

WOMEN SCARED BY WILSON'S BULL

Treaty Manifesto Is Hardly Taken Seriously.

PACT'S FATE UNAFFECTED

Too Much Party Politics Seen in Proclamation Holding Re- publican Leaders Responsible.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Wash- ington, Dec. 15.—There was so much democratic party politics mixed up in President Wilson's statement yesterday that he had no concession to offer as a means of accomplishing ratification of the peace treaty that quite generally it is interpreted here as not affecting the future of the pact in one way or another.

His mention of the republican party and the responsibility of its leaders for failure of the treaty is not regarded as material. The "republican leaders" to whom he referred were used only as a barricade to protect his movement in attacking a faction of the democratic party which has been making it exceedingly uncomfortable for administration leaders by their insistent demands that something be done to secure early ratification of the treaty by compromise, thus insuring its elimination from the coming national campaign.

Problem Purely Domestic.

This latest White House statement is not even viewed as of national importance, to say nothing of giving it an international interpretation. It concerns, according to the common estimate, a purely domestic problem, so narrow as to be confined to the 47 men who are members of the senate.

When Senator Martin died it was naturally expected that Senator Hitchcock, who conducted the administration's fight for an unamended treaty and is ranking member of the committee on foreign relations, would succeed to the minority leadership. This impression, however, did not last long because within a few days it was found that practically all of the democratic senators from the south had lined up behind the treaty, and was for four years the successful leader of the democrats in the house before he came over to the senate.

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PROHIBITION LAW UPHELD

edge," the opinion continued, "some of which have been referred to in the treaty of peace had not yet been concluded; that the railroads are still under national control by virtue of the war powers; that other war activities have not been brought to a close, and that it cannot even be said that the man power of the nation has been restored to a peace footing, we are unable to conclude that the act has ceased to be valid."

The war time act, the court said, is not confiscatory, asserting that more than nine months were given distillers to dispose of their stocks, which time the court believed to be adequate. The act also was not repealed, the court held, by the prohibition constitutional amendment, which it asserted was binding not only during peace but also in war times.

War announcement was made tonight that the house agricultural committee will meet tomorrow to vote on the motion to table the bill of Representative Gillivan, which would repeal the war time act.

Internal revenue officials explained tonight the court's opinion would not affect the bureau's plans for enforcing national prohibition, as all preparations had been made upon the assumption that the act was constitutional.

Judge Brandeis Gives Decision.

Justice Brandeis' decision in part follows:

"To establish that the emergency has passed, statements and acts of the president and other executive officers are adduced, some of them antedating the enactment of the statute here in question. . . . But we also have the fact that these statements were made and these acts were done, congress on October 28, 1919, passed over the president's veto the national prohibition act; that the senate, on November 19, 1919, refused to ratify the treaty of peace with Germany; that under the provisions of the Lever act the president resumed, on October 30, 1919, the con-

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"We do not care to criticize the supreme court and have no comment to make at this time," was the only statement forthcoming from A. W. Skaght, executive secretary of the Association Opposed to National Prohibition. He added, however, by way of a "chaser," that his organization was concerned chiefly with combating the 18th amendment and had "no direct interest" in the war time act.

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But the "wets" had not entirely lost their optimism. E. R. Buckner of the firm of Root, Clark, Buckner & Howland, who have led the legal forces of the "anti" declared it all rested with the president and senate whether Americans were once more to taste "bad liquor." If the senate ratified the peace treaty before January 16, when the constitutional amendment becomes effective and the president immediately issues a proclamation declaring war and wartime prohibition at an end, then all will be well, according to Mr. Buckner.

The blow fell hardest on the thousands of saloon keepers and their white-aproned assistants, who have been preparing to pass the yuletide with unprecedented sales. Motor trucks were lined up awaiting the signal for a dash to the warehouses and return; advertising posters and pamphlets had rolled from many a printing press. All that was lacking was immunity from the law.

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Liquor Stocks Affected by Action of Supreme Court.

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United States Industrial Alcohol was less severely affected, losing only a few points. The general list was moderately unsettled.

LAND COMPANY FORMED

Million-Dollar Milk Concern Is Also Incorporated at Salem.

SALEM, Or., Dec. 15.—(Special.)—The Portland-Deschutes Land company, with a capital stock of \$300,000, filed articles of incorporation here today. The incorporators are George L. Burr, M. M. Matthiessen and Richard Montague. Headquarters will be at Salem. The purpose of the company is to engage in the development of lands.

The Western Milk Products company, also of Portland, was incorporated here today with a capital stock of \$1,000,000. The incorporators are R. D. Putana, Ben C. Dey and Alfred Hampson.

ALBANY SCHOOLS QUIT

Effort to Keep Going Despite Weather Is Given Up.

ALBANY, Or., Dec. 15.—(Special.)—Efforts to resume work in the local schools amid record-breaking weather conditions were abandoned today and the schools were closed definitely until December 23. Bursting pipes had made it impossible to occupy the Madison school and maple school, and difficulty of heating buildings and of traffic conditions generally caused the decision.

For the same reasons Albany colleges also closed today and will not reopen until December 30.

Ladies—Read M. Slohel's adv. on page 5.—Adv.



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JOYFUL ANTICIPATION TURNS TO SORROWFUL REALITY.

Even Carrie Nation Would Have Found Difficulty in Suppressing Tears at Court Scenes.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Dec. 15.—Carrie Nation would have found it difficult to suppress tears at the scene around the supreme court today when the decision upholding the validity of wartime prohibition was handed down. Why on earth the "wets" felt so cocksure that they were going to get a favorable decision no one knows, but thinking that the decision would be one to call for a four weeks' celebration. Maybe their tongues were not lit- arily hanging out, but some of them exhibited signs of high fever which must have turned to chills and suppression of heat action when they heard what the court had to say. The fact was that many persons had taken leave from their regular employment for the day, and anticipating the emancipation of John Barleycorn intended going, suitcase in hand, to Baltimore this afternoon to greet the repatriated prisoner. One individual who passed out of the courtroom with unsteady gait went to his distress in a celebrated quotation attributed to General Sherman, with some paraphrasing. He admitted that he had brought with him to the capital suitable luggage for an excursion to Baltimore. He did not conceal his disappointment at having the trip spoiled.

LUMBER COMPANY SOLD

\$1,500,000 Deal in Grays Harbor County Is Closed.

HOQUIAM, Wash., Dec. 15.—(Special.)—The sale of the National Lumber & Manufacturing company for more than \$1,500,000 was closed Friday, when all of the stock was taken over by W. T. Culver, vice-president of the Stearns Salt & Lumber company of Luddington, Mich.

The sale involves the big lumbering, box and veneer plant here and said that those in a position to judge the value of timber land in the eastern part of Grays Harbor county.

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Colonel Fortney, who is entrusted with the enforcement of the prohibition law in the district of New York, said that his office was going on with its work as usual, averaging 16 arrests a day for violations of the act.

Mount Angel Notes.

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