

WOMAN'S PECCON GROWS AS IT GOES

Million Names Expected on Demand for Suffrage When It Reaches Capital.

CAR TRAVELS 2500 MILES

Envoy From Suffrage States Describes Difficult Stages of Journey Undertaken Unselfishly In Aid of Cause.

BY SARA BARD FIELD. KANSAS CITY, Kan., Oct. 24.—Nearly four weeks have elapsed since Margaret Anglin put into my hands the petition of voting women with its half million signatures, asking Congress speedily to pass the Susan B. Anthony amendment enfranchising the women of the Nation. This ceremony took place before some 5000 persons in the cathedral-like court of abundance at the exposition grounds at San Francisco.

Since then our little party, consisting of Miss Maria Kindberg, owner and driver of the car; Miss Ingeborg Kindstedt, mechanic, both of Providence, R. I., and myself as envoy, have traveled some 2500 miles in our gasoline flight across country. We have tumbled over the Sierras and the Rockies, swept through the deserts and rolled over the prairies. We have been lost a whole night in the Nevada desert; have been caught in a blinding Wyoming snow storm and stuck for several frozen hours in a Kansas mudhole.

Petition Remains Unharmful.

But the petition is unharmful. Safe and unmolested a large part of its bulk lies under the seat in the car. The rest has gone on to Washington. There were 500,000 names on it when we left. I think there will be 1,000,000 before we arrive in Washington, so strong and fervent is the spirit we meet everywhere.

Our car, decorated with a banner which says, "We demand an amendment to the Constitution of the United States enfranchising women," and the announcement that 4,000,000 women now vote creates a stir in all the hamlets and towns through which we pass. Women run to the window to see it go by and we often find people waiting for us along the way.

It is so much bigger to think of suffrage in National rather than state terms. It is so much finer to think of women who have the ballot working for those who haven't it, rather than for themselves.

Problem Settled in Wyoming.

Now we have passed through Wyoming. That state was born with equal suffrage a part of its make-up. The people there do not think of discussing it as a problem or a special trouble—the time we got into trouble—the time we took a man chauffeur from Ely, Nev., to Salt Lake City. He lost us that memorable night in the desert. We intend from now on to keep it strictly a woman's affair.

Simple, splendid women, comrades to their husbands and helpers in all things! The Governor's wife told me that in her lonely life on the prairie she had taught her children all they know, not only to read and write, but to sit straight in a saddle, to shoot straight and to depend on themselves. Yet men still wonder if suffrage will make women less devoted mothers!

FINANCIAL REPORT MADE

Industrial Insurance Commission Gives Figures for 16 Months.

SALEM, Or., Nov. 4.—(Special).—The financial statement of the State Industrial Accident Insurance Commission, issued today, covering the 16 months prior to October 31 last, shows receipts totaling \$778,141.05 and disbursements of \$620,980.57.

The disbursements show: Balance in reserve to guarantee pensions, \$258,986.78; time loss, \$180,712.94; first aid, \$99,005.26; pensions paid, \$13,608.73; and administrative expenses, \$58,671.86.

The Commission received reports of 563 accidents in various industries last month, of which 61 were fatal. Since the Commission has been in operation 6314 accidents have been reported, of which 93 were fatal.

BUSINESS TREND UPWARD

Lecturer at O. A. C. Forecasts Period of Depression After War.

OREGON AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE, Corvallis, Nov. 4.—(Special).—"Business is taking an upward trend," said Frank H. Storms, lecturer of the collegiate department of the Babson Statistical Service, speaking before the students in commerce on the factors that influence fluctuations. He said that there would be good business conditions until the close of the war when the period of readjustment would cause another period of uncertainty.

WAR TO ENRICH AMERICA

Industry and Art Expected to Be Developed From Struggle.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 31.—"It seems to me that the outstanding feature of the war is that at the end of the war America will stand without a rival as the richest nation in the world, the only really great nation, whose wonderful resources will remain unimpaired and

which has not been robbed of millions of its best youth," said Dr. J. L. White, of St. Louis, at the Raleigh.

"The centers of power will be in America; the financial capital of the world will no longer be London, but New York, and it is likely that here the great steamship lines will be owned, if our capitalists receive the right kind of encouragement from the Government. It is our greatest opportunity to re-establish the American merchant marine.

"The streams of European immigration will largely cease, because Europe will need her own boys and girls and will hold them. Our own population will become consolidated and thoroughly American.

"We may not increase in numbers so rapidly as we have been doing, but our population will be an American-born and American-educated population. The twentieth century will be the great American century, in which American art and literature and American business will lead the world."

WAR 'PREP' PROPOSED

TWO YEARS' PRELIMINARY EDUCATION BEING CONSIDERED.

Finn Would Double Capacity of Academies and Increase Number of Partly Trained Men.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Nov. 4.—Neither the President nor the Secretary of War intends to recommend the establishment of a second West Point Military Academy in the West, as suggested some months ago by ex-President Taft. On the contrary, the present Administration disapproves that plan.

There is under consideration, however, a second plan which may give to the training of young men for Army commissions. This plan looks to the establishment of one or more, probably two, military preparatory schools, where young men aspiring to enter West Point or Annapolis may receive two years' instruction, similar to the first and second year courses at West Point and Annapolis. Graduates from these schools, it is proposed, shall be eligible for appointment to West Point or Annapolis, as they may elect, and if appointed, will take a two-year finishing course.

