

BILL TO CUT TAX ON FRUIT JUICE BACKED

House Committee's Decision Is Victory for Northwest.

REPORT TO BE FAVORABLE

Representative Hawley's Proposal Would Reduce Levy to Two Cents on Each Gallon.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Wash- ington, July 24.—Victory was won by the fruitgrowers of the northwest today when the republican members of the house ways and means committee agreed to report favorably on the bill introduced by Representative Hawley of Oregon reducing the tax on loganberry, apple and grape juices. Instead of the present tax of 10 per cent on the gross sales, which amounts to approximately 29 cents a gallon, the tax will be fixed at 2 cents a gallon. Several democratic members of the committee also have assured Representative Hawley that they will support the bill. The most of the fight for the reduction of the tax has been carried on by the loganberry growers of Oregon.

Several Oregon and Washington men are among troop organizations now under convoy from overseas. Among them are the 47th motor transport corps, 27 men, on the Antigonish, which sailed from Brest for Newport News on July 21; 4th engineers, 6 officers and 230 men, which sailed from Brest on July 21 for Newport News; detachment of company transport corps, 1 officer and 26 men due at New York tomorrow on the Santa Barbara. All of these troops will be sent to Camp Lewis, Washington.

Approval was given today by the chief of engineers to the application of the Northwest Steel company of Portland, Or., to build a bridge across Deer Island slough.

Director John B. Densmore of the federal employment service denied an application today for increased aid for the employment service at Astoria, Or., because of insufficient funds. The extra money was desired to maintain the women's division of the Astoria employment service on a larger scale during the cranberry picking season.

Senator Chamberlain returned today from Milwaukee, Wis., where he delivered an address to more than 700 agents of the Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance company, representing every state. On his return he took up the assembling of complaints of soldiers charging brutal treatment in France which he will submit to the war investigation committee.

Secretary of the Navy Daniels said today that he is working out the details for his visit to the Pacific coast and that he hopes to be able within a short time to say definitely when he will visit Portland and Astoria.

Announcement will be made within a few days of appointments of census supervisors in Oregon, Washington and Idaho, it was learned today at the census bureau.

Demands began to pour in upon Pacific coast congressmen today to obtain some revision of the present lumber tariffs to eastern points. The railroad administration had this matter under consideration some time, but finally decided a few days ago that because of differences between the lumbermen on the Pacific coast and the early return of the railroads to private ownership that no action would be taken. In their telegrams to senators and representatives today the lumbermen said that it is desirable to have a rate revision before the roads go back to private ownership.

Highway Commissioner Booth Tangles With Rattler.

Close-In Fighting Puts Serpent in Casualty List, and Rattles Are Declared Stopped of War.

ASHLAND, Or., July 24.—(Special.)—R. A. Booth, state highway commissioner, killed a rattlesnake on the Pacific highway and took its rattles a few days ago. Mr. Booth, while inspecting the contract work on the Siskiyou section south of Ashland, saw the long, large, fat rattler crawling across the highway. With a whoop, designed to rattle the rattler, the commissioner leaped from his car, landing in the road five feet from the snake. After hurling one piece of perfectly good basalt rock at the serpent, the commissioner decided on close-in fighting and while the snake was coiled he determined to give it the boot. The snake uncoiled and started to beat a retreat, whereupon Commissioner Booth jumped upon its head with one heel, keeping his foot there a moment while the body of the snake thrashed the dust in its death agony.

Condensed News.

Foreign.

Brand Whitlock, American minister to Belgium, will leave for the United States Saturday on a two months' vacation. It is generally believed that Mr. Whitlock will not return to Brussels, but will proceed to Italy to replace Thomas Nelson Page as ambassador.

General John J. Pershing received the degree of doctor of laws from the Cambridge university Wednesday. Other recipients of the degree were Admirals Sturdee and Weymouth and Generals Rawlinson, Birdwood, Wilson, Horne, Currie, Monash and the Earl of Cavan.

The Baltic commission of the peace conference recommends that the Aland islands, between Sweden and Finland at the mouth of the Gulf of Bothnia, be neutralized under the guarantee of the league of nations.

Efforts to re-establish pumping operations in the coal mines at Leeds, England, have resulted satisfactorily.

As the result of an attack on French soldiers by Bulgarians, a French regiment has arrived at Sofia, the Bulgarian capital, to disarm the local garrison.

It is possible former Emperor William may not be tried in London, according to an announcement made in the House of Lords by Earl Curzon Wednesday.

The exportation of Cardiff coal has been stopped by a government order issued yesterday.

