

FORMER PRESIDENT TAFT SAYS NEED OF LEAGUE IS SHOWN

Participation by United States
in Guiding Destinies of Na-
tions Urged.

Concord, N. H., Feb. 1.—(U. P.)—Former President Taft, speaking before the legislature here today, denounced Germany's declaration of unrestricted naval warfare, calling it a "grossly unwarranted expansion of the rights of blockade."

"The dangerous crisis in our relations with Germany, forced by her declared intention to sink neutral vessels engaged in trade with France and England, their crews and passengers, without warning, by submarine warfare, is a grossly unwarranted expansion of the rights of blockade which belligerents have in international law against neutrals."

"It greatly emphasizes the necessity for hastening adequate military and naval preparation against unjust aggression. It also takes away the flattering notion that we are now so remote from a European war that we should decline to enter a world league to enforce peace."

"Such a league in the future will be as useful and needed a protection to us as our leadership and participation in it are necessary to its formation and wise guidance. It is our duty to ourselves and to the world to help it protect itself against the horrors of another war."

Bones Probably Not Those of Any Human

John B. Hammersly, Government Hunter, Says No Person Has Visited Spot Where Wolves Left Tracks.

Grants Pass, Or., Feb. 1.—The opinion of many persons in Grants Pass that the remains found near Willow flat, in the Evans creek section of Jackson county, were not the bones of a human being whose body had been devoured by timber wolves was strengthened Wednesday morning by a paragraph in a letter from John B. Hammersly, government hunter, the supposed victim of the ravenous beasts, written from Gold Hill, where he spent Tuesday night, to a friend here.

"Where such a fallacy could have originated," Hammersly wrote in part, "is beyond me."

"I cannot imagine how such an accident could have occurred, as no timber wolves, miners or any others have visited this locality since the heavy snow fall during the early part of the season."

Cripple Since Youth, Man Kills Himself

Corvallis, Or., Feb. 1.—Francis Barnard, a cripple since his youth, residing with his mother on a farm near Bellefontaine, Benton county, committed suicide by shooting himself through the head with a .38 calibre revolver. Death was instantaneous.

Barnard was 52 years old and had resided in this county for 45 years. When 2 years old scarlet fever left him a cripple for life and he had been a great sufferer for many years. He had been dependent for some time, and had at different times said that he would be better off dead.

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Teachers from the little red school houses of every nook and cranny of the nation will be taught the true meaning of the slogan "know Portland," their instructors being some 500 high school boys, these chivalrous youths will be commended as official guides for the convention of the National Education association, which meets here next July.

Professor F. S. Ball, principal of Franklin high school, announced the plan at Tuesday night's meeting of the Portland executive committee at which L. R. Alderman presided. He proposes to organize the boys and have them so coached that they will themselves know Portland so thoroughly that they can serve as competent pilots to the thousands of visitors.

It appeared at Tuesday night's conference at the Chamber of Commerce that the delegation from the north-west to the Kansas City meeting of the department of superintendence of the N. E. A., February 26 to March 2, would be large. The plan is to have these people strengthen the general invitation Portland extends to the teachers by personal appeal, are expected to join the party. A reception will be held at Kansas City and Oregon loganberry juice will be served.

REFERENDUM CLAUSE IN BONE DRY BILL IS BEATEN AT OLYMPIA

House Refuses to Incorporate
Provision Which Would Al-
low Submission to People.

State House, Olympia, Wash., Feb. 1.—Efforts to tack a referendum provision on Halsey's bone dry liquor bill were defeated Wednesday. In the house by practically a two to one vote.

Under call of the house and with locked doors, the house took up consideration of the bill on second reading at 2:30 o'clock and until 7 o'clock last evening the session continued. Friends of the bill made amendments to strengthen its provisions and debated moot points with the bill's opponents.

Under the rules a bill cannot be amended on third reading, so that so far as the house is concerned the referendum provision is dead unless, of course, the senate should tack such an amendment on the measure when it reaches that body.

A remarkable feature of the early afternoon session of the house was the passage without dissenting vote of two bills urged by Governor Lister undoing what the last legislature did over Lister's protest. The bills cut down the membership of the state tax commission from three to one and make the tax commissioner a member of the state board of equalization.

Wasco Man Shot by Woman, Given Up

The Dalles, Or., Feb. 1.—No hope is held for the recovery of Earl Rasmussen, the Wasco man who was shot in the head Tuesday by Mrs. Pearl Bozart, at the ranch of Charles Harper, near Wasco, when he persisted in trying to borrow two of Harper's horses when Mrs. Bozart had warned him that she would shoot.

Dr. W. M. Morse operated upon Rasmussen at the local hospital. He says the wounded man will probably not live more than two days. The bullet entered the brain above the left eye. Rasmussen is unmarried.

Lads Report Hazing At Baker Y. M. C. A.

Baker, Or., Jan. 31.—District Attorney Levens is investigating the hazing of two young boys at the Y. M. C. A. last evening, when 13-year-old lads were roughly handled by older boys, members of the high school football team. The boys' entire bodies were painted with iodine. Complaints of similar mistreatment of younger boys at the Y. M. C. A. have been received, including the charge that of late several have been thrown into the tank with all their clothes on.

Senate Committee Urges Fortifications

Washington, Feb. 1.—(U. N. S.)—With the senate gravely apprehensive of critical developments in the submarine crisis today promptly voted to recommend passage of the fortifications bill, carrying \$51,000,000, largely for coast defense, without amendment. The committee took action after a few minutes' deliberation. The bill carries almost double the amount of last year's bill.

