

GRAFT CHARGE LAID TO EX-SERVICE MEN

Record of Near East Relief Defended by Secretary.

PROSECUTION IS BEGUN

Complainants Alleged to Have Stolen Supplies Destined for Starving Women and Children.

NEW YORK, Oct. 5.—Charles V. Vickrey, secretary of the Near East relief, has issued a statement regarding news dispatches from Constantinople, mentioning charges that officials of the organized relief expended relief funds for entertainment purposes and that men were served at dinners they gave. Asserting that these allegations were the outgrowth of prosecution by the Near East relief of seven ex-service men formerly employed by the organization in Constantinople, Mr. Vickrey, who has just returned from the Turkish capital, said: "These men who make these allegations of extravagance and waste on the part of officials of the Near East relief are now being tried on the charge of stealing supplies destined for the relief of starving women and children of the Near East."

"Clean House" Policy Decided On

"The Near East relief itself instituted proceedings against these men. I had talked the matter over with Admiral Bristol and all the leading American residents of Constantinople, who were unanimous that this was the only course to follow. "We were perfectly well aware that the men charged with these thefts were bringing counter charges in the hope of exonerating themselves, but we determined to clean house and to pursue the investigation to the very end. We shall do that, whatever comes out in the trial. The work of the Near East relief is too vital to permit any consideration whatever to keep the facts hidden. Whoever may be involved will be dealt with summarily."

Relief Accomplishments Numerous.

"Against these charges, brought by men on trial for the offense of stealing the milk of starving babies, the Near East relief has accomplished, and is now accomplishing: 34,609 little children housed, clothed and fed; 3,052 children fed daily, while in the care of their families; 651,970 adults furnished the food relief that has kept them alive for the past two years; 43 hospitals with 6522 beds, constantly full; 128 clinics at which all those who apply are given medical treatment; 11 homes, 11 rescued from Turkish harems and 229 orphanages scattered over a territory of more than 800,000 square miles; 525 American men and women are giving their lives to the salvaging of a nation. "In comparison with this immense work now being conducted by the Near East relief the charges of extravagance brought by these men on trial affect the barest fraction of a percent of our total operations. The record speaks for itself."

CENSUS SHOWS INCREASE

ARIZONA AND NORTH CAROLINA MAKE RECORD GAINS.

Kansas Shows Slump in Growth of Population—Other Announcements Due.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 5.—The states of Arizona and North Carolina were shown, in population announcements by the census bureau today, to have had during the last ten years the largest numerical increases in their history. Kansas, another state for which the population was announced, showed its second lowest numerical growth and as a result fell from its rank as twenty-second state in the union to below Oklahoma and Louisiana.

NORMAL SENIORS ELECT

Orchestras at Monmouth, Or., Organize for Year.

GOVERNOR COX BRIDLED

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moral obligation on the part of any member of the league, of what are articles 10 and 11?" asked Senator Harding.

"Why, Senator, it is surprising that that question should be asked," replied Mr. Wilson. "If we undertake an obligation we are bound in the most solemn way to carry it out. Senator Harding asked what would happen if every member of the league should view the obligation as only a moral one which it was not necessary to carry out."

Consensus Held Factor. "There is a national good conscience in such a matter," said the president. "I should think that was one of the most serious things that could possibly happen. When I speak of a legal obligation I mean one that is specifically binds you to do a particular thing under certain sanctions. "Now a moral obligation is superior to a legal obligation and, if I may say so, has a greater binding force; only there always remains in the

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LEAGUE NOW MAIN ISSUE

Senator Hitchcock is going on the stump and will talk nothing but the League of Nations and presumably in support of Article X as announced by the president. Concerning this programme he said today: "It is practically admitted by all now that the League of Nations has become the main issue. In my opinion it will be the only issue before the campaign closes. Audiences can hardly be induced to listen to anything else. I think the tide has been running against the democrats recently, but now it has turned and that a reaction has set in because of the fact that two-thirds of the people of the United States want the League of Nations. Republican supporters of the league are coming to realize that there is no real hope on the republican side."

