

**BORAH'S FIGHT NOW
RECALLS OLD DRIVE**

Two Campaigns for Confer-
ences Paralleled.

SUCCESS NOW UNCERTAIN

Extra Session of Congress After
March 4, Which Would Be
Helpful, Not Assured.

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WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 29.—
(Special).—If we could be sure that
there would be a special session of
congress after March 4 it would be
possible to predict that whatever
may be the vicissitudes of Senator
Borah's resolution in its earlier
stages something definite would
come of it in the long run.

The parallel is most striking be-
tween Senator Borah's relation to
this newly proposed conference and
his part in the moves which brought
about the Washington conference
for the limitation of armaments. Ten
months before the conference came
into being, and almost exactly two
years ago, Senator Borah began his
agitation for a conference to limit
armaments. He did it by precisely
the same device he has used in the
present case, namely, as an amend-
ment to the pending naval appropri-
ation bill.

Then, as now, the attitude of the
opposition to the bill on the part of
the administration was based on
time and expediency.

Borah Keeps Fight Up.
President Harding, who had been
elected, but had not yet taken of-
fice, had already begun to think,
himself, of such a conference, but
felt that the time was not ripe for
it. Both he and his advisers felt
that the United States ought to go
along a little further with its own
naval building programme before
asking other nations to stop theirs,
on the theory that while it might be
proper for a nation with a dominant
navy to suggest limitation, it would
be dubious manners for a nation
with an inferior navy.

On the first roll call in the senate
on Borah's resolution for a naval
limitation conference, the vote in
favor of it was negligible. But
Borah kept the fight up. On other
occasions throughout a period of six
months the amendment was either
voted down in the senate or in the
house, or killed in committee.

In the meantime, then as now,
there arose a great pressure of pub-
lic opinion. The churches took an
interest. Immense petitions were
sent to congress from all over the
country. Various newspapers and other
leaders of opinion began vigorous
advocacy. Finally the administra-
tion withdrew its opposition, and
almost exactly five months after
Senator Borah had made his first
move, his proposal was passed by
the senate with 76 out of the 96
votes in favor of it.

Paralleled Almost Perfect.
The parallel between that and the
present situation is practically per-
fect except in that that two
years ago it was certain that there
would be an extra session of con-
gress after March 4, which would
carry his fight through. In the
present case there is no certainty
as yet that there will be an extra
session after March 4. Indeed, the
effort of the administration for
many other reasons is to avoid an
extra session. If there should not
be an extra session, Borah will have
only two months in which to carry
out his fight.

As regards official Washington,
in spite of all that is said, the oppo-
sition to Senator Borah's present
proposal has the air of being rather
half-hearted. It must be re-
membered that, among other things,
one conspicuous effect of Borah's
proposal, and of the identification
with it of himself and several other
former "irreconcilables," is to split
the solidarity of that sentiment
which has been watching the admin-
istration's foreign policies with
minute suspicion.

President Bit Relieved.
It has been easy to guess at any
time during the past two years that
there have been things which the
administration would like to do in
the way of affirmative foreign ac-
tion but which it hesitated to do
for fear of the old irreconcilable
group in the senate working on the
war-path again. Of this old irrecon-
cilable group, Borah was without
doubt the ablest. But with Borah
now conspicuously and willfully a
W. O. D. from the "irreconcilable
army and in favor of affirmative
action within the field of foreign
policy on the part of the adminis-
tration, it is clear that there are
elements in the situation not ex-
cessively heart-breaking to Mr.
Harding and Mr. Hughes.

As regards the country, the oppo-
sition to Senator Borah's present
proposal seems to be almost neg-
ligible. It rests on the theory that
the administration is entitled to a
chance to work out its foreign pol-
icy without interference. But, as
has been explained already, Senator
Borah's present position, looked at
in the larger sense, is really not
one of interfering with the freedom
of the administration to do some-
thing affirmative in the foreign
field but rather one of removing
interference.

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levy, 64.1 mills; Harrisburg, 3.5
mills, total levy, 54.7 mills. The
towns decreasing their levies are:
Sweet Home, 7.1 mills, total levy,
42.3 mills; Halsey, 2.6 mills, total
levy, 42.3 mills, and Brownsville, 1.6
mills, total levy, 53.2 mills.
Linn county's total tax levy for
1923 is \$19,914.90 under the limit
allowed under the 6 per cent limita-
tion act.

