

NEW ZEALAND WILL TRADE WITH AMERICA

Contract With Imperial Government to End in 1920.

COAST TO SEND LUMBER

Premier Massey Says Routes to Pacific Ports of United States Will Be Improved.

VANCOUVER, B. C., July 16.—(Special.)—"Closer relationship between New Zealand and the western coast is the aim of myself and those associated with me," declared William F. Massey, premier of the Dominion of New Zealand, in discussing the war problems with The Oregonian correspondent here tonight.

"As soon as shipping is available and our contracts with the imperial government have been completed it is our hope to resume and develop our trade routes to the Pacific ports of Canada and the United States and to improve the means of communication between the Dominion and America as well as our postal service with other parts of the world.

"In 1915 the imperial government contracted for practically the whole of the exportable production of New Zealand and this contract does not expire until June 30, 1920. So you see for the next year there is little chance for us to export very much to this coast but with the shipping that will be available then, every effort will be made to take advantage of the markets on this coast to a greater degree than ever before.

"As an instance of our trade and what it will mean I will say that in payment of the exports already shipped we have received 19,000,000 sovereigns or in your currency \$39,000,000. Not bad, eh? In the storage plant awaiting shipment there are at the present time more than 5,000,000 carcasses of mutton. Other commodities in enormous quantities also await transportation. That will give you some idea of the possibilities of our export trade.

Season to Aid Exchange. "The reversal of our seasons—yours being summer when ours is winter—will afford the opportunity of an exchange of fruits and seasonal products.

"What market is there in New Zealand for the lumber trade of the northwestern states and British Columbia?" he was asked.

"I'm afraid that there is going to be a good market for lumber," he answered, adding, "You may be amused at my answer but I am carrying my shoulders, the New Zealand forests cannot much longer meet the demand for lumber. I am afraid, of course you are carrying on reforestation but trees, you know, cannot grow in a day."

"How about your tariff?" he was asked, "it is preferential to the other parts of the empire?"

"Yes, but not to the same extent as Canada."

"Then you look for a big development of trade between American ports and your country?"

Closer Communication Aim. "Oh, yes, as soon as we get the shipping and we get the contract with the home government."

"And how about postal service?"

"It is our aim to get as quickly as possible communication not only with the coast of America but with all parts of the world. At one time when we saw a line of steamships plying between San Francisco and Auckland—the Spreckels Line, I believe it was—I was a member of the legislature at the time. I instructed being too friendly with the Americans, and of showing too much favoritism to that line, and he laughed at the remembrance. Of the problems and decisions of the peace conference, the premier did not care to speak, beyond saying that Premier Lloyd George was the outstanding figure at the conference. He did not wish to pass an opinion on the work of President Wilson. "For you see," he laughed, "the president and I crossed swords several times."

Departure Not Forgotten. "It was the first person away from the peace conference, though," he explained, "and my getting away is a matter I will long remember. I had booked passage for Mrs. Massey, myself and party on a line of steamships which was to sail on Saturday. I had expected that the treaty would be signed before that time, but it was out off and put off, until it did not look as if I could make the trip. Then Saturday was set and I determined that I would be present to sign on behalf of New Zealand. I instructed Mrs. Massey and my party to wait for me in Canada if I could not make the boat. "Going to the admiralty I explained my difficulty and was offered every facility at the disposal of the navy. Consequently as soon as I had signed the treaty, I hurried to a waiting automobile and made a record breaking run to Havre, where a destroyer was waiting for me. The Mauretania left England, but we gave chase, and at 3 o'clock the next morning I boarded her 100 miles at sea."

PROSPECT FOR CARS GOOD

Pendleton Learns That Movement of Grain Crop Is Assured.

PENDLETON, Or., July 16.—(Special.)—Prospects for sufficient cars with which to move this year's wheat crop are good at the present time, according to information received locally. The railroad administration has warned, however, that a concentration of crop movements later may find quick dispatch of empties for loading impossible.

Conditions are bound to be better this year because of the return of motive power to freight trains, whereas last year, it was devoted largely to troop trains and supply trains for camps. Record-breaking crops in the middle west will require a large number of cars and this will be offset somewhat by the almost total crop failure in Montana, Oregon and Washington will move a heavy crop, from all indications.

2 PAROLES ARE REVOKED

Louis Tebeau and Howard Coffman Recommitted to Penitentiary.

SALEM, Or., July 16.—(Special.)—Louis Tebeau and Howard Coffman, acquitted in the justice court here today of a charge of robbing the Julius Ahn store at Silverton this afternoon, were recommitted to the state penitentiary from which institution they were paroled some time ago. Both men originally were sent to the penitentiary from Multnomah county for automobile thefts.

Action in revoking the paroles was taken by Governor Olcott following a statement by the men to the effect that they had stolen property in their possession.

MOVING PICTURE NEWS



SCENE FROM "A MIDNIGHT ROMANCE" STARRING ANITA STEWART AND NOW RUNNING AT THE LIBERTY THEATER.

