

PRESIDENT PLANS HIS SPEAKING TOUR

National Defense to Be Principal Topic, but Others May Be Included.

SECOND TRIP TO FOLLOW

Seclusion Sought in Voyage Down Potomac for Preparation of Address to Be Delivered Before Railroad Men.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21.—Final plans for President Wilson's forthcoming trip through the Middle West to speak on National preparedness, approved to-night, indicate stops at Pittsburgh, Cleveland, Milwaukee, Chicago, Des Moines, Topeka and Kansas City. A tentative itinerary drawn up last night included St. Louis, St. Joseph and Davenport, but these cities have been eliminated and Milwaukee and Topeka substituted.

The President and Mrs. Wilson left Washington tonight on the Naval yacht Mayflower for a two-day cruise down the Potomac River and Chesapeake Bay, the President having decided to seek seclusion for the preparation of an address he will deliver January 27 in New York before a banquet of the Railroad Business Association, and to outline tentatively the speeches he will make in the Middle West. He will keep in touch with the White House by wireless while away and plans to return Monday morning.

Speaking Schedule Outlined. On the Middle Western trip the President will leave Washington Friday night, January 23, and will return February 4, in time for the judicial dinner at the White House. He will speak at a day meeting in Pittsburgh January 23, in Cleveland the same night, at a day meeting in Milwaukee, January 31, in Chicago the same night, at a night meeting in Des Moines February 1, at a day meeting in Topeka February 2, and in Kansas City the same night. He will spend Sunday, January 30, in Cleveland.

In addition to the formal addresses to these seven cities the President is expected to speak briefly at several cities and towns through which his train will pass. The National defense plans of the Administration will be his principal topic, but he probably will take up other, including the European and Mexican situations.

Friends Are Welcomed. The President's visit to the War and Navy departments today for information concerning the Army and Navy to be used in the preparation of his speeches. This morning he accompanied him on the Mayflower, and he will spend much of his time dictating. As soon as the President finally approved the itinerary tonight, messages were sent the friends and organizations extending the invitations to the cities chosen, and preparations were begun immediately for the series of meetings. In most of the cities business associations will arrange the meetings. If present plans are carried out no member of the Cabinet will accompany the President.

On the President's second trip about the middle of February, in addition to going as far west as Denver, he is expected to visit several Southern cities, including probably Birmingham and at least one point in North Carolina.

IDAHO SEED MEN ELECT

Greenleaf Girl of 12 Wins Sweepstakes in Corn Exhibits.

CALDWELL, Idaho, Jan. 21.—(Special.)—Officers elected today by the Idaho Seed Growers' Association are: President, J. Wyley Sessions, Pocatello, re-elected; vice-president, J. A. Snyder, Springfield; secretary-treasurer, O. D. Center, Boise; directors, J. W. Feasler, Idaho Falls, and O. E. Scott, Pocatello.

Morton Winslow, of Greenleaf, aged 12, won the grand sweepstakes in the corn department with first and second prize displays from the National Corn Show at St. Paul. Canyon County corn growers won seven out of eight firsts.

NEW OFFICIALS SEATED

Ridgefield Council Defers Action on \$11,000 Water Plant.

RIDGEFIELD, Wash., Jan. 21.—(Special.)—The new administration took hold Thursday night and bids were opened for Ridgefield's \$11,000 water system.

The new officials are: George W. Burke, Mayor; Frank H. Gilbert, Thomas H. Blackstone, Edward A. Blackstone, Benjamin Rich and H. J. Potter, Councilmen; E. L. Schalter, Treasurer.

Award of contract was deferred until the bids could be canvassed further, as there were 24 submitted.

2 FEED WAREHOUSES BURN

Packing Apparatus Lost, Too, in \$15,000 Fire at Twin Falls.

TWIN FALLS, Idaho, Jan. 21.—(Special.)—Fire starting at midnight last night destroyed two large warehouses here containing thousands of dollars' worth of alfalfa, clover and other feed, wheat, fruit, packing apparatus and supplies.

The total loss has not been ascertained, but is estimated at between \$15,000 and \$20,000.

MORE WHEAT SOLD AT \$1

Davenport, Wash., Farmers Now Are Asking Higher Price.

SPOKANE, Wash., Jan. 21.—(Special.)—Ridgefield, Wash., reports sales of 100,000 bushels of wheat Wednesday at \$1; Wilbur, Wash., sold 120,000 bushels at \$1; Kendrick sales were 20,000 and Winona's, 12,000, all at \$1.

Farmers at Davenport, now that the dollar mark is reached, want more money.

Chehalis Lodges Install Officers.

