

### SMOOT RENEWS WAR ON WASTE OF PAPER

#### Tons of Speeches Mailed From Washington Protested.

### SHERMAN JOINS IN FIGHT

#### Senator Cites "Propaganda" of McAdoo, Who "Thought He Was Candidate for President."

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5.—Renewing his charge of an enormous waste of paper by executive departments of the federal government, Senator Smoot, republican, Utah, told the senate today that from July 1, 1916, to last July 15, 30,144,352 copies of speeches made by cabinet officials and other persons were printed and distributed through the mails at a total cost of \$42,000.

Senator Sherman said this not only was a waste of paper, but an "abuse of the public money" and a "wicked practice" that should be stopped immediately in view of the serious print paper situation.

The treasury department alone, he said, had 25,000,000 copies of speeches requiring 708,896 pounds of paper printed and distributed while the railroad administration had 4,055,000 copies of speeches made by William G. McAdoo, while director-general of railroads, and other persons printed. Senator Sherman, republican, Illinois, declared much paper was consumed by Mr. McAdoo in distributing "propaganda" in the form of literature when he was director of railroads "and thought he was a candidate for president."

"In Michigan," Senator Sherman said, "the Newberry campaign committee was damned from Dan to Beersheba because Newberry paid his own expenses. Mr. McAdoo paid his campaign bills at the expense of the government and he passes as an example of public virtue."

Limitation of the size of daily newspapers was suggested by Senator Jones, democrat, New Mexico, who said his bill for that purpose had been pigeonholed in committee. Earl of the blame for the paper shortage, he added, belonged to the senate, which consumed a great deal of space in the Congressional Record, "by talking for hours about matters with which we all are familiar."

### MORO FAIR STEP TAKEN

#### PRELIMINARY ORGANIZATION WORK IS STARTED.

County Court Promises to Buy Site and Lease Property; Fund for Prizes to Be Given.

HEPPNER, Or., Feb. 5.—(Special.)—Preliminary steps were taken today for the organization of the Moro County Fair association by a joint committee, appointed for the purpose some time ago by the Heppner Commercial club and the Moro county farm bureau. The committee held a conference with the county judge and commissioners. The fair will be incorporated as a joint stock fair association, with a capital stock of \$25,000.

Assurance from representative citizens from all parts of the county already has been received that the stock will be speedily sold. Business men of Heppner have agreed to take 50 per cent of the issue. The rest will be scattered over the county.

A fine tract of 22 acres will be purchased, a little more than a mile north of town, on the Oregon-Washington highway and the O. W. B. & N. All necessary modern buildings and equipment will be installed during the coming spring and summer. The county court has agreed to assist the enterprise by purchasing the site and leasing it to the association. A substantial appropriation for prizes was the agricultural and livestock departments also will be made.

### MYERS OUT, SAYS LETTER

#### INFORMATION TO MARTINEAU LAYS DOUBT OF OUSTING.

Report of Investigators of Charges Against Postmaster Held Confidential Matter.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU. Washington, Feb. 5.—All doubt as to Postmaster Frank S. Myers of Portland, Ore., having been removed from office because of charges of impropriety investigated by postoffice inspectors several months ago, was removed by a letter received today by Representative McArthur. The letter was signed by First Assistant Postmaster-General Kogan, and said: "I wish to advise you that as the result of the investigation made at Portland, Ore., an order has been issued removing the postmaster, Frank S. Myers, effective January 31, 1920. The postmaster was advised under date of January 22 of the necessity for making a change in the position of postmaster at Portland, and that if he would submit his resignation by January 31 it would be accepted. As the postmaster failed to resign, an order has been issued removing him."

The letter declined, however, to give out the report of inspectors, which was held to be confidential.