Reparation From Mexico Is Urged

Washington, Feb. 1.—(U. P.)—Representative Anthony of Kansas, in a resolution introduced today asked that Secretary of War Baker be directed to tell the house whether any steps had been taken to obtain reparation from the Mexican government for the attack made on American troops at Carrizal June 21, when 12 cavalrymen were killed. Among those killed were Captain Charles Boyd and First Lieutenant Henry R. Adair of the Tenth cavalry.

Son of Woman in Poison Plot Is Held

London, Feb. 1.—(U. N. S.)—William Wheelton, son of Mrs. Alice Wheelton, one of the three women seized in connection with the alleged plot to poison Premier Lloyd George and War Councillor Arthur Henderson, has been arrested under the military service act, according to the Daily Sketch today. The arrest was made at Southampton last night.

GOVERNOR OF KANSAS SNUBS REQUISITION OF GOVERNOR OF OREGON

Howard Bennett, Lawyer, a
Son-in-Law of Rich Mr.
McGinnis, Seems Immune,

Despite two separate indictments by the Multnomah county grand jury, a formal order of extradition from the governor of Oregon, and long continued efforts on the part of both the district attorney's and the sheriff's office, Howard Bennett, former Portland attorney, will remain in Kansas.

A letter from the governor of Kansas, refusing to honor the extradition order, was received by the governor of Oregon.

Bennett was formerly a member of the firm of Brookings & Bennett of this city. Last May he left for El Dorado, a small city in Kansas where his wife's father is said to have become wealthy through oil properties and where he is now living. It was not until after his departure that light was turned on the transactions of which he is accused.

Evidence presented before the grand jury was to the effect that Bennett applied to Gay N. Bybee for a loan

of \$1500 in return for a first mortgage on property valued at about \$2500. Bennett acted as attorney as well as borrower and assured Bybee that he would file the mortgage. When the document was not returned by the office of the county clerk, Bybee says that Bennett told him under the new Torrens act the recording officer kept the paper on file.

Investigation after his departure showed the mortgage never was filed. Bennett was given the collecting of certain amounts for the Peerless Pacific company by W. S. Babson, the manager, and the charge before the grand jury was that he had failed to account for \$500 or more. But before any complaint was filed, attorneys in El Dorado were asked to see if they could force collection and are said uniformly to have refused to take the case against the son-in-law of wealthy W. F. McGinnis.

After the complaint was placed in the hands of the district attorney, Deputy Murphy wrote Bennett advising him of the proceedings and suggesting that if he settled up the charges would not be pressed. Lacking satisfactory response the case went to the grand jury and secret indictments were returned. Certified copies of the indictments and a fugitive warrant for Bennett's arrest were forwarded to the sheriff of Butler county. On December 8, the sheriff of Butler county wrote Sheriff Hurlburt declining to act, saying he had no power to swear to a fugitive warrant.

The Butler county official suggested extradition proceedings which were instituted. In response to Governor Withycombe's request, Governor Capper declined to order the extradition, it appearing to him that Bennett would settle the two obligations and it further appearing to him that in this case upon the grounds that it appears from all the facts to be an effort to force the collection of a private debt.

DESPITE BLIZZARDS PASSENGERS ON U. P. HAD NO HARDSHIPS

Tourists Who Came Through
Wyoming Say Snowbound
Delays Only Drawbacks.

In spite of blizzards and cold that held dozens of trains snowbound in Wyoming during the last week, passengers suffered no hardships at all, according to tourists who arrived Wednesday on the delayed Union Pacific trains that began flocking into Portland.

Inconvenience was the only drawback to the delay, though some passengers who were "figuring close" on the expenses of the trip found themselves a trifle short of funds by the time they reached here.

Soldiers for Alaska.
Among the passengers on train No. 19, due here Sunday, were five United States soldiers from Fort Leavenworth who were on their way to Alaska to attend to the signal work on the new government railroad.

They reported that their train was held at Laramie until the drifts were dug out, though the train proceeded very slowly after it had started because the snow kept blowing back into

the cuts as fast as the rotaries dug it out. Even in the heart of the blizzard region they said the ground was scarcely covered on the level, though the cuts were bank full.

It was said today that the transcontinental train are now less than 24 hours late and catching up their scheduled all the time. By Saturday all should be back on schedule, it was felt.

Some 72 Hours Behind.

The trains arriving Wednesday were anywhere from 48 to 72 hours late. The O-W. R. & N. was making every effort to hasten them over the last stage of their journey and has been keeping the two big snowplows busy on Kamela and Telocaset hills, the summit of the Blue mountains. Snow in this region is not especially heavy, but has been blowing into the cuts, and constant work is required to keep the track open.

One Woman Inconvenienced.

One woman, traveling alone on one of the trains arriving Wednesday, had allowed herself just enough money after purchasing her ticket to Seattle to defray her dining car expenses on an undelayed basis. While she was held up for two extra days, her finances ran low and she was penniless when she reached Portland. The matron at the Union station suspected her plight and questioned her. A railroad employee promptly advanced her sufficient money for a square meal, of which she was in great need, and saw that she had Pullman accommodations for Seattle Wednesday night.

Mill Secures Tie Contract.

La Center, Wash., Feb. 1.—The Star mill, located on Rock creek about 10 miles from here, has secured a

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