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FASHION'S REALM—Under that heading on the woman's page of The Journal each day appears the latest news of interest from the fashion centers of the world. It is well worth reading.

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THE WEATHER—Tonight and Thursday, rain; southwesterly winds.

Maximum temperatures Tuesday:

Portland	37	New Orleans	48
Boise	16	New York	8
Los Angeles	48	St. Paul	4

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PRICE TWO CENTS ON TRAINS AND NEWS STANDS FIVE CENTS

PASTORS HAVE EVIDENCE ON DANCE CHARGE

Clergyman Declares Evidence in His Possession Is Sufficient to Prove Charges Against Dancing in the Public Schools.

When the board of education sits in judgment upon the question of closing the public school buildings to community dancing it will have for its perusal and digestion affidavits covering every charge made against the public dance by the Methodist ministers and their followers in the movement.

This was made plain today by Dr. Clarence True Wilson, who vigorously denied published reports that the preachers had "back tracked" and "taken water" and had declined to offer the proofs demanded by the board.

The ministers' committee had prepared a statement for submission to the board which Wilson said constituted an explanation of the charges and a basis for argument which would be substantiated by concrete evidence.

PROMISE EVIDENCE

This statement, largely a repetition of the first letter of protest sent to the board and an answer to the acrimonious debates on the subject recently held, was given publicity in advance of its receipt by the board, which today had not yet found its copy on file.

"We shall have sufficient evidence to satisfy any one that the charges against the dance are substantiated," Wilson said today. "We shall have them before Thursday night, the time limit set by the board. They include everything necessary to indict the dance as a disturbing element to public welfare. We are not submitting names because they are not necessary and would cause needless embarrassment.

CONTENTION IS MADE

"Our contention is that one or two unfortunate incidents traceable to the dance are of minor importance when

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STORM DRIVES IN WARMER WEATHER

Warmer weather and gentle falling rains—typical Oregon weather—was being brought to the western part of the state today by a storm area which began moving in from the Pacific ocean this morning and caused the district weather office to order southwest storm warnings for all Oregon and Washington coast points.

Although it is not anticipated that the storm will be severe since its center is far to the north, it will be unusual since the warnings placed today are the first in three weeks. The last storm warnings were ordered for the coast January 5.

The storm area is bringing warmer weather to the western part of the state and it is anticipated that the higher temperatures will bring the river up. No great rise is in prospect at present, however, according to weather bureau forecast.

Storm warnings have been ordered displayed at all stations from Cape Mendocino north to Cape Flattery of a storm of considerable energy approaching the north Pacific coast.

Trial of Arbuckle Will Be Hastened; Testimony Read

San Francisco, Jan. 25.—A speedy conclusion of the case of Roscoe (Fatty) Arbuckle is looked for with the report today that Arbuckle's attorneys have decided not to put him on the stand in his own defense.

While nothing official has been given out by Arbuckle's attorneys on the subject, it is known from informal remarks made by Gavin McNab, Arbuckle's chief counsel, that the defense thinks it would be a waste of time to let the accused comedian take the stand at this trial after all his testimony at the first trial has already been read to the jury by prosecution.

The prosecution admittedly obtained permission to read Arbuckle's testimony at the trial to the present jury in order to reduce the effect that his personality or manner of testifying might have, should he take the stand.

The state sprang a surprise today by requesting that the entire testimony of Kate Brennan, hotel chambermaid, be stricken from the record on the grounds that she was incompetent to testify.

The prosecution declared she had been committed to an institution for the insane April 8, 1909, and that the commitment had never been set aside. Judge Louderback took the matter under advisement.

Miss Brennan's testimony had been directed against the state's finger print testimony.

Milton Carlson, finger print expert, was the first witness today.

Clatskanie Youth Perseveres; Gets Admitted to Army

Otto E. Streeter, Clatskanie youth, has perseverence. Four times he applied at Vancouver barracks for enlistment in the army and was rejected because of a physical defect. He then went to a hospital and at his own expense was operated upon. The cause for rejection was thereby removed.