CHEHALIS, Wash., Jan. 22.—(Special.)—Local Oddfellows installed for the ensuing year are Clarence Kimbro, noble grand; Howard S. Chapin, vice-grand; Robert Stout, right supporter; W. C. Green, left supporter, and L. Skillings, treasurer. The Rebekahs installed following officers for the coming year: Bertha Gage, past noble grand; Katherine Edwards, noble grand; Irene Wooster, vice-grand; Bonnie Martin, right supporter noble grand; Elizabeth

HAY SCARCE AT HERMISTON

Price of Product in Stack Up to \$15 Seven Miles From Station.

NEW MULTNOMAH COUNTY AGRICULTURIST IS PRACTICAL WORKER.

S. B. Hall, the newly appointed agriculturist for Multnomah County, was raised on a farm near Fairview in the eastern part of the county and acquired a practical knowledge of agriculture before going to the Oregon Agricultural College.

Since receiving his degree at O. A. C. Mr. Hall established the first high school agricultural department in the United States at Los Angeles, where he was in charge of an agricultural department organized there. He comes to Multnomah County with the recommendation of H. D. Hetzel, head of the extension department of O. A. C.

August, when purchases were made in large quantities by stockmen and feeders at 7 a ton in the Tri-Valley area a demand for chopped hay from Portland and other Western Oregon points and 2000 tons of alfalfa were sold in this form. Additional orders for baled hay were supplied and as winter approached a scarcity became apparent and the price rose steadily. With the first of the year the price advanced began to soar and as high as \$15 a ton has been paid for loose hay.

CREAMERY OUTPUT GROWS

Winlock Co-operative Butter in 1915 Brings \$54,963.78.

WINLOCK, Wash., Jan. 21.—(Special.)—The annual report of the Winlock Co-operative Creamery shows that 292,367 pounds of butter was made in 1915, a very material increase over the 1914 output. The product sold for \$54,963.78. Operating expenses aggregated \$474.87. The average price paid for butter during the year was 20.4 cents a pound. There are now 225 patrons who supply the plant with cream, many living at a considerable distance.

Officers were elected as follows: Emil Katterman, president; Henry Koski, vice-president; J. Kalkka, vice-president; Louis Hansen, treasurer; Chris Peterson, secretary.

P. Nelson, the buttermaker, has developed a reputation for the Winlock product.

Rabies Takes Three Cows.

HERMISTON, Or., Jan. 21.—(Special.)—Three dairy cows affected with rabies have been killed near here during the last two days. These animals were seven miles distant from each other. Twenty-seven days ago a mad dog was killed in Hermiston. It is known that the cow near town was bitten by this dog and she was closely confined since that date. She first refused to eat anything a few days ago and the owner fastened her with a heavy rope. A few hours later all the symptoms were apparent.

Asphalt Fountains Bubble Minerals.

ASHLAND, Or., Jan. 21.—(Special.)—Mineral waters were turned on at the various park fountains and depot pavilion January 20. The varieties are lithia, soda and sulphur, as reinforced by electric pumps through pipelines at the several springs to the receiving stations. Everything moved along satisfactorily and the system is considered as practically completed. In the meantime arrangements are going ahead for "dedicating" the springs' project, scheduled at a big celebration here July 3, 4 and 5.

Boisfort and Pe Ell to Debate.

CENTRALIA, Wash., Jan. 21.—(Special.)—The debating teams of the Boisfort and Pe Ell high schools will meet in the Klabsor grange hall tomorrow night. Boisfort will support the affirmative of "Resolved, That the Monroe Doctrine should be discontinued." Boisfort will be represented by Albert Friese, Helen Rundtree and Austin Duncan and Pe Ell by Joe Maurer, Tauffie Charneski and Clyde Dasher.

Wasco Ladies' Aid Club Entertains.

WASCO, Or., Jan. 21.—(Special.)—Most of the business men of this place attended a banquet given by the Ladies' Aid Society Wednesday night in the Methodist Episcopal Church. A light gymnasium, where young men can box and wrestle will be part of the new equipment. Dr. Phipps, of Portland, was the speaker.

53 Americans Join British Colors.

VANCOUVER, B. C., Jan. 21.—Fifty-three Americans recruited for the Ninety-seventh Canadian Regiment, which is to be composed entirely of citizens of the United States and to be known as the American Legion, departed by train for Toronto today to join the regiment.

Chinook Strikes The Dalles.

THE DALLES, Or., Jan. 21.—(Special.)—A real chinook struck this city shortly after midnight with the result that today there has resembred a Summer day, the maximum temperature being 52 degrees. The river shows no signs of breaking up and no ice jam is in prospect.

HOMES READ TO TAKE ISSUE PRESENTED

Government Sues County in Idaho to Test Right and Appeal Will Follow.

FULL TITLE INSISTED ON

3 NIGHTRIDERS GUILTY

TWO CONVICTED, ONE ADMITS OFFENSE IN MISSOURI.

Rider Turns State's Evidence and Relates Secret Workings of Bands Preying on Landowners.

