

OWNERS WISH MORE CONTROL RAILROADS

Few Changes in Trains Made With Turnover.

BETTER SERVICE OUTLOOK

Consolidated Ticket Office in Big Centers to Remain for Time Being at Least.

When "The Oregonian" of the Southern Pacific pulled out of San Francisco at 1 A. M., it was the first passenger train to leave the union station under direction of the Southern Pacific company since the end of 1917, for it was on January 1, 1918, that the operation of the railroad was taken over by the United States government as a war measure.

and chestnuts, is the declaration of A. A. Reed, nut culturist with the United States department of agriculture, who has been in the Willamette valley for two weeks investigating conditions relative to nut production. Mr. Reed was in Portland yesterday and for several days last week, and expects to leave today for California.

Mr. Reed urged the planting of nut trees in yards and parkings, as well as in the regular commercial orchards, declaring that the time has come when the useful must be united with the beautiful, and that the nut tree makes the ideal shade tree at the same time offering a valuable crop.

BIG CLASS JOINS LODGE

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS HOLD ALL-DAY MEETING.

Delegations From Valley Towns and Prominent Men Assist in Ceremonies.

The Portland Council, Knights of Columbus, held an initiation ceremony yesterday with attendant events that covered most of the day. While the ceremonies were conducted at the cathedral school building, the members and candidates first attended mass at St. Stephen's church, Forty-second and Taylor streets.

Luncheon was served to the candidates, members of the class committee and officers of the council by the Daughters of Isabella in the cathedral school building. The luncheon was in charge of Mrs. Joe Burke, assisted by 14 young women.

Members of the Albany and Corvallis councils were present to assist with the initiation which was directed by State Deputy Frank J. Lomenyan and those initiated were:

C. J. Betzold, A. J. Boren, A. J. Cousins, J. H. Conway, F. P. Durbin, W. P. Duffy, J. P. Dasher, James Devaney, M. T. Edwards, L. Pournier, M. G. Gossman, R. McArthur, M. J. Hickey, E. J. Heuser, C. A. Herbert, A. J. Jaksha, R. Kibbe, E. F. Koch, G. N. Lynch, L. E. Lovell, R. O. MacNeil, A. H. Maupin, B. O. Mole, A. A. McNeill, C. McCarroll, P. A. McKeon, J. N. McKeon, E. H. Poirer, H. E. Poirer, M. Reuter, C. H. Senn, R. C. Smith, P. A. Welsh.

At the conclusion of the exemplification of the degrees a buffet luncheon was served and an impromptu programme was given consisting of addresses by Rev. D. Walsh, secretary of the class committee. Vocal selections were contributed by M. F. Brennan, tenor soloist, and George C. Hennessy, lyric tenor. Joe Burke presided as toastmaster. The committee having charge of yesterday's ceremonies was composed of Joe Burke, chairman, J. D. Walsh, A. H. Cain, C. B. Bauman, F. J. Schneider, J. J. Kenny, E. J. Kenefick, P. J. Yogi and C. J. Lait.

SMITH RETURNS TODAY

First Stop of Aviator on Way to San Diego Will Be Portland.

SEATTLE, Wash., Feb. 29.—(Special.)—Major Albert D. Smith, army aviator, who flew from San Diego to Seattle, will leave Camp Lewis at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning on his return trip, he announced tonight.

CANDIDATES BACK WOMEN

Ten Men of Two Parties Urge Ratification of Amendment.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 29.—Five democrats and five republicans who have been mentioned as possible presidential candidates, in statements to the national woman's party, made public today, join in urging ratification of the suffrage amendment in time for women to vote for president next November.

ARREST BLOCKS SERMON

Chicago Pastor Held as Result of Disagreement in Church.

CHICAGO, Feb. 29.—Rev. C. S. Marshall, whose resignation the trustees of the North Chicago Presbyterian church had demanded was arrested today when he attempted to enter the church to preach. He had announced he would deliver a sermon, in spite of the opposition.

