

THE WEATHER

Showers tonight or Wednesday; light frost tonight; variable winds.

DAILY Journal

TEMPERATURES TODAY. Boston, 5 a. m. -49; Portland, 5 a. m. -52; New York, 5 a. m. -52; Seattle, 5 a. m. -52; Charleston, 5 a. m. -52; Washington, 5 a. m. -52; Chicago, 7 a. m. -44; St. Louis, 7 a. m. -44; Kansas City, 7 a. m. -44; St. Paul, 7 a. m. -44; Portland humidity, 5 a. m. -57.

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WILSON STANDING PATERN ATTITUDE TOWARD LAND LAW

So Is California Legislature and Disagreement Seems Certain; President Insists Phrase Violates Treaty.

CABINET HEARS REPORT AS TO BRYAN'S EFFORTS

Californians Persist in Intention to Enact Legislation Aimed Largely at Japs.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Washington, April 29.—President Wilson is standing pat on his attitude in the California anti-alien land matter.

This was the only announcement to citizenship contained in the bill now pending before the California legislature violates the treaty now existing between Japan and the United States.

President Wilson and John Bassett Moore, counselor for the state department and acting secretary of state, conferred from 7 o'clock this morning until 10 o'clock over the anti-alien land law bill now pending before the California state legislature.

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Government is Victor Large Tract Forfeited Timber Suit at an End

2,373,000 Acres of Choice Land in Willamette Valley Involved in Litigation With "O. & C." Road; Federal Judge Wolverton's Decision Is Surprise.

Two million, three hundred and seventy-three thousand acres of land in the Willamette valley are forfeited to the United States as a result of an order made in the United States district court this morning by Judge Charles S. Wolverton.

B. D. Townsend, assistant to the United States attorney general, who has been handling the case, did not know of the decision of attorneys for the defense that to argue the action and yesterday morning.

The principle trial of the land grant came with the filing, argument and decision on the demurrer by the defendant.

Written briefs were finally submitted. These were most exhaustive covering practically every legal phase of the case.

Judge Wolverton at that time made a deep consideration of these facts and April 25, 1911, rendered a decision overruling the demurrer.

"I do not believe that it is now necessary for the court to enter into an extended investigation of the testimony that has been taken.

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COMPARISON OF PRESENT AND COMMISSION CHARTERS

In this fourth and last statement of points of difference between the present and proposed charters, civil service, administration and local improvement code provisions are compared.

CIVIL SERVICE

PRESENT CHARTER The present charter contains comprehensive provisions for examination, appointment and promotion of city employees (Secs. 306 to 327).

COMMISSION CHARTER The civil service provisions are unchanged, except for the following amendments: (a) Each department is required to keep efficiency records of employees (Sec. 20).

ADMINISTRATION

PRESENT CHARTER The present charter contains detailed regulations for the administration of the following departments and offices: The fire department (Secs. 167-178); police department (Secs. 179-198); street cleaning, sprinkling and repair (Secs. 199-205); city lighting (206-215); harbor (216-219); pound (220-221); water board (222-237); health board and city physician (238-246); public library (247-258); park board (259-267); contain duties of the auditor in keeping records (287); city treasurer (288-301); city engineer (302-305); municipal court (328-338), and city attorney (339-345).

LOCAL IMPROVEMENT CODE

PRESENT CHARTER Sections 345 to 350, both inclusive, and 362 to 421, both inclusive, of the present charter, contain the provisions for the establishing, opening, changing, grading, improvement of streets, sidewalks, sewers, etc., of assessments for the same, of the method of bonding, the payment of assessments and bonds, etc.

MRS. HATFIELD DEATH AGAIN GOES BEFORE A JURY AT HILLSBORO, OR.

District Attorney's Office Will Not Confirm Rumor That New Analysis Shows Poison

(Special to The Journal.) Hillsboro, Or., April 29.—The appearance before the grand jury this morning of numerous persons connected with the Hatfield case leads to the belief that further investigation into the sudden death of the wife of the retired Forest Grove capitalist is being made.

Following the coroner's fruitless investigation of the cause of death it became known that prominent Portland women had demanded that a chemical analysis of the contents of the stomach be made by a chemist of their selection.

Recently there have been persistent rumors that the chemist had reported the presence of a drug that would cause death, but all that could be learned of his nature was that it was commonly used by oculists in treatment of the eye and would cause contraction.

Victoria Hampton, the woman chemist who is said to have made the analysis, and Professor Fulton, of the chemistry department of O. A. C., are witnesses present.

SPEAKERS AND DATES FOR COMMISSION PLAN MEETINGS GIVEN OUT

- Commission Charter Meetings: Tuesday, 8 p. m.—East side branch library, Dr. E. O. Sisson will speak to the deaf mutes of Portland and Mrs. F. C. Metcalf will act as interpreter. Tuesday, 8 p. m.—Sellwood Board of Trade, Sellwood Y. M. C. A., Dan Kellner, C. C. Hall. Tuesday, 8 p. m.—Irvington Improvement club, Irvington at a clubhouse, Twenty-first and Thompson streets, L. M. Lepper. Wednesday, 8 p. m.—Colored Ladies' Political Study club, 512 Clay street, Dan Kellner and L. M. Lepper. Wednesday, 8 p. m.—Waverly Richmond club, C. C. Hall, H. L. Conroy, Des Moines Iowa. Thursday, 8 p. m.—Central Christian church, East at twentieth and East Salmon streets, R. W. Montague, Mayor Gilts of Walla Walla, under auspices of church civic committee.