TODAY'S FILM FEATURES. Liberty—Anita Stewart, "A Midnight Romance." Star—May Allison, "The Uphill-ers." Columbia—Lila Lee, "The Daughter of the Wolf." Peoples—Vivian Martin, "Louisiana." Majestic—Constance Talmadge, "Romance and Arabella." Circle—Vivian Martin, "Jane Goes a-Wooing." Globe—Douglas Fairbanks, "Wild and Woolly."

Liberty. ANITA STEWART in a six-reel emotional drama, "A Midnight Romance," is the present attraction at the Liberty theater.

In this production Miss Stewart takes the role of a hotel maid while in this capacity her "midnight romance" commences with the most eligible guest at the great summer hostry. The picture contains lavish ballroom scenes as well as some attractive water scenes and is said to rank with Miss Stewart's late celluloid play, "Virtuous Wives."

Peoples. "Louisiana," is the new play which is showing at the Peoples theater. Vivian Martin has the stellar role and has given her better opportunity to display her dramatic, comedy and emotional ability as well as her own attractiveness than any of her former productions.

Screen Gossip. Joe Terry, organist from San Francisco, arrived in Portland yesterday and will assist Cecil Trague at the Majestic organ. The idea of having two organists originated with J. J. Jennings, owner of the Majestic, who is anxious to have the highest class music all hours of the day from 11 o'clock in the morning until 11 o'clock at night.

Asked the other day which he preferred, the movies or the "legit" Dustin Farnum replied, "both." "What-ye-mean both?" exclaimed the interviewer. "I mean there is much to be said for both," said Mr. Farnum. "Sentiment, for example, the living-out-of-a-trunk, the long and the short jumps, etc. The thespian may growl and grumble when enduring the arduousness of the 'road,' but when he leaves the 'legit' for the movies, distance lends enchantment to the view, you know."

Already in full swing of popularity in other states "Playthings of Fate," the latest Kitty Gordon photoplay feature, was held up by the Philadelphia board of censors. The picture itself met with their approval, but before it could be passed by the Quaker City censors the title had to be changed. "Playthings of Fate" was substituted.

Major Ian Beth (Ian Hay), soldier, lecturer and author, is now in Los Angeles and will start work at once as a member of Cecil B. De Mille's literary staff.

Major Beth's initial photoplay efforts are in connection with the coming Arteract production based on Sir James M. Barrie's "The Admirable Crichton." Miss Jeanie Macpherson has written the screen version of the Barrie success and Major Beth will aid her in an advisory capacity.

The board of aldermen in New York city would have nothing to do with censorship and killed the censorship bill by unanimous committee action. The newspapers in the city were strongly against the bill and gave the opposition wonderful support and cooperation.

Marguerite Clark has declared her intention of seeing everything worth seeing while sojourning in California. And she having completed her picture, "Girls," from Clyde Fitch's famous comedy, she spent last week with friends at Palm Springs with her husband, Lieutenant H. S. Williams.

"Girls" is now in the cutting room under preparation for an early release. Joe Martin, cultured orange-outang, can do everything human but beat his wife. He has none.

Lately he has developed a wonderful hold over children. In the filming of one of the comedies in which Joe is the star, the story called upon a hard-fisted miner to fan the pantaloons of an urchid. He fanned, of course, with a sliding motion that would never raise a blister or deter the young from evil ways. Yet the process looked real to Joseph. His monkeyship did take a fancy to the kiddie and it grieved him to see him paddled.

Stepping down from his chair Joe rushed the offending player. He grappled him around the ankles and tripped him up with a flying tackle that would have done wonders for a collegiate pigskinmer.

Barbara C. Hillerton, noted screen beauty, will play an important part in "Beg o' My Heart," which is now under preparation, with Wanda Hawley in the title role. Miss Castleton of Arkansas origin, leaped to stage fame in "It Pays to Advertise," which will soon be pictureized with Wallace Reid as star. She has played the lead in many photoplays.

That "nothing to do until tomorrow" is Vivian Martin's maxim finds illustration in the fact that no sooner had she completed "The Third Kiss," than she started work on "Louisiana." The latter picture, which Miss Martin has just begun, is from the well-known novel by Frances Hodgson Burnett, author of "Little Lord Fauntleroy."

MORE PROTECTION URGED FOR SALMON

Warden Says Present Methods Spell Ruin to Industry.

LOSS IS HALF MILLION

Premature Catching of Columbia River Fish Lowers Quality of Output, Says Official.

ASTORIA, Or., July 16.—(Special.)—"The general public and even the packers and the men themselves do not fully appreciate the serious situation which confronts the fishing industry of the Columbia river," said Deputy Warden Larson today, in discussing the war problems with The Oregonian correspondent here tonight.

"If they did, some stringent measures would have been imposed long before this to prevent the ruinous destruction of young chinook salmon—a thing that is not only fast ruining the industry, but is also depreciating the quality and value of the Columbia river pack. Catch Valued at \$420,000.