### PATROLMAN IS REBUKED

#### TREATH TO FORCE SALE OF TICKETS TO BALL CHARGED.

Alleged Traffic Violator Is Sent to Jail—Arrest Reported to Have Been Alternative.

to the ball of the Police Beneficiary association. The incident occurred Wednesday night when Coe left his machine parked between East Thirty-third and Thirty-fourth street on Stark street while he went into a house for a few minutes. Patrolman Pierce notified him that his machine was improperly parked and was standing without lights. The patrolman then, according to the testimony of Coe, which was substantiated by that of the man whom he was visiting, offered to let him go if he would purchase the two dance tickets. Coe declined to purchase the tickets and Pierce then took him to the police station and made him put up \$10 bail in a case where violators are customarily permitted to go on their own recognizance. The policemen receive 10 per cent commission on all tickets sold for the Beneficiary association ball.

### RUTH ST. DENIS IS HERE

#### FAMOUS DANSEUSE TO APPEAR IN PROGRAMME TONIGHT.

#### Other Attractive Stars Also Are Stated to Take Part in Auditorium Entertainment.

A programme both artistic and unique will be presented tonight at the auditorium with Ruth St. Denis, famous danseuse, and some other attractive stars as the features. Miss St. Denis will present her famous "Spring Song," "Dance With a Veil" and other specialties, and will give a talk on "The Art of Dancing."

Laurence A. Lambert will be local director of the programme. In addition to Miss St. Denis, there will be nine beautiful young American girls who will dance, and Ellis Rhodes, dramatic tenor, who will sing several solos.

Among the girls who will dance will be Claire Fields, Ruth Austin, Bruce Carson, Betty May and Doris Humphrey. They will give suites of lyric selections which will embrace among others the waltz, the album leaf, the skip dance and the "March of the Dwarfs."

Katherine Hawley and ensemble will present "At Evening," a dainty and picturesque number. Miss Pauline Lawrence will preside at the piano. Julianne Johnston also will exhibit her skill as a dancer, and color and lighting effects will be particularly well arranged for the appearance of Miss St. Denis and her talented assistants.

### MOVIE ACT IS FATAL

#### Falling Body, Mistaken for Dummy, Is Filmed by Cameraman.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Feb. 5.—Earl Burgess, a motion picture actor, was instantly killed at Beverly Hills here today when he fell 700 feet from an airplane on which he was performing in the making of a comedy. Burgess was flying with Lieutenant Walter Hawkins, an aviator who had a record of never having met with an accident. The actor was to cast off a dummy from the plane, but in some manner the camera man and directors thought the falling body was the dummy and continued photographing. They did not discover their mistake until they went to remove the supposed dummy from some telephone wires where it had alighted and discovered that it was Burgess' body.

### TRAFFIC EDICT ISSUED

#### New York Will Try Out "One-Way" System February 16.

NEW YORK, Feb. 5.—Announcement that Fifth and Park avenues, Manhattan's great longitudinal arteries, motor traffic, would become "one way" streets on February 16 was made today by the police department. A system of signal towers on Fifth avenue flashing red, green and yellow lights, in conjunction with one-way rules is expected to remedy congestion that now limits thousands of automobiles to a snail's pace in the rush hours.

### Legion Auxiliary to Form

CHEHALIS, Wash., Feb. 5.—(Special.)—L. R. Ficus Post, American Legion of Chehalis, plans organization of a woman's auxiliary of the organization. George Sears has been named chairman of a committee to make the arrangements, other members being Dr. H. W. Minton and Fred Blakely. Chehalis' time-worn and tattered flags in public places are to be immediately replaced with new ones through the activity of the legion.

### CLERK CONFESSES TO THEFT OF \$3500

#### F. E. Waterhouse, Seattle, Seeks Own Arrest.

### COSTLY LIVING, PLEA

#### Sumis Taken During Two-Year Period From Bank Where He Was Employed.

SEATTLE, Wash., Feb. 5.—F. E. Waterhouse, 28, bank clerk, within half an hour after his arrest here today, pleaded guilty to an indictment charging him with embezzling \$3500 from his employers. The indictment was on a secret file returned by a federal grand jury here last night. Waterhouse said he took the money because he was living beyond his means. He will be sentenced next week.

Waterhouse, who resides in Seattle with his wife and three children, in a confession given to Martin McLean, national bank examiner, said that he did not gamble or speculate, but that he simply lived beyond his means; that he tried to live as he thought he should. His misappropriation, which began two years ago, was not discovered until December 8, 1919, but a few weeks before he was dismissed from the employ of the bank.