The proponents of this scheme point out that it will automatically double the capacity of both the West Point and Annapolis academies and yet will permit the Government to graduate its cadets and midshipmen with the same education they are receiving under the present plan.

By the establishment of one preparatory school in the West and another in the East a large number of young men wishing to receive military education can get the two-year training, with the accompanying education, regardless of whether they later enter West Point or Annapolis.

DRAINAGE SURVEY IS DONE

Engineer for Federal Project at Salem Leaves for Salt Lake.

SALEM, Or., Nov. 4.—(Special).—Survey of the proposed French Prairie drainage district, which has been in progress under the direction of Guy Hart, drainage engineer for the United States Department of Agriculture, for the past two months, has been completed. Mr. Hart left at once for his headquarters in Salt Lake City, where he will complete the map of the district and prepare a report and estimates of the cost of construction.

Hunter Hit by Own Gun, Loses Arm.

COTTAGE GROVE, Or., Nov. 4.—(Special).—Earl Bennett, a former resident, best known here as "Red" Bennett, lost his right arm Saturday, when both barrels of a shotgun in his hands exploded. The discharge tore the arm off near the shoulder.

Finn Is Held for Trial.

ASTORIA, Or., Nov. 4.—(Special).—Alex Palmross pleaded not guilty in the Circuit Court this afternoon to an indictment charging him with robbery. Finn was committed to the county jail in default of \$1000 bond, to appear for trial on November 17. Palmross is a Finn, has been in this country only about eight months and cannot speak a word of English. Should he be found guilty on the charge against him steps will be taken immediately to have him deported.

\$50,000,000 PLANT HEAD UP BY TITLE

Engineers' Society Drafts Law to Fix Columbia Rights for Nitrate Project.

BILL TO GO TO CONGRESS

Mr. Lewis, of Oregon State Official Family, Intimates Dispute Only Is In Way of Enterprise. Need Is Declared Great.

CHICAGO, Nov. 4.—A Federal law which would eliminate existing disputes and open the way for the immediate construction of a \$50,000,000 project on the Columbia River in Oregon for the manufacture of nitrates used in the manufacture of explosives, is to be drafted by a committee appointed by the American Society of Civil Engineers, which met here today for a week's session.

Several irrigation schemes in the West, the proposed control of Mississippi River floods by the establishment of storage dams at headwaters and determination of responsibility in preventing pollution of streams by emptying city sewage into them are some of the other problems which also are tied up and which led the engineering body to take action.

"The United States is dependent for its nitrate stores, essential in the manufacture of explosives, on Chile," said Mr. Lewis. "The supplies on hand probably would last not more than 30 days in actual warfare. Control of the sea by a belligerent power would shut us off completely from our source of supply and leave us helpless until means to replenish it could be found."

Nitrogen Drawn From Air.

"There is a process of drawing nitrogen from the air by burning the air in powerful electric furnaces. Employment of this process is all that has saved Germany from ammunition famine. No plant for using the process on a commercial scale exists in the United States. A \$50,000,000 project on the Columbia River, which would supply National demands is held up solely because of uncertainty as to title to water power.

"The export duties we pay Chile for nitrates within a few years would defray the cost of a plant of our own. But, as I say, contention over the title to water power has thus far balked all efforts to realize the project."

F. H. Newell, ex-director of the United States Reclamation Service, now professor of civil engineering at the University of Illinois, is chairman of the committee. The other members are: Charles W. Comstock, Colorado ex-State Engineer; John H. Lewis, Oregon State Engineer; Charles D. Marx, of Leland Stanford University; and Gardner S. Williams, of Ann Arbor, Mich., president and vice-president respectively of the Engineering Society of W. C. Hoag, professor of sanitary engineering at the University of Michigan; Clemens Herschel, of New York; and Robert E. Horton, of Albany, N. Y.

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YARDS TO HELP PENDLETON

Fifteen Families Expected to Make Homes Near City.

PENDLETON, Or., Nov. 4.—(Special).—Pendleton expects to benefit materially from the establishment of the terminal freight yards at Pilot Rock Junction. The completion of the yards will bring in at least 15 families. If they are to make their homes in Pendleton there must be good roads between the terminal yards and Pendleton if they do business in Pendleton.

The question of housing the additional families has not been decided by the railroad company as yet. The road between the Junction and Pendleton, a stretch of three miles, is in a poor condition. The company expected to have the yards completed by November 15, but it is doubtful whether they will be done before December 31. The contractors have been handicapped in the work by a lack of men. A night crew has been put on recently to hasten the completion of the roundhouse.

BABSON METHODS SHOWN

Corvallis Students Hear Presentation of Business Conditions.

OREGON AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE, Corvallis, Nov. 4.—(Special).—The country has passed through its period of business depression and has entered upon a double period of prosperity, according to the barometric plot of the Babson Statistical Organization, whose representative, F. H. Storms, presented the theory of constant action and reaction periods to students of the college school of commerce.

Mr. Storms' lecture was the first public presentation of the Babson statistical methods in the Pacific Northwest. The next lecture of the business men's course in the school of commerce will be delivered next week by Phil S. Bates, of Portland.

SUGGESTION TO WOMEN

Who Are "Just Ready to Drop"

When you are "just ready to drop," when you feel so weak that you can hardly drag yourself about—and because you have not slept well, you get up as tired-out next morning as when you went to bed, you need help. You can get it just as Mrs. Maxwell did. She says:

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