

SPROULE CALLS GATHERING OF HIS COMMITTEE

Orders Issued by McAdoo Are Put Into Effect Without Delay

COAST SYSTEMS UNITED

Effect of New Regime on Shipping Public Explained by Official

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 1.—In order to put into effect at once the orders issued by Director General McAdoo, William Sproule, as chairman of the western department of the railroads war board, on Saturday called a meeting of the members of the western committee for Monday, December 31 in San Francisco.

LAST CHANCE Today and Tomorrow

MARY PICKFORD

IN HER LATEST COMEDY DRAMA

THE LITTLE PRINCESS

CAPACITY? YES COME EARLY



Coming Friday 'DRAFT 258'

The OREGON

al Order No. 1, all of the carriers facilities will be so adjusted with reference to public service as to give the general results in the public regard of what road owns the facilities, thus welding the railroads into a national system.

Convenience Takes Precedence

Following this out, the question of what route the shipper prefers his freight to take will be made subordinate to the question of what route can best be used by the railroads as a national system in carrying out the national purpose of adapting the service to the wants of the people as a whole and primarily the purposes of war. Detail questions have to be dealt with at this time, such as alternating passenger train service between competitive points and thus reducing the number of trains, while still serving the public and in freight sending northern business through northern gateways central business through central gateways and southern business through southern gateways, in short, cutting out everything that was created on the competitive system, but which is not necessary in war time or the public business, or which impedes them from traffic of country.

"The public will probably not find it easy to change its attitude of mind suddenly from the basis of intense competition under individual control to the new condition of cooperation by the railroads under government control under the new condition. Each question is submitted to the test of what will bring the service within the needs of the nation and of the government, by the most effective work on the part of the carriers, but without any unnecessary service."

Sunset Gulf Route Cut Off

On account of the restricted cargo facilities via Galveston, no more established freight will be received by the Southern Pacific company for the Sunset Gulf route until further notice. This announcement is made by Freight Traffic Manager G. W. Luce and was effective at midnight on December 30. The embargo is general except for one shipment consigned to agents of the United States for its own use. Two, material of war, to which reference and precedence is given over all other traffic upon demand of the president of the United States. Three, such other shipments for the United States government as steamship lines authorize connecting rail lines to accept or the railroad may itself decide to accept on orders received directly from authorized officers or bureaus of the government.

FRUIT INSPECTOR OUSTED IN POLK

County Court Eliminates Office, but Favors Agriculturist

DALLAS, Or., Jan. 1.—(Special to The Statesman.)—The Polk county court passed the 1918 budget as originally planned with one exception Saturday morning at a meeting in the court house that was largely attended by the taxpayers of the county.

The only item on the budget that any objection was raised about was the one appropriating the sum of \$400 for the services of a fruit inspector. The court sustained the objection on the grounds that for the past year the inspector has been off the job and very little good has been accomplished and therefore voted to do away with his services hereafter.

The matter in regard to hiring a county agriculturalist claimed the attention of court for a little while but the majority of taxpayers were in favor of the county agent plan and J. E. Coates, of Oregon Agricultural college who acted as agent in Polk county for while this summer was employed, his services to be given with the new year. The balance of the budget passed without a hitch.

DALLAS SCHOOLS BEGIN TODAY

DALLAS, Or., Jan. 1.—(Special to The Statesman.)—The Dallas city schools resumed Monday after a week's vacation. On account of the lateness of the schools in starting this fall the vacation period was cut short and the pupils will thus get an opportunity of making up the time lost earlier in the season. There was no holiday today and the children gave their time to studying while a number of business houses took advantage of the legal holiday.

CENTRAL POINT FOR HANDLING CARS IS NEEDED

London Experts Estimate But Two and One-half Per cent of Cars in Use

HIGHER EFFICIENCY AIM

Six Hundred Railway Stations in London Are Meaning Great Waste of Time

LONDON, Dec. 31.—Higher efficiency in the operation of railroads is demanded here as well as in America. Centralized operations of the British railroads under government control was revealed as the objective of the decentralized system of pre-war days. The most insistent demand at present is for the establishment of a central clearing house and freight station for the congested traffic of Greater London.

There are 1,500,000 freight cars in Great Britain. A report just published shows that, at any given moment, 97 per cent of them are standing still; 2 1/2 per cent are moving, but empty; while only 1/2 of 1 per cent represent real efficiency. "The rails are choked with cars, mostly empty, which cannot move forward owing mainly to congestion of terminals," says the report. Much the same thing is noted in connection with locomotives.