Streeter was accepted in the infantry. He will leave shortly for the Philippines after first going to a replacement depot in San Francisco.

Kitty Gordon to Quit Stage Next Hubby to Be American

"I'm Through With Titled Foreigners," Actress Says, as She Awaits Divorce.

Des Moines, Iowa, Jan. 25.—(U. P.)—Kitty Gordon, movie star and vaudeville favorite, is going to marry and quit the stage.

The beautiful-backed Kitty, pending receipt of her divorce decree from her present husband, Lord Henry Beresford of London, kept secret her engagement until today.

"I just couldn't keep it any longer," Kitty told the United Press in an interview today. "I expect my divorce very soon and you can tell the world I'm through with titled foreign husbands. I'm going to marry an honest-to-God American. My next husband will be Ralph Rantet, member of the New York stock exchange.

SHOCKED BY REPORT

"I think he's the most charming man in New York—and that's saying a lot," declared Kitty. "We're going to be married in the spring and it's going to last always.

She was "shocked and surprised" at the reported statement of Ranlet, that their engagement, announced today, was untrue.

Kitty dragged out four telegrams from the New York broker in which he asked her to make public denial of her rumored marriage to Jack Wilson, her former vaudeville partner, which she declared she answered today.

"I have never been married to anyone but Henry Beresford," declared Kitty. "I played in vaudeville with Jack Wilson for several years and am going to join him again soon in Chicago, but we have never been married and I have no intention of marrying anyone but Ralph Ranlet.

"Some horrid persons in New York have been telling him I have been married to Jack Wilson. That is untrue and Ralph and I will be married soon. And I am going to give up the stage because he wants me to."

HAS REAL AMERICAN

"Girls marry too young," Kitty added by way of alibi and advice to the American girl. "I've tried to study and solve for myself this marriage problem—I'm all up in the air—but I do believe most girls marry too young, before they are old enough to understand and appreciate a real happy married life."

Kitty Gordon, with her widely press agented back, acclaimed by many critics the most beautiful on the stage, has been a headliner in vaudeville the past three years. Previously she starred in pictures.

"The good God made me, managers played me, and I fought to the front with my back," Kitty declared in bidding adieu to Broadway, Hollywood and the spotlight.

"Now I crave a real American husband—and I am going to have him and retire from the stage."

Kitty Gordon

$2,000,000 TAX THEFT CHARGED

(By United News)

New York, Jan. 25.—Charged with cheating the federal government of $2,000,000 in fur manufacturers' taxes by means of a bogus cashier's stamp, Morris Rosenbaum and Herman Schuss are under $15,000 bail each awaiting hearing.

Similar charges of conspiracy may be lodged against 50 furriers who are said to have made use of the fake stamp to avoid payment of taxes. The tax is 10 per cent on all money collected.

Rosenbaum, who pleaded guilty two years ago to accepting a $11,000 bribe in a coastwise warehouse tax fraud, was out on bail awaiting sentence.

Collector Huntley Allowed More Help

Washington, Jan. 25.—(WASHINGTON BUREAU OF THE JOURNAL.)—Elmer Dover, assistant secretary of the treasury, today notified Oregon senators that three additional deputies will be allowed Collector Clyde Huntley of the Oregon internal revenue district, at a salary of $1500 each.

"We are glad to hear it," said Huntley. "Last spring five deputies were taken from our department and we had almost given up hope of getting any more. I have not been officially informed of the allotment, however, and could not say who the deputies will be."

Clergyman Says 'Movie' Industry Fights Censorship

Washington, Jan. 25.—(I. N. S.)—The Rev. Canon Chase, an Episcopal clergyman of Brooklyn, N. Y., charged today before a sub-committee of the senate judiciary committee that the motion picture industry is seeking the election of only such public officials as are "undeniably opposed to censorship."

Chase appeared as the first witness when the committee opened hearings on a resolution providing for an investigation of the political activities of motion picture industry.

