

MANY TOWNS IN OREGON REQUEST PUBLIC BUILDINGS

Mad Scramble on at Washington for Improvements, but Few of Requests Will Be Granted.

Washington, Jan. 22.—(WASH-INGTON BUREAU OF THE JOURNAL.)—Several hundred cities and towns in all parts of the country are hoping they will be on the list for public buildings this year. Their hopes are centered upon the omnibus building bill which the house committee is preparing, but which is far from the goal.

Republican house leaders composing the steering committee want an omnibus building bill. They are afraid it will follow them around in the next campaign to mock their claims of strict economy. The country has gone with such a law since 1912, it is pointed out, and how will it square with promises that no money shall be spent except for things of actual necessity?

TOWNS NEED BUILDINGS
Advocates of the measure say that the needs which towns with in the year and so many towns have grown to the point where they are in need of public building facilities that they cannot longer be denied. The demand is so insistent, they say, that congress must act.

On the other hand, there is embarrassment for many congressmen in making a choice between several claimants. One town will be pleased, but if several others are disappointed, the net result for the beleaguered congressman is likely to be a political loss.

Usually in that sort of a situation the congressman proceeds to "pass the buck." He tells the disappointed towns that he made a heroic fight for them, but the committee decided that the successful town should have the building, and he hopes in the near future to provide for the others.

COMMITTEE DOESN'T CARE
Usually the committee doesn't care a whoop which town wins, and the congressman from the district in question gives a quiet tip as to the one he wants chosen. The committee acts as he desires, and the congressman proceeds to make his own explanation as to why that town was chosen. The committee has 20 members. It is broad shouldered and quite willing, in its aggregate capacity, to take the blame that any disappointed town feels like handing out.

This year the committee has divided itself into five subdivisions, each of which will conduct hearings on bills for public buildings in specified states. Oregon falls under the jurisdiction of committee No. 2, consisting of Smith of Michigan, chairman; Andrews of Nebraska, Taylor of Tennessee, Park of Georgia and Rucker of Missouri. The states assigned to this committee are Georgia, Michigan, Mississippi, Missouri, Nebraska, Oregon, Rhode Island, Tennessee, Virginia and West Virginia.

The distribution is so made in each subcommittee that members of the public buildings committee will pass upon the locations of buildings in the states they represent. In this respect the Pacific coast and far west may seem at a disadvantage, as no state west of Nebraska is represented on the committee.

FOUR BUILDINGS FOR OREGON
It is planned to locate two buildings in each congressional district. If there are as many as two towns within the district which can qualify in the way of population and postoffice receipts. Under his layout four buildings will be apportioned to Oregon, or it may be two sites and two buildings. The Third district, comprising Multnomah county, is out of it, as Portland is the only large city, and it is already supplied in the public building line.

Astoria, Oregon City, Corvallis, Ashland, Grants Pass and Marshfield, all in Congressman Hawley's district, are candidates for public buildings, and apparently not more than two can land in the bill. Hawley has introduced bills for all of them, and has asked each one to present data, which he in turn will present to the subcommittee.

ASTORIA WAXES WARM
A. E. Stossmeier, signing himself chairman of the postoffice building committee of the Rotary club of Astoria, in a letter to all members of the delegation, says his people have often been told "that a bill has been introduced," but they now request a building forthwith, to replace the present building at Astoria, "so this preposterous proposition, this malodorous justification of the long haired sovietist, may

be relegated to the scrap heap, where it belonged years ago."

3 Women Seriously Hurt; Run Down by Mad Auto Driver
Chico, Cal., Jan. 22.—(U. P.)—Three women narrowly escaped death Thursday when an automobile in which they were riding was struck by a high-powered car operated by an unidentified man, who sped away after the crash. The injured: Mrs. Pearl Poore, Marysville, broken arm. Mrs. Fred Morris, Marysville, both arms fractured. Mrs. Emma Poore, Corning, internal injuries, broken leg.

Edwards' Nomination Would Be an Outrage, Asserts W. J. Bryan
Norfolk, Va., Jan. 21.—The nomination of Governor Edwards of New Jersey for president would be an outrage, in the opinion of William Jennings Bryan. The commoner said today he would not vote for Edwards or any other "wet" candidate, and added that National Chairman Cummings had better quit flirting with the man who said he would make New Jersey "as wet as the Atlantic ocean," or he may lose his job.

3 TREATY COMPROMISE MOVES ARE UNDER WAY; LODGE'S HOPES VANISH
Washington, Jan. 22.—(U. P.)—Three new treaty compromise moves are in the making in the senate, where the best informed observers now have given up hope that the bi-partisan conference in Senator Lodge's office will "get anywhere."

This belief persisted today in spite of mysterious assurances by Lodge that the conference had "agreed on something" at yesterday's session. He would not divulge what the agreement covers, but said it is not Article 10 or the League reservation on voting power. This leaves the Monroe doctrine and Shantung, the other chief points of controversy, and it was generally believed that if anything was agreed on, it was Shantung.

The three compromise moves which are to be tried when the failure of the Lodge conferences has been demonstrated are:
First—Mild reservationists propose to move that the treaty be called up in the senate to give everybody who has reservations an opportunity to offer them in open session. This would involve reopening the whole treaty debate.
Second—Senator Underwood announced he will seek a vote on his resolution for an official conciliation committee, stating that such a committee could at least poll the senate and present conclusive evidence as to the possibility

of compromise. In the poll showed no compromise possibilities, the senate could then turn in earnest to another means of bringing about officially a state of peace with Germany, Underwood said.
Third—Senator King and other Democrats, with some Republicans, will circulate a round robin for a caucus of the treaty's friends, regardless of party. King's plan would get the support of a dozen or less senators, it was predicted today, pointing out that it involves an insurrection by Democrats against Hitchcock's leadership and by Republicans against Lodge.

Chicago Teachers Demand More Pay
Chicago, Jan. 22.—(U. P.)—Representatives of Chicago teachers' organizations today appeared before the board of education and demanded maximum increases in salary. The board plans to grant a rise of not more than \$500 yearly to each teacher, retroactive to January 1 of this year.

Secretary Tumulty Can't Resist Fresh Crullers in Bakery
Trenton, N. J., Jan. 22.—Joseph P. Tumulty, secretary to President Wilson, has a weakness for crullers and he doesn't care who knows it. He came here yesterday to attend the inauguration of Governor Edwards and on his way to the railway station, after the ceremonies, he passed a bakery where fresh crullers were displayed in the window.

"Wait a minute," said Tumulty to his companion, H. Otto Wittmann, former mayor of Jersey City. "I've got to get some of those."
He bought a bagful and stood in a nearby doorway with Wittmann until the last one was eaten.

Wool Growers Pick Set of Officers at Annual Convention
Salt Lake, Utah, Jan. 22.—(U. P.)—At the closing session of the National Wool Growers' association convention here late yesterday, the following officers were elected:
Frank J. Hagenbarth, Idaho, reelected president; M. J. Powers, Flagstaff, Ariz., western vice president; Professor W. C. Coffey, University of Illinois, eastern vice president. The appointment of Dr. F. R. Marshall, assistant animal husbandman, Washington, D. C., as secretary was unanimously approved.

Milligan Is Nominated
Cameron, Mo., Jan. 22.—(U. P.)—Captain Jacob L. Milligan, Richmond, Mo., was nominated as a Democratic congressional candidate from the Third Missouri district today. Milligan will oppose J. E. Frost, Republican, in a special election February 14, to select a successor to Joshua W. Alexander, who resigned his seat to become secretary of commerce.

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