DANCES, NOT DRILLS, SAID TO GIVE GRACE

"Gypsy," Famous Overnight, Gives Key to Beauty.

LIFE BEARS OUT IDEA

Vera Zimeleva, Child of Caravan, Denounces Calisthenics as Woman's Exercise.

NEW YORK, Feb. 29.—(Special.)—"Woman needs to develop grace and beauty, healthy and supple bodies and to accomplish this there is no need for strenuous exercise or regimental calisthenics. It is only necessary to dance and dance freely, without restraint and particularly in the gypsy dances of the Russian ballet dancers."

Such is the firm belief of Vera Zimeleva, the gypsy dancer in the "Ruslan and Lyudmila" now at the Manhattan opera house, and if there is any truth in the old proverb that "seeing is believing," there can be no doubt as to the efficacy of dancing.

Small, dainty, graceful Vera Zimeleva moved around her dressing room with a free, swaying movement that most women would envy. And it is that same rhythmic movement which made her a star on Broadway overnight. Nobody had heard of her when she slipped into New York, one of a company of 45 singers and dancers, just fresh from Paris and London appearances. Now the gypsy girl is a Broadway success.

"We could all dance," explained Vera Zimeleva, "just as we can sing. It comes naturally to us, for we are a free people, living in the woods and fields, untaught by city life. And because we do things naturally, we are healthy. Others could also be strong and beautiful."

LEON WEINER DROWNS

Body of Dredge Worker, Missing Since Friday, Found in River.

Recovery of a body in the Willamette river early last night led to the discovery of the death of Leon Weiner, aged 26, of 303 East Burlington street, who had been missing since 5 o'clock Friday morning. The young man was employed on the dredge at the St. Johns terminal and the body was apparently fell off the craft into the Willamette.

THIS IS MONKEY YEAR

OREGON GRADUATE DESCRIBES JAPANESE CUSTOMS.

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, Feb. 29.—(Special.)—The fascinating customs of Japanese New Year in old Japan are described in a recent letter from Harold Newton, graduate of the class of 1919, who is now teaching in a Japanese college in Osaka, Japan. Newton was a major in the school of journalism and a member of Delta Psi, their Delta Chi, national journalism fraternity, and Ye Tabbard Inn writers club.

PUPILS WRITE CHILEANS

SPANISH CLASS BOOSTS CITY IN LETTERS.

A recent undertaking of the Spanish students of Washington High school has proved the nucleus for a plan which, if carried out, should in time make Portland the most widely advertised city on the Pacific coast.

LABOR WOMEN ORGANIZE

CENTRALIA, Wash., Feb. 29.—(Special.)—Under the supervision of Miss Jean Stov, a representative of the Washington state labor board, a card and label league was organized during the past week by Centralia women.

DELAWARE BISHOPIC DECLINED

WILMINGTON, Del., Feb. 29.—The Right Rev. Nathaniel Thomas, missionary bishop of Wyoming, has declined the bishopric of Delaware, to which he was elected by the diocesan convention. His letter of refusal was read in the Episcopal churches here today.

the Portland schools, its size, its commercial importance, its industries and its scenic and climatic attractions. The idea is one which Mr. Weinstein says offers almost unlimited possibilities, and such correspondence and its consequent exchange of ideas should prove beneficial to the students of both the United States and South America, as well as, in this case, to the city of Portland.

The following are typical extracts from some of the letters: Lawrence Papa assures the party to whom he is sending his letter that "Portland is a city of more than 112,000 people and is situated upon the banks of the Willamette river, a tributary of the mighty Columbia. Our magnificent Columbia River highway, which follows the banks of that river for many miles, is an attraction to people from all parts of the United States. We have an excellent climate, for, although it is rather chilly at night, the days are warm and agreeable."

"When you visit this city," writes Elsie Patton, "be sure to come in June. Portland is known as the Rose City; and each year in June the rose festival is held and the entire city appears like a great flower garden. We are all Americans," Wayne Woodmansee writes, "and it is time that we knew each other better than we have in the past. The United States is your big brother and is ready at any time to help you. I feel quite sure that you will reciprocate this feeling toward us."