Two Dead, Four Ill From Canned Goods

Boise, Idaho, Jan. 25.—Canned greens, served at a birthday dinner at Cambridge, Idaho, Sunday evening, poisoned the family of Charles W. Tuttle. Hazel Tuttle, a teacher in Cambridge, died Monday night. Harriett Tuttle, 14-year-old girl whose birthday anniversary was being celebrated, died Tuesday night. Four others of the family are seriously ill and doubt is held of their recovery.

$25,000 IN UNSET DIAMONDS STOLEN

New York, Jan. 25.—(I. N. S.)—Two robbers held up two employes of John Cohen, diamond dealer, on the fifth floor of a Nassau street building today, and escaped with $25,000 worth of unset stones.

AUTO BANDITS ROB BANK SECOND TIME; GET $2500

St. Louis, Mo., Jan. 25.—(I. N. S.)—Automobile bandits for the second time in a few months held up the Pine Lawn bank on the outskirts of the city shortly after the institution opened today, and escaped in an automobile with approximately $2500 of the bank's funds.

Garments Stained With Blood May Explain Shooting

Los Angeles, Cal., Jan. 25.—(U. P.)—A blood-soaked shirtwaist, a blood-stained handkerchief and two bullets form the first three links in the chain of evidence which police are endeavoring to draw around Mrs. Mattie Hannon, mother-in-law of Paul Kramer, movie director, who was mysteriously shot from ambush in Hollywood Monday night.

Mrs. Hannon was held by the police today with an entry specifying she is held on suspicion of assault with a deadly weapon opposite her name on the jail register.

Winifred Kramer, pretty 26-year-old wife of the wounded man, has been questioned by the police. She declares she knows who shot her husband, but cannot prove it. Kramer hovers near death at the county hospital with four bullet wounds in his head and another in his hand. At the hospital, while his wounds were being dressed he accused his mother-in-law with the shooting, police said.

$2000 Awarded in Walter Askay Case

Jurors in Circuit Judge Morrow's court this afternoon awarded a verdict of $2000 to Thomas M. Askay, administrator of the estate of Walter Askay, who was accidentally killed when a bullet fired by Police Inspectors Pat Maloney and Tom Swennes, struck him. Suit was brought against the officers and the case was tried twice before, each time a jury awarding damages—$1000 in the first and $2000 in the second trial. Appeals to the supreme court in each case led to orders for new trials. A third appeal is considered likely.

COMMITTEE DIVIDED ON INCOME TAX

Members in Session to Create State Revenue Cannot Agree Whether It Should Be Flat or Graduated Rate; Yield Big.

Inequalities in assessment valuations by county assessors were discussed today by the tax investigation committee. The discussion was based on returns from the various counties showing that different values are placed on the same kind of property in different counties.

For example, the figures show that farming lands as equalized by county boards of equalization in Wallowa county are valued at $40.43 per acre, in Umatilla county at $23.05, in Union county at $57.85 and Morrow county $6.94. Sheep are valued in Wallowa county at $8.23; Baker, $9.18; Malheur, $6.61; Lane, $4.90, and Yamhill, $3.96. Cattle range from $30 in Lake to 45.95.

DIFFERENCES SHOWN

The same differences range through the entire county assessment of the state. On this same line J. W. Morrow, tax agent of the O-W. R. & N., and J. L. Lathrop of the Southern Pacific submitted tax studies showing that railroads are assesed at a higher ratio of valuation than general property. For instance, it was claimed that the average assessment on general property in Union county is 55 per cent of value while the assessment of railroad property as fixed by the state tax commission is 80 per cent of the value.

The exposition of these variances in assessment suggested the general thought that instead of local assessment there should be a centralized body created to secure uniformity. It was pointed out in the discussion that under the present system of elected assessors many are chosen who are unqualified and that those who are capable are underpaid. The statement was made that since 1914 an examination of the assessment rolls would show no appreciable increase in valuations, the assessors merely copying the roll of the preceding years.

