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WANT ADVERTISING in The TIMES Will Keep the Income from Your Furnished Rooms from Lapsing!

WILL MAKE FIGHT ON FREE TOLLS FOR U.S. SHIPS IN PANAMA CANAL

Effort of San Francisco Chamber of Commerce to Secure It Meets With Opposition

WILL INTERFERE WITH FOREIGN TREATIES

Congressional Investigation of Shipping on Atlantic and Pacific Likely.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 18.—A plea for free tolls for American ships through the Panama canal made by J. A. McGregor of the San Francisco Chamber of Commerce before the House Committee on Interstate Commerce today met with a stormy reception in that committee.

World Wide Probe. It was indicated today that a profound inquiry into Atlantic, Pacific and South American shipping combines urged by Representative Humphrey of Washington, in the House would be made at a joint congressional investigation, as Taft had expressed the opinion that the treaty relations of the United States with other nations might be involved.

FAVORS NEW TREATIES.

McCumber Wants Taft Measures Ratified by Senate.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 18.—Senator McCumber of North Dakota appealed to the Senate today to ratify immediately President's Taft's arbitration treaty with England and France without amendment.

IMPROVEMENT OF HARBOR

E. W. Wright Says People of Coos Bay Should Issue Bonds.

E. W. Wright of Portland, who has invested heavily in Coos Bay real estate both for himself and a Portland syndicate that he represents, arrived today on the Breakwater. His visit is merely to attend to a little private business and he expects to return north on the Breakwater Saturday.

When asked by a Times' reporter if he knew of any new developments in the railway situation, Mr. Wright said that "everything was moving along satisfactorily and he saw no occasion to alter his views."

"We are really more concerned about Coos Bay preparing its harbor for the increased commerce which will come with the railway than we are about the coming of the railway. We know the railway is coming and we would like to see Coos Bay bestir itself with harbor improvements particularly the restoration of the jetties for deepening and clearing the bar. The port of Coos Bay and the property owners could well afford to float a special bond issue of \$250,000 to be expended in this work and it would profit and benefit the people many fold. Such a bond issue might provide for a sinking fund of \$10,000 per year and could be floated at 5 per cent which would make the additional taxes only \$22,500 per year and in no way could the money be expended to better advantage. The Port of Portland expends immense sums for the improvement of the river and harbor there which is really for the benefit of a vast territory, but no taxes are paid more cheerfully than the Port tax. This is a matter that should receive the earnest consideration of your people, property owners and public improvement organizations. While it is work that rightly belongs to the government, if not authorized by congress, the people of the community should not neglect it."

RAPID WORK OF DREDGE OREGON

Plans Made For Filling Many Sections While Improving Channel Here.

Pumping at the rate of about 3,500 cubic yards per day, the dredge Oregon is rapidly nearing the completion of the project for widening the channel between the Libby Coal bunkers and the Beaver Hill Coal bunkers. Unless something unexpected interferes, the Oregon will have that project done about February 5 and will then start back on the west and south side of the channel removing a few small shoals between a point opposite the depot and a point about 400 feet west of the Nann Smith's slip. This "brushing out" of the channel will probably be completed about February 15 when the Oregon will start in on the project opposite Marshfield.

The present plans are to have the dredgings from near the foot of Central avenue pumped into Broadway, between Central avenue and the Mill Slough bridge. At present, the plank street there is supported on girders and the plan is to have it filled so that hard paving can be put in there in the future. As soon as this is done, the filling of Central avenue beyond the Masonic Opera House will begin and then the Market avenue fill, which is part of the same project.

The widening and deepening of the channel here will be of great advantage to shipping. Besides widening the channel by making a cut on the east side of it, Engineer Leeffe is to have all the shoals on the west side near the docks or in the channel itself taken out. This will probably be completed by the latter part of March.

The Port Commission is now arranging to forward the formal request to Major Morrow for permission to have the Oregon widen the channel between the Cold Storage plant and Porter. It is estimated that about 120,000 yards of dredgings will have to be taken out there outside of the regular government project to make the channel what is desired. The Port Commission has agreed to pay for this extra work and also to defray the expense of handling the pipe-line, etc.