FARMERS MORTGAGE HOMES TO BUY "GILT EDGE" STOCK, PROMOTERS FLEE

George J. Hodder, President of Cooperative Supply Company Fleeced of \$23,000 and Ranchers of Gresham District of Much More in Scheme of Suave Duo Who Launched Ambitious Mail Order Company.

Behind a petition for involuntary bankruptcy recently filed in the federal court at Hillsboro, Oregon, is a story of frenzied finance, gross mismanagement and general incompetence whereby farmers, residing principally in the Gresham district, stand to lose thousands of dollars.

The whereabouts of the promoting duo, G. Moselle and H. L. Knox, is not known any more than their history and connection with the scheme.

Trees in Bloom Break Under Weight in Garfield District; Weather Breaks Records.

From 6 to 8 inches of snow fell in the hills of eastern Clackamas county during the night and this morning and considerable damage has already been caused by the snow and a slight sleet shower in the Garfield district.

The telephone and telegraph wires in the Garfield district are down, said Mr. Meyers, and I received my information from people who came into Estacada shortly before noon, having traveled through a heavy snow. They report that about eight inches of snow covers the ground and that many fruit trees now in bloom have broken down under the weight of snow and ice.

SNOW, 6 TO 8 INCHES DEEP IN CLACKAMAS, MAY KILL FRUIT CROP

NEW PRECINCT LAW TO BREED CONFUSION FOR NEXT ELECTION

Permanent Registration Is to Begin in June; Precincts Can't Be Changed Till Dec.

(Salem Bureau of The Journal.) Salem, Or., April 29.—Between the new registration law passed by the legislature and the granting of the franchise to women, it seems there will be no end to the complications that will arise to puzzle county and state officials.

LOMBARD INELIGIBLE AND UNFIT FOR MAYOR, DECLARES MONTAGUE

Candidate's Standard of Public Service Measured by Fact That While in Council He Organized Company Which Carried on Enormously Profitable Business With City, Declares Attorney in Response to Charge by Lombard.

"Your standards of public service are sufficiently shown by the fact that while you were a member of the council you organized and became president of a corporation which did an enormous and no doubt profitable business with the city, during your incumbency."

AUSTRIA TO DECLARE WAR THURSDAY, SAYS HER FOREIGN MINISTER

Ultimatum Gives Montenegro 24 Hours to Evacuate Scutari; All Europe Tentering.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Vienna, April 29.—Following a two-hour conference with the emperor tonight, Foreign Minister Von Berchtold semi-officially stated that Austria would deliver a 24-hour ultimatum to Montenegro tomorrow morning.

TURKEY BACKS ESSAD PASHA

Paris, April 29.—Turkey is backing Essad Pasha's claims to the throne of Albania, according to a dispatch from Constantinople to a news agency here.

PANAMA CANAL TOLLS GO OVER TO DECEMBER

Washington, April 29.—By a vote of 13 to 1, the senate committee today voted to postpone to the December session discussion of Panama canal tolls. Senator Braniff registered the only dissenting vote.

DES MOINES TAX LEVY REDUCED BY COMMISSION PLAN

Rich Man Who Tries to Dodge Payment Must Pay His Proper Share of the Assessment in Iowa.

IMPROVES EFFICIENCY OF ALL DEPARTMENTS

Mayor and Commissioner Give Unqualified Approval of Idea Proposed Here.

(Special to The Journal.) Des Moines, Iowa, April 29.—After having given commission government a most thorough trial, Des Moines, one of the first large cities of the country to adopt it, would not go back to the old plan of city government under any circumstances.

Not only has it improved efficiency in all departments of government, but it has reduced the tax levy. For the first time in the city the rich man who dodges taxes is made to pay his proportionate share.

Efficiency Is Improved. Commissioner MacVicar says: "The commission form of government has improved the efficiency of all the departments of the city government. The tax levy has been reduced and better returns for the money expended have been shown than ever before."

Tax Levy Reduced. "The commission form is not costly. In fact, it has resulted in economies in every branch of the city government that were thought impossible under the old system."

Democracy Assume Full Responsibility for Tariff Results. Underwood Serves Notice on Republicans Majority Will Dictate Terms; No Gag Rule.

DEMOCRATS ASSUME FULL RESPONSIBILITY FOR TARIFF RESULTS

Underwood Serves Notice on Republicans Majority Will Dictate Terms; No Gag Rule.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Washington, April 29.—Representative Oscar Underwood of Alabama, leader of the majority in the house, today served notice on the Republican minority that the Democratic members propose to dictate the tariff and will stand responsible for the results.

With general debate on the tariff bill closed, the house began consideration of the Underwood measure for amendment.

WALLA WALLA MAYOR IS HERE TO SPEAK FOR COMMISSION CHARTER

Mayor Gilts of Walla Walla will be the chief speaker at the noon mass meeting in the Des Moines theatre tomorrow. Walla Walla has reduced the cash cost of government, has lessened the number of officials and employees, at the same time getting greater efficiency.