OBJECT POINTED OUT

On the subject of unequal assessment members of the committee said it was not the purpose to increase taxes but to equalize them by placing the burden of the overtaxed on the undertaxed.

Ability to pay is to be the guiding principle of the committee in formulating its recommendations rather than

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COX WILL ASSUME PARTY LEADERSHIP

Dayton, Ohio, Jan. 25.—(U. P.)—James M. Cox, defeated Democratic candidate for president, indicated clearly today he will assume active leadership of the party after breaking his long silence at a banquet here tonight.

Cox also inferred that he might be a candidate for the presidential nomination in 1924.

He announced he would take "very great interest in public affairs from now on and would make speeches throughout the East during the coming campaign.

Cox's speech tonight will deal with national and international issues, marking his first public entrance into affairs since his defeat a year ago. The speech is expected to sound the keynote of the party for the coming congressional campaign and for the presidential election.

"I probably have established a record for silence on public questions," Cox declared today, "but I assure you I shall not remain silent from now on. I intend to make many speeches throughout the country during the coming campaign, especially in Massachusetts, where one Henry Cabot Lodge is up for election."

Russians Express Thanks to America For Sending Food

Moscow, Jan. 23.—(Via Berlin, Jan. 25.) (I. N. S.)—George Tchitcharin, commissar for foreign affairs in the soviet, in behalf of the Russian government and the people today addressed a letter to the United States thanking the American people and government for their assistance to the famine sufferers in Russia.

The letter conveys the "deeply felt tribute and the gratitude and admiration of all Russians for the magnificent humanitarian action of the Americans in saving thousands of men, women and children from the very jaws of death."

Glowing tribute is paid to the devotion of the American relief workers, who have been laboring for months amidst the ruins of what was once a great and populous district. These workers, says the letter, have never allowed fatigue or danger to stop their labors.

Some U. S. Jurors Released; To Draw Panel in February

All jurors in both Federal Judge Wolverton's and Bean's courts were dismissed from further service today, except those residing in Multnomah, Clackamas and Washington counties. The balance of the jurors were excused until February 6. A new jury will be drawn during February for the March term of court. Following adjournment of court today Judge Bean will leave for Seattle, where he will sit on the federal bench for the Western district of Washington for about a month.

CHEST DRIVE IS MEETING QUICK REPLY

Merging of 45 Demands Into One Strikes Popular Chord; Some Double Donations of Last Year; Women's Division Is Active.

Last year a well-to-do Portland woman subscribed $1500 to the Community Chest. This year, pleased with chest efficiency and moved by the spectacle of increased need, she put her name down for $3000 and paid the full amount in cash.

This was but one of the encouraging results reported today by the flying squadron of the women's division of the community.

The word has gone out among Community Chest workers that the residence canvass, which is particularly the duty of the women's division, is being better organized and gives greater promise of substantial returns than ever before. Mrs. C. B. Simmons, head of the women's division, is still issuing calls for workers, but Mrs. J. F. Chapman, chairman for the east side, says the Community Chest movement is so popular and appealing that enlistments in Irvington, Laurelhurst, Hawthorne, Mount Tabor, Richmond, Piedmont, Arleta and Sellwood are proceeding rapidly.

LEADERS HOLD MEETING

The members of the entire residence division held a noon meeting today at the Multnomah hotel. There was also a meeting of Brigadier General S. L. Eddy's command at the Chamber of Commerce, of the flying squadron at the Multnomah and Captain W. A. Healy's command at the Portland.

People of a good many quirks of mind view the progress of preparation for the Community Chest campaign next week.

One of them rushed into Community Chest headquarters this morning, waving a paper in which "luncheons" of various campaign divisions were announced.

"Think I'm going to contribute to the

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COUNCIL APPROVES LINNTON FRANCHISE

Convinced that the residents of Linnton want a regulated bus line instead of unregulated jitneys, the city council today tentatively adopted the franchise for the Linnton Transit company. The franchise, which assures Linntonites a bus service on schedule, was bitterly opposed by jitney drivers.

