

# REPUBLICANS SAY PRESIDENT WILSON HAS 'PASSED BUCK'

Lack of Suggested Solutions for Problems Presented in Message Brings Varying Comment.

## DESIRE TO EMBARRASS SEEN

Political "Poison Gas," Term Applied by Senator, Expresses General Sentiment of Majority.

By Justin McGrath

Washington, May 21.—When President Wilson's message was read to congress Tuesday there was general comment that it was different in style from his previous messages. Undoubtedly it was different. There was a reason. It was the first message which Woodrow Wilson had sent to a congress not controlled by his own party.

When the senate and house adjourned, newspapermen buttonholed Republican members of both branches to learn what they thought about the message. Senators and representatives were inclined to be careful in the expression of their views for publication. Their private comments were frank and forceful, but hardly fit for publication, in most instances, even if permission to publish had been granted.

### RHETORICALLY PASSES BUCK

About the mildest characterization given confidentially was that the president had "rhetorically passed the buck." The insouciant manner in which the president passed to the Republicans the responsibility for finding the proper solution for problems seemed to be distinctly irritating to them. It was noted that he stated the problems with force and clearness and with full appreciation of their gravity, but that when it came to suggest the methods by which they could be worked, the president, in most instances, avoided definite commitment. According to the Republican view, the president was definite in his recommendations only on questions with which the Republicans will find it troublesome to deal.

### WINE AND BEER SUBTERFUGE

His recommendation that congress remove the ban upon the manufacture and sale of wines and beer was regarded by the Republicans as evasive and designed to embarrass them.

There was no reason, they say, why the last congress should not have passed legislation removing that restriction. The legislation could have been made effective at a date when demobilization, in the president's judgment, was sufficiently far advanced. It was generally agreed that this recommendation of the president would be ignored.

While the president recommended the return of the railroads and the telegraph lines to their owners, he left to the Republican majority the full responsibility without specific suggestion from him of the conditions under which the return is to be made.

### RADICAL VIEWS ON LABOR

In dealing with the question of labor, the president expressed radical views, but the criticism was made by the Republicans that he did not commit himself to definite recommendations. Speaking of the strife that has gone on between capital and labor, the president said that as an essential of industrial peace "there should be a genuine cooperation and partnership based upon a real community of interest and participation in control."

The Republicans would have liked to have had the president state his ideas of the bringing about of this participation of control.

But the president did not see fit to force his views on the Republican majority. He modestly said: "The members of the committees on labor in the two houses will hardly need suggestions from me as to what they shall seek to make the federal government the agent of the whole nation in pointing out, and, if need be, guiding the process of reorganization and reform."

### POLITICAL "POISON GAS"

The political "poison gas" was one comment I heard a Republican senator make on that part of the president's message.

The Democratic senators and members of congress enjoyed the discomfiture of their Republican brethren as the president's message was read, and later chafed them about having their work cut out for them.

Some of the senators think the president will discontinue his custom of personally reading his message to congress, believing he will prefer long range shooting now that the political complexion of congress has changed.

Senator Lodge, Senator Borah and Senator Johnson of California declined to make any comment on the message. All that Senator Lodge would say was: "Not a word."

## Myrtle Point Boys And Girls Entertain Parents at Dinner

Myrtle Point, May 21.—Members of the Myrtle Point Cooking club have completed their course of study, the first of the boys' and girls' clubs of the county to finish the work laid out for the season.

E. R. Peterson, county manager of clubs, reports excellent work done by the club. The course of study consisted of 10 lessons.

The last meeting was in the nature of an entertainment which the parents attended. The girls of the club served a meal prepared by themselves. The instructor was Miss Kalbus, home demonstrator. There are 53 boys' and girls' clubs in the county, with more than 500 members.

## BAKER MAN NAMED GRAND PATRIARCH

P. A. Hantz Honored at Election of Oregon Grand Encampment, I. O. O. F.

Salem, May 21.—Two hundred and thirty-four candidates were given the Rebekah degree in the state assembly here Tuesday. The degree of Chivalry was conferred upon 51 candidates in the evening, the largest class in the history of the order in this state.

The grand encampment degree was conferred upon 35 candidates and several are yet to take this degree.

In the afternoon P. A. Hantz of Baker was elected grand patriarch, Oregon Grand Encampment, I. O. O. F. Other officers elected were: R. F. Kirkpatrick, Pendleton, grand high priest; K. J. Nolan, Portland, grand senior warden; E. E. Sharon, Portland, grand scribe; W. W. Francis, Albany, grand treasurer; W. E. Wadsworth, Harrisburg, grand junior warden; A. H. Knight, Canby, representative to sovereign grand lodge at Baltimore. The election marks Sharon's twenty-sixth term as grand scribe.

Appointive officers were named as follows: Frank P. Light, Lakeview, grand marshal; W. T. Wright, Union, grand sentinel; D. S. Young, Newport, grand outside sentinel.

