

SEDITION MEASURE READY FOR WILSON

President's Signature Alone Required to Make Bill Law of Nation.

SOCIALISTS TAKE NOTICE

National Executive Committee Admits Power of New Legislation and Declares Free Speech Has Been Abrogated.

WASHINGTON, May 7.—Final legislative action was taken today on the bill giving the Government broad new powers to punish disloyal acts and utterances.

Adopting a conference report already approved by the Senate, the House sent to the President for his signature the measure which has been before Congress for weeks, assailed as a menace to free speech and championed as essential to order at home during the war.

The President is expected to sign the bill promptly.

Penalties of 30 years imprisonment or a fine of \$10,000, or both, are provided in the bill for those convicted of uttering or printing seditious, abusive, profane, scurrilous, contemptuous or abusive language about the United States or the Government or for those who are convicted of favoring Germany or her allies in the present war.

London Opposes Report. The debate was nothing like so extended as in the Senate, and, while some opposition developed, only Representative London, of New York, the Socialist, voted against the conference report on the final bill.

Representatives London, of Minnesota, Republican, and Church, of California, Democrat, voted present.

When a group of conscientious objectors refused to recognize the right of people to organize, they will have to deal with the I. W. W., Representative London said. "I believe the I. W. W. is the working out of the law of compensation."

The small censorship section reads as follows: The Postmaster-General may, upon evidence satisfactory to him that any person or persons is using the mails in violation of the provisions of this act, instruct the postmaster at any postoffice at which mail is received, addressed to such person or persons, to return to the postmaster at the office at which they were originally mailed, all letters or packages addressed to him with the words "Mail to this address undelivered under espionage act," plainly written, and all such letters or other matters, so returned to such postmaster shall be deemed returned to the sender, and such regulations as the Postmaster-General may prescribe.

False Reports to Be Punished. Penalties under the bill would apply to those who make false reports or statements with intent to interfere with the operations of the United States or to promote the success of its enemies or to do anything with intent to obstruct the sale of Government securities during the war.

They would apply to those who attempt to incite insubordination or mutiny or refusal of duty in the military or naval forces or to recruit, or to those who speak, write or publish abusive language against the uniform of the soldier or sailor or the flag, or the Constitution.

CHICAGO, May 7.—The power of the new espionage act is recognized in a formal statement made here today by the executive committee of the National Socialist party.

The committee held a special meeting to consider a referendum on repudiating the pacifist St. Louis platform. The committee, which had legal advice, held that members who advocated retention of the St. Louis platform would be liable to prosecution under the new law, and the committee decided that it had neither the legal nor the moral right to lead members into such trouble.

Congress, by enacting the law, in the view of the committee, has "abrogated free speech."

It was decided to hold a meeting of party leaders here August 10 to lay plans for the Congressional campaign.

FIGHTING 'COPPER' BACKED

Oregon City Taxpayers Commend Officer Who Cleans Up Taxpayers.

OREGON CITY, Or., May 7.—(Special.)—Approximately 180 Oregon City taxpayers forwarded a letter today to Governor Withycombe, commending in very plain language the action of Police Officer Edward Nelson, of Frank Nelson and Tom McGraw last Friday morning.

Surfing, it is said, has been putting up with the taunts of Nelson for some time, and finally took off his hat and tackled the gang. Two bear mite evidence of his fighting ability and a third, it is said, escaped by running away. Surfing pleaded guilty of assault today and was fined \$5.

The taxpayers' letter sent today asks that no action be taken against Surfing, as the trouble with Nelson was provoked, and the assault was what any patriotic citizen would have done.

EUGENE STRONG FOR NAVY

Forty-Three Lane County Men Enlist in Seven Days.

EUGENE, Or., May 7.—(Special.)—The special United States Navy recruiting mission closed its office in Eugene tonight with a record of 43 enlistments in seven days. The mission will go to Marshfield tomorrow, where it will remain four days before going to Corvallis for a similar campaign.

Fred Ketz, of Lebanon, enlisted today. He attended school at the Oregon Agricultural College four years and is one of the partners in the Sears & Kerr Company drugstore at Lebanon.

Thurston W. Laraway, Herbert Hayward, Hulse Foulkes, Merle W. Moore and Bertrand Woods, students at the University of Oregon, also enrolled today. George Jackson, of Wendling, was another volunteer.

CHILD WIFE IS DEPENDENT

Grants Pass Man Asks Separation From 15-Year-Old Bride.

GANTS PASS, Or., May 7.—Alleging that his 15-year-old wife was coerced into marrying him by her mother and that she was too young to understand the full meaning of the marriage responsibility, M. Sanford, aged 24, has

brought suit for divorce against Della Chapman Sanford.

