

TO SET CASES FOR TRIAL BY PRESIDING JUDGESHIP SYSTEM

Circuit Judge Gantenbein to Initiate Plan by Calling the Court Docket.

POSITIONS WILL ROTATE

At Present Time 191 Cases Are At Issue and Not Set for Hearing—List Is Submitted.

As the first step in the transition from the present judicial practice in the circuit court for Multnomah county to the presiding judgeship system, Judge C. H. Gantenbein next Monday morning at 9 o'clock will call the court docket to set cases for trial, beginning Tuesday, January 2.

Judge Gantenbein will be the first presiding judge, which position he will hold for six months. The position of presiding judge will rotate among the six circuit judges for the county.

One hundred and ninety-one cases are now at issue and not set for trial. It would be impossible for the attorneys in all the cases to crowd into the courtroom at once, Judge Gantenbein next Monday will call 60 cases in the order of the date of filing of pleadings. The following Monday he will call the next 60, and so on until all are called.

System Is Outlined. For the first two weeks of each month, four jury cases and two court cases will be set for trial each day. For the remainder of the month eight court cases will be set for trial each day.

The judge before whom each case is to be tried will not be known until the day of the trial, when the cases for that day will be assigned.

Judge Gantenbein estimates that in five weeks the 191 cases can be cleaned up. Only seven criminal cases are pending.

The presiding judges will hear all default divorce cases each day, except Saturdays, at 2 o'clock. Motions and demurrers will be heard at 9:30 a. m. each day.

The 60 cases which will be set next Monday are as follows:

Cases Are Enumerated.

- City of Portland vs. Meier & Frank; Ham Polos vs. Claude Hart; Frank McClelland vs. Portland Railway, Light & Power Co.; City of Portland vs. D. V. Patton; City of Portland vs. W. H. Smith Electrical Engineering company; C. W. Daley vs. C. H. Harman; et al.; Daisy Lydia Hazen vs. Mort Sheridan Hazen; W. G. Deatsman vs. Adelle Parvin; City of Portland vs. Arthur Skilbeck; School District No. 1 vs. First National Bank of Portland; Sidney C. Jones vs. M. J. Jones; J. Chairman vs. Gerlinger Motor Car company; State of Oregon vs. C. W. Matthews; Hodson-Freenaughtly company vs. Coast Culvert company; John Harnack vs. Portland Railway, Light & Power Co.; O. H. Stubbard vs. Dan M. Johnson; Rufus Loy vs. E. H. Piere; D. Haight vs. Charles Haight; State of Oregon vs. Inez Olsen; Jake Schneider vs. George Topfer; W. L. Bentley vs. Travelers Insurance Co.; Caslatto et al vs. United Amusement

GREEK TROOPS HAVE BEEN MOBILIZED FOR A LONG TIME, FOR EVENTUALITIES



This picture shows a column of Greek infantrymen in Piraeus, the port of Athens.

company; F. E. McGinnis vs. M. M. Chase; Catherine Warner vs. Purcell et al.; State of Oregon vs. August Larson; Owen Donnelly vs. W. B. Edmund; Andrew F. McAtee vs. O. W. Roberts; et al.; Edw. Harris vs. William Murgrove; Irene Coleman vs. H. K. Fawkes et al.; Clara I. Curtis vs. H. J. Marx et al.; State of Oregon vs. J. P. Simonson; Mary E. O'Neill vs. Mild E. M. Robinson vs. Knights & Ladies E. Kehres vs. Arthur Skinner; Wilbur Oppergard company vs. New Amsterdams Casualty company; City of Portland vs. Earl Rave; Murlison Label company vs. E. A. Seaberg; State of Oregon vs. C. T. Slater; Frank A. Brockel vs. C. E. Cholson; Portland & Oregon City Railway company vs. Doyle; H. Kohanck vs. Stanley Luto; John Korradi vs. Harry Yankwich; Eilers Music House vs. L. L. Smith; State of Oregon vs. S. H. Haines; Frank Mottel and E. E. Stackhouse; W. J. Smith vs. C. Willet Osborne; Roscoe Z. Duke vs. Portland Ry., L. & P. Co.; Alice M. Robinson vs. Knights & Ladies of Security; F. J. Gerth vs. Lottie E. Gerth; Smith Securities Co. vs. Multnomah Co.; Lena Weist vs. Mary Thompson; Cora Smith vs. C. Willett Osborne; J. G. Grower vs. Portland Transfer company; H. E. Thomas vs. I. C. Peebler; Pacific American Metal Co. vs. Shanaker et al.; John Boydston, admr., vs. Sarah Peniston et al.; Jas. Sourapas, admr. of Yure Ljubich, vs. Western Co. vs. Joe E. Hendrickson vs. Alaska Portland Packers' Assn.; R. W. Raymond vs. Mfg.'s Ass'n. of Oregon; C. J. Little vs. Idaho State Life Ins. Co.; H. S. Fidelity & Guaranty Co. vs. Wm. Whelan; H. O. Beck vs. Geo. Vichos; John Sofas vs. O. W. R. & N. Co.; M. C. Godfrey vs. Columbia Co.; J. V. Fournier vs. Blake McFall; Gerlie Danielson vs. Pullman Co. et al.; Pollock vs. Pollock.