TURKISH EXIT IS URGED

RESOLUTION ASKS RESTORATION OF ARMENIA.

Non-Sectarian Mass Meeting in New York Prepares Paper for President.

NEW YORK, Feb. 29.—Banishment of the Turk from Europe; end of the moslem government's control over Christians, and fulfillment of the allied pledge to Armenia was urged in a resolution adopted at a non-sectarian mass meeting here today under the auspices of the authorities of the Cathedral of St. John the Divine. Copies of the petition will be forwarded to President Wilson and the supreme council at Paris.

Messages supporting the protest against Turkish rule in Europe were received from Senator Henry Cabot Lodge of Massachusetts. The governors of Georgia and Montana also sent telegrams supporting the action.

SHIP DISABLED AT SEA

Steamer Davidson County Is 250 Miles Southwest of Azores.

SYDNEY, N. S. March 1.—A wireless message received at Cape Race at 1 o'clock this morning said the United States shipping board steamship Davidson County was disabled about 250 miles southwest of the Azores and needed assistance. According to maritime records, the vessel left Fayal for Hampton Roads on January 24.

DAD SPEAKS ONE WORD FOR ME AND TWO FOR HIMSELF WHEN HE TELLS MOTHER TO ORDER MORE

Post Toasties Superior Corn Flakes. Made of Indian Corn, Sugar and Salt. Postum Cereal Company, Battle Creek, Mich., U. S. A.

He likes them, same as I do. Bobby. Made by Postum Cereal Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

DEMURRERS UP TODAY

EFFORTS TO BE MADE TO QUASH BLAIN INDICTMENTS.

Arguments Will Be First Business on Calendar of Seattle Federal Court.

SEATTLE, Wash., Feb. 29.—(Special.)—First business on the calendar of the federal court for tomorrow morning is argument of motions to quash three indictments brought against Captain John F. Blain, former manager of the Northern Pacific district of the United States shipping board, Emergency Fleet corporation, and argument on three demurrers against the indictments. Captain Blain was scheduled to plead to the indictments tomorrow. He is charged in the indictments with receiving secret commissions from the Steward David & Equipment corporation of New York while an agent and officer of the government.

Following the demurrers and motions against the Blain indictments come demurrers and motions to quash indictments against ten officers of the Grays Harbor Motorship corporation and the Seaborn Shipyards company. Albert Schubach, Bruce C. Shortis, Monty Ward, A. B. Shay, A. S. Hoonan, Captain W. A. Magee and A. B. Host of the Grays Harbor Motorship corporation are scheduled to plead to charges of fraudulently claiming \$7500 for advance delivery of a hull under construction for the government.

C. N. Seaborn, Phillips Morrison and E. F. Ostrowski, officers of the Seaborn Shipyards company, will plead to charges of conspiring to defraud the government of approximately \$54,000 by means of fraudulent expenditures on four hulls under construction for the government which are alleged to have been excessive.

Bert Schleisner of San Francisco, special assistant to the attorney-general in charge of Pacific coast shipyard investigations, will appear for the government tomorrow. It was announced yesterday afternoon.

ADRIATIC ISSUE UP AGAIN

DISCUSSIONS ARE REOPENED BY PREMIER AND MINISTERS.

Parley Between Nitti of Italy and Trumbitch of Jugos-Slavs Held in London.

LONDON, Feb. 29.—(By the Associated Press.)—The proposal for reopening the Adriatic discussions which the British and French premiers advanced in their latest note to President Wilson was translated into action today. Premier Nitti of Italy and Anton Trumbitch, Jugos-Slav foreign minister, held a conference in London this morning in which was discussed a "resumption of the conversations." Premier Nitti began with M. Trumbitch in Paris some time ago. The nature of the talks has not been disclosed, both the Italian and Jugos-Slav delegations declining information, but it is expected the conference will be continued tomorrow.

Premier Nitti will leave for Rome the end of this week to attend parliament, his further absence from the deliberations of that body not being considered advisable. The Associated Press has been given to understand he will not return to London.

