NEW CHIEF PLANS TO RUSH PROJECTS

S. B. Williamson Prepares to Make Big Gains on All Enterprises in Summer.

SERVICE TO COST LESS

Reduction of Overhead Charge With Consequent Cheapening to Man on Land Proposed—Few New Jobs to Be Undertaken.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, May 7.—Aside from reducing the overhead cost of the Reclamation Service, the reorganization that is now under way is designed also to expedite work on all existing projects, with a view to bringing them to completion at the earliest possible date. This explanation is made by Sydney B. Williamson, chief of construction, who is to have charge of the new Western office at Denver, and who is to supervise work on all the projects.

Under the reorganization plan, Mr. Williamson, who recently entered the Reclamation Service, after having carried on successfully the construction of the Pacific end of the Panama Canal, is to be the big man in the service and will take prominence over all other officials, not excepting A. P. Davis, director, who succeeded F. H. Newell in the directorship.

Present Projects to Be Rushed.

Mr. Williamson and Secretary Lane are in hearty accord on plans to hasten the completion of the projects now under way, and, with the $20,000,000 loan of Congress available and almost fully appropriated, they intend to make greater strides this Summer than has ever been made before.

It is the desire of Mr. Williamson, as it is of Secretary Lane, to complete most of the projects now under way before entering upon the construction of new projects, and it is likely that, if their recommendations prevail, few new projects will be begun until the work in hand is practically completed.

Mr. Williamson plans to be an active chief of construction. He will not be a desk man. He will spend comparatively little time at his Denver office, but for the most part will be in the field, going from project to project to keep in touch with the work and to confer with project engineers.

Deputy to Run Office.

A consulting engineer, not yet selected, will be in permanent charge of the Denver headquarters, acting in the absence of Mr. Williamson.

When the House committee on appropriations makes a tour of the Government projects in June and July, Mr. Williamson will accompany the party and point out the necessity for future appropriations and the manner in which they should be distributed.

Just how far the new reorganization is going to effect economics is not yet calculated. Two years ago the overhead expense of the service was 9 per cent of its total annual outlay. Secretary Lane believed this was too high, and by economies reduced the overhead to 6 per cent. It is expected that the reorganization will bring down the general administrative cost still lower, possibly to 4 per cent.

Settlers to Get Benefit.

This reduction will inure to the benefit of the settlers, against whom the cost of the Washington office and all administrative and construction offices and forces are charged. The reorganization will throw out of employment quite a few engineers, clerks and other employes of the Reclamation Service, some of them high-priced officials.

DELAY OPPOSED BY T. R.

Self-Respect Demands Action in Lusitania Affair, Says ex-President.

SYRACUSE, N. Y., May 10.—Theodore Roosevelt tonight gave out a statement which said in part:

"On the night of the day that the disaster occurred I called the attention of our people to the fact that the sinking of the Lusitania was not only an act of simple piracy, but that it represented piracy accompanied by murder of a vaster scale than any old-time pirate had ever practiced before being hung for his misdeeds.

"I can do little more than reiterate what I then said. When the German decree established the war zone, and of course plainly threatened exactly the type of tragedy which has occurred, our Government notified Germany that in the event of any such wrong-doing at the expense of our citizens, we would hold the German government to a strict accountability.

"The use of this phrase, 'strict accountability,' of course must mean and can only mean that action will be taken by us without an hour's unnecessary delay. It is eminently proper to use the exact phrase that was used; and having used it, our own self-respect demands that we forthwith abide by it."

SOLDIERS TOIL, DIG GRAVES

Military Funeral to Be Given Victims in Queenstown Today.

QUEENSTOWN, May 10.—This has been a day of the dead in Queenstown. No survivors were added to the meager list and the only figures augmented were those of the identified dead. No additional deaths were reported at the hospitals.

Soldiers toiled all day in the graveyard digging graves for the unknown dead, who will be buried there tomorrow. The public funeral will be too large for the ordinary facilities of Queenstown and Cork, and trucks will be pressed into service to carry the coffins. The funeral will be marked by military pomp, such as is accorded those who die in the armed service of their country.

Captains William A. Castle and Alexander Miller, the American military attaches, arrived here today to confer with the American Consul, Wesley Frost.

Consul Frost has supplied many American survivors with money to reach their destination. All the identified American dead have been claimed by the Consul and the bodies are being embalmed.