The circus of the 1st division, which recently gave shows at Montebaur, is going on the road in Germany and perhaps will continue its tour in Belgium, France and England.

National.

The United States Board of Indian commissioners will recommend to congress ways and means to overcome im-

morality and to enforce health regulations on the 140 Indian reservations of the country.

Bills proposing a leasing system for government-owned coal, sodium and phosphate lands and for the disposal of lands containing non-metaliferous minerals has been introduced by Senator Lenroot.

Democratic members of the house ways and means committee declined to join with the republican members in recommending passage of a bill levying a tariff on importations of chemical glassware and apparatus.

Legislation providing permanent rank of admiral for Rear-Admiral William S. Sims, who commanded American naval forces overseas, and Admiral William S. Benson, chief of operations, was recommended unanimously by the house naval committee.

Efforts of house republicans to increase the steering committee from five to seven or nine, were voted down. A recess of a month to begin in August practically was agreed on.

Included in legislation which the house passed today is a bill for the proposed recess to begin next month will be a bill for deportation of 500 enemy aliens, now at internment camps, and a measure to prevent foreign ships from engaging in coastwise trade.

Information obtained by the Federal Trade commission in its investigation of the meat packing industry has been under consideration for several months by the department of justice. Attorney-General Palmer expects a report about August 1.

Domestic.

Rentals of apartments and houses in Chicago will be increased from 10 to 30 per cent and in some cases 100 per cent to meet the increased cost of operation, when tenants sign new leases October 1.

Urgent messages to the Philippines, China and Japan by way of the Commercial-Pacific Cable company are being restricted to one message of not more than 10 chargeable words a day from the same sender.

Chilton Jennings, a negro, was taken from jail at Gilmer, Tex., and hanged in the courtyard square by a mob of 500 men. He was charged with assaulting a woman here yesterday.

William Masten, mistaken for a deer, was shot and killed by his brother, Gus Masten, near Eureka, Cal.

The cable censorship exercised by the navy department during the war ceased July 23, when the New York office of the naval cable censor, which handled 85 per cent of the cable correspondence between Europe and most of America, closed its doors.

Beer of 2.75 per cent alcoholic content is held to be intoxicating within the meaning of the war-time prohibition act in a decision returned by Federal Judge Thomas J. Chatfield in a test case.

A fund of \$25,000,000 will be raised by popular subscription for the erection of a great American memorial in France, commemorating America's achievements.

The Montana state efficiency and trade commission, working under a law enacted by the last legislature, has begun an inquiry into local living costs.

LONG FLIGHT IS STARTED

8,000-MILE COURSE MAPPED OUT BY ARMY CREW.

Plane Will Leave Mincola, N. Y., This Morning on Round-Rim-of-Country Trip.

MINEOLA, N. Y., July 24.—Lieutenant-Colonel R. S. Hartz, who arrived here at 12:45 P. M. today from Washington, is to start on a long flight this morning at 8 o'clock for Augusta, Me., the next stopping point on the 8,000-mile round-the-rim-of-the-country trip. The writer tank while passing over Baltimore, Jeremiah Tobias, one of the mechanics on board, went out on the wing and made the necessary repairs. The plane was flying at an altitude of 5000 feet. It required 20 minutes to complete the task.

The flight is the longest ever attempted by the army air service and will carry the machine through 31 states, over .95 cities and over long stretches of the Atlantic, Pacific and Gulf coasts as well as the Canadian border.

The general line to be followed will carry the machine in order to Duluth, Minn., Seattle, San Diego, San Antonio, Tex., Miami, Fla., and back to Washington. The actual measured distance of the route is 7885 miles.

SERVICE MEN WELCOMED

Wilsonville Entertains Local Boys With Reception and Dance.

OREGON CITY, Or., July 24.—(Special.)—An enthusiastic gathering was held at Wilsonville Wednesday evening, when the boys returned from service were given a welcome home. The affair, an entertainment and ball, was held in Grange hall, and was attended by 100 people.

District Attorney Gilbert L. Hedges and Attorney O. D. Eby, who made addresses, were given an ovation. During the evening selections were rendered by the Sherwood orchestra of five pieces. Several vocal numbers were also given.

Following the entertainment refreshments were served the returned soldiers, sailors and marines with their relatives and friends.

Mr. Soley, cashier of the Wilsonville bank, presided over the reception, which was given under the auspices of the Community club. Dancing followed the refreshments.

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NEW CRUELITIES REVEALED

ARMY PRISONS AGAIN SUBJECT OF TORTURE ALLEGATIONS.

"Beat Prisoners or Be Beaten," Is Choice Sergeant Says Was Given Him.