NEW MADRID, Mo., Jan. 21.—John Elder and Dick Gannett convicted today of participating in a night rider attack on M. R. Adkisson, a land owner living near Gideon, Mo. Fifty alleged night riders remain to be tried.

Edward Miller, one of the alleged night riders, who has turned state's evidence, testified today as to the secret workings of the different bands. He said he was induced to join the "Gideon band"—so-called because its members lived in the vicinity of Gideon. He told it was a sort of labor union. Miller testified that Riley Miskel, who he said, was chief of the band, gave every dollar charged against the band for water and for maintenance. It also is the Government's contention that improvements of these homesteads cannot be taxed until the land itself is subject to taxation.

Homesteads Complied With. The Government brief sets forth that the homestead entries who figure in this litigation have complied with the provisions of the ordinary homestead law, but have not complied with the additional provisions of the reclamation law requiring the cultivation of half the acre of their entries, nor have they made full payments required by the reclamation act.

Government counsel cite an old decision of the Supreme Court in which it was held that before any land acquired under the public land laws becomes subject to taxation, full equitable title must have passed and no liens or equitable rights of the United States be unextinguished.

A tax lien, if valid, is superior to all other liens and a tax sale, if valid, confers a title paramount to all others, argues the Government. From this it is argued that as long as the Government holds a lien for unpaid construction charges the states cannot establish a superior lien by attempting to sell the property at tax sale.

Tax Title Buyer Not Qualified. Furthermore, under the homestead law, a settler on a Government project can transfer only to some person qualified to receive the title under the homestead entry. If one of these entries is sold at tax sale the state, under its laws, can sell to the tax purchaser, regardless of his qualifications, under the reclamation law, and herein might arise a conflict between state and Federal statute.

Government's lien on the Boise project, it is pointed out, is in excess of \$1,000,000. "So," says counsel, "if the United States is to have an equal status on the lands involved in the case of Northern Pacific vs. Trail County prevented the lands from becoming taxable because such a lien of the United States, then how much more must the lands involved in this case be exempt from taxation where the tax lien and tax sale are superior to the lien of the United States amounting to more than \$11,000,000, and where Congress has expressly declared and embodied an explicit intent that no other lien superior to the lien of the United States shall ever be permitted to attach to the title in question prior to complete payment of the charges due the United States."

ST. HELENS FIGHTS TAX

RECALL PETITION FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY BOARD IS CIRCULATED.

Judge and Commissioners Are Charged With Ignoring Wishes and Demands of Taxpayers.

ST. HELENS, Or., Jan. 21.—(Special.)—Follow-up of the County Commissioners to eliminate any item of the budget, as published, the Columbia County Taxpayers' League appointed a committee to consider the matter. As a result, a special recall election petition is being circulated. County Judge A. J. Clark and Commissioners A. E. Harvey and Judson Weed are named.

The charges made against Judge Clark are that he has deliberately and repeatedly overridden the express wishes of taxpayers and voters of Columbia County in matters affecting public interests, and has practically refused to consider the wishes of voters the right to be heard in such matters, either by petition or otherwise.

The specific charges are that the wishes of the taxpayers and the recommendations of grand juries were ignored in incurring expense by employing a highway engineer that a passenger automobile was purchased without being advertised for, and is an unnecessary expense; and that over the wishes of the taxpayers he has levied an unnecessarily burdensome tax for the ensuing year.

The charges against Commissioner Harvey are identical, and in the case of Commissioner Weed only the automobile purchase is omitted.

BILL PASSED BY FEW

LITTLE ATTENTION GIVEN WATER POWER, LEASING MEASURES.

Representative Man, However, Gets Into Record—Small Number of Representatives Present.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Jan. 21.—The House of Representatives never paid less attention to important legislation than when it was considering and passing the Ferris water-power bill and the general leasing bill. Both measures were passed without rollcall, for the manifest reason that the Administration was known to "have the votes." In order that the general inattention might be made of record, however, Representative Mann, of Illinois, Republican floor leader, took occasion to place in the Congressional Record a line or two attesting the scanty attendance during the consideration of the bills. The bills were considered in committee of the whole, where rollcalls cannot be demanded.

As the debate on the leasing bill was drawing to a close, Mr. Mann moved "to strike out the period at the end of the bill. His amendment meant nothing, but he demanded a division, which showed 42 members present out of a total membership of 435. And that there were more Republicans than Democrats in the House was disclosed by the result of the vote—22 to 20. When the amendment was carried, Mr. Mann got unanimous consent to withdraw his amendment. "But," he said, "I would like to see some Democrats ready here to vote once in a while."

Whereupon Representative Johnson, of Washington, interjected the remark that "during the discussion of this leasing bill, the better part of the afternoon, there have been present only 10 Democrats and about 20 Republicans, and the bill is of great importance."