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Auditorium Bids Received.

Only two bids were received by the council today for lighting fixtures to be installed in the public auditorium and only one bid was received on an asbestos stage curtain. F. A. Bauman bid, \$12,225 on the lighting fixtures and M. J. Walsh Co., bid \$16,047.50. The Plant Rubber & Supply company bid \$1400 on the asbestos curtains.

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On motion of W. H. H. Dufur, the chairman was authorized to appoint a committee of 11, seven from the east side and four from the west side. A report a form of charter back to the organization. It was stated that it will be the duty of this committee to get in touch with those, including George Shepherd, who have drafted charters opposed to the commission form.

An attempt, in resolutions presented by J. B. Easter, to put the meeting on record as favoring 11 commissioner districts, seven on the east side and four on the west side, failed. Lewis C. Garrigus succeeded in having the resolutions referred to the committee

of 11, which, Chairman Dunne stated, will be appointed in a few days and will be representative of all sections of the city.

The resolutions charged the commission form of government with being "extravagant, unwieldy, unbusinesslike and contrary to representative form of government" and with having demonstrated a "positive lack of efficiency."

Pershing Is Slated For Major General

Washington, Dec. 15.—(U. P.)—In acknowledgement of his services in Mexico, President Wilson today recommended the promotion of Brigadier General John J. Pershing to be a major general. He also recommended the promotion of the following colonels to be brigadier generals: Even Swift, Francis H. Frech, Edwin St. J. Greble and Charles G. Treat.

I. C. C. Member Recommended.

Washington, Dec. 15.—(U. P.)—President Wilson today nominated Winthrop Moore Daniels, New Jersey, to be a member of the Interstate Commerce commission.

Burglars Loot Residence.

Police detectives are investigating the robbery at the home of Mrs. R. E. Bondurant, 339 East Thirty-fourth street, last night, when cut glass, silverware and other valuables, worth about \$200, were taken. Mrs. Bondurant was away from the house during the early part of the evening, and returned to find the rooms in the greatest disorder. Among other things, the burglar stole half a dozen blank checks from a check book.

GREEKS SUBMIT TO DEMANDS OF ALLIES AS ATHENS REPORT

Decision Reached at Meeting of Cabinet and the Crown Council, It Is Said.

Athens, Dec. 14.—(U. P.)—(Delayed)—That the allies' ultimatum in the Greek situation will prove acceptable to the Greek government in principle was indicated today, following a meeting of the cabinet and crown council, at which King Constantine presided.

The terms of the allies' ultimatum have not been made known. The original demands made on Greece were for surrender of her arms, control of the telegraph and postal systems by allied officials and guaranty of Greece's neutrality.

The original demand for disarmament was made by the French vice admiral, Du Fournet. A long period of negotiation followed. Du Fournet finally setting a time limit for compliance.

Greece made partial acquiescence, but further complications intervened and the allied land troops at Piraeus, which marched to Athens. There was fighting in the outskirts of the city between these forces and Greek reservists, the allies alleged and treacherly and, as a measure of reprisal, immediately instituted a blockade of Greece and put a ban on departure of Greek shipping from allied ports. Presumably the reported surrender to the ultimatum as above was because Greece foresaw being starved out.

There have been a number of indications that in the interim between establishment of the blockade and today's reported action, King Constantine has been communicating with Berlin, possibly with the hope of throwing his lot with the Teutonic allies and affecting a junction of his forces with German troops in the Balkans.

New Demands Possible.

London, Dec. 15.—(I. N. S.)—The tangled situation which has promised to add a new nation to the roll of belligerent powers, has become even more complicated, according to varying reports received here.

A Reuter dispatch from Athens says that as the result of a cabinet council held on Thursday, the ultimatum of the allies will probably be accepted in principle. An earlier dispatch to Paris said that King Constantine had already accepted the ultimatum. Neither of these gave the demands contained in the ultimatum.