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 24.—Effort to fix responsibility of superior officers for the mistreatment of American military prisoners in detention camps and jails in and near Paris will be made by a house war investigation committee next week. Chairman Johnson announced tonight that former Sergeant Clarence Hall, who is serving a six months sentence at Fort Jay, N. Y., for mistreating prisoners while he was a guard at one of the camps, would appear before the committee Monday.

"Beat the prisoners or be beaten yourself," is the choice that Hall says was given him by superior officers, according to a letter written by Hall to Representative Dalling of Massachusetts, who turned it over to the committee. At prison farm No. 2, where Hall was an assistant of Lieutenant ("Hardbollo") Smith, who also is in prison for mistreatment of soldiers, Hall's letter asserts that he and other guards did their "best not to misuse the prisoners, and it did not suit Smith."

"I admit that I hit prisoners," wrote Hall, "but the orders came from higher than any sergeant."

Ball's letter mentioned only Lieutenant Smith, but the former sergeant said: "I could tell you a lot more if I could only talk with you."

Alleged Liquor Violators Jailed.

Ernie Hutchinson, an alleged oldtime offender, was arrested Wednesday night at 315 Couch street by Patrolmen Traver and Nelson in company with Blanche Kollo and booked for violation of the prohibition law. The offi-

TACOMA REAPS PROFIT

Municipal Electric Department Shows Tidy Sum for City.

TACOMA, Wash., July 24.—(Special.)—Six-month's net profit of the Tacoma municipal light department for the period ending June 30 was \$227,475.08. The operating revenues were \$476,556.76, while the expenses totaled \$185,102.27.

The voters will decide on August 12 whether or not they want to float a \$300,000 bond issue to buy the Lake Cushman power site for further development of the present plants. No opposition has developed to the project because the interest charges and bond retirement will be cared for from the earnings of the present plants.

It is estimated that the complete development of the site would add 123,000 horsepower to the energy which Tacoma can supply for manufacturing.

FLEET ENTERS CARIBBEAN

Admiral Rodman Expects No Difficulty in Passing Canal.

ABOARD THE FLAGSHIP U. S. S. NEW MEXICO, July 24.—(By Wire) to the Associated Press.—The Pacific fleet, en route to its station on the western coast, yesterday entered the Caribbean sea after passing Navassa island at 6 o'clock this morning.

Admiral Rodman stated today he anticipated his flotilla would experience no difficulty in negotiating the passage of the Panama canal.

The weather remains excellent. Captain Willard, commanding the New Mexico, continues to put his crew through daily drills.

EASTERN STAR CONVENES

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY ATTRACTS THOUSANDS TO SEATTLE.

George M. Hyland, Portland, Presides at Opening of Sessions. Election to Be Saturday.

SEATTLE, Wash., July 24.—Business sessions of the sixteenth triennial assembly of the general grand chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, opened here today with Mrs. Emma C. Ocobeck of Hartford, Mich., most worthy grand matron, and George M. Hyland, Portland, Or., most worthy grand patron, presiding. It was the first meeting of the national assembly held west of Chicago. Mayor Ole Hanson, welcomed the delegates in behalf of the city, and Mrs. Eretta Hutchinson, grand matron of the Washington grand chapter, in behalf of the state chapter.

Upwards of 5000 delegates and visitors, it was estimated, are in Seattle for the assembly's meetings. Thousands of dollars have been spent in street decorations, with the red, white, blue, green and yellow colors of the order predominating. Programme features tonight included church memorial services under direction of George J. Kurzen-kne of Chicago, worthy grand orator. Election of officers will be held Saturday.

Kiwanis Will Go to Astoria.

Members of the Kiwanis club, with their families, will participate in a week-end excursion to Astoria Saturday, August 2, returning some time the following Monday. The club, through Ben H. Hazen, chairman of the excursion committee, has arranged for a

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special car leaving the North Bank station at 2 P. M. August 2. A banquet at Astoria and other features have been arranged for the excursionists.

Homesteaders Given Leave.

WASHINGTON, July 24.—The senate amendment to the agricultural apportion bill granting temporary leave of absence to homesteaders whose crops have been destroyed by drought was agreed to by the house today and the measure was sent to the president.

Dorothy Gish

"Nugget Nell"



"Touch a hair of his mustache and I'll drill ya clean!" 'Tis Nugget Nell that speaks, and she's wiggling the meanest trigger finger in Rattlesnake Gulch. . . . The bandits flee. Percival Pettibone opens his peeps. "Nell," he murmurs, "they'll laugh till their throats ache when they see you in this roaring burlesque travesty on the Wild and Movie West."

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