

HAWLEY ENUMERATES ADVANTAGES OF BASE AT COLUMBIA MOUTH

Oregon Congressman Sets Forth What Great Stream and Territory Have to Offer

LOCATION SUPERIOR ONE

Ultimate Establishment Depends on Scope of Preparedness Program That Is Finally Adopted.

Washington, Feb. 26.—(WASHINGTON BUREAU OF THE JOURNAL).—In support of his bill for a naval base on the Columbia river, Representative Hawley has filed a detailed statement with the navy department telling of the advantages of that river.

In a call upon Secretary Daniels, Mr. Hawley was informed that the final plans or program of the department have not been framed. A naval base for the Columbia will largely depend upon the scope of the new coast defense and preparedness program. Until that is made up, proposed locations are not being given particular consideration.

It is believed that if the navy department decides for a new base on the Pacific coast the Columbia river will have no difficulty in showing its superiority of location beyond any possible competitor. The plan fits in well with what some naval officers have said regarding Pacific defenses and needs that members of the Oregon delegation will try to advance the bill if the department gives a favorable word.

The name "Astoria naval base," which was at first used in connection with the plan, has been abandoned for the broader designation of "Columbia base," leaving the exact location to be determined later. This removes the impression of a local or one-town scheme, and leaves the site to be fixed by competent authority.

Columbia's Advantages Enumerated. The statement submitted to Secretary Daniels by Representative Hawley follows:

The Columbia river has a wide and deep estuary. Its shore line has a number of indentations or sloughs protected by high projecting headlands. Its entrance has now about 35 feet at low water on the bar, and this depth is steadily increasing and with the completion of the project in 1918 will undoubtedly have more than 40 feet at low water. The entrance is about two miles wide, opening directly to sea, and vessels can now enter the main canal highways, with neither rock nor reef to interfere with or endanger their progress. The fact that the entrance opens directly out to sea, with the projecting headlands that guard it, and with the high elevations on either side, affords an excellent opportunity for defending the entrance, and it can be made practically impregnable.

Hostile vessels would have to face a fire from many angles, from guns protected by natural as well as by artificial defenses. The channel can be readily mined against the entrance of strange vessels, and the depth of water affords an excellent opportunity for the operation of submarines.

The land, on either side of the entrance, belongs to the United States, and is at a considerable distance from the nearest foreign territory.

Wide Area Accessible. The Columbia river is the only waterway having a depth sufficient to be used by great ships, that breaks through the protecting barrier of the Coast range of mountains and opens access to the interior of the country to a hostile force, and this opening is too far distant from any other deep water to enable it to be defended by defenses on the flanks. If a hostile force could get into the estuary, it could distribute its forces by water and rail with ease and dispatch so as to control 25,000 square miles of rich and fertile country, with several large cities included, and could readily make itself practically immune from attack from the sea, and any route of attack from the land would be a costly and desperate one.

A rich and fertile country, undisturbed, invites attack in case of hostilities. A very considerable proportion of the grain exported from the United States goes out of the Columbia.

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SEIZURE OF GERMAN SHIPS BY PORTUGUESE HELD AS UNFRIENDLY

Germany Will Ask Explanation and on That Will Hinge Her Future Actions.

BRITISH INFLUENCE SEEN

Treaty Permits Confiscation Under Conditions, but These Did Not Exist in the View Taken.

Berlin, Feb. 26.—(U. N. S.).—The German government regards the confiscation of the 35 German ships at Lisbon by the Portuguese government as an unfriendly act and will immediately take steps to ascertain the reasons for the action.

Under the treaty between Germany and Portugal it is possible for one of the belligerent nations to confiscate the property of the other under certain conditions, but none of these conditions exist in the present case.

It is understood that the Portuguese parliament passed a law since the beginning of the war concerning belligerent ships, but that the text of the law has never been transmitted to Germany's ambassadors. It is unlikely that the law will be accepted by the German government.

In any event official circles here regard the confiscation as a result of British influence in Lisbon, the idea being that the ships will be used to transport goods to England.

Portugal will be asked to explain her act and on the nature of her reply will depend the German action.

The Portuguese ambassador at Berlin today assured the German government that the confiscation is not a belligerent act but "merely an act in the Portuguese public interests."

Dr. Lyman Desires To Begin Sentence

Man Described as Original of "Get-Rich-Quick Wallingford" Admits Identity to Federal Authorities.

Tampa, Fla., Feb. 26.—(U. P.).—J. Grant Lyman, alleged Wall street confidence man, arrested as he was about to sail away on his private yacht here Thursday, admitted his identity to the United States commissioner who examined him here today.

Lyman was indicted on the charge of defrauding investors out of \$300,000 in sales of worthless mining stocks while he operated under the name of John H. Putnam Company.

Lyman, described by federal government as "the original of the J. Rufus Wallingford character," said he would rather be sent back to California than to New York. He said he would soon serve his federal sentence from California as to go to Atlanta penitentiary for another fraud if it would be any convenience to the government.

He said his bond is forfeited and he will insist on serving that term. He said: "Nobody can keep me in jail if I want to go in and if I am through there the New York authorities can do as they please with me."