TEACHERS' PAY IS ON RISE

Minnesota School Has Many Demands for Normal Graduates.

WINONA, Minn., May 5. — While the qualifications for school teachers are more exacting this year, it is a fact also that generally the salary inducements are greater, according to a statement at the Winona State Normal School.

More than 30 members of the June class of the school have procured positions in the schools of the state for the term opening next September. Many not yet elected have written applications for positions to be vacated at the end of the year.

The prevailing salary for inexperienced teachers for the 1915-16 terms is $55, an increase over other years. Something like 350 calls have come to the Winona school from the superintendents in different parts of the state, indicating the increased demand for qualified teachers. In most cases the school authorities are able to name candidates.

The new rules of the State High School Board, operative in September and requiring new candidates for positions to hold the normal school advanced diploma or its equivalent, have made themselves felt in the demands for better preparation, according to President G. E. Maxwell, of the local institution.

Moreover, students who have completed most of the course of study, but who fall short of the complete course and the diploma, are making special preparation for work in the rural schools. These well-prepared teachers, therefore, will give to the rural schools a much higher average of preparation than heretofore.

OREGON GIRL GIVES AID

MISS CONNER SUCCORS LUSITANIA VICTIMS.

Medford Nurse Rescued After Plunge Into Sea and While Unconscious; Lack of Convoy Criticised.

QUEENSTOWN, May 10.—Injured survivors of the Lusitania were reported to be progressing Sunday. Dr. Howard Fisher, who is a brother of Walter L. Fisher, ex-Secretary of the Interior of the United States, who was on his way to Belgium for Red Cross duty, has been prominent among the volunteer doctors who cared for the injured.

Dr. Fisher, who was rescued after being in the water three hours, assisted by his sister-in-law, Miss Dorothy Conner, of Medford, Or., has been caring for several patients, among them several of the titled passengers who were aboard the Lusitania, until he left for London today. Miss Conner is a cousin of Henry L. Stimson, ex-Secretary of War of the United States.

Dr. Fisher in a statement issued tonight said:

"I do not see how either the Cunard company or the Admiralty can hold themselves free from blame for this tragedy. The authorities allowed a great ship loaded with valuable cargo to proceed through known dangerous waters without a single torpedo-boat as a convoy."

Miss Conner had the thrilling experience of being rescued after resigning herself to be drowned. She said:

"I was standing on the deck beside my brother-in-law, Dr. Fisher, and Lady Mackworth. When the deck became awash I jumped into the sea with a life belt. After a terrible buffeting from the wreckage I felt myself becoming unconscious.

"I resigned myself to fate, feeling sure that I would drown. When I revived I found myself on a collapsible boat. I believe these collapsible boats saved more lives than did the regular lifeboats. The latter could not be launched in time and many of them were smashed or upset by the davits. I know that two lifeboats were launched on the port side."

Grand Opera Company Ends Great Season at Baker

Performances of "Aida" and "Rigoletto" Delight Audiences as Usual. Court's Decision on Property Awaited.

WITH the performances of "Aida" and "Rigoletto" yesterday at the Baker Theater, the present season of the Italian Grand Opera Company in this city has come to an end.

Where the company will play in the near future will be settled as soon as Judge Cleeton decides who is the owner of the scenery, costumes, music sheets, etc., of the late Mario Lambardi, impresario — property valued at about $75,000 and on which, it is feared, there are several mortgages.

M. G. Montfeasa, administrator in this city of the Lambardi estate, asserts that the scenery, etc., in dispute belongs to the Lambardi estate, and that he as administrator has authority to dispose of it. California persons holding mortgages over the property make rival claims.

But it is now believed that some sort of a compromise may be arrived at today, whereby the property may be utilized under a working arrangement with the present impresarios, De Folco and Cecchetti. In that event, the new arrangement may be completed today in Judge Cleeton's court, and De Folco and Cecchetti, with their company may proceed to Seattle for a short engagement of grand opera, en route to Salt Lake City and Los Angeles.

It is understood that for the first two weeks the company made money, but during the last two weeks the attendance was so unsatisfactory, the profits have been exhausted. The members of the company like this city, and say they will gladly play in Portland again at the first opportunity.

