allen.
9. Pavlowa Gavotte. Dance
Pauline Baynes, Julia Groo.
19. Selection on Player Piano de Luxe
Accompanied by Wilber W. Allen.



dent and resents the ignoring of Tammany men in Congress when it comes to filling Federal officers in New York City and in Brooklyn. The President's attempt to punish Senator O'Gorman was resented by Tammany; the ignoring of the Brooklyn Democrats has but added fuel to the flames, and it would seem that if the Tammanyites carry into the new Congress the opposition they have recently shown toward the President, the Administration will be forced either to sacrifice its legislative programme for the new Congress, or surrender to Tammany.

Republican Situation Paralelled.

Drobably 16 per cent. The season is body.

The children of the neighborhood were holding their first Spring plante and were dancing around the first was lamited. Instantly she was enveloped in flames and her cries brought two strangers, who extinguished the blaze, but not until nearly all her clothing were burned off. She was hurried to the hospital, where no hope for her recovery is given by the attending physician.

Eagrande Cabdriver Remembered

United States Casualty Co.

Value of real estate owned (market value) 5 Value of slocks and bonds owned (market value) Leans on mortrages and collateral, etc.

State Workmen's Compensation Commission 2,225,715,00

19,337,98 gents Ledger balances, Debits 34381.08; Credits \$1648.08; tierest and rents due and crued 257,626 20 2.108.85

19,808.27 Total asset: Less special deposits in any star (if any there he) \$ 282.25 Assets not admitted . 4,866.04 \$2,056,450,48 5,148.20

Linbillities. Amount of unearned premiums
on all outstanding risks.

Due for commission erace. 1,025,185,42 erage All other liabilities Special Voluntary Additional reserve for unpaid Liability and Work men's Compensation Losses

Total liabilities fotal premiums in force Deces ber 31, 1914. \$1,701,302.10 Business in Oregon for the Year.

Gross premiums received during the year.

Premiums returned during the year 18,571.43

Losses paid during the year 18,571.45

By D. G. LUCKETT.

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METROPOLITAN LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

Capital. Amount of capital stock paid 5,966,600.04 Total Income ... 8 127,997,551,75

28,108,485.59

6,054,968.01

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23,940,161,01 1,845,528,93

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21,215,571.90

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Paid for losses, endowments, annutities and surrender values
Dividends and boouses paid to policy-holders during the year
Dividends paid on capital stock during the year.
Commissions and salaries paid during the year.
Taxes, licenses and fees paid during the year.
Amount of all other expenditures Disbursements,

Total expenditures \$ 78,185,187,56 Assets. Market value of real estate owned \$ 71,235,571.00 owned and of real estate owned warket value of stocks and bonds owned Loans on mortgages and collateral, etc.

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6,042,199.04 187,770.08 Total assets
Less special deposits in any state (if any there he).
Total assets admitted in Oregon \$ 457,188,164.47 124,091.84 486,562,770,62 Liabilities

Not reserve
Total policy claims unpaid.
All other liabilities
Total liabilities exclusive of
capital stock

2,000,000,00 \$ 465,723,825.64

Total insurance in force December 31, 1914\$2,991,114,049.06 Business in Oregon for the Year, risks written during year 1,385 1,335,350,00 22,667,85

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