Experts figure that the establishment of a central scheme for handling of freight in London would abolish 25,000 miles of track and sidings, would free rolling stock worth \$1,250,000,000; would reduce London's annual carriage bills by two-thirds, would enable 5,000 trucks and automobiles to do the work now requiring 120,000.

At present the congestion of terminals here is so great that every wagon and automobile employed in hauling freight through the streets from the terminals is idle for 9 hours of the day. There are 600 railway stations in London, and the wastage of time, money, and effort in merely hauling back and forth between the various terminals is colossal.

Unnecessary handling of freight cars between the multiplicity of London terminals is moreover said to be responsible for the smashing of \$20,000,000 worth of steel fittings yearly, and the damage to merchandise in yard accidents is also very heavy. The number of workers killed and injured in the London yards is also said to be unnecessarily large.

With the Draft Board

The war draft board was very busy until a late hour Monday afternoon. It was found, among other interesting occurrences of the day, that the father of Lester L. Larson, serial number 1419 and order 118, previously reported as being delinquent, has enlisted in the United States navy and Harry S. Keefer, reported as delinquent, has enlisted in the aviation department of the army.

A telegram was received by Sheriff Needham from the sheriff at Aberdeen, Washington, asking if he had a man named Visko Franich on his list, and whether he was a delinquent. Mr. Needham at once replied that Franich was order No. 240, his address being Mill City, and that he had made no reply yet to his questionnaire; that he should be taken before the local board in Aberdeen, and if he proved that he had not willfully failed to return his questionnaire, he would be still permitted to answer the questions it contained, and return it to the office, otherwise he should be turned over to the federal officers in Aberdeen.

A post card notice was mailed to Ralph Gesner, Class A-1, Salem, to appear for physical examination before the board on January 3.

Classification cards were mailed to the following:

- Class A-1, Clement E. Wolf, Salem.
- Class B, C-3 and G-5, John H. Mitchell, Salem.
- Class G-5, Otto Karl Paulus, Salem.
- Class O-2, Rollin S. Armstrong, Salem.
- Class B-3, Paul R. M. Winslow, Salem.
- Class A-4, Harry Y. Miller, Bend, Oregon.
- Class E, Elliott, Salem, Dale Pence, Salem, Ira Clifford, Beers, Salem, Nathan Grimes, Salem, William F. Mosher, Portland, Frank H. Spears, Salem, Ralph M. Heath, Salem.
- Class D-5, Nona Paul Bennett, Salem.

Names Accounted For. The following names delinquents were yesterday accounted for by friends, or relatives, all having enlisted in the service:

- 222 Earl Jaekway Hammond, Maplewood, Oregon.
- 224 Omer R. Kennon, Salem.
- 223 James Shelby Cooper, Jr., Salem.
- 225 Lloyd S. Chestnut, Salem.
- 256 Forest Filmore Brackett, Salem.
- 272 Carl H. Johnson, Salem.
- Questionnaires will be mailed to the following today:
- 1286—Fraser, Chester Burton
- 1287—Zircker, Fred
- 1288—Ames, Claude Bryan
- 1289—Thomson, Arlyn Lyod
- 1290—Doyle, Willis Burlington
- 1291—Ingram, James Mitchell
- 1292—Belknap, Gilbert Minor
- 1293—Pearline, Lester Ivan
- 1294—Stone, Manly J.
- 1295—Nye, Ansel McDonald
- 1296—Wiedmer, Harry John
- 1297—Pedersen, Axel
- 1298—Van Dam, Walter
- 1299—Grege, Carl Frank
- 1300—Myers, Gilbert Daniel