The performance of "Aida" was notably good. At short notice, Miss Edith Mackie had to sing the part of Amneris, in place of Madame Cecchetti, who suffers from an attack of cold, and was quite successful. So was Hartridge Whipp as Amonasro. Mr. Whipp played and sang with ease, talent, and high dramatic instinct. Miss Lynbrook and Mr. De Folco sang with delightful charm. Mr. Cecchetti, the music director and impresario, was presented with a gold medal, on behalf of the orchestra, as a mark of their high esteem.

In "Rigoletto," Ingar was the Duke; Bennyan, the Rigoletto; Rovere, the bravo; Miss Mackie, the Maddelena, and Miss Guglielmelli, the countess. The performance was well balanced, and will be pleasantly remembered.

At all the operas, the Portland orchestra has made good.

POPE LOOKS TO AMERICA

Hope Expressed Government Will Prevent Repetition of Horror.

ROME, via Paris, May 10.—Pope Benedict was deeply impressed by the sinking of the Lusitania. His Holiness expressed horror at the destruction of the liner and said he hoped the American Government would be able to make future disasters of that kind impossible.

The Italian newspapers, without distinction as to politics, strongly criticise the German methods in the sinking of the Lusitania.

MISSIONARIES IN DANGER

Invading Turks Imperil Americans in Vilayet of Van, Persia.

TIFLIS, via London, May 10.—American missionaries are reported in grave danger in the Vilayet of Van.

The Armenians there appear to be weakening after a fierce resistance against attacking Turks and Kurds.

RIGHT MAN NEEDED

Senator Borah's Idea About 1916 Campaign Indorsed.

PRESS COMMENTS CITED

Notion Republicans Can Win With "Any Old Platform and Any Candidate" Given Up Except by Standpatters.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, May 6.—The idea expressed several times by Senator Borah, of Idaho, that the Republican party, to win in 1916, must write a good platform and nominate a safe man for President, is meeting with general approval in the Eastern press, and the notion that the Republicans can win with "any old candidate" apparently is being dispelled.

An example of Eastern comment on Senator Borah's statement is contained in an editorial in the Washington Star, a conservatively independent paper, which says:

"The Idaho Senator gives the right advice. There is much discontent with the Democracy. Business is unsettled and anxious. Many Democratic workers feel and complain that they have not received 'theirs'; that so far as they are concerned, the victory of 1912 was barren. There is a grave and growing division of sentiment in the party about prohibition.

Specific Remedy Sought.

"Still it would be folly for the Republicans to rest their case on discontent, as widely spread as it may be. What the voters next year will want to know is the remedy for the troubles that exist. In other words the Republicans must present a specific plan of action and a leader acceptable to both factions of their party and to the independents, if they are to turn the Democrats out and step into their places. Not any old platform nor any old candidate will answer."

The idea that "any old platform and any old candidate" can win under the Republican banner next year has been confined almost exclusively to the old guard, to the stand-pat leaders who have been figuring on recapturing control of the Republican convention, and nominating a man of their type and of their selection on an old-time Republican platform.

Defeat Held Possible.

The progressive Republicans are firmly convinced that the campaign of 1916 can readily be lost by nominating the wrong man and by writing a poor platform.

Judging from the utterances of Republican leaders who have spoken recently on the outlook, the stand-pat contention is that the country is thoroughly tired of Democratic rule, and would welcome an old-time Republican administration; and they believe that the progressive wing of the Republican party would support even a stand-pat candidate in preference to voting the Democratic ticket.

The progressive Republicans, those who remained with the party in 1912 and those who left it, only to return, want a candidate who will be reasonably progressive, but not so radical as to alienate the stand-pat wing. The progressive leaders seem more disposed to compromise just now than do the stand-pat leaders who are anxious to recover their old power and influence.

COBBLING SCHOOL STARTED

Defective Shoes Are Blamed for Most of Truancy.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., May 4.—Defective and unfit shoes are the chief cause of the irregular attendance of many children in schools, in the poorer districts, according to the reports of the truancy division of the public schools. H. O. Berg, truancy officer, saw a novel and effective way out of the difficulty.

He engaged an expert cobbler to open a class in the Detroit-street social center to instruct the fathers and older brothers of the pupils to repair worn shoes. The plan was successful from the start and it is assured that regular classes in the repairing of footwear will start next year.

The idea is to make the people see the opportunity of aiding themselves and assisting their children in attending classes regularly. The materials for the work are purchased by the extension division and sold to the persons in the cobbling classes at cost. They thus are receiving the instruction free and the leather at a small cost.