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Tanana 64 Below Zero.

SEATTLE, Jan. 21.—The following below-zero temperatures were reported to the coast yesterday: Tanana, 64; Eagle, 56; Nome, 22; Valdez, 16.

EDWARD L. LOMAX IS DEAD

Railroad Man Known Well Here Succumbs at San Francisco.

STAFF HEADS FAVOR GARRISON ARMY IDEA

Immediate Organization of Officers' Reserve Corps Is Advocated.

UNIVERSAL SERVICE IDEAL

Generals, However, Think Time Is Not Ripe—Mechanics, Telegraph, Railway and Auto Men, Etc., as Reserve Also Urged.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21.—Unqualified support was given Secretary Garrison's Army plan before the Senate military committee by Major-General Scott and Major-General Bliss, respectively chief and assistant chief of staff of the Army.

Both amplified statements made on the subject last week before the House committee.

General Scott declared the plan would have at least five months' time in building up an army of defense in a war emergency. He said it was impossible to organize a reserve corps of officers actually commissioned and assigned to the posts they would take in time of war.

General Scott also urged that a quartermaster's reserve corps of enlisted men be formed to include mechanics of all kinds, telegraphers, radio operators, motor, vehicle drivers and experts, teamsters, railway men and the like. A representative of the American Legion, he said, had told him recently that 15,000 men of this sort had been listed by the organization who were willing to enlist in such a corps.

Both of the generals expressed the opinion that universal military service was the only "ideal democratic" method of building an army, but thought the country would not tolerate the proposal until it was shown to be necessary for the country's safety in the first shock of war.

The proposal to increase the regular Army to 250,000 as suggested in Senator Chamberlain's tentative bill, he added, was wholly inadequate by itself. Moreover, he added, it was impossible to recruit a larger force than 140,000 men, as proposed by Secretary Garrison for the regular Army, without incurring pay or otherwise giving added inducement. He read a report from the Adjutant-General declaring that it would be impossible to recruit even 200,000 men in peace times and that the average maximum force that could be maintained was only 125,000.

Short Term Opposed. Recruits now cost the Government \$109 a man, delivered to their regiments, the general said. He disapproved short enlistment terms to build up a regular reserve, saying this would make it necessary to recruit 200,000 or more men annually.

Discussing the continental Army plan, General Bliss said it contemplated 346 batteries of artillery, which alone would be worth all that might be expended. The day had passed when field guns were maneuvered to any extent, he said, and no consideration was necessary of the question of providing horses for the guns.

Questioning both witnesses, Chairman Chamberlain brought out the statement that the bill prepared by Secretary Garrison never had been submitted to the War College division of the General Staff. General Scott pointed out, however, that the continental Army plan had been approved by the War College in its report to the Secretary.

Eastern Man Added to Faculty. GRESHAM, Or., Jan. 21.—(Special.)—Union High School No. 2 has employed Mr. Ralston to teach here during the next semester. Mr. Ralston is

graduate of Hamline University, St. Paul, Minn., and has taught school several years, having held the position as principal at Gresham, Ore. He is a member of the science and will assist in the gymnasium. He is the second teacher added to the faculty since school commenced last September, the faculty now numbering eight instructors and one vocal instructor.

FLOATING BODY SIGHTED Idaho Discovery Believed to Be One of Missing Brothers.

GRANGEVILLE, Idaho, Jan. 21.—(Special.)—A body seen floating in the Salmon River yesterday near Horse-shoe Bend by Frank Taylor is presumed to be the body of one of the Caine brothers who were drowned in the Salmon River above White Bird a few weeks ago.

To the absence of a boat Mr. Taylor was unable to recover the body, but he telephoned his discovery to parties down the river, and searching parties are awaiting its reappearance.

RABID COYOTE IS CLUBBED

Farmer Near Wasco, After Chase, Traps Mad Animal in His Home.

WASCO, Or., Jan. 21.—(Special.)—A mad coyote rushed into the home of Howard Spencer, a farmer living six miles northwest of this place, Tuesday, after it had bitten three dogs. Spencer rushed into the house after the animal and struck it on the head and beat it to death. This is the first case of rabies reported in this vicinity.

British Lithographs on Exhibit. UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, January 21.—(Special.)—A set of lithographs belonging to the Lenefelder Club, of London, and which have been on exhibit at Los Angeles, are on exhibit in the architectural hall of the university. The lithographs are the work of Joseph Pennell and J. M. Hamillon, of America, and Frank Brangyn, of England.

Junction City Bank Elects. JUNCTION CITY, Or., Jan. 21.—(Special.)—The officers and directors of the First National Bank elected by the stockholders were: W. C. Washburne, president; E. A. Washburne, vice-president; F. W. Moorhead, cashier; C. B. Washburne, assistant cashier; M. P. Corbin, assistant. Directors, C.

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