

30000 LEGION POSTS TO BESIEGE SENATE

Barrage's Purpose Is Quick
Pay Readjustment.

ORDERS ARE NOW IN MAIL

National Commander Informs
Colonel White That Demand for
Action Brings Results.

SALEM, Or., Dec. 25.—(Special.)—Congress is going under a barrage put down by the entire American Legion of the country in an effort to obtain a quick decision on its legislative programme, including the pay readjustment or bonus law. Telegraphic information to this effect was received last night by Colonel George A. White, member of the national executive committee of the legion, who last week registered a demand upon the national headquarters at Indianapolis that such a barrage be called for. Nine thousand American Legion posts, as well as all state executive committees and officers, are going to be asked to join in putting the barrage down upon congress.

Fire to Be Aimed at Senate.
The fire of telegrams and letters will be aimed principally at the senate, where the legion's bill is being held up, according to the information received by Colonel White from National Commander Galbraith, who telegraphed from New York, and from John T. Taylor, chairman of the national legislative committee, who telegraphed from Washington, D. C. In addition to legion posts and members various civic bodies will be asked to co-operate.

Calls for the barrage are already in the mails, according to the telegram sent by Chairman Taylor of the legislative committee, which reads: "Letters of instruction requesting barrage on senators and members of congress being sent to chairmen state legislative committees, to department commanders and department adjutants requesting action by posts, individual members and other civic bodies on our legislative programme."

State Bonus Refund Proposed.
That action by congress will be followed by withdrawal of any request by ex-service men for a state bonus was the opinion expressed by Colonel White and other legion members with whom the matter was discussed here. "Twelve states have already passed bonus legislation," said Colonel White, "and New York voters gave the issue an overwhelming majority, although a bitter fight against the measure was made by leading newspapers and officials. These states acted because of congressional delay and I believe the average ex-service man would favor reimbursement of the states if congress finally acts."
"This could be accomplished by deducting the sum paid by the state from that paid by the government and refunding the difference to the state."

LUMBER MART STAGNANT

COTTAGE GROVE INTERESTS
FACE GRAVE PROBLEMS.

Large Stocks on Hand Will Not
Sell for Cost of Placing
Them on Docks.

COTTAGE GROVE, Or., Dec. 25.—(Special.)—The situation in the mill industry here is hard to describe. J. H. Chambers, one of the largest operators, probably expresses it as well as any one can when he says there is no situation. Employees of the mill, laid off for the annual holiday shutdown, have nothing on the mill owners, who are offered prices for their large stocks of lumber which do not cover the cost to put the lumber on the docks.

One large operator made prices which he thought were a large order, but found that he had been underbid \$3 the thousand. Small mills, under the necessity of getting money out of their stocks, are willing to have offered No. 1 common at as low as \$8 and \$10 the thousand.

The prevailing list price of the trade, ranging from \$18 to \$20, offers nothing encouraging to the operators. They are, however, optimistic and refuse to believe that it will be necessary to close down for a period of more than two or three months at the longest. Planers are still in operation getting ready for shipment of much of the lumber which has been piled up on the docks.

W. F. Johnson, president of the Western Lumber & Export company, asked about the labor situation, said that was a problem no one could talk of with certainty, but he was of the belief that in the spring, when road-building and public improvements start, there will be another shortage of labor.

CHICKENS ARE YULE GIFT

Birds Sent From North Dakota
Grace Tables in Eugene.

EUGENE, Or., Dec. 25.—(Special.)—Chief of Police Christensen received a request last June from Sheriff Hartung of Dickinson, N. D., for 100 pounds of Lane county's Royal Anne cherries.

The chief shipped the cherries and the sheriff wrote that the fruit was distributed among the officials and employees at the courthouse in Dickinson, saying that everybody thought they were the finest they ever ate. Sheriff Hartung and the others at the courthouse, desiring to show their appreciation, tried to think of something they could send the local police chief. They have no fruit in North Dakota but they can raise chickens. Chief Christensen yesterday received a telegram from Sheriff Hartung telling him to look for an express package containing several chickens packed in ice as a Christmas gift from the Dickinson courthouse force.

