

### COLUMBIA SLOUGH SEWER NOT SETTLED

Council Decides to Abide by Decision of Engineer.

### OUT-OF-TOWN MEN TO SAY

Representative of Property Owners Makes Proposition Which Council Accepts.

The question of whether the Columbia river slough will be utilized as a sewer outlet in connection with the Peninsula district sewer system will be determined by an out-of-town engineer who is to be selected by City Engineer Laugaard and William G. Brown, an engineer representing property owners owning property in the proposed sewer district.

Engineer Brown, who is consulting engineer for Multnomah county drainage district now working to reclaim 8000 acres along the slough, is strongly opposed to the city's plan of building a channel from the Columbia river to the slough for the purpose of increasing the flow of the slough, asserting that it will fail to do what it is intended for.

### Arbitrator to Be Chosen.

The city council adopted a plan presented by Engineer Brown which will result in the calling of an engineer from another city to formulate a board with City Engineer Laugaard and Engineer Brown. The former will present his favorable arguments for the use of the slough for sewer purposes and the arguments against the plan will be presented by Engineer Brown. The decision of the arbitrator will be taken as final by the city council, it was stated.

City Engineer Laugaard is confident that his plan of digging the channel and using the slough for a sewer outlet is feasible and his views have been adopted by members of the city council. The employment of an outside engineer is done for the purpose of clearing up the doubt which has been expressed by property owners within the proposed district over the practicability of the plan.

### Two Questions to Be Determined.

The city engineer and Mr. Brown will probably meet today for the purpose of deciding upon the third engineer to go into the question. The council has outlined the following two questions to be finally determined.

"First—Is it or is it not a feasible proposition to dig the proposed channel and utilize the Columbia river slough for a sewer outlet, and will it, if constructed, make it a safe procedure from a sanitary standpoint to utilize the slough below the outlet of the sewer channel as a sewer outlet?"

"Second—If it is not a practical plan, then what plan should be utilized to furnish needed sewer facilities to the proposed district?"

### Compensation Depends on Decision.

Should the report of the outside engineer be adverse to the plan of City Engineer Laugaard, the city will pay Engineer Brown \$500 for his services, but should Engineer Laugaard be sustained in his views the city will not be obliged to give Engineer Brown any compensation, under the terms of the agreement made.

Under Mr. Laugaard's plans the city proposed to construct a channel between the Columbia river and the slough at an approximate cost of \$250,000, and later construct lateral sewers, as they are required, emptying into the Columbia river slough at various points below the channel.

Should this plan prove to be impracticable it is stated that the only other means of providing sewer facilities is by construction of a main trunk sewer extending to the Columbia river which would cost millions of dollars.

### MILLIONAIRE IS CONVICTED

H. C. Merritt, Fined for Hoarding Food, to Appeal.

LOS ANGELES.—The numeral five will hereafter be a hoodoo in the life of Hulet C. Merritt, the Pasadena millionaire, convicted of hoarding sugar in violation of the United States conservation law, by a jury in United States District Judge Trippett's court.

He was fined \$5000 and given five months in the county jail. Five sacks of sugar, or 500 pounds, were involved.

There were five attorneys in the case, three for Merritt, and two for the government. The original bond of the accused was \$5000.

The new bond was fixed at \$15,000, three times five.

The latter instrument had to be made before United States Commissioner Stephen G. Long by 5 o'clock last evening.

Judge Trippett denied the motion for a new trial and arrest of judgment after arguments of Edwin A. Meserve, for the defense, and Assistant United States District Attorney W. Fleet Palmer for the government. Notice

of appeal was given and the defendant was given until May 10 to file the proposed bill of exceptions.

When the matter of fixing the bond pending the appeal came up, Assistant United States District Attorney Lyndol L. Young suggested that the new bond be fixed at \$25,000, but the court placed the amount at \$15,000.

In passing judgment, Judge Trippett said that to only fine Merritt the limit provided by law, \$5000, would not be sufficient, as the payment would mean nothing to a man of the financial standing of Merritt. It would not mean as much to him as the payment of \$1 by some men.

The court said he was convicted that Merritt was guilty, as charged, and that the jury's verdict was a righteous one.

