

BASE ON COLUMBIA WINNING SUPPORT

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BORAH VOLUNTEERS HELP

Lane and McArthur Join Efforts to Obtain Favorable Action—Enterprise May Grow Beyond Its Original Scope.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, July 19.—Efforts to press the Lane amendment to the naval bill, appropriating \$500,000 for a submarine and torpedo-boat base on the Columbia River, were made by Senator Lane and Representative McArthur today, and Senator Borah, of Idaho, has voluntarily offered his support.

It is realized by the Oregon delegation that not only the House but the Senate members of the conference committee must be won over to the support of this amendment, which was yesterday accepted by Acting Chairman Swanson with a view to having it considered and passed upon by the conference committee.

Another Million Will Be Needed.

If this appropriation finally is obtained, it will be followed by another appropriation of a million or more next session, as the Navy Department estimates that a submarine base alone will cost at least \$1,000,000 to build and equip. The Lane amendment calls for both a submarine and torpedo-boat base, so that its ultimate cost probably will approximate \$2,000,000, and in the event the naval committee authorized by the bill reports in December in favor of a full naval base on the Columbia, the submarine and torpedo-boat base will be merely the beginning of a larger naval enterprise.

Senator Lane conferred today with Senator Swanson, who will head the conference committee, and said later he had been assured positively that Senator Swanson will not only support the Columbia River amendment, but will make a stubborn fight for its retention, and that the other Senate conferees will stand by him.

Borah Volunteers Support.

Senator Borah, who thinks the base should be established, volunteered to take the subject up with Senator Lodge, who is to be on conference committee, and to urge him to make a strong effort in behalf of the Lane amendment.

Representative McArthur today collected all available data bearing on the Columbia River base and submitted copies to the members of the House who will be members of the conference committee. He also sent a strong appeal to Representative Butler, of Pennsylvania, the Republican member, urging his support of the appropriation.

ATTACK ON TRAIN FAILS

VILLISTAS BEATEN OFF AND PART OF BAND CAPTURED.

Men Say They Were on Way to Big Bend District in Texas and Were Forced by Hunger to Attempt Raid.

CHIHUAHUA CITY, Mexico, July 19.—A band of Villistas attacked a train on the Mexican Northwestern Railway near Santa Isabel, about 30 miles west of here, yesterday, according to a report to General Jacinto Trevino today. The bandits were beaten off and eight of them, who were captured, were brought here today for trial by court-martial. The band was said to number less than a score.

The prisoners, who said they were members of a band commanded by Martin Lopez, a notorious Villa lieutenant, asserted that they had been cut off from the main Villa army after the recent fight at Jimenez and were on their way to the Big Bend district of Texas. After the Jimenez engagement, they said, they made their way into the Providencia Valley, west of here, where they remained in hiding several days, finally being forced by hunger to attack the train, which they did not expect to carry a military escort.

A loosened rail brought the train to a stop, but before the outlaws could board it, the guard detachment and attacked. The bandits fled southward, leaving all their horses, the prisoners and several dead in the hands of the government troops, who suffered no casualties.

TRADE BILL IS DISCUSSED

Wilson Told More Speed on Part of Senate Is Desirable.

WASHINGTON, July 19.—Edward N. Hurley, chairman of the Federal Trade Commission, and William J. Harris, a member of the commission, discussed with President Wilson today the pending Webb bill, which would allow American corporations in the export trade to maintain common selling agencies abroad.

The President strongly desired to have this measure passed during the present session of Congress. He was told that apparently satisfactory progress was being made in the House, but that more speed on the Senate side was desirable.

BORDER COMPACT NEAR

Negotiations With Carranza Progress Favorably.

WASHINGTON, July 19.—Preliminary negotiations between Acting-Secretary Polk and Eliseo Arredondo, Mexican Ambassador-designate, for a peaceful settlement of border difficulties progressed so well today that early formal announcement as to the course to be followed was officially predicted.

The conferees met twice today. Henry P. Fletcher, ambassador designate to

Mexico, was present at both conferences. It is understood the discussions dealt particularly with the powers to be conferred on a joint commission should that plan of settlement be followed. Today's developments indicated that only final word from General Carranza and President Wilson was lacking.