The complaint says the couple were married in Klamath Falls on April 23, and that the bride, who is a mere child, was coerced into the marriage against her will by her mother, Mrs. Edith Fryel. Shortly after the marriage, plaintiff says he realized the mistake.

Sanford asked the court for a divorce and prays that his wife's maiden name be restored.

Ethel M. Nash, of this county, had brought suit for divorce from her husband, Cleas Nash, a convict in the State Penitentiary of North Dakota. The couple were married at Billings, Mont., October 23, 1916. On December 10 of the same year the defendant committed murder by killing Clarence Hicks, in Kidder County, North Dakota, was convicted and sentenced to life imprisonment.

Mrs. Nash asks for a decree of divorce and return of her maiden name, Ethel May Battye.

EXTRADITION IS REFUSED

GOVERNOR DECLINES TO FORCE GIRL WIFE TO STAND TRIAL.

Rosa Mezell Balks at Returning to California to Husband, Who Alleges She Stole His Revolver.

SALEM, Or., May 7.—(Special.)—Sixteen-year-old Rosa de Marco will not be returned to California to face a jury on a grand larceny charge preferred by her husband, G. Mezell. This was decided by Governor Withycombe today when he declined to honor the requisition of Governor Stephens, of that state, asking for her return. Rosa's real name is Rosa Mezell, but she refuses to accept it, as she declares she was forced into a marriage with Mezell.

She told the Governor her story today, how her father's mother had separated and her mother had married again, and she was living happily with her mother and stepfather when her father importuned her to come to California. She said he told her he would send her through business college and gratify her ambition to become a stenographer.

When she arrived in California she found her father was a laborer, and after he had sent her to business college for two months he told her she was too expensive to keep for and he advised her to marry Mezell, as he said Mezell would take care of them both and make a home for the father.

"I had not been married long when I found out I had made a horrible mistake," she said.

Rosa left Mezell's home while he was away on a business trip. She hid Mezell's revolver into her suitcase, unthinkingly, she stated. Mezell followed her to Sisson, where he begged her to return, but she told him she didn't love him and never could, and he returned to Vallejo.

Mezell swore out a warrant charging her with grand larceny by taking the revolver, two silk shirts and several collars and a gold wrist watch, all to the value of \$70. She declared that the watch was bought for her by Mezell's cousin as a wedding present.

"I won't go back," she declared. "I would rather live in hell than with him."

Rosa's mother lives in Salem and she says that she will remain here with her mother.

CLARKE GETS 2 STARS

RIDGEFIELD LEADS WITH HIGHEST PERCENTAGE OVER QUOTA.

North Bank Railroad Subscription of \$38,000 Credited to Vancouver. Shipworkers Are Liberal.

VANCOUVER, Wash., May 7.—(Special.)—Complete figures of the results of the third liberty loan in Clarke County show that the county will receive two stars for its honor flag.

Clarke County's quota was \$270,000, with a grand total of \$790,400 subscribed.

Following shows the quotas of the different cities together with the amounts subscribed:

Battle Ground \$5000, \$12,500; Camas \$23,000, \$50,200; La Center \$6800, \$20,100; Ridgefield \$7700, \$24,000; Vancouver \$159,200, \$493,400; Washougal \$12,500, \$37,200; Yacolt \$2500, \$14,500. Total subscription, \$790,400, with 5881 subscribers. Subscribers in Camas and Battle Ground were not reported.

Fred W. Tempe, city chairman of the drive, was notified today that the North Bank Road's quota of \$33,000 has been credited to Vancouver. The subscription of the G. M. Standifer Construction Corporation employees was \$217,000.

Ridgefield, with a quota of \$7700, won the honor for the greatest over-subscription. Its subscription totaling \$24,000.

JITNEY BONDING UPHOLD

Superior Court Holds Chehalis City Ordinance Is Valid.

CHEHALIS, Wash., May 7.—(Special.)—That the Chehalis city commission's ordinance regulating jitney traffic, passed in February, is valid and that the jitney drivers must provide bonds if they wish to operate their cars on National avenue in this city, is the decision of Judge W. A. Reynolds, of the Lewis County Superior Court. The jitney drivers' union, through A. B. Baird, enjoined enforcement and pending court hearing the jitneys have been allowed to operate.

Judge Reynolds upheld the city's ordinance, which requires a \$2500 bond for the privilege of operating over National avenue, Chehalis, which is a part of the Pacific Highway between Chehalis and Centralia, and maintains that the city has a right to pass laws saying on what streets commercial automobiles may or may not operate.

BOYS START FOREST FIRE

Spokane Suburbanites Excited When Campfire Spreads to Woods.

SPOKANE, Wash., May 7.—(Special.)—A playhouse in the woods, kids and matches resulted in a forest fire which brought excitement and variation to the peaceful neighborhood bordering on the pine forest in Boulevard Park Addition.

