

**WILL NOT INVITE
 COAST GOVERNORS
 TO MEET BRYAN**

California Legislature Turns Down Resolution to Ask Western Executives to Anti-Alien Law Conference.

**RADICAL CHANGES IN
 TREATIES ARE DESIRED**

Meeting With Bryan Held to Forecast Important Changes With Orientals.

(United Press Leased Wire.)
 State Capitol, Sacramento, Cal., April 25.—By a vote of 41 to 12, the assembly of the California legislature today turned down a resolution to invite the governors of Oregon, Washington, Nevada and Arizona to come to Sacramento to confer with the lawmakers and Secretary of State William J. Bryan on the question of anti-alien land legislation now pending here. Following the verdict in the assembly, Senator Campbell stated that the resolution would not be introduced in the upper house.

The defeated resolution set forth that this is a matter of vital importance to the coast states and that their executive should be asked to join in the deliberations.

In introducing it, Assemblyman Stuckbruck predicted, as did other members, that the conference with Bryan might result in going to the root of present treaty rights with the Asiatic nations and possible radical changes of these rights by a new pact during the Wilson administration. For this reason, it was urged, the governors of the Pacific coast states at least ought to take part in the deliberations here next week.

Assemblyman Finnegan declared that land ownership by aliens was but one phase of the immigration and exclusion problem that would be taken up, and, with the other Democrats of the lower house, supported Stuckbruck's resolution.

Those who spoke in opposition characterized the resolution as "foolish."

The Birdsell anti-alien land bill was reached on the senate file today, but no action was taken.

"I am ready to take up the bill," said Senator Birdsell as several senators arose to object. "But, in view of recent developments, I think it would be advisable to pass the bill on file."

**HARD WORDS HURLED
 AT TARIFF REFORM BY
 CONGRESSMAN MOORE**

Representative Palmer Defends Wilson, Says People Can't Be Taxed to Aid Unfit.

(United Press Leased Wire.)
 Washington, April 25.—During his speech on the Underwood tariff bill in the house today, Representative Moore of Pennsylvania put over a "tariff catchism." He had the clerk of the house read questions tracing the history of tariff legislation, Moore furnishing the answers.

"Why was the Payne bill passed?" asked the clerk.

"Because the Democrats continually misrepresented the tariff question," Moore answered.

"Did it revise the tariff downward?" "It did and equalized many duties."

"If the people enjoyed wonderful progress under the Payne law, why did they complain?"

"They listened to ambitious politicians, conscienceless agitators, journalists with axes to grind, magazine essayists who found it more profitable to write fiction than to work, theoretical college professors, non-producers and a few sinners, reformers who were misinformed and misled."

"What is the Underwood bill?"

"A bill introduced by Representative Oscar Underwood, the exponent in the house of President Woodrow Wilson's theories."

President Wilson's attitude on the tariff bill was defended by Representative Palmer of Pennsylvania. He said: "I view with equanimity the so-called invasion of the rights of the legislative branch of the government by the chief executive in framing this bill. This consideration gives promise of prompt consideration of a well settled program and foreshadows the hearty support of the bill by the great leaders of our party."

"Business men have been notified that the partnership existing between the government and protected industry must be modified. Business may now take notice that the people refuse to be taxed longer to accomplish the survival of the unfit."

"No change in any tariff law of moment could be made without affecting industry."

TO ALL VOTERS

Do you know what the proposed commission charter contains?

It is your duty to be so informed.

In order to bring the matter to your attention, The Journal will print on Saturday the proposed charter amendments.

Study them that you may know for what you are voting May 3.

**KILLS SWEETHEART
 AND THEN SELF IN
 LOVERS' QUARREL**

Miss Elma Snyder of Portland Shot by Nathaniel Burton, Says News Dispatches Received From Honolulu.

**WOMAN VICTIM HAD
 TOLD OF WEDDING PLAN**

Couple Met for First Time on Boat En Route to Honolulu Short Time Ago.

(United Press Leased Wire.)
 Honolulu, April 25.—Murder and suicide has ended the romance of Nathaniel Burton, formerly employed in the United States Quartermaster's department here, and Elma Snyder, of Portland, Or. Burton shot and killed the girl and then himself following a quarrel.