Engineer Leeffe, who has been cooperating as much as possible on these matters has informed the Port Commission that he will indorse this plan if they will furnish him with a tracing of the bulkhead line. This they will probably do at once. Major Morrow has gone to Panama for a month or six weeks' trip and his absence may delay the securing of the authority to have the Oregon do this work. The Port Commission is now endeavoring to have the property owners north of Ferndale put in the bulkheads but if they do not, the Marshfield city council will have them put in a double bulk-head, one on each side of the street.

Pumps Quicksand.

The Oregon the last few days has been pumping considerable quicksand. It is pumping into the section north of Johnson avenue and along South Broadway. Yesterday a large amount of quicksand was pumped out. A cow that had been grazing in the district now being filled, waded over through the mud and got into a pile of the quicksand. She was unable to extricate herself and it took a dozen or more men last night to get her out.

Up to Council Now.

Engineer Leeffe in regard to the statements in the city council the other night that the Port Commission should take charge of the fill in the West Marshfield flat district, said this was impractical. Mr. Leeffe stated that one of the conditions on which authority had been secured to make the fill was that the city council agree to keep Mill Slough open, etc. Now, he said, the city council could not go back on this agreement. Furthermore, he said, that City Engineer Gidley who has been accomplishing such excellent work has plans made for the new projects and to change at this late hour might prove disastrous.

City Engineer Gidley has engaged D. L. Buckingham to assist him in his work in order to hasten plans for the fills for the dredge Oregon and street improvements and also to get things in readiness for his appraisal of the Coos Bay Water company's property.

PREMIER OPPOSED TO ABDICATION

Delays Action in China by Remaining Away From Conference Called to Decide Question.

(By Associated Press to the Coos Bay Times.)

PEKIN, China, Jan. 18.—The foreign legations were informed today that Premier Yuan Shi Kai has refused to visit the palace tomorrow when the abdication of the throne will again be discussed by the Emperor Dowager and princes of the Imperial clan.

The Premier has been granted a three days leave, ostensibly on account of his indisposition rising from the excitement caused by the attempt on his life. It is thought the real reason of his desire not to attend the conference on the question of abdication, called for tomorrow, is his opposition to it.

The three men arrested after throwing a bomb at the carriage of Premier Yuan Shi Kai were put to death today by strangling.

U. S. TROOPS DUE.

Detachment From Manila Will Reach China Tomorrow.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

PEKIN, China, Jan. 18.—The United States troops from Manila are expected to arrive on the transport Logan at Chen Wang Tao tomorrow morning.

WILL STAY IN PEKIN.

Manchu Baby Emperor Will Not Leave After Abdication.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Jan. 18.—The Manchu baby emperor, Pu Yi, probably will abdicate the throne but will not be taken from Pekin, according to a cablegram received by the Chinese Free Press here today. The cablegram was from Fung Chi Yau, private secretary to President Sun Yat Sen, and was dated Nanking.

MORSE TO GET PARDON SOON

Expect President Taft to Commute Sentence of New York Banker

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 18.—President Taft, it is believed, today will commute the fifteen-year sentence of Charles W. Morse. It is learned on good authority that the President is about to act in view of the serious physical condition of the former banker.

TO KEEP OUT OF CUBA NOW

No Danger of Immediate Intervention on Island by United States.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 18.—After a conference with President Taft, Secretary of War Simpson said that he did not believe the United States would have to intervene in Cuba. The situation is regarded as more hopeful, but the United States will continue to watch developments closely.

FAVORABLE JETTY REPORT

Washington Dispatch Says Outlook Is Good For Appropriation For Coos Bay.

A Washington dispatch says: "It was rumored at the board of engineers' offices today that a favorable report on the reconstruction of the Coos Bay jetty will be made by the district engineers, and it is believed if this is the case there will be no opposition to the appropriation here."

"It is understood the report on Yaquina Bay, recommending an expenditure of \$28,800 for improvements at that port has been favorably considered by the board of engineers, and will be included in the forthcoming bill."