It all started with a number of small boys building a campfire. The high wind threw sparks into the surrounding forest and in a few minutes a roaring fire was advancing toward nearby houses.

Residents called the fire department and fire fighters and women of the neighborhood with shovels and wet sacks helped to beat out the flames and cleared fire trails through the woods.

CARD OF THANKS

We desire to thank our friends for their kindness and words of sympathy during the sickness, death and burial of a loving husband and father, and also for the many beautiful floral tributes.

MRS. SARAH L. HEPNER, HARRY J. HEPNER, FRED D. HEPNER, CHARLES G. HEPNER.

Here Are Summer Clothes for the Younger Men

That Look Right—Wear Right—Cost Right

\$15 to \$40

Ben Selling Morrison at Fourth



LOCAL BOYS QUALIFY

Many Oregon Names on List of Training Camp Graduates.

WASHINGTON, May 7.—The longest list of officers' training camp graduates yet given out came from the Adjutant-General today when the names of men who qualified as prospective Second Lieutenants at Camp Stanley, Leon Springs, Tex., were announced.

Many of the men were from intermountain territory and the Pacific Slope as follows:

Infantry: Clarke, John B., Portland, Or.; Crandall, Winford H., Portland, Or.; DeBolt, Benjamin H., Vancouver, Wash.; Donohue, Fred W., Seattle, Wash.; Dunn, Byron L., Casper, Wyo.; Gise, Robert C., Portland, Or.; Hathaway, William C., Friend, Or.; Olson, Ernest A., Malo, Wash.; Oates, Charles J., Hopper, Or.; Oswald, Charles L., Oakville, Wash.; Shackelford, Robert H., Seattle, Wash.

Field Artillery: Baird, Alva C., Stevensville, Mont.; Barrington, Edward J., Spokane, Wash.; Barlow, Harry C., Anacosta, Mont.; Batten, Harry W., Billings, Mont.; Holt, Andrew B., Anacosta, Mont.; McCut, Edward, Seward, Alaska; McKim, James, Puyallup, Wash.; Reedy, Frank E., Cosair d'Alene, Idaho; Roodhiser, Harold, Anchorage, Alaska; Woodcock, Albert C., Maupin, Or.; Woodrow, Walter H., Leavenworth, Wash.; Tracy, Homer C., Casper, Wyo.

Cavalry: Anderson, Chas. G., Great Falls, Mont.; Bowen, Ralph, Roslyn, Wash.; Johnson, William L., Calexico, Cal.; Thompson, Lester E., Tacoma, Wash.

Three of the men mentioned in the list are former residents of Portland. Robert C. Gise was at one time an employee of John Roebling & Sons, in the Board of Trade building. He attended the first officers' training camp at the Presidio, but returned without a commission to Portland. About December 25 he left for the south again, where he attended and graduated from the New Mexico Military Academy.

Mr. Gise came to this city from Omaha, Neb., and while here lived at the Campbell-Hill Hotel, at Twenty-third and Hoyt streets. He was one of the men chosen from the academy to attend the officers' training camp at Leon Springs.

No relatives or friends of either John B. Clarke or Winford H. Crandall can be found in this city.

TWIN FALLS NURSE SHOT

Miss Morrisette Dies When Rifle Is Accidentally Discharged.

TWIN FALLS, Idaho, May 7.—(Special.)—Miss Judith Morrisette, aged 20, a nurse in training in a local hospital for the last two years, is dead from

the accidental discharge of a rifle. She was visiting her sister, Mrs. Roy D. Whitaker, near Buhl, 20 miles west of here, and went with her brother-in-law to the field. While walking across a field alone, she evidently caught the gun trigger in the weeds or her clothes, accidentally discharging it. She was found soon after by her brother-in-law. The bullet had gone through her chin, throat and lodged in her brain. She died soon after being taken to the Buhl hospital.

She was the fiancée of Henry P. Howe, well-known young man of this city, now with the Aviation Corps in Omaha.

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CHEHALIS TO CURB I. W. W.

Proposed Ordinance Will Make All Radical Operations Illegal.

CHEHALIS, Wash., May 7.—(Special.)—The Chehalis City Commission has introduced and will pass at its next meeting a strong ordinance to curb the I. W. W. menace and its various operations. Sabotage, syndicalism and other doctrines taught will be included in the provisions of the ordinance introduced.

An ordinance forbidding storing of quantities of explosives in the city has been passed and none can now be stored inside the city or within 50 rods outside the city limits. Considerable street improvement and sidewalk work is to be done this Summer of a permanent nature, ordinances and resolutions for that purpose being now under way.