Murdered on the eve of her wedding by the man she was to have married was the fate of Miss Elma Snyder, formerly of Portland, who met her slayer on the boat which carried her to Honolulu last February.

The brief courtship which terminated in the death of Miss Snyder by the hand of Nathaniel Burton, who committed suicide, was really her first love romance. Miss Snyder left Portland with Mr. and Mrs. Herbert F. Plough, 1501 Minnesota avenue, and intended spending the summer with them in the islands.

Soon after their arrival in Honolulu Portland relatives received letters which told them of the meeting of Miss Snyder and Burton. Both were raised in Michigan, and though they had never met there, the circumstance of their meeting aided in cementing the friendship which they formed. The Ploughs wrote that Burton had been kind to them in many ways; that he was a government plumber, and that Miss Snyder was greatly in love with him.

Later A. H. Case, 1651 Gloucester street, Miss Snyder's cousin, received a letter from the young woman herself, in which she told of plans for her marriage to Burton April 22. Miss Snyder expressed the belief that she was going to be most happy.

The only rift in the courtship of the

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**BOY POLICEMEN WILL
 COOPERATE WITH CITY
 FORCE TO KEEP ORDER**

Regular Department With a Captain in Each Ward to Be Organized at Once.

Chief of Police Slover, Judge William Glensons of the juvenile court and Judge Earl C. Bronough have agreed to meet early next week to consider plans for the "boy police department" of Portland.

All plans now are tentative, but ideas advanced are to the effect that boys in each ward shall be organized under a captain; when so organized a boy shall then be appointed chief of all boy patrolmen.

Boys in all parts of the city have taken much interest in the scheme, and promise Chief Slover cooperation in any work they can do. It is planned by the chief to keep the boys working in the line of street obstructions, unsightly lots, unsanitary conditions and turning in any information upon which the regular police can work.

Yesterday afternoon a crowd of boys aged 12 years of age called upon Chief Slover and pledged their support in the movement. They reported having broken up a gang of cigarette smokers on King street. Another set of boys reported breaking up a gang of boisterous boys in Albina.

Judge Glensons said this morning he would give any assistance possible, as he considers the movement one of the best methods of making men out of boys.

Judge Bronough is in hearty support of the movement, and although a busy man, promised the chief assistance in getting the boys organized.