MASONIC LODGES INSTALL

Public Ceremonies Are Held by
Estacada Organizations.

ESTACADA, Or., Dec. 25.—(Special.)—Public joint installation of the local Masonic lodge officers and those of the Order of the Eastern Star took place Thursday night. Following were the officers installed by the Masons: F. D. Allen, worshipful master; Charles A. Norris, senior warden; Theodore Ahlberg, junior warden; Ray Keith, junior deacon; R. G. McCall and Harold Wooster, standards; H. R. Kinnel, tyler; C. S. Allen, treasurer.

William Dale, secretary; L. A. Wells, senior deacon.
Officers of the Order of the Eastern Star are: Mrs. Charles Norris, worthy matron; C. S. Allen, worthy patron; Mrs. J. W. Reed, associate matron; Anna Dillon, secretary; Mrs. C. S. Allen, treasurer; Mrs. R. H. Womer, marshal; Mrs. Lovell, Idah; Mrs. Carter, Ruth; Mrs. Frazier, Esther; Mrs. Keith, Martha; Mrs. Herling, Electa; C. A. Norris, sentinel; Mrs. A. Brill, warden; Mrs. John Greenwood, chaplain; Miss M. Sturgeon, associate conductor.
The retiring worshipful master, Tom Watson, was presented with a past master's jewel, and the retiring worthy matron, Mrs. E. S. Womer, was also presented with a past matron's jewel. A five-course banquet at the Hotel Estacada closed the night's proceedings.

WOMAN CHOOSES STAFF

INEZ BUNCH WILL ASSUME
COOS COUNTY CLERKSHIP.

Well Known Public Employee Will
Be First of Her Sex to Hold
Office at Marshfield.

MARSHFIELD, Or., Dec. 26.—(Special.)—When Inez Bunch assumes the office of county clerk on January 1, she will be the first woman to occupy a county office in Coos, by being chosen at a regular election. Miss



Inez Bunch, who will assume office of clerk of Coos county on January 2 and will start with capable assistants.

Bunch is a Coos county girl and is highly competent to administer the office of county clerk, having served in the various offices at the courthouse for a period of 11 years, most of the time having been spent in the clerk's office.
But one objection, or rather campaign cry against Miss Bunch was offered, and that was that she automatically would become a member of the county board of equalization, and it was asked, "Is a woman competent to fill such a position?"

The electors considered her qualifications and evidently concluded she was, for Miss Bunch was elected by one of the largest majorities on the county republican ticket.
Miss Bunch has displayed businesslike acumen by surrounding herself with a staff of able assistants, and Ray Watson, former county clerk, has been retained for the bookkeeping department. Mr. Watson is considered the ablest clerk Coos county electors ever placed in the office. Miss Bunch's appointments have been approved by those who voted her into office, so she will start out under favorable circumstances. The business of the county clerk's office requires three deputies, and at times, more.

GRANGE ELECTS OFFICERS

F. D. Cornett Is Chosen Master by
Members of Harmony Lodge.

ALBANY, Or., Dec. 25.—(Special.)—F. D. Cornett of Coos county, formerly representative from Lincoln county in the state legislature, has been re-elected master of Harmony Grange, which has its hall at the junction of the Santiam road and the Lebanon-Jefferson road, about eight miles east of Albany, and is composed of residents of that section of the county.
Other officers chosen to serve this grange during 1921 were Willis M. Powell, overseer; Mrs. Lulu Titus, lecturer; J. Reddy, steward; Winford Mullen, assistant steward; Mrs. Jessie Cornett, chaplain; Mrs. Anna Copeland, treasurer; I. H. Copeland, secretary; E. Titus, gatekeeper; M. A. Parsons, ceros; Mrs. Maggie Somers, pomona; Mrs. Edith Doughton, flora; Mrs. Frances Reddy, woman assistant steward.

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