According to the Petit Parisien, of Paris, the allies are formulating new demands to be levied upon Greece, chief of which is that Greece shall cease the concentration of troops in Thessaly. Encounters between Greek and French troops near Eysterine are reported.

GERMAN OFFER REVEALS THREE DISTINCT PLANS

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Germany. Opponents of the plan, hold, on the other hand, that it would be a serious mistake not to meet the issues raised by Von Bethmann-Hollweg.

Second—That Germany name her terms on the assumption that these terms yet to be made known officially, really may be worth considering and might be considered without damage to allied prestige.

Third—That the allies do not ask Germany's terms, but detail their own sentiments as to peace; their terms and conditions.

Suggestions made in the press of neutral nations, and particularly development of such an idea in the United States, has aided in developing sentiment for this third course. Moreover, it is seen by the news from Germany that the government did not expect a favorable response to its proffer; therefore, England regards the main purpose of Von Bethmann-Hollweg's proposals as manifestly twofold, to impress neutrals and the German public.

Opportunity Is Pointed Out.

Advocates of the policies of the allies listing their terms, argue that in such a situation as presented now the entente have a splendid opportunity to put before the outside world, as well as the people of Germany—whom they have always believed generally ignorant of the real issues of the war—a clear-cut, definite, united pronouncement of the allies' aims and purposes.

There was every indication today that the allies will adopt this course. It is fully expected that Lloyd-George will be officially recovered from his illness on Tuesday to give, in his speech before the house of commons, a more or less positive statement of the allies' position.

PRESIDENT DECIDES TO CONSULT CABINET REGARDING PEACE NOTE

Washington, Dec. 15.—(I. N. S.)—President Wilson has decided to seek the advice of his cabinet members before finally determining the part the United States will play in urging the entente allies to accept Germany's preliminary peace proposals.

The official text of the German note was received at the state department yesterday and was sent to the White House as soon as it had been decoded. During the afternoon and evening communication arrived, Bulgaria and Turkey are yet to be heard from.

Other Neutral Nations Will Join.

It was intimated at the state department that the United States would have the support of Holland, Sweden, Norway, Denmark and Switzerland in any course which President Wilson considers wise.

The president's position is declared to have been made most difficult by the tremendous pressure which is being brought to bear indirectly by representatives of the warring factions. The diplomatic agents and friends of the entente allies urge that the United States as a neutral can do no more than formally transmit the peace offer.

Representatives of the neutral powers find support in German circles for the sincere wish, at least, that President Wilson will take the initiative and urge acceptance of the offer. Entente May Give Serious Thought. No matter what course is followed, the impression is growing in congress that Germany's announcement of a

willingness to discuss peace with her enemies will be given serious consideration, whether or not it is finally accepted.

The German ambassador, Count von Bernstorff, announced that he had cancelled plans for a Christmas vacation in Florida and will remain in Washington. It is expected at the embassy that a reply to the note will be received here probably as early as Christmas week.

WILSON CONFERS WITH LANSING ON PEACE; NO ANNOUNCEMENT MADE

Washington, Dec. 15.—(U. P.)—For nearly two hours today, President Wilson and Secretary of State Lansing considered the question of supplementing the forwarding of the German peace proposals to allied capitals

with some suggestions from this government.

At the conclusion of the conference neither the president nor Secretary Lansing would throw any light upon what, if any, decision was reached.

"I have nothing to say now. There is no announcement to be made at present. There is no conclusion to discuss," summed up Lansing's reply to inquiries from newspaper men.

It was indicated after the conference that the state department at least has little on which to work in the way of expressions of public sentiment in this country, except as voiced in the newspapers.

In the past, the department has been flooded with telegrams, giving individual views of what ought to be done, but in this instance none has come.

German official hints here point to a willingness to talk at least a partial disarmament, and likewise a willingness for introduction of a world guaranty of peace.

The administration now feels that there may be instructive discussion of

the peace proposals among the allies, but has had no reason to believe that the present proposals themselves will at once point the way to peace.

Copper Companies Raise Wages. Redding, Cal., Dec. 14.—(P. N. S.)—Wages were voluntarily advanced 25 cents a day by the Mammoth Copper company of Kennet, the Balklaba Copper company of Coram and the Mountain Copper company of Keswick today. Two thousand workers are benefited. The new rate will last as long as copper is quoted at 25 cents. A few months ago the same companies voluntarily increased wages 50 cents a day.

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