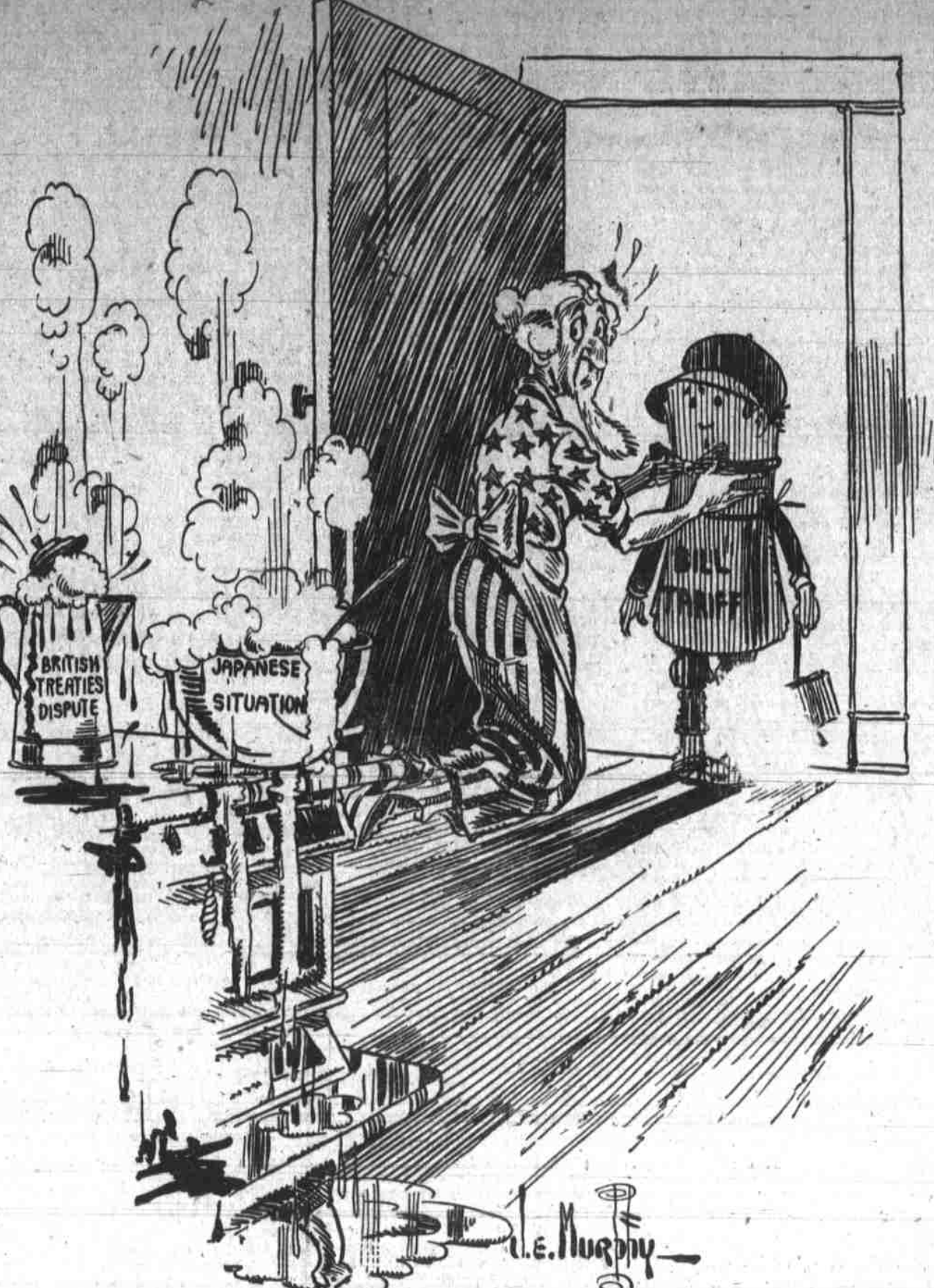
**SOCIALIST PUBLISHERS
 NOT TO BE TRIED FOR
 MISUSE OF U. S. MAILS**

Demurrers Filed by Fred Warren, Sheppard and Phifer Sustained by U. S. Court.

(United Press Leased Wire.)
 Fort Scott, Kan., April 25.—The prosecution of Fred Warren, J. I. Sheppard and C. L. Phifer, connected with the Appeal to Reason, a Socialist publication of Girard, Kan., charged with misuse of the mails in publishing an alleged expose of conditions at the federal penitentiary at Fort Leavenworth, was practically ended here today when Judge Pollock sustained a demurrer filed by the defendants.

The indictments against Eugene V. Debs, Warren and Sheppard, charging them with attempts to spirit away witnesses, are still pending, but probably will be quashed. The cases have been in the courts for nearly three years.

TROUBLES NEVER COME SINGLY



**REPAVING PROPER CHARGE AGAINST
 CITY AT LARGE, DECLARE EXPERTS;
 URGE CITY GANGS FOR MAINTENANCE**

Glaring Deficiencies of Present Plan of Administering Affairs of Engineering Department Pointed Out; Economy Disregarded; No Store Records Kept; Filing System Should Be Made Standard; Need of Bridge Expense Records Urged.

The report of the municipal research experts to the Portland citizens' committee today continues yesterday's showing as to the saving in cost and increased value of results which may be obtained by more adequate organization and better methods in the engineering department. A number of recommendations are made in the report today, covering maintenance of pavements, records of stores, reports of inspectors, the repaving of Washington and Morrison streets. The report reads as follows:

"Owing to the very rapid growth of the city of Portland, its engineering problem has thus far been almost entirely one of construction. The defects of organization for handling such work and of the methods employed were set forth in yesterday's report. In the future the problem will be one of maintenance—particularly of pavements. This maintenance division of the engineering department should, therefore, be placed under the direct supervision of a competent assistant engineer and the relative importance of the office of the district construction engineers very greatly decreased."

"In the maintenance division of the engineering department, a start has been

**DAN KELLAHER WILL
 ADDRESS NOON MEETING
 ON COMMISSION RULE**

A mass meeting for all who want to know about the commission plan charter will be held tomorrow at noon—from 12 until 1 o'clock—in the Baker theatre. Dan Kellaher will be the chief speaker tomorrow. Those who can come only for a few minutes will find the doors of the theatre open during the noon hour and will be welcome at any time during the meeting. Seats toward the rear of the room will be kept for late comers, if possible.