- 1301—Lightfoot, Roy Hamilton
- 1302—Dyer, William Connell
- 1303—Kelly, James Archon
- 1304—Stiffler, Lloyd Elmo
- 1305—Shaveland, Harry Martin
- 1306—Snitkoft, Jacob
- 1307—Strom, Julius Clifton
- 1308—Carbonell, Simon
- 1309—Dahl, Rangvor Alfred
- 1310—Lundeen, Harry
- 1311—Schroeder, Herbert A.
- 1312—McKee, Elmer M.
- 1313—Steeves, Laban Aaron
- 1314—Berg, Othmer John
- 1315—Libby, Alonzo L.
- 1316—Lorenze, Elmer
- 1317—Post, Orrin David
- 1318—Appley, Ralph Orumpach
- 1319—Wright, Stephen Elmo
- 1320—Farmer, Clifford E.
- 1321—Hedine, Hjalmer Eugene
- 1322—Miller, John C.
- 1323—Wiederkehr, Albert Edward
- 1324—O'Neill, Paul George
- 1325—Seamster, Virgil L.
- 1326—McClellan, James
- 1327—Barnholdt, Ellis H.
- 1328—Hardy, William Marlon
- 1329—Nelson, Adolph Cornelius
- 1330—Anderson, Herman Victor
- 1331—Wood, Thomas Charles
- 1332—Gilbert, Paul Carter
- 1333—Hauser, Emil
- 1334—Tyler, James Franklin
- 1335—Roberts, Carl W.
- 1336—Frohst, Julian Herman
- 1337—Ammons, John
- 1338—Hinkle, Sichel Gesner
- 1339—Gantenbein, Lloyd J.
- 1340—Davis, Henry Charles
- 1341—Oliver, Alfred W.
- 1342—McAllister, John Jacob
- 1343—Bush, Asahel
- 1344—Barker, Percy Leon
- 1345—Fasching, Harvey William
- 1346—Hatherill, Richard Walter
- 1347—Bruckman, Claud William
- 1348—Ingrey, Homer E.
- 1349—Deritzer, Hans Herman G.
- 1350—Pomeroy, Ray Emmet Alfred
- 1351—Hall, Orin Vanzela
- 1352—Smith, Adam Anthony
- 1353—Nicolson, Marion Francis
- 1354—Wenderath, Geo. J.
- 1355—Smith, William Orman
- 1356—DeVore, Frederick Hartley
- 1357—Fasching, Roy Arthur.
- 1358—Vance, Fritz Robert
- 1359—Stenstrom, Arthur George
- 1360—Price, Wayne McVeagh
- 1361—Maulden, Robert William
- 1362—Fleebor, Albert
- 1363—Johnson, Edgar Andrew
- 1364—Dickson, Carl Frederick
- 1365—Bixby, Neil Francis
- 1366—Parasagin, Parteg
- 1367—Short, Lawrence Leo
- 1368—Wilson Alonzo Bert
- 1369—Brookins, Glen E.
- 1370—Henningson, Lawrence H.
- 1371—Cooper, Ray Savage
- 1372—Henderson, Fred Lewis
- 1373—Frolich, William
- 1374—Robins Percy C.
- 1375—Rupert, Harley B.
- 1376—Rogers, William Arthur
- 1377—Tooze, Lamar
- 1378—Zuercher, Herman
- 1379—Summerville, Neil Cornelius
- 1380—Spain, Oral
- 1381—Sustater, Adam
- 1382—Taylor, George Rosser
- 1383—Warnock, Ralph F.
- 1384—Naderman, Gerhard William

B. F. Jones Wants to be Joint Representative

DALLAS, Or., Jan. 1.—(Special to The Statesman.)—B. F. Jones, a prominent attorney of Newport, has signified his intention of becoming a candidate at the coming primary election for the office of joint representative of Polk and Lincoln counties in the Oregon legislature. Mr. Jones has held the position several times. W. V. Fuller of this city who held the position last year will not be a candidate for joint representative but will it be understood that he will ask to be sent back to represent Polk county. Mr. Jones' announcement together with the one made by J. L. Peterson of Eola, a short time ago, announcing his intention of running for senator of Polk county starts the political campaign in this county. More candidates are likely to begin to make their announcements before a short time and many surprises are said to be in store for the voters at the primary election.

Some Other Taylor Is Being Sued for Divorce

An article printed in Salem newspapers a few days ago announcing that divorce proceedings had been started against Frank A. Taylor is causing a young sailor in the naval training station at San Diego considerable embarrassment for the reason that his name is Frank A. Taylor, and he hails from Mill City, this county. His full name is Frank Andrew Taylor and he was married on December 12. His wife's name is Mrs. Grace C. Taylor. Mr. Taylor has written The Statesman to correct the impression that he is involved in the divorce case.

FEW CENTS DESTROYS YOUR DANDRUFF AND STOPS FALLING HAIR

Save Your Hair! Make It Thick, Wavy and Beautiful—Try This!

Thin, brittle, colorless and scraggy hair is mute evidence of a neglected scalp of dandruff—that awful scourge.

There is nothing so destructive to the hair as dandruff. It robs the hair of its lustre, its strength and its very life; eventually producing a feverishness and itching of the scalp, which if not remedied causes the hair roots to shrink, loosen and die—then the hairs fall out fast. A little Danderine tonight—now—any time—will surely save your hair.

Get a small bottle of Knowlton's Danderine from any drug store or toilet counter, and after the first application your hair will take on that life, lustre and luxuriance which is so beautiful. It will become wavy and fluffy and have the appearance of abundance, an incomparable gloss and softness; but what will please you most will be after just a few weeks' use, when you will actually see a lot of fine, downy hair—new hair, growing all over the scalp.