However, only four of them appeared at the council meeting, against 75 Linnton residents.

"Let's have a standing vote," cried one of the 75.

The council then decided in favor of the franchise.

The franchise is the result of an effort of Linnton residents to have installed a scheduled traffic line between Linnton and Portland to take the place of what they say is irregular and high price service by the jitneys.

The jitneys began to operate at 25 cents one way when the Oregon Electric company removed its tracks after Linnton announced its intention to boycott the road for boosting the fare from 9 cents to 10 cents.

Reckless Spending Rock for Taxation Scheme, Says Tooze

Education of the public in the cultivation of "dollar sense" and taming of the wild desire for extravagant spending are essential to the success of any scheme of taxation, according to Walter L. Tooze Jr., special assistant to the attorney general of the United States, whose address on taxation and its problems was the principal feature at the morning session of the Oregon Retail Hardware and Implement Dealers association at the Imperial hotel. Too much blame is laid at the door of the state legislature for the extravagant use of funds voted by the people in referendum and initiative measures, Tooze stated.

Tooze also censured the voters of the state for not giving greater attention to the qualification of candidates for the state legislature. Captain J. W. Gorky, director of research, of Waukeegan, Ill., was the principal speaker at the afternoon session of the convention. His address was of particular interest to merchants selling on a narrow margin of profit and covered many vexations which recur with the striking of the annual balance sheet. Captain Gorky delivered an address at noon today at a luncheon meeting of the Chamber of Commerce and is scheduled to appear again Thursday morning at the hardware men's convention, when he will speak on the "Psychology of Salesmanship."

Careless Frosh at Washington U to Be Publicly Paddled

University of Washington, Seattle, Jan. 25.—Freshman infractions of traditions of the University of Washington will in the future be punished to the strictest degree, according to a decision of the class. Offenders will from now on be publicly paddled on the speaker's platform before each class meeting.

The traditions most often broken are that no freshman shall smoke on the campus, talk with a student of the opposite sex, appear on the campus without his green cap or enter the assembly hall by other than the rear entrance.

FARMERS ARE FIRMLY BEHIND FORD'S OFFER

Many Delegates to Agricultural Conference, Eager to Indorse Plan Despite Powerful Forces Opposing; Fight Starts Today.

By James T. Keibert

Washington, Jan. 25.—(U. P.)—Powerful forces were at work today to prevent the agricultural conference from going on record in favor of Henry Ford's Muscle Shoals offer, the St. Lawrence river canalization project and the farm bloc.

Fertilizer and other big interests are opposing Ford; New York, New England and other Atlantic coast states are fighting the St. Lawrence project and administration forces are laboring against the farm bloc.

Leaders in the conference are confident of incorporating indorsement of these three issues in the program for agricultural relief.

The American farm bureau federation is leading the fight in favor of the Muscle Shoals and St. Lawrence projects, and in this it has the support of a majority of the farmer interests at the conference. The farmer representatives stand as a unit in favor of the farm bloc.

Leaders declare they will carry direct to Secretary of War Weeks this afternoon their fight for prompt disposal of the Muscle Shoals nitrate plant to Henry Ford.

Editors of leading publications will appear before Weeks to urge that he do everything possible to expedite the matter so that the work of manufacturing fertilizer there may be started.

Today's session included an address by G. Harold Powell, Los Angeles.

Powell, general manager of the California Fruit Growers' Exchange, indorsed cooperative marketing for its benefits to the farmer and the public. The farmer profits through stabilization of prices, assuring him a fair price and the public benefits from the economies of organization.

Powell urged state and national legislation to support cooperatives.

Insurgents among the delegates called a meeting this afternoon to determine whether a "rump conference" should be called. The "progressives feel that they have not been given an opportunity to express their views and called attention to the alleged steam roller tactics of Representative Sidney Anderson, chairman of the conference.