**PUBLIC DOCKS AND
 GREAT HARBOR ARE
 ASTORIA'S PLANS**

Port Commission Calls for a Bond Issue of \$800,000 to Prepare for Commerce the Canal Is to Bring.

(Special to The Journal.)
 Astoria, Or., April 25.—At a special meeting of the Port of Astoria commission this morning, a resolution was passed providing for a bond issue of \$800,000 for the purpose of constructing municipal docks and other harbor facilities. Attorney A. W. Norblad was instructed to prepare a report on the legality of the port and as to what steps are necessary to take toward bonding the county. The report will be presented at the regular meeting of the commission on May 6, when it is expected the date for the election to decide the issue will be fixed. The resolution adopted at the meeting is as follows:

"Whereas, the great emporium of the northwest which extends from the western slope of the Rocky mountains to the Pacific ocean and northward far into the adjacent territory of British Columbia, has been and is now retarded in its development by unscientific and discriminatory transportation rates;

"Whereas, as Astoria is the only natural water level down grade haul gateway on the Pacific and terminal of this vast territory;

"Whereas, the completion of the great Panama canal presents the opportunity for competitive water transportation which will unshackle the bonds that bind the business of this giant country;

"Therefore, Be it Resolved by the port commission of Astoria that a bond issue of \$800,000 be at once arranged for, or as much thereof as may be required to acquire municipal dock sites and construct modern docks for the accommodation of the immense traffic that must and will seek this great harbor in the near future."

**BALDWIN ESTATE NOW
 CLOSED; FEES ARE HUGE**

(United Press Leased Wire.)
 Los Angeles, April 25.—Distributing a residue of more than \$10,000,000, the final accounting in the E. J. Baldwin estate stands approved today by the probate court here.

The principal heirs under the will are the late tycoon's two daughters, Mrs. Clara Baldwin Stocker and Mrs. Anita Baldwin McCloughrey.

Executor H. A. Lump and his attorney, Bradner Lee, were allowed \$180,000 each, and were complimented by the court upon their stewardship.

The total value of the estate since Baldwin's death has increased from approximately \$12,000,000 to \$25,000,000.

**MAYOR RENEWS
 HIS FEELING FOR
 COMMISSION PLAN**

A. G. Rushlight Reiterates His Former Statement That He Is Unqualifiedly in Favor of Proposed New City Charter.

**SAYS SELFISH INTEREST
 ACTUATES MR. LOMBARD**

Charges Him With Getting a "Rake-Off" From Paving Jobs; Logan Speaks.

"I want to say here and now, as I have said on many other occasions, that I am privately and publicly in favor of commission government and unqualifiedly in favor of the proposed commission charter. I am reiterating my position at this time because of repeated queries made by political opponents as to where I stand. These questions have been asked when I was not present to answer and with the hope of misleading the public into the belief that I, who appointed the charter commission, am not in sympathy with the product of their careful and conscientious labors to give to this city a charter of simplicity and efficiency and economy and to replace the present outworn, and enormously expensive system of government."

So spoke Mayor Allen G. Rushlight last night at a crowded meeting held in Carter's hall, corner of East Sixth, seventh street and Foster road, South-east, and that the small home owners of the city, of which the gathering was mainly composed, are unmistakably for the proposed charter was evidenced by the spontaneous and generous applause that greeted the speaker's remarks.

Refers to Record.
 Mayor Rushlight prefaced his speech last night by alluding to the achievements of the present administration. He told how the price of paving has been reduced on an average of 12 1/2 per cent; how the cost of sewers has decreased from 30 to 40 per cent; how \$75,000 was saved in the construction of buildings, the purchase of equipment and the purchase of supplies in the fire department in a single year; how the water department is being reorganized and put on a business basis, many thousands of dollars being

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**DIAZ AND DE LA BARRA
 WITHDRAW CANDIDACY**

Mexico City, April 25.—Because of congressional delay in arranging for the election, General Felix Diaz and Foreign Minister De la Barra have definitely withdrawn their candidacy for the presidency and vice presidency of Mexico.