WILSON FEARS HARVEY'S HELP

Democratic Presidential Candidate Damaged by Aid of Eastern Magazine.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

FARGO, N. D., Jan. 18.—At a "Get-together meeting" of Northwestern Democrats here today, C. G. Heffner of Seattle, campaign manager of Woodrow Wilson in the west, said the support of Wilson by Harper's Weekly was personal on the part of Col. Harvey and had subjected him to criticism by the magazine's owners. Heffner also declared that Wilson was of the opinion that it would indicate the support of J. P. Morgan and the suggestion was made to Harvey that his support would hurt more than it helped.

FIFTY-THREE LOST ON SHIP

Large Number Drowned in Wreck of British Steamer Off Scotland Coast.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

ABERDEEN, Scotland, Jan. 18.—The British steamer Wistowhall was wrecked early today on the rocks off the Aberdeen coast. Fifty-three of the crew were drowned.

GOV. FOSS IS NOW IN DANGER

"Black Hand" Bomb Throwers Reputed to Be After Him as Result of Textile Strike.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

BOSTON, Mass., Jan. 18.—Upon receipt of reports from reliable sources and from six different points that "Black Hand" bomb throwers would attack Governor Foss, the latter was guarded today by detectives and plain clothes men who watched the corridors of the State house all day. The governor's action in sending militia to Lawrence is alleged to be the cause of the feeling against him.

STREET RIOT BAD IN SAN FRANCISCO

(By Associated Press.) SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Jan. 18.—Black eyes, broken heads, three men under arrest and out on bail today are the fruits of a fight last night between the police and a street meeting inaugurated by members of the Industrial Workers of the world.

SUFFOCATED BY WHEAT.

(By Associated Press.) MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Jan. 18.—Engold Olsen today lost his life by suffocation when he fell into a huge bin of wheat which quickly engulfed him.

SENATOR STEPHENSON FOUND NOT GUILTY

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 18.—The Heyburn subcommittee investigating the election of Senator Isaac Stephenson of Wisconsin today unanimously agreed on a report which holds that the charges of corruption and bribery made against Stephenson were not proved. The report will be made to the Senate committee on privileges and elections.

SHARP ATTACK MADE ON GOMPERS IN UNITED STATES SENATE TODAY

SOCIALISM IS TURNED DOWN

United Mine Workers Reject Resolution Committing Them to Political Party

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Jan. 18.—By a vote of 515 to 155 the convention of United Mine Workers of America today refused to adopt a resolution committing the organization to the Socialist party and approved a substitute measure of the resolutions committee declaring it would be well if the mine workers would unite on "political as well as the industrial fields."

The resolutions committee had reported that it would be unconstitutional for the United Mine Workers to indorse any political party.

Secession Is Beaten.

A resolution providing for secession from the American Federation of Labor and charging that Gompers, Mitchell and other labor leaders were in the grasp of the capitalists class through the influence of the National Civic Federation, was defeated. The convention adopted instead a resolution instructing the miners' delegates to the next meeting of the Federation of Labor to urge an organization of the industries instead of the separate crafts and the general cooperation of unions in strikes.

WHITE IS RE-ELECTED.

Iowa Man Defeats Ohioan For Miners' Presidency.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Jan. 18.—John P. White, of Oskaloosa, Iowa, was re-elected president of the United Mine Workers over Thomas Lewis of Bridgeport, Ohio.

BREAKWATER IN EARLY TODAY

Steamer Arrives From Portland With Large List of Passengers.

The Breakwater arrived in early today from Portland with a large list of passengers. She had about 250 tons of freight. She had a good trip down the coast.

The Breakwater will sail at 10 o'clock Saturday morning for Portland. Among those arriving on her were the following:

Dr. B. Clark, Robt. Clark, C. H. Freeman, E. W. Wright, W. F. Harmon, E. P. Schow, D. H. McLeod, R. B. Hammit, W. D. Clarke, C. E. Foster, C. White and wife, W. E. Altman, C. Gauntlett, P. A. Sandburg, R. A. Peterson, J. Alexander, C. E. Fuhman, G. Conge, H. Seber, F. L. Wilson, D. T. Chantler, Mrs. Chantler, Mrs. E. Mattson, Elizabeth Ray, Fanny Fouchet, J. F. D. Schneider, Dr. E. Mingus, Mrs. Mingus, Mrs. Shadbourne, Laura B. Jones, S. S. Jennings, Mrs. Jennings, W. E. Dungan, V. G. Dimmick, S. J. Kelly, D. Holdiman, Mr. Weldon, Capt. Ames, W. J. Clement, R. J. Vanderber, Flora Bolton, Geo. Bolton, L. W. Moore, Mrs. Moore, R. J. Upton, E. Campbell, Rex Hunsaker, F. H. Stutter, O. Stephens, L. A. Hoalst, G. Gapke, H. Helmken, Geo. Ray, E. Fouchet, Carl Mattson, A. Baker, C. Johnson, L. H. Caldwell, D. Williamson, J. M. Buse, M. G. Brown.