"Do you know that during the past few seasons an average of 25,000 young chinook salmon measuring 20 inches or less in length have been taken each day? That means about a month of 2,400,000 for the season of four months. Now a 20-inch salmon will weigh about 2 1/2 pounds, so the young chinooks being destroyed each season total about 8,400,000 pounds, and as fish of this kind bring only 5 cents a pound, they are worth to the fishermen approximately \$420,000.

"These immature salmon are about 1 1/2 years old. Experience shows that were they permitted to feed at sea until they reach the age of 4 years they would increase in weight fully eight times. Thus that number of fish would weigh 8,400,000 pounds at 4 years a pound, the ruling price now, would be worth more than \$1,000,000 to the men who catch them.

Benevolent Not Draconic Enough. "Just think what this ruthless destruction of young chinooks is doing to the fishing industry. What success would a farmer have if he insisted on digging his potatoes as soon as they began to blossom? That is what is being done by our fishing interests and still they wonder why the quality of the pack deteriorates and the runs of salmon do not increase.

"It is true the packers did do something a few days ago by refusing to accept fish under 20 inches in length, but they did not go far enough. As I said before, a 20-inch chinook weighs only about 2 1/2 pounds. That is not a real chinook either in size or quality.

Ten-Pound Limit Proposed. "What the packers should do and do if they hope to preserve the industry is to raise the minimum weight to 10 pounds under 10 pounds each, regardless of the length, and limit the size of gear accordingly. There are other things which ought to be done, but this is the most imperative right now. Give the young salmon a chance to grow and develop. How can you expect to replenish the stock if the young salmon are killed off before they are old enough to spawn?

The state is spending about \$100,000 each year in maintaining the hatcheries and turning out millions of young salmon each season. What will be the use of this if we continue to slaughter those young fish sometimes before they have a chance to reach the sea? It is about time that not only the fishermen and packers, but the general public as well, were beginning to think seriously of these things. The fishing industry is worth millions of dollars annually to the business interests of the state. Is it not worth while protecting and fostering it?"

Colonel Martin Gets Medal.

SEATTLE, Wash., July 16.—In the presence of a notable gathering of military officers, including Major-General James W. McAndrew, General Pershing's former chief-of-staff, Brigadier-General H. P. Hodges today pinned on the breast of Colonel Charles H. Martin the distinguished service medal. Colonel Martin, as major-general of the national army in command of the 9th division, was cited by General Pershing in France for this honor. The ceremony took place in the city headquarters of the north Pacific coast artillery district.

Salem Police and Firemen Ask Rise.

SALEM, Or., July 16.—(Special.)—Salem policemen last night petitioned the city council to grant an increase in wages from \$90 to \$100 a month. The rise was recommended by Chief Varney, and the city attorney was instructed to prepare an ordinance authorizing the increase. It also is proposed to increase the salaries of the firemen from \$95 to \$100 a month.

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3 OFFICES SAID TO LURE

MRS. ALEXANDER THOMPSON MAY BE CANDIDATE.

Senator, Representative and Governor Offices Reported to Be Attractive to Ex-Wasco Woman.

SALEM, Or., July 16.—(Special.)—Prominent Oregon democrats who have visited Salem recently say that Mrs. Alexander Thompson, for two years representative from Wasco county, has future political aspirations and may be a candidate for United States senator at the next election.

These same democrats declare that if Senator Chamberlain is a candidate for re-election Mrs. Thompson will make her campaign on an administrative platform and will oppose the incumbent on the grounds that he criticized rather than assisted the president in carrying out his war programme.

One visitor went so far as to say that Mrs. Thompson had her eye on three offices, including representative in congress, governor and United States senator, and that any one of them would be acceptable to her. It also

Lewisston Appointments Made.

LEWISTON, Idaho, July 16.—(Special.)—According to Lewisston's charter, which provides for three commissions headed by the mayor, appointments were made at the council meeting last evening by Mayor Omers. The park commission will comprise Mayor Omers, Commissioners William Enoch and J. W. Brett; Citizens R. S. Loring, Fred Kling, F. R. Eavis, J. E. Kirooid and E. A. Cox. Board of health: Mayor Omers, Commissioner Charles Parker, Dr. Susan Bruce, city health officer; Dr. C. W. Shaif and Dr. E. L. White, library board: Mayor Omers, Commissioners P. H. Quilliam and F. W. Emery, Mrs. C. W. Shaif and H. L. Talmage.

New School Head Named.

VANCOUVER, Wash., July 16.—(Special.)—Thomas P. Clarke, who was for-

FUNGUS KILLS THISTLES

Lane County Finds Crop Pests Are Destroyed.

EUGENE, Or., July 16.—(Special.)—A fungus that has attacked the Canadian thistles which have become a great menace in this valley promises to exterminate the pest, according to C. E. Stewart, Lane county fruit inspector, who has charge of the campaign recently inaugurated against the thistle.

Mr. Stewart said that this fungus has destroyed at least 20 per cent of the thistles in the vicinity of Cottage Grove. He said the fungus begins at the root of the thistle and spreads toward the top. Please your want ads to The Oregonian, Main 1019, A 6025.

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