State Department officials said today they had no information as to when General Pershing's troops would be withdrawn from Mexico, indicating that this was a military question entirely in the hands of the War Department. There have been intimations that one of the subjects for discussion was whether the question of the withdrawal of the troops would be submitted to the joint commission for consideration. Since the Washington Government has made it plain on every occasion that the country was open to Carranza troops could insure the security of the border, it appears probable that Mr. Polk thought unnecessary for the commission to go into that subject and so informed Mr. Arredondo.

POWDER SECRETS TOLD

DU PONT OFFICIAL TESTIFIES IN SUIT FOR \$50,000,000.

Overzealous Partisans of Foreign Governments in Employ of Company Prove Constant Menace.

WILMINGTON, Del., July 19.—Some of the secrets in connection with the filling of orders for the entente allies by the Du Pont Powder Company were told on the witness stand in the Federal court here today by Colonel Edmund C. Buckner, a vice-president and head of the military sales department of the company, in the suit over the possession of about \$5,000,000 worth of the corporation's stock.

Colonel Buckner said at times there was reason to fear the company would not be able to complete its foreign contracts. Overzealous partisans of foreign governments in the employ of the company, Colonel Buckner testified, put nails in powder boxes, also scraps of offal and various things that would cause the product to deteriorate while in the hands of the purchaser. Also, he said, there was a fear that one or more great explosions would destroy the plants already overworked.

While there were minor explosions, none of them, he testified, could be traced to the work of enemies, but the company was constantly under attack. The suit was brought by stockholders against Pierre S. Du Pont and certain directors, who are accused of having bought the Coleman Du Pont stock for their own personal benefits instead of for the benefit of the company. Fourteen million dollars was paid for the stock which, because of war contracts, increased in value to \$50,000,000.

WILSON INCOME EXEMPT

TAX NOT TO APPLY DURING PRESIDENT TERM OFFICE.

Only Two Justices of Supreme Court Pay Assessments Under New Congressional Act.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, July 19.—Under the terms of the Kitchin revenue act, now before Congress, President Wilson will pay no tax on his income, that is, during the remainder of his present term. If he is re-elected, his salary will be taxed after March 4, 1917, and if he is defeated, the salary of his successor will be subject to the income tax.

This exemption from taxation in the case of the President—an exemption that also applies to Federal judges—is in accordance with the terms of the Constitution, which stipulates that the salary of the President and of Federal judges shall not be increased nor diminished during the term for which elected or appointed.

A strange thing about the exemption of salaries of judges of the Supreme Court is that the judges on the bench at the present time, with the exception of Brandeis and McReynolds, pay no income tax whatever—that is, on their judicial salaries. The two latter were appointed to the bench after the first term of the law was passed, and they pay an income tax. But unless the Hughes vacancy is filled and the appointee confirmed by the Senate before the Kitchin bill becomes a law, the new members of the supreme bench will pay double the rate of income tax paid by Brandeis and McReynolds.

MARSHALL IN CUSTODY

FEDERAL ATTORNEY TECHNICALLY PRISONER OF HOUSE.

Sergeant-at-Arms, However, Actually Is Not in City—Effort Made to Appeal to High Court.

NEW YORK, July 19.—United States Attorney H. Snowden Marshall was technically in the custody of Robert D. Gordon, sergeant-at-arms of the House of Representatives, tonight, after his writ of habeas corpus, preventing his removal to Washington to answer for alleged contempt of the House, was dismissed by Federal Judge Hand. Mr. Gordon is not in the city, however, and Mr. Marshall is not actually in his charge.

After a conference with his attorney, ex-United States Senator John C. Spooner, the Federal attorney announced that he would at once file with Judge Hand an application for a stay of execution which will enable him to appeal in the Supreme Court of the United States. Should the stay be granted, Mr. Marshall will go to Washington voluntarily.

In his decision Judge Hand held that the House of Representatives acted within its rights in voting Mr. Marshall in contempt on the ground that his criticism of the House was made public during an investigation into charges against Representative Buchanan and others because of his connection with labor's National peace council. This organization was alleged to have fomented strikes in plants manufacturing munitions for the entente allies.