Johnson Ordered to Go.

London, Feb. 27.—(U. P.).—(Sunday)—Jack Johnson, negro pugilist, has been ordered to leave England, according to statements published in London newspapers today. He has arranged to sail for Buenos Aires next Friday.

For a number of buildings there is a general admission public need. Another large number stand in the suspected "pork" list. Still others are of the sort where the money might not be wasted, but if buildings are not erected for some time to come they may not be greatly missed.

After Congress has worked out its preparedness program and other appropriations are shaped up, the public buildings committee will decide what shall be done. That is several months ahead. None of the bills for new buildings in Oregon has yet been taken up.

Signs that a "pleasant time will be had" are reported from Illinois, where an anti-Roosevelt Republican league has filed articles of incorporation with the secretary of state. The purpose is to oppose the nomination of Theodore Roosevelt for president, "by lawful means, or, if necessary, by adopting the methods and practices heretofore used by Theodore Roosevelt and his followers."

Nevertheless, at about the same time, the high toned and somewhat conservative Union League club of Philadelphia broke into uproarious applause when one of the speakers at its banquet mentioned the name of this same Roosevelt.

These straws, traveling at right angles, are taken to indicate that something more than an ordinary cyclone will prevail in the Chicago latitude in June.

People Cling to Levees.

Natchez, Miss., Feb. 26.—(U. P.).—With many people starving and others clinging to the sides of caving levees while a gale threatens to wash them away, Concordia parish, Louisiana, residents asked help from this city today.

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President's Policy Heartily Indorsed

Woodrow Wilson League Sends Message of Confidence to Show Public Sentiment Behind Executive.

To show that public sentiment is behind President Wilson in the determined stand he has taken for the protection and upholding of the rights of American citizens on the high seas, the Woodrow Wilson league yesterday sent him a message of confidence.

The message refers to the president's letter to Senator Stone, chairman of the senate committee on foreign relations, in which the president said:

"For my part, I cannot consent to any abridgement of the rights of American citizens in any respect. We covet peace and shall preserve it at any cost but the loss of honor. To forbid people to exercise their rights for fear that we might be called upon to vindicate them would be a deep humiliation indeed."

The message sent by the league is as follows:

"Hon. Woodrow Wilson, Washington, D. C. The Woodrow Wilson league of Portland, comprising one thousand members, citizens of this community, indorse and commend your position as outlined in your letter to Senator Stone."

"By officers of Woodrow Wilson league."

"DR. C. J. SMITH, DR. ESTHER POHL LOVEJOY, W. H. ARBUCKLE, F. L. FLEZEL, SAMUEL WHITE, G. H. WATSON, DR. ELOH T. HEDLUND, G. T. HARRY."

Captain Denies He Gave Away Supplies

Claim of Austrian Submarine Commander That Food From Petrolite Was Gift Contradicted by Master.

Washington, Feb. 26.—(U. N. S.).—Captain Thompson of the Standard Oil steamer Petrolite, today gave the state department a full account of the attack on that vessel by an Austrian submarine in the Mediterranean two months ago. Captain Thompson was in conference with counselor Polk for nearly two hours.

His statements made by the captain of the Austrian submarine which were communicated to the state department in a reply by the Austrian government yesterday.

The facts as reported by Captain Thompson may result in the forwarding of a copy of a sharp protest and demand for reparation.

The Petrolite was fired on by the submarine in the Mediterranean two months ago. One seaman was wounded by shell fire. The submarine captain, in the Austrian reply, denies taking provisions from the vessel.

Thompson told the state department that he was in the Mediterranean when the Austrian commander boarded his boat, but he denied giving away the ship's provisions.

Friar Club Raided, Liquor Is Seized

Julius Wilbur, One of the Proprietors, Is Placed Under Arrest at the Clubhouse.

Following the arrest by Deputy United States Revenue Officers, Milton Myers and Deputy United States Marshals McGowan and Fuller of Julius Wilbur, one of the proprietors of the Friar club, Milwaukee, on charges of selling liquor without a government license, Wilbur's home was raided and eight barrels of whiskey, gin and rum were found.

Deputy Sheriffs Phillips, Ward and Tichenor, with Special Agent Geren, made the raid on the home at 554 East Nineteenth street and took the confiscated liquor to the courthouse.

State charges may also be filed against Wilbur and a waiter of the club who was arrested. The arrests took place at the clubhouse. The raid was made on a search warrant.

Big Fire Hits Loop District of Chicago

Chicago, Feb. 27.—(U. N. S.).—The biggest loop fire in years this morning destroyed the building at 23 West Lake street, occupied by the North-western Stove Repair company, spread to the White Sewing Machine building on the west and at a late hour threatened other buildings. The loss is roughly estimated at \$200,000. Hundreds of firemen are endeavoring to check the spread of flames.

Fire Marshal O'Connor declared the flames under control at 2 o'clock and the danger of spreading ended, but the building was a total loss. The flames still formed a blazing crater.

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ASSESSOR H. E. REED SAYS HE WILL STAND FOR RENOMINATION

Reelection Sought on Record for Efficiency and Economy Made During Term.

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