No Excuse Offered. When Waterhouse appeared before Judge Netter at noon Thursday, a few minutes after he offered himself for arrest to Frank Colligan, deputy United States marshal, in the federal building, he was accompanied by his father, a plea of guilty to the charge, which carries a maximum punishment of five years in the penitentiary and a fine of \$5000, was then entered by young Waterhouse. He offered no excuse, except to say that he was tempted to live beyond his means.

Waterhouse, according to his confession, was employed in the National City bank for three years as bookkeeper in the clearing-house department. His misappropriations have covered a period of two years. He said, in fact, that he had been in the habit of appropriating funds to charge inactive individual accounts with sums ranging from \$10 to \$20. Only two or three of these overcharge accounts were ever questioned by the bank's clients and were later attributed to errors, said Waterhouse.

Shortage Totals \$3510. In October, 1918, Waterhouse was transferred to the clearing-house department of the bank, handling incoming clearings and remittance letters. In this department, confessed McLean, he took mutilated currency sent in by country banks. The confession also related that he destroyed checks, which would be written again on the outside. Aggregate misappropriations of funds in this manner totaled \$3510.05.

After the shortages were discovered the case was presented before the federal grand jury and Waterhouse was indicted secretly.

### LEGION MAINTAINS STAND

#### Hood Post Will Not Back Down on Japanese Exclusion Law.

HOOD RIVER, Or., Feb. 5.—(Special.)—The Hood River Post of American Legion, with unanimous action, has adopted a resolution expressing disfavor of the proposed gentleman's agreement offered as a solution of the Hood River Japanese problem. The Legion members declare that they will stick to their policy of agitating for national and state legislation tending toward Japanese exclusion.

### Obituary.

SALEM, Or., Feb. 5.—(Special.)—Funeral services for Mrs. Mary A. Crist, aged 94 years, were held this afternoon with interment in the Odd-fellows cemetery. Mrs. Crist had lived in Marion county for many years.

BOISE, Idaho, Feb. 5.—(Special.)—In the death this week of Charles Hinrod and Moses Marks, Idaho lost two prominent pioneers. Mr. Hinrod was mayor of Boise during 1879 and 1880 and was later elected treasurer of Ada county and treasurer of the territory of Idaho and was a member of the seventh and 14th territorial legislatures. In 1884 he was register of the Boise land office. Mr. Marks was for 20 years one of the leading clothing men of Boise and an early gold dust buyer in California, having walked across the isthmus of Panama in the early days.

A member of the Theosophical society and for many years prominent in theosophical circles of Portland and the Pacific coast, Mrs. Ursula Vassar died Tuesday at her home, 1283 Stanton street, San Francisco. She had been ill since early winter from the effects of a fall. She is survived by her husband, Philip B. Vassar; her

daughter, Mrs. James C. Stambaugh, and the following sisters: Mrs. Anne R. Howe, Mrs. Elizabeth Church, Mrs. Charles A. McClure and Mrs. Ailda V. Spurgeon, all of San Francisco and for many years formerly residents of Portland.

OSEBURG, Or., Feb. 5.—(Special.)—E. C. Murray, well known throughout the state as "Rice" Murray, died at his home in Camas Valley yesterday following a protracted illness. Mr. Murray was one of the pioneers of the Camas Valley community, being 60 years of age at the time of his death and having spent practically his entire life in Camas Valley. He owned considerable farm property in Douglas county and had some holdings in various parts of the state. He leaves a widow and three brothers, James Murray of San Francisco, Z. T. Murray of Camas Valley and W. B. Murray of Roseburg. The funeral was held at Camas Valley this afternoon.

### TEXAS RANGERS TESTIFY

#### FIGHT TO SAVE AMERICAN IS RELATED TO SENATORS.

Storekeeper Invited Out to "Be Killed" Is Declaration of Sergeant in Service.

EL PASO, Tex., Feb. 5.—United States customs inspectors, Texas rangers and civilian residents of the Big Bend district told the senate subcommittee investigating the Mexican situation today conditions along that stretch of the Rio Grande were such that it must in the end be abandoned by Americans unless more adequate protection is afforded.