NATIONS AID CHINA MEET

BANKERS' DELEGATES TO COMPLETE CONSORTIUM PLANS.

Japan's Representative Already in New York; 37 Houses in American Group.

NEW YORK, Oct. 5.—Organization of the international consortium for the financial and economic assistance of China will be perfected at conferences of the American, British, French and Japanese delegates here, beginning October 11. These meetings follow the return from the far east of Thomas W. Lamont of J. P. Morgan & Co., who last winter, at the instance of American bankers, visited Japan and arranged with the Japanese banking group for its entry into the consortium on the same terms as other banking interests. Mr. Lamont later visited China.

CITY QUARTERS SOUGHT

State Commission Would Move Into Salem City Hall.

SALEM, Or., Oct. 5.—(Special)—At a meeting of the city council Monday the state highway commission made the city an offer of \$150,000 for use of one floor of the city hall while the legislature is in progress. For three months if the legislature is in session or for five months if it is divided as contemplated by a bill to be voted on in November.

SCHOOL TO BE RESUMED

Jacksonville Votes Favor Reinstatement Over Medford Plan.

MEDFORD, Or., Oct. 5.—(Special)—The Jacksonville high school, which has been abandoned recently because of the failure of the school teachers, the pupils in the meantime being sent to the Medford schools, is again in session in accordance with the wishes of the voters of the town as expressed at the special election in which the voters in preference to the Medford attendance plan the high school will be continued as a standard school and a four-year commercial course will be taught.

GOVERNOR ACCEPTS CODE

C. P. Olson of Portland to Get \$5000 for Work.

SALEM, Or., Oct. 5.—(Special)—Governor Olson today issued a proclamation formally accepting and declaring to be in full force and effect the laws of the Oregon laws of 1920, as authorized under an act of the state legislature in 1919.

RODENT DESTRUCTION TAX PLANNED

SALEM, Or., Oct. 5.—(Special)—I. H. Van Winkle, assistant attorney general, today prepared a ballot title for a local tax measure to be submitted to the voters of Morrow county at the election in November. The measure, as drafted, provides a tax levy of five-tenths of 1 mill for the destruction of predatory animals and rodents.

CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to express our thanks to the friends of our late son and brother Henry W. Boardman for their kindness toward us during his interment. MRS. MARY ROLLINS, MRS. FRED O. BROWN, MISS BESSIE BOARDMAN.

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THE MASONIC LODGE WAS ANOTHER NEWLY-WED NIGHT.

According to unwritten law of the local lodge, a member who has just become a benedict must attend the next meeting following the ceremony. Several times it has been necessary to trespass on the members of a member to enforce the law and for the Saturday meeting a committee of go-getters went to Eugene and brought back with them Carlton Spencer, registrar of the university, and Herald White, both of whom are members here.

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LOOK OUT! DISTRICT ATTORNEY FOR THE TRUSTEES SEE TOMORROW'S PAPER

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COTTAGE GROVE, Or., Oct. 5.—(Special)—The Saturday meeting of the summit the new snow is five feet deep.

MEDFORD Bank Cashier Resigns.
MEDFORD, Or., Oct. 5.—(Special)—Owing to his moving picture theater and other interests requiring his full time, Richard F. Antle has resigned his position as cashier with the Farmers & Fruitgrowers bank of this city. He has consented, however, to remain on the board of directors. Mr. Antle is interested with George

Election Odds in New York.
NEW YORK, Oct. 5.—(Special)—Darnall & Co. are ready to make the following wagers: Four to 1 on Harding, 9 to 1 that Harding will carry Ohio, 8 to 5 he carries that state by 50,000, 2 1/2 to 1 he carries New York state, and 8 to 5 he carries it by 200,000. The firm likewise has money to place at even that the republican presidential candidate carries Greater New York. Read the Oregonian classified ads.