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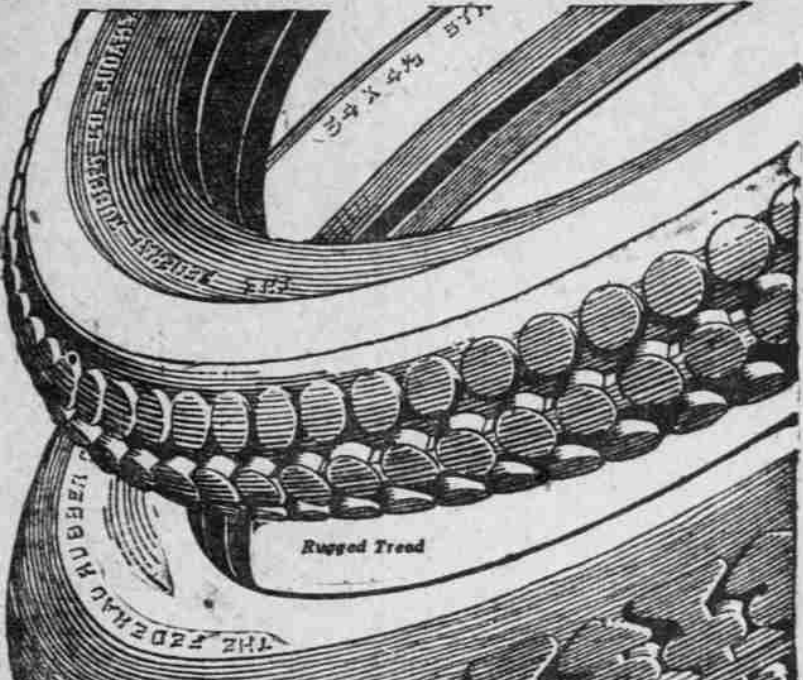
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FEDERAL DOUBLE CABLE BASE TIRES



These are the only tires with the Double-Cable-Base.

It keeps the toe of the tread from tube-pinching; prevents rim-cutting and blow-outs just above the rim and keeps the tire from blowing off.

The walls of Federal tires do not break. The low, flexible heels yield with every motion, eliminating undue strain. Get Federal tires and save money.

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Let's Get at the Facts

No. 7—Why a Six-Cent Fare in Portland?

(Continued)

While our employees were doing all they could to help us secure increased revenue with which to meet their demands for increased wages and the eight-hour day, they felt that they must secure immediate action on their demands, no matter what happened to our application for relief.

Openly and willingly, as was the case in all other phases of the 6-cent fare case, our officials agreed to submit the demands of the men to a board of arbitration. Three men of irreproachable character and sound business judgment were selected to pass on the men's demands.

They went into the matter with utmost thoroughness and, after lengthy deliberation, decided that our employees were entitled to the relief demanded, and granted them a scale of wages running from 38 cents an hour for beginners up to 45 cents an hour for all men who had had two years' service; time and a half for overtime was granted, which, for the two-year men, meant a wage of 67½ cents an hour for all continuous service after eight hours and 30 minutes.

The basic eight-hour day was also granted. As we have stated before, this award of the board of arbitration entailed an annual increase in our expenses of \$600,000.

And there was not a single dollar to be derived from our operating revenues with which to meet this enormous additional yearly outlay for labor alone. And you must also bear in mind that every other essential cost factor entering into the production of our streetcar service was adding greatly to our already heavy financial burdens.

The board of arbitration took official cognizance of this grave situation in its award and

clearly stated that our company must have added revenue to pay the wages granted the men and establish the eight-hour day, but it was wholly beyond the province of the board of arbitration to afford us any relief. They could merely comment upon the facts and suggest methods of securing financial assistance.

In other words, the arbitrators told us to pay the men the equivalent of \$600,000 more a year, but expressly found that we could not maintain the new wage scale unless streetcar fares were increased.

It is perfectly obvious to any clear-thinking person that the only way we could get this extra \$600,000 or any portion of it would be through securing increased revenues, a pitiless impairment of service, heavy increased traffic or by borrowing money.

The public would not stand for reduction in service; that was clear. It was equally clear that no public utility could borrow money for such a purpose as that, and while there was some hope of future increase in volume of traffic, this was not even sufficient to keep stride with the constantly piling up costs of operation.

That left only one recourse open to our Company, if we were to be saved from financial and physical ruin of our property.

We resorted to that recourse by appealing once more to the Public Service Commission for permission to increase our fares.

It was plainly that or bankruptcy with hopeless crippling of service.

PORTLAND RAILWAY, LIGHT & POWER COMPANY.

Number 115 on Ballot



JOS. W. BEVERIDGE

REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE FOR

COUNTY CLERK

FOR RE-ELECTION

(Paid Adv.)