Until a year ago, they alleged, the Mexicans who crossed the river on raids might be reasonably certain they were going to be pursued by American cavalry, but since then, for no reason anyone could give, the attempt of rangers to follow the invaders had ceased.

The latest clash with Mexicans was described by Sergeant H. A. King of the ranger service, stationed at Marfa. That was on January 21. A Mexican appeared in front of a store at Presidio, owned by D. T. Baldwin, and after an altercation over the purchase of tobacco, he demanded that the storekeeper come out and "be killed."

The arrival of two rangers interfered with his plan, but as they were leading him away a force of Mexicans crossed the river and started in their pursuit. In the running fight that took place the rangers lost their prisoner, who afterward was located on the Mexican side of the river. Customs officials charged that Chico Cano, whose name has been repeatedly connected with stories of border outlaws, is now an officer in the Carranza army.

### SHERWOOD WILL FOUGHT

#### CONTEST INVOLVING \$800,000 FILED AT SPOKANE.

#### Sister of Woman Killed With Husband in Auto Accident Seeks Share of Estate.

SPOKANE, Feb. 5.—A contest of the will of the late J. D. Sherwood of this city, killed with his wife in an automobile accident near San Francisco, November 23 last, was filed in superior court here today by Mrs. Mary R. Runyon of San Francisco, a sister of Mrs. Sherwood, who seeks ownership of property of Mrs. Sherwood, valued at upwards of \$800,000.

Mrs. Runyon in her petition states that she has evidence that Mrs. Sherwood survived her husband, and did not die first, as was supposed at the time of the accident, and that therefore her estate should go to Mrs. Sherwood's heirs instead of those of Mr. Sherwood.

She contends that, since Mrs. Sherwood's property was inherited from her father and mother, it would be an injustice should it go to persons other than Mrs. Sherwood's relatives. Under the terms of Mrs. Sherwood's will, should it be determined that Mr. Sherwood survived her, only her personal jewelry and household goods and other personal effects, together with some stock in the bank of Tehama, would go to Mrs. Runyon.

Postmasters to Be Appointed. OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU. Washington, Feb. 5.—Postmasters are to be appointed in Oregon as follows: Wayne E. Elliott, Veneta, Lane county; Charles W. Sharpe, Camas Valley, Douglas county; Percy E. Allen, Elsie, Clatsop county; and Mrs. Marie W. Havill, Hoff, Clackamas county.

Closing of School Reported. PORT BIDWELL, Cal., Feb. 5.—(Special.)—The Fort Bidwell permanent Indian school will be permanently closed at the end of the present term. The school is for the education of Indian children in northeastern California and southern Oregon, but the attendance has dropped below the standard adopted by the Indian bureau.

Commissioner Refuses Re-election. ROSEBURG, Or., Feb. 5.—(Special.)—W. E. St. John, county commissioner of Douglas county has refused to be a candidate for re-election. Mr. St. John was recently elected president of the Oregon Growers' association and this with his personal business prevents him from giving his entire time to the work of the county. Captain William Kietzer of Yoncalla is the only candidate in the field at which to meet current expenses and provide equipment for the present year were high lights of the annual banquet of Salem camp Boy Scouts, held here last night. Officers elected are Walter Denton, scout commissioner; E. A. Kurta, president; Theodor Roth, first vice-president; F. K. Lov-

ell, second vice-president; D. D. Bokolofsky, third vice-president; D. W. Kyles, treasurer; P. M. Gregory, director of scouting; Jack Walker, director of camp; F. G. Deuker, back director of finance; and C. S. Hamilton, director of civic affairs. During the last year the membership of the Salem council has increased more than 100 per cent.

Sheriff Goes After Prisoner. EUGENE, Or., Feb. 5.—(Special.)—Sheriff Fred G. Siskis left this morning for Ellensburg, Wash., to bring back Jerry Richardson of Leaburg, arrested on a charge of incest.

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# LIBERTY

DIRECTION OF JENSEN-VON HERBERG

"LIBERTY CORNER"

Last Times Today—CHARLIE CHAPLIN and CHAS. RAY in Their Double Bill of Merriment and Glee

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