Electric Cooking Cuts Meat Bills

THE Hughes Electric Range effects a wonderful saving over other fuels in meat shrinkage—frequently as much as a pound on a single roast. With meat at from 25c to 35c a pound the saving on meat bills each week is a very appreciable one.

The remarkable oven, with walls as heavily insulated and heat-conserving as a fireless cooker, retains all the rich juices of the food usually carried off by air currents, and the delicate flavor often spoiled by gaseous fumes.

This is but one of the many unusual cooking advantages of the Hughes Electric Range. You can bake bread evenly without turning it; roast meat without basting; brown cake as evenly on the bottom as the top; cook cabbage and onions in the oven with very little water and no odor—at the same time obtaining better flavored food than you have ever before known.

Think what it means to get results like this, with *even less* cost than any other method of cooking requires. Think what a relief it is to be freed forever from the danger of flames or the bother of carrying dirty fuel, to be rid of the film of soot or gummy deposits on range, walls and woodwork—to have a dirtless range and an immaculate kitchen. The Hughes Electric Range will give you all these conveniences; and, in addition, a cooler kitchen, purer air, more time away from your kitchen.

The Hughes Range has been used and endorsed by the country's greatest cooking authorities, Marion Harris Neil, Janet McKenzie Hill, Alice Bradley, Mrs. Leubke-Barkhausen. It has been approved by Good Housekeeping Institute, and given the world's highest official award, the Panama-Pacific Gold Medal. Let us tell you why it has won all these distinctions.

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HOFF WRITES TO OREGON FARMERS

New Year Letter Expresses Appreciation for Co-operation Shown

Greetings for the new year and an expression of appreciation for the co-operation of farmers in assisting his office to bring the farmers and the laborers closer together during the last year, are embodied in a letter mailed out to the farmers and grange members of Oregon by State Labor Commissioner O. P. Hoff yesterday.

"Deeply grateful and encouraged by the splendid success of my efforts of the past season in bringing the farmers and laborers into closer relationship for the harvest of 1917, which was due to the unselfish spirit of friendly and patriotic co-operation on the part of the Farmers' unions and Granges of the state, I had planned making a survey of farm crop and labor conditions for the year 1918 with the view of avoiding a recurrence of the labor shortage conditions of 1917, by making anticipatory preparations in advance.

"At a recent co-operative conference between the extension division of Oregon Agricultural college, the United States Department of Agriculture, represented by J. W. Brewer, United States farm help specialist for Oregon, and this bureau, a consolidation of efforts was effected and the survey will be conducted jointly by these agencies. A tentative draft of standard form of questionnaire was adopted which, it is expected, will be printed by the government and the labor and expenses incident to the survey will be minimized and duplication of work eliminated.

"My original plan was to work exclusively through the medium of the granges and Farmers' unions. It is now proposed to secure the information through an organization to be composed of delegates from the granges, farmers' unions and other agricultural and civic bodies, of which county agricultural agents will be the ex-officio heads in counties where such officers exist. The field organization and educational campaign will be conducted by Farm Help Specialist Brewer, the county agents and this bureau, co-operatively.

"The first week in February has been designated as the period for co-operative and concentrated effort to secure the information from the farmers and this information will be sent in to this department for compilation and analysis. By having the clerical work performed by voluntary help from the commercial departments of the Salem public schools, the printing done by the government and the circulation of blanks and assembling of the information carried on under government postal frank, the work will be greatly facilitated and expedited and a material saving made for the taxpayers.

"This bureau proposes to take an active part in the organization, statistical collection and compilation

work and in this I sincerely trust that I may enjoy the same unstinted measure of cordial support and co-operation of the granges and unions which it has been my privilege and honor in the past.

—State Labor Commissioner.

Clear Lake Church Is Merry Christmas Scene

A very enjoyable program was witnessed Christmas eve at the Clear Lake church. The church was artistically decorated with fir boughs, mistletoe and holly. A great Christmas tree, bending beneath its load stood in a corner of the room and added to the holiday spirit. The church was filled to overflowing with the Clear Lake people and many from adjoining districts.

