

RURAL CREDITS PLAN SAID TO WORK OUT WELL IN AUSTRALIA

Settler Borrows Direct From Government Savings Bank on His Personal Contract.

MERCHANT MARINE URGED

General Bray of Singapore Has Route to Washington; Formerly Served at Sydney, N. S. W.

Tropical misadventures have scored heavily upon John P. Bray, United States consul general at Singapore, during the brief year of his residence there.

Mr. Bray formerly was stationed at Sydney, New South Wales, until a year ago. During his sojourn in Australia he had opportunity to study the system of rural credits that prevail there and today said it works out with great advantage to the settler and also to the state.

System is Explained. "The system prevailing in Australia is about as successful a one as any one may encounter anywhere," said Mr. Bray at the Portland hotel this morning.

Government Does Work. "Irrigation in Australia is conducted entirely by the government. Dams are built, canals are dug—all at government expense and by government engineers.

Some Business Transacted. "Although commodities that reach the Straits Settlements from the United States have to be shipped from Hongkong, this nation already does some business there and the people are eager to do more.

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Washington, April 13.—(I. N. S.)—Because of the seriousness of the German and Mexican situations, President Wilson today abandoned his plans to go to New York tomorrow night, and cancelled his engagement to speak there Saturday before the Young Men's Democratic club.

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Pupils to Show Shakespeare Is Not "Dry" Young Actors Aim to Upset the Old Theory

1—Marjory Hill as Hermitia. 2—Jack Dundore as Philostrate. 3—Alicea Smith as Hippolyte. 4—Raymond McGrew as Egeus. 5—Edith Turner as Helena. 6—Bertrand Woods as Demetrius.



The June 16 class of Washington high school will present Shakespeare's celebrated comedy "A Midsummer Night's Dream" in the school auditorium, the evenings of April 19 and 20.

Prominent and talented members of the graduating class have parts to mention in the Shakespeare centenary being celebrated this year the production is most timely.

Talked Woman Out Of Holding Him Up

Seattle, Wash., April 13.—(P. N. S.)—Requested by a woman footpad to hold up his hands and deliver his valuables, J. A. Hoffman began to argue the matter, and finally succeeded in persuading the feminine bandit to abandon her intention and to surrender.

British Steamships Torpedoed and Sunk

London, April 13.—(U. P.)—The British steamers Robert Adamson, 2328 tons, and Angus, 3618 tons, have been torpedoed and sunk, it was stated today. The crew of the former was landed. The Angus, which was destroyed in the Mediterranean, was not armed.

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COUNTY COURT NEWS

The commissioners advised the county auditor that the board did not approve estimate No. 11, contract No. 9, in favor of the Pacific Bridge company.

The request of the Department of Interior, U. S. geological survey, for information regarding rock production in Multnomah county, was referred to the roadmaster.

The commissioners placed on file the report of the superintendent of bridges and ferries regarding broken glass on Hawthorne bridge, and a copy sent to F. G. Higgs, complainant.

Paul Schwartz's petition for the necessary improvements of the Kiser road was referred to the roadmaster with the request to see if he can comply with the petition.

A report from John Denison, former Multnomah farm, showing receipts amounting to \$201, and disbursements amounting to \$201 was placed on file.

Bids for the construction of four bridges on St. Helens road were referred to the roadmaster for tabulation, investigation and report.

Warrants for indemnity claims for stock slaughtered because of tubercular infection were ordered drawn on the county treasurer as follows: McCarty & Burnett, one cow, \$12.50, and John Egger, three cows, \$37.50.

The indemnity cases of A. R. Dickenson, Emil Wahl and J. C. Aebly were set to be heard on April 10 at 10 o'clock.

Recommendations of the roadmaster regarding the bids for construction of bridges on the St. Helens road were adopted by the board.

The communication from the Kenton Traction company making formal demand that the Kenton trestle be repaired at once, was referred to F. M. Cortelyou, resident engineer Interstate bridge, for immediate decision.

The Portland Livestock exchange was informed that the resident engineer of the Interstate bridge has been directed to give his decision regarding the repairing of the Kenton trestle to the board at an early date.

Upon the recommendation of H. D. Griffin, clerk of the board of relief, the board ordered the taxes due from Mrs. A. French paid.

The request of C. H. Knowles regarding the probating of the estate of Paul Purbe, deceased, was granted.

The request of Dr. M. E. Marcellus for the filling of the Base Line road through Montavilla was referred to the roadmaster.

A communication from John R. Hughes, attorney, enumerating a list of damages alleged to have been sustained by W. F. Chamberlain by reason of the grading of Columbia river highway was referred to the roadmaster.

The Association of Sons and Daughters of the Indian War Veterans was granted permission to use the ladies' hall in the court house on Thursday evenings. The application of A. L. Clark for the use of the hall on Friday was not granted.

A communication from A. C. McMillen, sales manager of the F. H. L. & P. Co. relative to electric light and power service on the Columbia river highway was referred to the roadmaster.

The petition of Stephen Busch that the delinquent tax for 1917 on lots 1 and 2, block 10, in West Portland Center, be declared void, was referred to the district attorney for advice.

The communication from Dr. Earl Smith regarding Commissioner Holman was placed on file.

The Port of Portland was requested to cooperate with Multnomah county in making a fill at Multnomah Falls for parking purposes as suggested by the roadmaster, all arrangements in regard to handling of equipment for said fill to be approved by the board of county commissioners.

PROFESSIONAL TRYOUTS TONIGHT AT THE EMPRESS

In addition to the all star bill at the Empress this week, there will be special added attractions at tonight's second show when professional tryout acts will be presented for the approval of the audience.

The extra acts booked for tonight on the show starting at 8:15 are: Florence Hill, impersonating dancing; Florence Blowers, dramatic reading; How Salvadore won, in costume; Morton and Forest, comedians; Bill Jewell, blackface comedian.

There is a world of entertainment bees in the regular show. Sam Curtis and his Golf Girls present a miniature musical comedy that is bright and tuneful, with catchy airs and good comedy. The Golf Girls present a costume change that is particularly attractive. Their bathing beach scene is a special favorite. Sam Curtis, a 200-pound caddy, has a big bundle of laughs.

Law Wells is always a favorite with vaudeville audiences. His saxophone playing is surprisingly good and his monologues wins popular favor. He is an invariable hit on any bill where he appears.

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