The regular classes will start soon after the beginning of next year. A two-hour class for Tuesday and Friday nights is planned.

"Two or three lessons should make a person a fair cobbler, skillful enough, at least, to repair the shoes of his family," remarked William K. Weissbrodt, assistant truancy officer, in commenting on the recent departure in helping people to help themselves.

MILLIONAIRE IS ACCUSED

Girl-Wife Admits Guilt and Husband Sues for $25,000.

PITTSBURG, Pa., May 3. — After tearfully confessing to her husband, it was alleged, that she had been unfaithful to her marriage vows, the other man being a multi-millionaire real estate dealer, and begging forgiveness, beautiful 17-year-old Mary Barkay, the girl wife of Steven Barkay, mysteriously fled from her boarding house at 236 Wick street with a middle-aged wealthy appearing man whose identity has not been ascertained, and efforts to locate her have been futile.

The husband has commenced suit for $25,000 damages against Chedomir V. VonFoerster, reputed to be a multi-millionaire real estate operator of Gary, Ind., who has offices in the Bakewell building, this city, New York, Cleveland and several other large centers. It is charged by the plaintiff that the defendant alienated the affections of the girl bride.

Judge John D. Shafer signed an order for a capias and attaches of the sheriff's office are now endeavoring to find Foerster.

FAT GIRL DELAYS TRAIN

Crew Has Difficult Time Moving Circus Freak Into and From Car.

OIL CITY, Pa., May 3.—Traffic on the Oil City-Ashtabula branch of the New York Central lines was delayed 20 minutes when Anna Chelton, Oil City's famous fat girl, weighing more than 700 pounds, departed to join the circus.

A half dozen men transported her in a specially made wheel chair to the baggage car, and when a transfer was made at Andover it was necessary to detach the car and shift it to the freight depot. Later the baggage car of the second train was shifted to the depot, and the 700 pounds of human flesh placed in it.

The train, held until the crew made the transfer, then departed.

BREAKING OUT BEGAN ON FACE

Spread All Over Body. Red Rash Would Appear Itching Something Awful. Skin Dry and Rough. Used Cuticura Soap and Ointment and Was Entirely Well.

Tee Dee, Mont.—"I had a breaking out for several years. It began on my face and spread all over my body. My face would feel hot and a red rash would appear itching something awful. My skin seemed to get dry and rough. Watery blisters would form which itched. I tried not to scratch for fear of leaving scars. Sometimes I did have red marks for several days after the rash would leave. The breaking out was worse each time it appeared. I could not sleep nights.

"I tried several different things but never could get rid of the itching entirely until I used Cuticura Soap and Ointment. I soon got relief. I bought some Cuticura Soap and only two large boxes of Cuticura Ointment before I was entirely well." (Signed) Miss Ida P. LaBree, October 27, 1914.

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SUNDAY MOVIES BANNED

Philadelphia Director Thinks Plea Move for Wide Open City.

PHILADELPHIA, May 2.—Moving pictures, either in private or public, will not be permitted in theaters on Sunday as the result of an order issued by Director Porter to Superintendent of Police Robinson recently.

The director said that he did not issue a permit for the private exhibition given in a Market street theater on a recent Sunday, but following that incident he received five applications in a week for permits for shows on Sunday. Later fifteen applications were made and all refused.

"During my visit to the west," said the director, "I saw enough of the open Sunday in San Francisco. While I have the power we will have nothing of the sort in this city. Many of the persons asking for permission to open on Sunday did so with the plea that part of the proceedings were to go to charity. This may have been so, but I believe that the latter object was being used for a purpose, and that the persons desirous of giving Sunday shows were using it as a wedge for a wide-open Sunday."

GAS TURNED ON BY FALL

Collapse of Invalid on Range Ends Life in Nurse's Absence.

PHOENIX, Pa., May 2. — When the nurse who has been attending Mrs. Harry Rowe, of Ridge avenue, returned to the room in which the patient had been lying after a few minutes' absence, she found Mrs. Rowe stretched across the gas range with the gas turned on.

Calling for help, the nurse tried all means in her power to restore heart action, but failed. Two physicians who were summoned, Dr. Mullison and Dr. Reimer, after examination pronounced the woman dead.