All joined in singing the "Star Spangled Banner" after which the following program contributed to the evening's enjoyment:

- Recitation—"Welcome," Eva Gansard.
- Chorus—"Hark, the Herald Angels Sing."
- Exercise—"Hark, is Santa Coming?" primary pupils.
- Instrumental duet—"A Merry Sleighing Party," Marie Harold, Vivian Etter.
- Exercise—"Enough for All," Alta Johnson, Joan Evans.
- Song—"Christmas Carol," girls.
- Dialogue—"A Christmas party, four children."
- Solo—"Christmas Chimes," Joan Evans.
- Dialogue—"Santa's Surprise," four children.
- Song—"Jolly Old, Santa Claus," primary pupils.
- Piano solo—"Nearer My God to Thee," Miss Ruth Bair.
- Star Exercise—six girls.
- Recitation—"A Riddle," Johnny Methof.
- Duet—"Carol Christmas, Carol," Marie Harold, Leala Clement.
- Dialogue—"Waiting Up for Santa," two children.
- Chorus—"Peace to the Earth."
- Recitation—"The Road to Heaven," Gladys Brown.
- Solo—"Holy City," Harry More.
- Dialogue—"A Christmas Dolly," two girls.
- Pantomime—"Silent Night," Vivian Etter.
- Song—"To Santa Claus," primary pupils.
- Solo—"Beautiful Star of Bethlehem," William Bennett.
- Dialogue—"The Grouch Family": Christmas Sprite, Vivian Etter; Mrs. Grouch, Lella Clement; Mr. Grouch, Ralph Harold; Bobby Grouch, Willie Stolk; Grouch Twins, Marie Harold, Ethel O'Neill; Grouch Maids, Louise O'Neill, Helen Gansard.
- Piano solo—"The Star of Bethlehem," Ethel Bollier.
- Companion recitation—"Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus," Mabel Clement, Henry Stolk.

At the conclusion of the program, Santa appeared for a few minutes but having so many places to visit that evening, he left his gifts to be distributed by his young assistants, Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus, Jr.

Three subscriptions of \$5,000,000 each were received for the recent Australian liberty loan.

Two Members Will Do Work of State Parole Board

Governor Withycombe said yesterday that he will make no appointment immediately of a successor to James Elvin on the state parole board. Mr. Elvin expects to be called into Y. M. C. A. war work service. "It is impossible to tell how soon Mr. Elvin may be able to return," said the governor, "and of course the position would be open to him upon his return. I do not want to make any changes in the personnel of the board at this time and will allow the other two members to attend to the duties of the board."

The British air board occupies nearly 600 rooms in the Hotel Cecil in London.

OPEN NOSTRILS! END A COLD OR CATARRH

How To Get Relief When Head and Nose are Stuffed Up

Count fifty! Your cold or head or catarrh disappears. Your clogged nostrils will open, the air passages of your head will clear and you can breathe freely. No more snuffling, hawking, mucous discharge, dryness or headache, no struggling for breath at night.

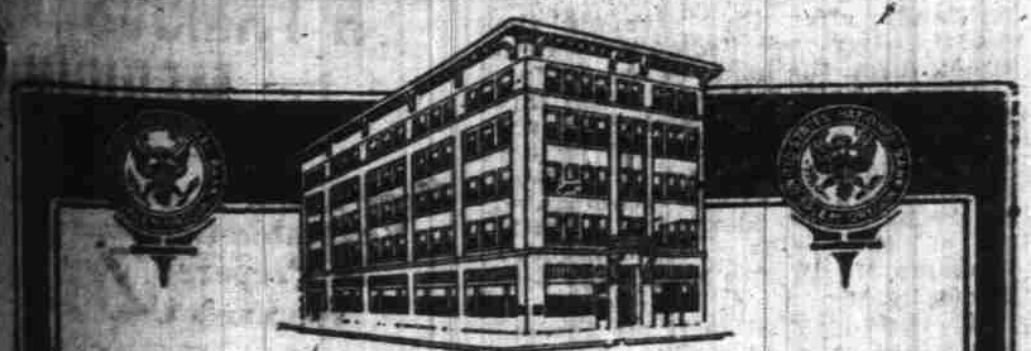
Get a small bottle of Ely's Cream Balm from your druggist and apply a little of this fragrant antiseptic cream in your nostrils. It penetrates through every air passage of the head, soothing and healing the swollen or inflamed mucous membranes, giving you instant relief. Head, colds and catarrh yield like magic. Don't stay stuffed up and miserable. Relief is sure.

Place Your Order Now for that New Winter Suit

We show the latest in weaves and weights. Popular colors. All suits made to measure on short notice.

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Yesterday's Resolutions

AMONG the leaves turned over for the New Year was probably the one which bears the profit and loss sides of 1917. As you have doubtless decided that bank account and banking connection should play their parts on the financial page of 1918, we hope this has brought to mind the United States National—with its complete and helpful service.

United States National Bank