ALCHEMISTRY BEING TRIED

Spokane Woman Attracts Government With Experiments.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, July 19.—Has it remained for a woman to solve the problem of the alchemists? May Barnard Wilkie, of Spokane, says she has solved the riddle, and, with the consent of R. W. Wooley, Director of the Mint, she is to have opportunity to make good her assertion in Uncle Sam's big mint laboratory. If she can transmute silver into gold, as she claims, the world will soon know it, for her experiments are to be conducted in a Government laboratory, where the process can be watched by others—by those who ought to know

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the difference between gold and silver. Mr. Woolley, the Director of the Mint, is soon to relinquish that job to become director of publicity for the Democratic National committee. After a talk with the spokesmen of the committee, reasonably convinced that she had solved the eternal riddle, and so impressed was he that he gave his consent to the use of one or more of the Government laboratories under his jurisdiction.

ROSEBURG MILL CERTAIN

KENDALL BROS. AGREE TO EXECUTE CONTRACT.

Lease of Proposed Railroad Also Is Assured by Pittsburg Firm—Council to Act Monday Night.

ROSEBURG, Or., July 19.—(Special.)—A telegram received by Mayor Rice late today, Kendall Bros., of Pittsburg, agreed to execute a contract with the city whereby they would assure the construction of a sawmill here as soon as the proposed Roseburg & Eastern Railroad is built as far as the fairgrounds. The telegram also said that Kendall Bros. would lease the railroad, in accordance with the agreement made with the city at the time of S. A. Kendall's visit to Roseburg two months ago.

Although the lease has never been made public, it is said to be of a graduated type and will more than take care of the interest incurred through the issuance of the bonds. Mayor Rice and the Councilmen are jubilant tonight and it is generally agreed that the ordinance authorizing the solicitation of bids for the construction of the railroad will be adopted next Monday night.

GUARD CHARGES DESERTION

William Bowen Is Accused by Captain of Aberdeen Company.

ABERDEEN, Wash., July 19.—(Special.)—William Bowen, alias Albert Hadley, former member of Company G, this city, who married Miss Florence Hackett, of Hoquiam, late in June, is being sought by detectives for desertion from the Army and for alleged forgery of checks and drafts.

According to word from Captain Comeau he left American Lake on leave of absence to visit his mother in Vancouver, and has not been heard of since.

Captain Comeau filed his desertion notice with the Burns Detective Agency and from them learned that Bowen may be the man wanted for a number of forgeries in Oregon and California. He is said to have passed under seven different aliases. He also is believed to have enlisted in the American Legion in Canada and to have deserted there.

HEAD OF SCHOOL ELECTED

Professor Thompson to Have Charge of Milwaukie's New Building.

MILWAUKIE, Or., July 19.—(Special.)—Professor H. C. Thompson has been elected principal of the new grammar school under construction. He is highly recommended. Professor Gaits will be the principal of the Milwaukie High School, which retains the old schoolhouse. More than 50 new students will attend the Milwaukie High School as the result of Mr. Gaits' recent canvass in that district. This will give 150 students for the high school. In the two schools there will be 18 teachers.

The schools will open September 5. The new building will not be completed until November. Work started on the brick work of the foundation this morning.

PARKS ISSUE COMING UP

Milwaukie Voters Will Decide About Tracts in November Election.

MILWAUKIE, Or., July 19.—(Special.)—The question whether Milwaukie favors the acquisition of park tracts will be submitted to the voters at the municipal election in November. If the verdict is favorable a bond issue will be submitted at a special election. This action was taken at a mass meeting held last night under the auspices of the Milwaukie Commercial club. A committee of five was appointed to see that the measure is placed on the ballot and ascertain what parks, home gardens and their benefits, using many views.

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If you want to keep your hair in good condition, be careful what you wash it with. Most soaps and prepared shampoos contain too much alkali. This dries the scalp, makes the hair brittle, and is very harmful. Just plain multifold coconut oil (which is pure and entirely greaseless), is much better than the most expensive soap or anything else you can use for shampooing, as this can't possibly injure the hair.

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