BARUCH URGES WAREHOUSES AND COOPERATIVE MARKETS

Washington, Jan. 25.—One of agriculture's greatest needs is warehousing facilities, in the opinion of Bernard M. Baruch, former chairman of the war industries board.

Baruch, who is one of the delegates

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JAPAN STILL HAS YOKE ON SIBERIA

(By Universal Service.)

Washington, Jan. 25.—"We have met the Japanese and Siberia is theirs."

Thus in effect was the message flying across the Pacific last night to the people of Far Eastern Russia who had been encouraged to look to the Washington conference for hope of relief from the Japanese yoke.

Secretary Hughes, for the American delegation, accepted without question Baron Shidehara's pious phrases and plethora of pledges and promises.

That these same protestations had been made over a period of two years without any step towards putting them into effect and that similar assertions of good faith came from Tokio in the cases of Korea and Shantung cast no suspicion on the new declarations of innocent intentions.

America's solemn obligation to the people of the occupied region arising from this country's invitation to Japan to join the expedition into Siberia was satisfied with a restatement of the position taken by the United States since the Japanese refused to get out and with the proposal of a resolution to spread the two statements on the records of the conference at the next plenary session.

Albert Sarraut for the French, who, according to an alleged treaty made public by the special delegation of the Far Eastern republic of Chita, had agreed

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Grammar Grades to End Term Thursday; Friday Is Holiday

Grammar schools close the present term's work Thursday and the pupils will have a holiday on Friday. They may obtain their grades by returning to the school at 11 a. m. or 1 p. m. Friday. Classes will reopen the following Monday.

High schools have been in an irregular state of operation all week with final examinations in progress. High school students are through with their work when they have finished their examinations, and nearly all of them will be free by Thursday afternoon. Many of them will finish today.

Col. Hayden, Veteran Army Man, to Retire

Seattle, Jan. 25. — (U. P.) — Colonel John L. Hayden, in the army for 37 years, will retire from active service on March 31, according to advices received from Washington. Colonel Hayden was appointed to West Point from this state, graduating in 1885. He participated in Indian wars of the Dakotas.

Women Balk When Called To Jury Box

Portland women have no greater eagerness to serve on juries than do the men. This fact was demonstrated today when not one of the nine who had been called to fill out an emergency panel for the trial of Toy Chung, alleged highbinder of the recent tong war, consented to serve.

"But this means nothing," declared Mrs. A. C. Newill, one of the leaders in the movement which resulted in getting the woman jurors law on the statute books last year. "Women are just as busy as men and the reasons given by the nine are quite as sufficient as the ordinary excuses given by men. It is not significant that such a showing should be made on the basis of only nine women called."

Only one woman appeared personally in answer to the summons to service. She explained that she would serve if the authorities insisted that it is her duty—but she would rather not.

ALL HAVE EXCUSES

Of the six of the nine who have telephones, four said they are favorable to the law; two would serve except for home duties; one said it is a responsibility which she must shirk this time and one said she must ask her husband. One is just moderately opposed to serving and one is a southern woman who is strongly opposed to women's "rights."

Mrs. Elizabeth D. Fleming, accountant, 635 East Couch street, said: "I remember voting for a jury bill once, but I do not remember whether I voted for it last June or not. However, I believe in women serving on juries and I would be glad to serve, both because I think it is my duty and because I would like the experience; but I am a business woman and I cannot leave my position to perform this service."

Mrs. Nannie Nelson, housewife, 10 East Eighty-first street, said: "I surely believe in women serving on juries. I voted for the bill and I would be glad to serve except for the fact that I have

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JURORS DISAGREE AGAIN ON TODD

Disagreement was the verdict which the John W. Todd jury returned to Federal Judge R. S. Bean this morning, following an all night session. The judge asked if there was any possibility of an agreement if they deliberated longer. Each juror responded in the negative.

Judge Bean then dismissed the jury. Following the adjournment of court one of the jurors is reported to have stated that the final vote was 7 to 5 for conviction.