Mrs. Rowe, who has been ill for two years, it is believed attempted to arise and fell across a gas connection, releasing it and permitting the fumes to flow into the room. In her weakened condition she was unable to call for help.

Her husband, who is a mailman, had left the home but a little while before the accident. A brother, Officer Boyle, is connected with the Philadelphia police department.

MAN TAKES SELF TO TASK

Postmaster Gets Own Letter Ordering Mailbox Fixed.

MINNEAPOLIS, May 3. — E. A. Purdy, 2104 James avenue South, Minneapolis, got a letter from himself recently. It was signed E. A. Purdy, postmaster, and informed him that if he does not repair the mailbox at his residence, delivery of his mail will be stopped. This letter was one of 5000 sent out on reports of mailcarriers.

Mr. Purdy ordered a new mailbox.

VISITS TO WIFE ENJOINED

St. Paul Man Cannot Speak to Children, Pending Suit.

ST. PAUL, Minn., May 4. — A restraining order prohibiting Martin Johnson from visiting his wife, Annie J. Johnson, at her home, 1898 Cleveland avenue, pending the outcome of a suit for divorce she has filed, based on charges of cruelty, was issued by District Judge Hugo Hanft.

The order also prohibits Johnson from talking to his wife or his two children.

"DON'T TALK," SAYS CLARK

Speaker Thinks No Extra Session of Congress Will Be Called.

BOWLING GREEN, Mo., May 10.—Speaker Clark, of the National House of Representatives, at his home here tonight said it was his opinion that no extra session of Congress would be called of the situation resulting from the sinking of the Lusitania. He said further:

"The less people talk about the disaster the better off the country will be."

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TEST PHONE SAVES LIFE

Presence of Mind of Lineman Is Means of Bringing Aid.

PITTSBURG, May 4.—Presence of mind of Bruce Thompson, a telephone wire chief, saved the life of William P. Dersang, a biscuit company driver, in Hayes Borough recently. When the front axle of the biscuit company's wagon broke the horses frightened and ran away. Dersang tried to leap, but the wagon upset and he was wedged against timbers supporting the railroad trestle.

Thomson lifted the wagon from Dersang's body unassisted and tried to revive him. Knowing there were no telephones within a radius of a mile he climbed a pole and connected his test telephone with the Homestead exchange and in turn was connected with the Homestead Hospital. Dersang was taken there in an ambulance, suffering from injuries on the head and body and probable internal hurts.

Dr. Pearson's Body Recovered.

QUEENSTOWN, May 10.—Rrepresentatives of the Pearson family today recovered the body of Dr. F. S. Pearson. They also visited the morgues searching for the body of Mrs. Pearson, who is missing.

WOMEN ATTACK GERMANS

Fury Over Lusitania in London Leads to Riots Against Shops.

LIVERPOOL, May 10.—The attacks on German shops, which began yesterday, were renewed tonight as the result of the fury aroused by the sinking of the Lusitania.

Most of the rioters were women.

AMERICA DOUBLES GUARD

No Explanation Given for Action at Arsenal.

DOVER, N. J., May 10.—The guard at the Picatinny Arsenal of the United States Naval power works at Lake Denmark, five miles from here, was doubled today.

No explanation was given as to the reason for the added precaution.

Children Tied to Auto Dragged Far.

NEW YORK, May 6.—Frederick Bernham, 7, and Katherine Ryder, 6, of Fort Hamilton Parkway, Brooklyn, tied themselves by a rope to an automobile standing in front of their home. The driver did not see them, and started the car, dragging the children a block. They were treated in Coney Island Hospital.

SUICIDE GIVES WARNING

"Beware of Gas" Reads Note on Outside of Death Chamber.

MONTCLAIR, N. J., May 3.—An ashman saw the rear door open at the home of F. G. Austin, 17 Gardner Place today, and knowing that Mr. and Mrs. Austin were away, entered the house to investigate. On a closet door on the upper floor was pinned a piece of paper bearing the warning, "Be careful—gas." The ashman reported to the police, who sent men to the house.

In the closet they found the body of A. C. Williamson, 49 years old, a brother of Mrs. Austin. He had been asphyxiated from illuminating gas flowing from a jet in the closet. Williamson had made his home with his sister for some time past. Mrs. Austin left for Daytona, Fla., several days ago and her husband is absent on a business trip. When neighbors saw Williamson last, they say, he did not appear to be despondent.

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