The attendance at both the Rebekah assembly and the grand encampment, I. O. O. F., is said to be fully up to previous records. A grand reception in honor of visiting delegates was held in the armory in the evening.

## Cross Country Tour Planes in Missouri

Kansas City, Mo., May 21.—(I. N. S.)—The advance plane of the army Dallas-to-Easton cross country tour arrived here Tuesday shortly before noon. Lieutenant Adams piloted the big machine to a safe landing. The others of the party are in Topeka, where they landed today in a sea of mud to give an exhibition flight. The squadron is securing many recruits for the army aviation corps, which is now being reformed.

## Pioneer Pendleton Woman Dies at 83

Pendleton, May 21.—Mrs. Eliza Best died Tuesday night as the result of a paralytic stroke at the home of her son, Perry Vanoreddall, aged 83 years. She was born in Scotland, and came to the United States with her parents when a child. She had been a resident of Pendleton 15 years.

## Increase in Number Of Currency Pieces; More Help Wanted

Washington, May 21.—(I. N. S.)—The aggregate number of pieces of national bank and federal reserve currency outstanding January 2, last, was 376,825,275, an increase of 200,000,000 pieces over the normal bank circulation under the old national bank system.

United States Treasurer John Burke makes this and other interesting comparisons of the wartime increase in the circulating currency of the United States in a letter to congress today appealing for funds to pay additional employees in his office. He asks for 40 additional money counters at \$1200 a year; 20 additional expert money counters at \$1000 a year; 12 additional clerks; three additional assistant clerks, and one additional assistant superintendent.

This additional force will be put under the national bank redemption agency and the money appropriated by congress to pay the salaries will be collected from banks in the federal reserve system and refunded to the government.

## ENGINEERS TO TRAIN AT O. A. C. TO DEVELOP OFFICERS IN RESERVE

Elaborate Equipment Is Promised by U. S. Army and College Credit Will Be Allowed.

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis, May 21.—An engineering unit of the R. O. T. C. will be organized at O. A. C. next fall with a view to developing officer material for the engineer reserve corps. The war department will provide military and engineering equipment and special courses in the military side of engineering will be given by army officers in the junior and senior years. Summer camps will be held for R. O. T. C. units.

Equipment will include moving picture films, lantern slides, models, drawings, blue prints and other necessary material. The war department will arrange for lectures on military subjects and visits to military establishments.

The engineering unit will afford an opportunity for instruction with saber, searchlight, flash and sound ranging, pontoon, camouflage, printing, map reproduction and surveying. Members may also receive instruction in military construction, seacoast fortification, installation of electric power plants, general construction, road building, river and harbor improvements and miscellaneous civil works.

These reserve officers may receive commissions as temporary second lieutenants, United States army, and become attached to units of the regular army for the purpose of instruction. The college will give full credit toward the academic degree for all work done here under the military department.

## 62,000 Rejected Because Afflicted With Tuberculosis

New York, May 21.—(I. N. S.)—Sixty-two thousand men were rejected after being called for service in the national army because medical examination showed they were suffering from tuberculosis, it was announced here today by the National Tuberculosis association following final tabulation of draft rejection slips from every state in the Union.

Approximately another 20,000 men, it is also stated, were rejected for the same reason at army camps and nearly 6000, still in service, are now being cared for in the army's special tuberculosis hospitals.

To protect the nation's health by making proper provision for those rejected on account of the disease, the national association, in cooperation with the surgeon general's office, is following up each case and through 1500 state and local societies is providing for necessary care and treatment.

## Co. H, Third Oregon, Reaches New York

Mrs. A. R. Hoggatt of 844 East Thirty-third street Tuesday received a telegram from her son, Archie Hoggatt, stating that Company H, 162d infantry, had arrived in New York and would be sent to Camp Merritt. This company was stationed at La Havre for 17 months doing supply and instructional duty.

## Peter Peppy Fined \$40 for Speeding

Peter Peppy had too much "pep" to suit Officer Kelly when he passed him on the Linton road Monday. Peppy was arrested for speeding. Judge Rossman decided in the officer's favor Tuesday and fined Peppy \$1 a mile; he had been driving 40 miles an hour. Others fined Tuesday were: Jesse Kubik, \$25; Ralph Refinot, \$17.50; Donald McMaster, \$10; Sam Aron, \$10; Mrs. W. H. Hippler, \$15; John Flora, \$4; George Schmitt, \$10; B. Smith, \$10, and A. M. Welsh, \$10.

## Class of '16 Finishes At Arlington High

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis, May 21.—Professor Frederck Berchtold, head of the English department at Oregon Agricultural college, delivered the commencement address to the graduating class of Arlington high school, May 17. His subject was, "The Effective Life." The graduating class numbers 16. The principal, Mr. J. J. Sturgill, is a former Oregon Agricultural college man.

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