United States Attorney Lester W. Humphreys said he was not certain what action would be taken. This is the second time within two months that a jury has disagreed in this case.

Todd was tried for alleged use of the mails to defraud in connection with a timber land scheme. He was indicted with Charles L. Byron, a fugitive from justice who forfeited $5000 bond last October.

The trial has cost the government about $1300. About $686 was paid out to witnesses for their perdiem and mileage, and the balance for jury service. The government called 26 witnesses and the defense 11.

Extension Workers From Colleges to Meet Here Jan. 30

Agricultural college extension workers from 11 Western states will hold their annual meeting in Portland January 30 to February 3, according to advices received today by the Chamber of Commerce from W. L. Kedderly, assistant county agent at Corvallis. These extension workers are in charge of cooperative education throughout their respective states.

A feature of the annual conference will be a two-day tour from Portland to Gresham, Oregon City, Salem, Albany and Corvallis. The visitors will take notes on extension work as they go. Special attention will be paid to boys and girls' clubs and other farm features sponsored by college cooperative agencies.

G. O. P. SOLONS OUT FOR BONUS; SNUB MELLON

Joint Steering Committee Overrides Secretary's Objections; House Republicans to Caucus; Party Whips Apprehensive.

By J. Bart Campbell

Washington, Jan. 25.—(I. N. S.)—Despite the renewed opposition of Secretary Mellon to a soldiers' bonus, it was agreed at a joint meeting of the Republican steering committee of the senate and house today to push ahead the Republican plan for adjusted compensation for ex-service men with all possible speed.

Republican leaders who took part in the meeting indicated that the objections raised by Mellon to the utilization of either principal or interest of the foreign debt to finance a soldiers' bonus would be ignored.

NEW BILL PLANNED

It was also decided that the house ways and means committee should at once undertake the task of writing a new soldiers' bonus bill to be passed first by the house and subsequently by the senate in accordance with the constitutional provisions that financial legislation must originate with the lower chamber.

A caucus of the entire Republican membership of the house is to be held tomorrow night at which party action on the soldier bonus is planned and at which an overwhelming majority of the house Republicans is expected to swing behind the Republican bonus plan.

The thought of this year's congressional elections and of the effect of a Republican failure to put through a soldiers bonus would have upon them, was uppermost in the minds of not only the party "whips" but of the Republican rank and file of both chambers.

Renewed opposition to the proposed soldier bonus is voiced in a letter from Secretary Mellon to Chairman Fordney of the house ways and means committee. The treasury, according to Mellon, remains opposed to the bonus.

But if a bonus is to be granted, he declared, it is imperative that the funds be derived from new taxation.

The position of the treasury remains unchanged, Mellon wrote, "but if there is to be a bonus it is clear that it must be provided for through taxation and

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TWO MEN INJURED IN MANHOLE BLAST

Two explosions in a manhole of the Northwest Electric company at West Park and Washington streets this morning caused injuries to Charles Riordan, 502½ Columbia street, and C. T. Steckner, 25 East Fifty-fifth street, both employes of the company. The first explosion was at 2:30. The second occurred at 4:45, while the two workmen were in the manhole repairing damages from the first. Neither man was seriously injured, although both were painfully burned.

The explosions, it was believed, were caused by gas escaping from a leaky main and a short circuit. At the first explosion the top of the manhole was blown across the street.

House in Uproar on Anti-Lynching Bill; Sharp Words Passed

Washington, Jan. 25. — (U. P.) — The anti-lynching bill brought on scenes of disorder in the house late today. With the galleries packed full of negroes, Representative Sisson, Democrat, Mississippi, attacking the bill, declared lynching would stop when "the black rascals" kept their hands off white women and children.

The Oregon Trail

How the fur trader, missionary and pioneer settler of an earlier day blazed the trails of the Oregon country, which form the basis of the comprehensive highway system of today, will be related in a series of articles in The Sunday Journal Automotive Section by R. C. Johnson, Journal staff correspondent. The first article will be published

Next Sunday