When sentence was pronounced, neither Merritt nor his wife gave any sign of distress. It was evident that they had steeled themselves for the expected shock. When Edwin A. Meserve was arguing for a new trial Merritt showed some feeling, but he immediately straightened up.

The financial standing of Merritt came up when Assistant United States District Attorney M. Fleet Palmer made the statement that Merritt had claimed he was worth \$50,000,000, and that he had alleged that he had accumulated money at the rate of \$1,000,000 a year ever since he had reached the age of 34 years.

In support of the motion for a new trial Edwin A. Meserve followed closely the lines of his address to the jury that convicted Merritt, claiming that the evidence connecting his client with a guilty knowledge of the presence of the 500 pounds of sugar at 407 Elliott place, Pasadena, was not produced and that the testimony furnished by Miss Anna Hare, the cook, was hardly to be relied on under the circumstances of the case.

Mr. Palmer said that in his judgment Merritt was convicted by the jury without the testimony of Miss Hare, and he spoke at some length of the various points made by the government as set before the jury by his associate, Mr. Young, and himself.

The filing of an appeal will postpone the actual carrying out of the judgement of the court from six to nine months at least, provided the case is not revised by the United States circuit court of appeal.

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# G. Washington's COFFEE

### Went to War—Home Again

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### SEIZED LIQUOR IN DEMAND

Sheriff Has Many Friends When Confiscation Is Known.

PARIS, Mo.—Friends of Sheriff Nolan of this city were under the impression the other day that he had a great secret that he was particularly anxious to keep to himself, as he was approached a score of times by persons who were soon engaged in earnest conversation with him on the streets, but to all of the importunities he was seen to shake his head. It was not learned until a day or two later that the official had been approached to let his friends in on a sack of liquor that the sheriff had taken from a saloon in Hannibal. The insistence of those who were "dry" finally became so strong that the sheriff locked himself in his office and hung out the "nothing-doing" sign.

That whisky was "Old Crow" and "Old Woodpecker," both bottled in bond and about the best that can be secured hereabouts," vouchsafed the sheriff in discussing the incident later, "and it was strange how those fellows who but-stonohled me would have been willing to 'cave a little and peek a little at the slightest provocation. You would have thought they had just come in from a long trip across the Sahara desert; they were so dry."

### CANTEEN WORKERS LAUDED

Army Officer Replies to Criticisms of Y. M. C. A.

SAN FRANCISCO.—I have seen Y. M. C. A. canteen workers crawl on their bellies under the most devilish fire the Germans ever sent over. I have seen them die. I have watched these men mingle with the boys in the front line distributing chocolate, cigarettes and tobacco. Never have I seen a Y. M. C. A. man charge any man holding a front line a nickel.

In a few terse sentences Major J. W. Woolridge of the 15th infantry, who arrived at Letterman hospital at San Francisco recently to recover from wounds received at the front, took a decided stand against the criticism of the association work in France, which the said was most unjust.

"A few inefficiencies can be charged to the exigencies of the war," said Major Woolridge, "but the Y. M. C. A. men never failed by reason of their own negligence or desire. They cared for ninety-odd per cent of the army who were well. Their work was not limited to the wounded. They stretched their resources to the utmost. The criticism directed against the wonderful organization is unwarranted."

Major Woolridge paid a splendid tribute to the boys under his command, who he said were the finest young men America ever produced.

### PALESTINE MAY BE ISSUE

Kahn's Fight on Zionism May Cost G. O. F. Votes of Jews.

CHICAGO.—The next national election may find an issue in far-off Palestine. A warning has been issued to the

### WILL EUROPE BE BALD?

Era of No Hair and Thicker Scalp Is Predicted.

LONDON.—"Europe is suffering from an epidemic of baldness," a startling announcement was made by a well-known hair specialist. He attributes it partly to war conditions and partly to a universal tendency due to the advance of civilization.

"During the last year, and especially since the armistice," he said, "I have been surprised by the large numbers of young men, even youths, who are completely losing their hair."

"Investigation shows this phenomenon to have at least three causes: "Worry resulting from the war."

"The injury caused to the hair roots and blood vessels of the head by tight-fitting army caps and heavy shell helmets."

"Nor is the baldness confined to Britain; it is prevalent in most countries in Europe where war conditions have prevailed."

"It is affecting not only young men, but women—although not to so great an extent."

"But the primary cause lies in the advance of civilization."

