

AYER COMES OUT IN STRONG LETTER FAVORING HOOVER

Since calling the meeting at the Central library for Friday night to form the Hoover Republican club, Chester G. Murphy, chairman of the committee on arrangements, says that he has received many voluntary letters and telephone messages pledging support for the movement from Republicans.

Among these was the following letter from W. B. Ayer: "My Dear Mr. Murphy:

"Noticing by the press that you and some of your associates, as supporters of Herbert Hoover, have recently started a movement here towards the formation of a Hoover Republican club of Oregon, and knowing that Mr. Hoover is a member of the Republican party, I wish heartily to endorse the efforts of yourself and companions and pledge my loyal and unqualified support to the movement.

HOOVER OUTSTANDING FIGURE

"The remarkable ability shown by Herbert Hoover in solving and handling every problem that has been assigned to him has unquestionably made him the outstanding figure of the war, and, in my judgment, there is no other man in the country today who has so deeply entered into the minds and the hearts of the American people. His hard common sense, developed by unusual experiences, together with a thorough understanding of the honest aspirations of mankind peculiarly fit him for president of the United States.

"The everyday affairs of the government are in a chaotic condition; there is no coordination between the various branches; extravagance and inefficiency permeate every department. The country knows that Herbert Hoover, with his remarkable executive ability, would bring order out of this chaos and administer the affairs of government with efficiency and economy.

POLITICS NEVER MENTIONED

"As a result of the war, the world has been deluged with innumerable schemes affecting the social, economical and governmental life of the people of the world. Many of these schemes are ugly and hideous things that find no place in the minds of the healthy American. But there are ideas that have been going in the minds of the American people, planted there by Theodore Roosevelt and other forward looking men and women, that are being absorbed; and to give these form and to knit them into the fabric of our institutions require a man of wide experience, of sound, clear thinking and sympathetic understanding. Such a man is Herbert Hoover.

"During my entire service as state food administrator, I never once heard Mr. Hoover refer to the politics of any man connected with the food administration. It was all work and attention to duty. The results of this kind of public service are known and appreciated in every household in the land.

"As a life-long Republican, I am perfectly satisfied that the future of our Republic, as well as the best interests of the nation, would be in safe and sure hands if the Republican convention in its wisdom should nominate Herbert C. Hoover to be its standard bearer.

"Yours very truly,
"W. B. AYER."

CARFARE RULING HITS REAL ISSUE

would seem to indicate that one increase calls for another.

INCREASE NOT SOLUTION

"It would appear that a logical deduction might be that increased fares do not, in many instances, accomplish the full purpose for which they were designed. Increase in fare never brings a proportional increase in revenue. It is also apparent that high fares lessen the value of the street railway system to a community for when fares restrict riding, the street railway ceases to perform its proper function.

"When the fares exceed what the average car rider can conveniently afford to pay, the man who uses the cars as a convenience ceases to ride, and only the necessity patron remains. Even he seeks an alternative method of transportation.

"Falling in that, employment is sought within walking distance of his home or his residence is moved, where possible, within walking distance of his employment. He makes less frequent trips to the business section of the city to make purchases, to attend places of amusement or to make use of educational facilities of the city. He makes fewer trips to visit friends.

DETRIMENTAL FACTORS SEEN

"The result is not only detrimental to the economy and the individual citizen, but to the business institutions of the city, and to the civic and economic welfare of the community as a whole. "It is our belief that increased fares do not produce full and proper measure of relief, and it is our opinion that in this case they would result in increasing an already unjust burden which the car rider is required to bear."

Closing, the commission declares that the city council and voters of Portland can provide permanent and adequate relief.

Primarily, there can be no question as to the authority of this commission to increase fares, if that is to be the remedy applied, but if relief is to be secured through the medium of reduction of expense, the council of the city of Portland and the voters of that municipality hold the key to the situation, and are vested with the power and authority to afford full, adequate and, we believe, permanent relief."

COUNCIL'S DUTY HELD PLAIN

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EDITOR'S NOTE: The following is a list of the candidates for the city council in the next election. The names are listed in the order in which they were received by the city clerk.