STATE WINS ESTATE SUIT
Court Rules Washington Entitled
to Collect Big Sum.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Dec. 29.—(Spe-
cial).—Federal estate taxes paid on
estates of persons who at the time
of death were living in the state
of Washington are not deductible in
computing inheritance taxes due
the state and personal property of
the deceased whether in the state
or outside is subject to the state
inheritance tax, the state supreme
court ruled today. The decision was
rendered in the estate of Josephine
O. Sherwood, former Spokane wom-
an, who was killed in California in
1919, and opened the way for col-
lection by the state of \$13,842.68
with interest in addition to the
\$27,553.52 already paid.

According to George G. Hannan,
assistant attorney-general in charge
of the inheritance tax division, the
decision clears the way for settle-
ment of taxes on many estates
which have been hanging fire sev-
eral years.

Judge Calkins Bank Director.
MEDFORD, Or., Dec. 29.—(Spe-
cial).—Frank M. Calkins, circuit
judge of the Jackson and Josephine
counties judicial district for the
past 13 years, who retires from of-
fice on January 1, has just been
elected a director of the Jackson
county bank of this city. Judge and
Mrs. Calkins will leave the first of
the year on a pleasure trip through
California, and on their return he
will engage in the practice of law
in Medford.

District Attorney in Quarantine.
MEDFORD, Or., Dec. 29.—(Spe-
cial).—Jackson county has been
without the services of a district at-
torney since last Sunday because
the 12-year-old daughter of County
Prosecutor Moore took ill that day
and he was at home when the quar-
antine was established. No ar-
rangement had yet been made today
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REALTY PLAN SUBMITTED
COUNCILMEN THINK 20 PER
CENT MARGIN TOO HIGH.
Another Report to Be Made Soon
on Proposals for Selling De-
linquent Tax Property.

The special committee represent-
ing the Portland realty board again
submitted its proposal for the sale
of city-owned property. The propo-
sal laid before the delinquent tax
committee of the city council was
practically the same as previously
submitted.
This plan calls for the organiza-
tion of a stock company, with of-
fices established for the handling of
an extensive campaign. If the or-
ganization of a corporation was not
considered the best by city officials,
the realty board would be willing
to divide the city-owned property
among its members, who desired to
enter into the deal, each dealer to
handle his own advertising cam-
paign.
Members of the delinquent tax
committee made it plain that the
20 per cent commission was con-
sidered high and that they were
not inclined to report favorably on
the proposal. It was agreed that
the realty board's proposition would
be placed before other members of
the city council for consideration.
The committee decided to inter-
view again various individual realty
dealers on proposals that have been
made, and it is expected that a com-
plete report on the proposition will
be laid before the city council next
week.

Sawmill Sold for Taxes.
EUGENE, Or., Dec. 29.—(Special).
—The Lammers Bros' sawmill near
Cottage Grove has been sold by
Sheriff Sticksel for the taxes due
for the years 1919, 1920 and 1921, for
a little over \$600, or the exact
amount of taxes due. The plant has
a capacity of 15,000 feet of lumber
daily and is worth many times the
sale price. The owners stated that
they were unable to pay the taxes.

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ASTORIA'S LOSS REDUCED
Insurance Adjuster Estimates Total at About \$9,000,000.
ASTORIA, Or., Dec. 29.—(Special).
—While the insurance adjusters say
it is yet too early to give any ac-
curate figures on the loss sustained
through the Astoria conflagration,
Charles A. Craft, assistant general
agent of the Phoenix company, said
that, taking as a basis the average
ratio of insurance to the value of
property on which insurance has
been adjusted, he estimated the loss
on buildings and merchandise stocks
at approximately \$7,000,000, of
which the insurance was \$2,500,000.
He estimated the city's loss
through the destruction of streets,
sewers and water mains at \$2,000,000.

Gold Hill Votes Water Bonds.
GOLD HILL, Or., Dec. 29.—(Spe-
cial).—At a special election Gold
Hill yesterday voted 3 to 1 in favor
of the \$23,000 bond issue for recon-
structing the city's present water
plant and system. Several plans are
considered for lifting the water from
Rogue river to the reservoirs about
the city, but a battery of hydraulic
rams fed by water from the canal
and diversion works on Rogue river
owned jointly by the city and Gold
Hill irrigation district on the op-
posite side of the river from Gold Hill
is the most feasible plan. The work
of enlarging the canal by the city
will have to be completed by May 1,
the commencement of the irrigation
season.

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