BREAKWATER IN GALE.

Arrives From Coos Bay With Passengers and Freight.

The Portland Telegram says: "Stormy weather was encountered by the steamer Breakwater, Captain Macgenn, arriving from Coos Bay at 6 o'clock Sunday night, on the trip from the Columbia river to Coos Bay. A hurricane was blowing Thursday night, and the following morning off Cape Blanco the wind swept along at a velocity of 72 miles an hour. The steamer left Coos for Portland Saturday morning at 7 and she arrived in the vicinity of the Columbia river lightvessel at 11 o'clock at night. She remained off the river until 7 yesterday morning before coming in.

Effort Made to Shut Out Communication From Labor Leader by Heyburn.

McNAMARA CASE IS CITED AS ONE REASON

Intimation of Connection of Head of American Federation of Labor With It.

(By Associated Press to the Coos Bay Times.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 18.—A sharp attack on President Gompers was made in the Senate today by Heyburn, who protested that a communication from Gompers should not be received by the Senate. He said that no communication should be accepted from that source after the revelations in the McNamara case.

Heyburn had a colloquy with several senators who insisted that any citizen had the right to address a communication to the Senate. The Idaho senator demanded to know if any senator could vouch for Gompers' citizenship. There was no reply but when it was explained that the letter was simply to transmit a protest against power presses in the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, Heyburn withdrew his objection. "I have developed this question as far as I care to at this time," he said.

Later, Senator Reed of Missouri, criticized Heyburn for attempting to shut out the communication from Gompers. The latter demanded of Reed, "Would you sit here and receive a communication from the McNamara brothers, each as an official American Federation of Labor?"

"Unhesitatingly, yes," replied Reed, "I would receive it from the best or the meanest of God Almighty's creatures." On motion of Senator Fletcher, it was ordered that the protest sent in by Gompers be printed in the record. Heyburn and Ballinger voted in the negative. Heyburn said that after this vindication, Gompers should become a presidential candidate.

EXPECT CUBA'S REPLY.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

HAVANA, Cuba, Jan. 18.—The reply of the Cuban government to the note of Secretary Knox intimating that the United States government might be compelled to intervene in Cuban affairs probably will be made today.

USES AX ON HUBBY'S HAND

Ed. Meekum of Bandon Possibly Maimed For Life by Wife Last Evening.

(Special to The Times.)

BANDON, Ore., Jan. 18.—Ed. Meekum, a half-breed, residing near the Cody mill was badly slashed by his wife, also a half-breed, and it was intimated that he might have to have some of his fingers and possibly his hand amputated as a result of the fracas. It seems that he returned home in a maudlin condition. His wife locked the door and wouldn't let him in. He opened a window and reached through to unlatch the door. His wife grabbed an ax and struck him several times on the hand. The matter has been reported to Sheriff Gage and will be looked into.

Elect Tonight.—The Marshfield Fire Department tonight will hold its annual election of chief and assistant chief. Dan Keating is the only candidate nominated for chief.

Install Officers.—Coos Bay Court of the Foresters of America last evening held their annual installation of officers. This was followed by a banquet and program, making a most delightful session.

Is Initiated.—R. J. Montgomery last evening was initiated by the Marshfield Lodge of Elks. There was a large turnout to see that the antlers were promptly fitted and the lodge work was followed by a social session which was one of the most enjoyable the lodge has had in a long time.

Meet Friday.—Capt. Macgenn, in command of the Coos Bay divisions of the Oregon Naval Militia, has called a meeting of the two divisions to be held at the hall over the Palace restaurant tomorrow night. He urges all members to be present as plans will be made for more activity in the organization with a view to making the local divisions the best in Oregon.