Next in order came: Ninth, General John J. Perahine, 4 votes; tenth, Senator James E. Watson of Indiana, and Governor Allen C. Latta of Wisconsin, 2 votes each; twelfth, President Nicholas Murray Butler of Columbia university and Senator William E. Borah of Idaho and Senator Arthur Capper of Kansas 1 vote each.

Total Republican votes, 461.

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HOUSE WOULD KNOW STATUS OF AMERICAN TROOPS IN GERMANY

Washington, March 25.—(U. P.)—The house today called on President Wilson for a definite statement of the exact status of the 17,000 American troops in Germany.

In two minutes it unanimously passed the resolution of Representative Kahn, California, chairman of the military affairs committee, asking that congress be advised immediately under what conditions and by what direction the United States forces can be used.

OLD STONE JAR HID STORY OF MURDER OF FIFTEEN YEARS AGO

Centralia, March 25.—For years curiosity has welched heavily upon officials connected with the county clerk's office in regard to the contents of a stone jar set high on the top shelf of the vault.

Wednesday County Clerk Cora L. Black, Deputy Clerk Mary Grimm and Prosecuting Attorney Herman Allen decided to investigate. So down came the jar. The coverings were carefully removed and with bated breath all looked within.

All they saw was a black coating on the inside of the jar and a dried up hard mass on the bottom.

Allen, his curiosity unsatisfied, took out his penknife and stuck it into the mass which proved to be reasonably soft. An odor arose which drove all from the room.

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The seal was broken and here is what the officials read:

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WORK IS BEGUN ON MEMORIAL STREETS FOR DEAD HEROES

South Bend, Wash., March 25.—Work preparatory to the paving of Vine and Cowitt streets, which will form part of a memorial to be dedicated to Pacific county soldiers, living and dead, is in progress. The memorial is to be financed by the city of South Bend and Pacific county.

The lawn frontage of the courthouse will be planted with oaks, each tree to serve as a memorial for a dead soldier, while Vine and Cowitt streets will be bordered with trees in respect for the valor of soldiers living. Formal dedicatory exercises will be held on Memorial day.

DEER HIDES COSTLY

Mark Meachum of Bullards was arrested for having deer hides in his possession without being tagged and was taken to Coquille by Deputy Game Warden Thomas, where he was fined \$40, according to reports received by State Game Warden Carl Shoemaker.

175 ARE KILLED

Paris, March 25.—(U. P.)—More than 175 persons were killed in fighting between communistic workmen's forces and German government troops in the Thuringia district, near Gotha, a dispatch here today said.

APPLEJACK IS STRONG

The men arrested yesterday are William R. Fitzgerald, Louis C. Van Riper, New York; Everett Tarr and Daniel Samuels.

SATURDAY TAG DAY FOR POLAND RELIEF

Saturday has been designated as "tag day" for the Poland relief drive and plans for the occasion are being made by the general committee under Director J. F. Grodzki. It will be the last day of the general drive now under way for the relief of Poland and members of the committee hope to secure sufficient funds on Saturday to bring the total for the week to over Portland's quota of \$20,000.

JOHNSON'S ONLY NAME SO FAR ON CALIFORNIA BALLOT

Sacramento, Cal., March 25.—(U. P.)—Hiram Johnson is the first and only qualified presidential aspirant on the California ballot today. Johnson's delegates have been the only delegates filed with the secretary of state's office.

G. O. P. CANDIDATES SHIFT BIG FIGHT TO MICHIGAN

Washington, March 25.—(U. P.)—Aspirants for the Republican nomination for president today continued their pre-convention battle royal for delegates, while the Democratic aspirants continued watching and waiting for President Wilson to say what he is going to say about the candidate for his party.

PLACED END TO END, THE HALF MILLION FOUNTAIN PENS BOUGHT YEARLY BY THE DELINEATOR FAMILIES, WOULD REACH FROM NEW YORK TO BRIDGEPORT, CONN. SUCH AN INTELLIGENT, PROSPEROUS, ENORMOUS MARKET AS THE MILLION DELINEATOR FAMILIES IS THE IDEAL PLACE TO ADVERTISE ARTICLES OF GOOD QUALITY.

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OREGON CITY'S LIVE WIRES, DRESSED IN INDIAN GARB, GUESTS

Bright Indian robes clothed 60 Oregon City Live Wires who were guests Wednesday of the Portland Ad club at the regular weekly luncheon at the Benson hotel, and bright were their remarks.