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WRIGLEYS

Advertisement for Wrigley's chewing gum. Features a cartoon character holding a box of gum and text: 'Here's to teeth, appetite, digestion! The flavor lasts—and the electrically-sealed package brings WRIGLEYS to you with all its goodness perfectly preserved. Sealed Tight—Kept Right. WRIGLEY'S JUICY FRUIT CHEWING GUM. WRIGLEY'S DOUBLE MINT CHEWING GUM. WRIGLEY'S PEPPERMINT CHEWING GUM. WRIGLEY'S SPEARMINT CHEWING GUM. THE PERFECT GUM LASTS.' Includes 'UNITED STATES COUPONS' logo.

Advertisement for Bank of California, N.A. Features an illustration of a city street and text: 'WITH THE CITY FOR MANY YEARS this bank has striven to extend to the people of Portland, efficient and comprehensive banking service and we have been privileged to assist in financing public and private enterprises benefiting the city and the adjoining territory. EVERY sound undertaking which will promote the prosperity of Portland and her people is of interest to this bank, and will receive our sincere consideration. THOROUGHLY familiar with the needs and opportunities of the Pacific Coast; solidly established in the life of the city we have helped to develop; qualified both in resources and experience to contribute our share to local as well as larger financial requirements, this bank stands today, more than ever before, in a position of service, with banking facilities adequate to meet the most exacting demands. We cordially invite you to confer with us on your banking problems. BANK OF CALIFORNIA, N.A. —A NATIONAL BANK PORTLAND, OREGON'

TICKET OFFICE TO STAY

For the present the consolidated ticket office will be maintained in Portland, Seattle, Spokane, Tacoma and Bremerton. Whether this will be permanent is a question on which traffic men are not agreed. It is likewise a matter of wide difference of opinion on the part of the patrons.

There was a long sigh of relief when the bill which would eliminate the ticket office was introduced. President Wilson had signed the railroad bill which made it possible for the corporations to resume control of their properties with a chance for reorganization. While the measure is not all that was hoped for by officials, they say that it was probably the best that could be obtained from congress on the eve of an election and in the face of opposition from the advocates of the Plumb plan and antagonism of the labor organizations that were assiduously endeavoring to have the government retain control.

Portland terminal lines are again under the direct control in operation and traffic departments of virtually the same men who were in charge before the period of government operation. J. P. O'Brien heads the Union Pacific lines as general manager, with J. D. Parrell vice-president and executive officer. L. C. Gilman returns to the Spokane, Portland & Seattle and will return to his desk in the Pittock block today, with W. F. Turner, corporation president during the past two years, as vice-president, and A. J. Davidson as general manager. F. L. Bueckhalter becomes manager of the Southern Pacific Oregon lines, with which he is thoroughly familiar by reason of his previous official connections. The traffic heads are the same as heretofore, with added authority to various men who have proven their ability by long service with the various lines that is now recognized in substantial manner.

"FEED U. S. FIRST," BORAH

"Develop Arid Lands of West Before Feeding Europe," Is Plea.

BOISE, Idaho, Feb. 29.—(Special.)—The Southern Idaho Reclamation association met in conference at Caldwell this week and discussed irrigation problems. Encouraging telegrams from United States Senators Borah and Nugent of Idaho were read indicating that the future for the reclamation of arid lands in this and other states is not as dark as it is pictured. Senator Borah said that congress was being constantly asked to appropriate funds to feed people in Europe, yet no effort is made to increase production at home.

POSTMASTER KEEPS PLACE

T. A. Reavis, Hood River, Reappointed After Four-Year Term.

PRICE VARIANCES SHOWN

Some Commodities Up, Others Go Down in Seattle.

SEATTLE, Wash., Feb. 29.—Some food products went down in prices here, while others went up during the last half of February, according to reports completed today by the King county fair-price committee.

NUT CULTURE FAVORABLE

Agriculturist Gives Advice Following Investigation Here.

That western Oregon is an ideal country for the cultivation of nut trees, particularly walnuts, filberts