**SPokane LIKES COMMISSION PLAN;
 MAYOR COMES TO TELL ABOUT IT**

People Grew Tired of Incompetency and Waste and Found Way Out.

Mayor W. J. Hindley of Spokane recommends commission plan government to Portland. He has been here since yesterday morning telling the people about the success of the Spokane plan. He spoke at noon today before a mass meeting at the Baker theatre and will speak under the auspices of the Portland Woman's club in Women of Wood, craft hall at 4 o'clock this afternoon. This evening he will speak in the auditorium of Washington High school. His main address yesterday was before the Progressive Business Men's club at the Multnomah hotel. These are some of the things Mayor Hindley believes about the plan of government by commission:

Commission government will turn the failure of city government into success.

Good business stands as sponsor for commission government because it aids party politics, prevents inefficiency and graft, and gives assurance that taxpayers will get a dollar's worth of service for every dollar paid in taxes.

Full time service shows up the leaks and prevents the waste that now handicaps the city government.

The preferential ballot ends election of officials by minority vote and makes it certain that the men put into office will be the choice of the people.

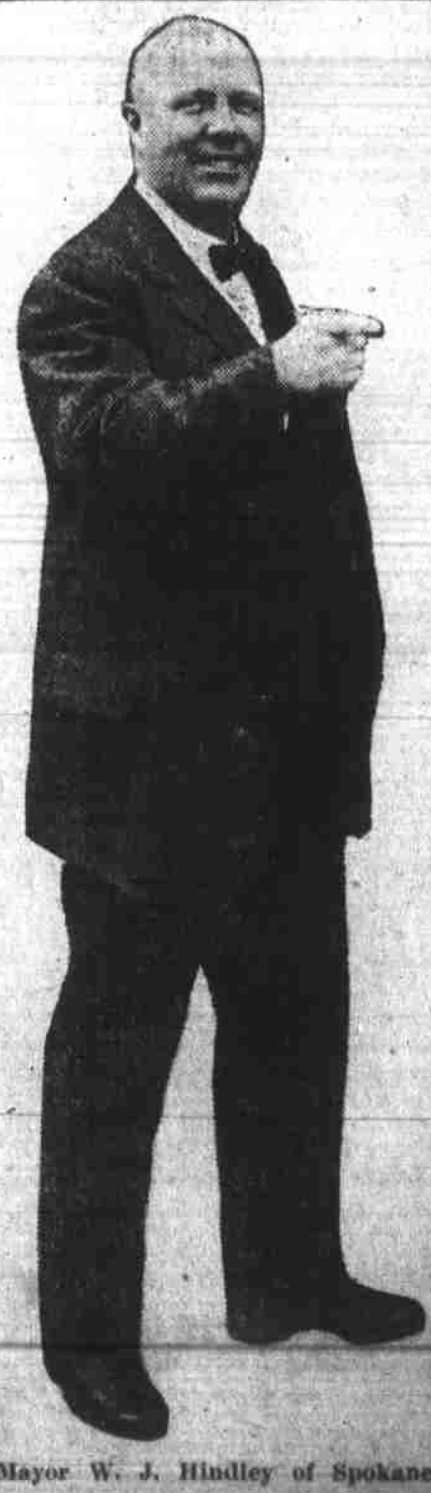
Readjustment Ordinance.
 In a statement especially prepared for The Journal this morning he said:

"Good business, and when I say 'good business,' I do not necessarily mean 'big business,' for not all 'big business' is 'good business' any more than all 'small business' is 'good business'; but all good business, whether big or small, is demanding some readjustment of the management of the modern city."

"People have grown weary of the mismanagement, the waste and extravagance, and in some cases the irresponsibility and inefficiency, if not the graft and boodle, which has been incident to many of our municipal affairs."

"The public has come to feel the worth of the commission government plan. Bryce, author of 'The American Commonwealth,' said a few decades ago that 'the one conspicuous failure of the American people is seen in the govern-

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Mayor W. J. Hindley of Spokane.

TEMPERATURES TODAY

Boston, 5 a. m.	44	Portland, 5 a. m.	50
New York	48	Seattle	47
Chicago	48	San Francisco	47
Washington	48	San Diego	47
Los Angeles	48	San Jose	47
Kan. City	48	Portland	50
St. Paul	48	Portland	50
Portland humidity	6 a. m.		90