Ralph Shepherd, main trunk of the Live Wires, was in charge of the big delegation of Clackamas citizens, with E. E. Brodie, publisher of the Oregon City Enterprise; Oscar W. Eby, good roads advocate; A. A. Price of Price Brothers' department store and the Rev. H. G. Edgar of the First Presbyterian church all extolling merits of the waterfalls town.

Members of the visiting delegation were: Lynn E. Jones, W. E. Kempstead, George Randall, L. Adams, F. C. Howland, A. G. Raab, E. R. Brown, B. T. McLean, R. J. Young, L. O. Harding, W. P. Hawley Jr., W. P. Hawley Sr., R. L. Shepherd, T. Osmund, L. Hipp, L. Henderson, L. R. Jacobs, John Collier, P. P. Schmitt, L. A. Morris, E. E. Brodie, J. R. Humphreys, T. F. Ryan, J. G. Noe, H. E. Hoss, R. C. Parker, Jacob Risley, J. A. Brady, W. B. Canfield, C. H. Canfield, Frank Busch, E. S. Larson, William M. Stone, W. B. Cook, H. S. Anderson, W. A. Huntley, George Bannon, C. Schuebel, M. D. Latourette, R. P. Canfield, L. B. Barlow, J. W. Moffatt, A. E. Rugg, T. B. Hayhurst, G. Edgar, V. R. Dowse, L. Porter, C. H. Dye, M. J. Lee, E. L. Pope, Porter, O. H. Dye, M. J. Lee, E. L. Pope, O. D. Eby, Joe Schwartz, A. A. Price, A. C. Eby.

Consolidation of all government engineering bureaus now scattered through many departments in a department of public works was favored by the Ad clubbers in a resolution presented Wednesday. A resolution declaring favor for daylight saving by advancing the clock one hour on the last day of April was held over for two weeks. It was indicated a spirited fight will be waged for and against its adoption by the Ad club.

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The Prices Range from \$2.95 to \$10.00



Odd Fellows Lodge Has Large Class of Candidates Tonight

An assemblage of 55 to 60 candidates for the initiatory degree in Odd Fellowship is a rare thing. Perhaps it has never occurred in Oregon. It will take place this evening, however, when Star lodge, I. O. O. F., holds its meeting at Pythian building. The degree work will be under direction of H. W. Wright, commanding the degree team of 16 police officers, and the lodge will be presided over by George C. Olson, noble grand, and E. C. Brothers, vice grand.

Inspector Wright has brought in the applications of over 50 members of the Portland police, including Jenkins, chief of police, and he knows how to rattle the chains so that each initiate will think he is in jail.

Star lodge has its regular meeting place at Killingsworth and Albina avenues, but cannot properly receive such large class in the comparatively small hall. The necessity of building a hall is realized by the entire lodge.

Make Contributions to Y. M. C. A. Baker, March 25.—Two contributions of \$2000 each from W. H. Browning and from the Baker White Pine Lumber company constitute the first results of the drive now being started by the Baker Y. M. C. A. to raise \$20,071.88 with which to clear the institution from debt.

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The Only School teaching each lesson the entire evening, 8 to 11:30, where you receive the proper amount of practice. The Only School with separate rooms and extra teachers, where backward pupils receive special attention. The Only School with a system where you study dozens of different partners, teaching the gentleman to lead, the lady to follow correctly (the only way to become a practical dancer). The Only School where each pupil receives a printed description of all dances free. We do not teach before dancing parties begin, or give short one-hour lessons and I conscientiously believe one lesson from us is worth six in the average school. The most backward pupil will not become embarrassed and is sure to learn. You will enjoy yourself, as the social feature alone is worth double the price.

SEE FOR YOURSELF. On Wednesday evening, April 7, Mr. DeHoney and the famous Bungalo Orchestra will give a grand Easter ball and Mr. DeHoney and his pupils will give exhibitions in beautiful Spanish and classic dances, fancy ballroom steps, etc. See America's greatest dancers. Learn why our school is superior to others. Clip this out, tell your friends. Phone Main 7656. Private lessons all hours. Call at once, afternoon or evening.