"If commerce, with all the competition, travel and haste it entails, continues to advance so rapidly it is with reason that in two or three centuries Europeans will have entirely discarded hair, this relic of the brute stage. In place of it they will develop thicker scalps."

### License Demand Sets Record.

VANCOUVER, Wash., April 17.—(Special.)—Since April 1, 2510 licenses have been issued to automobile owners in Clarke county. This is the largest number of licenses ever issued in one year in this county, and indicates that the people are prosperous. License fees on these machines aggregated \$40,000, most of which will find its way to the road fund. Since January, 839 marriage licenses have been issued, representing \$2000.

Hear the famous Westminster church choir tonight at Good Friday services, 7:45. Irvington or Broadway cars.—Adv.

### Republican Leaders by Rabbi

Dr. Coffee of Temple Judea, Unless the Republicans Induce Julius Kahn of the House Military Committee to Cease His Opposition to Zionism, the Democrats May Secure 30 Per Cent of the Votes of Jews in America, Rabbi Coffee Said.

The Chicago rabbi returned recently from California, where he had been visiting his motherless children and relatives. They reside in Congressman Kahn's district. Dr. Coffee spent a week there and he says the Jews of San Francisco are bitter against Kahn's attitude. The feeling had become so intense, he said, that indignation meetings were planned, but cooler heads prevailed and the meetings were abandoned.

Congressman Kahn has been justly credited with vigorous action in connection with America's participation in the war. President Wilson declared his aid in rushing the selective draft measure through congress was invaluable. His argument against Jews of America favoring colonization of Palestine is that they will be living under two flags.

"There is only one flag for American Jews," he says, "and that is the Stars and Stripes."

"This phrase of the congressman," Rabbi Coffee said, "may be fine rhetoric but is poor logic. Were we less devoted to our stars and stripes because we went to the aid of suffering Cuba 25 years ago? How does the American people's 100 per cent Americanism in helping starving Belgium, in sending food to Serbia, or contributing funds to Armenia? Why, the congressman himself has given his time and

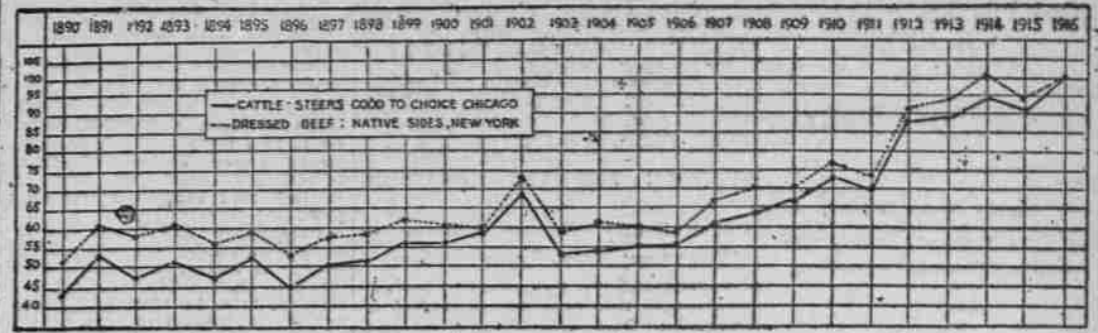
his energy on behalf of down-trodden people.

"His criticism of divided loyalty is too late. The Jews in this war have proven their devotion by deathless deeds. Their valor in the Argonne forest last September as members of the 'lost battalion' will live forever

from eastern Europe, may settle in Palestine and have a homeland.

"I hope Congressman Kahn on second thought will retract. His views represent less than 10 per cent of the people throughout the country, and even still less of his constituents."

## Why Beefsteak Is High



This chart was copied from Bulletin No. 226, U. S. Bureau of Labor Statistics. It is the latest that has been issued. 100=1916 price.

Remember when beefsteak was 20c a pound?

Now it's 40 and 50 cents a pound.

Why?

This chart shows that the price packers have had to pay for cattle has gone up with the price received for beef.

In fact, it shows that the "spread" between cattle and beef prices has been gradually reduced during the past 30 years—owing to competition among packers, their increased efficiency, bigger volume, and elimination of waste.

The packer's profit of only a fraction of a cent per pound of meat has helped to narrow this "spread."

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