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BURGESS APPOINTED TO HIGHWAY COMMISSION TO SUCCEED THOMPSON

J. N. Burgess of Pendleton, by appointment of Governor Olcott, will succeed W. L. Thompson as a member of the state highway commission when Mr. Thompson changes his place of residence from Pendleton to Portland on January 1. That Mr. Burgess will be the appointee was made known by Governor Olcott Saturday, and in explanation of his action in announcing the appointment at this time the governor said he considered it wise so that Mr. Burgess might have an opportunity to familiarize himself with the state highway work prior to assuming his duties as comissioner.

Mr. Burgess is known to be the choice of Mr. Thompson, and Burgess' appointment was urged by a delegation of representative Pendleton business men some time ago.

Burgess Well Known

Burgess is a farmer and stockman and by virtue of his having served as a member of the state senate from 1911 to 1915, representing Umatilla county, he is widely known in the state. He resigned in 1916 for business reasons. Mr. Burgess has been particularly successful as a woolgrower.

Under the legislative enactment creating the highway commission it is provided that each congressional district shall be represented on the commission. Mr. Thompson's removal from Pendleton to Portland will take him out of the second district, making it necessary to appoint his successor.

NotApplicant

"I have had Mr. Burgess in mind for some time as the successor to Mr. Thompson," stated the governor in announcing his plans. "I might say, in justice to Mr. Burgess, that he was not an applicant for the position, that he has never spoken to me in regard to it and I have never spoken to him. This announcement will come as a complete surprise to Mr. Burgess. I made up my mind several weeks ago that he would be the selection.

"In order to give him an opportunity to familiarize himself with the details of the commission's work it occurred to me it would be an excellent idea to announce that he would be the successor to Mr. Thompson.

"Mr. Burgess will not go onto the commission until January 1. It has been understood all along that Mr. Thompson is to remain with the commission until he removes his residence to Portland.

Confidence Expressed

"I am satisfied that Mr. Burgess will have the entire confidence of the people of the congressional district which he will represent. He is known all over eastern Oregon as a man who has made a success of his own business and as a man who is eminenily fair in his dealings. I am certain he will go onto the commission with high aims for the development of Oregon's road program.

"I consider a place on the state highway commission one of the most important appointments which the executive office is called upon to make. A man of high integrity, keen business judgment, fairness, and tact is required. The place is one beset with difficult problems. Mr. Burgess is eminently qualified to meet the many requirements which go with the position and I consider the people of Oregon will be fortunate if they secure his services in this connection."

800 Acres Lost in Blaze at Waitszurg, Loss $90,000

WAITSBURG, Wash., Aug. 16.—Fire late today swept over 800 acres of grain near here causing a loss estimated at $90,000.

21 German Ships Now in Britain Given to Portugal

OISBON, Friday, Aug. 15.—It was ships now in English ports will be handed over to Portugal.

WOMEN BURNED IN PLANE FIRE UP 600 FEET

VENICE, Cal., Aug. 16.—An airplane which caught fire 600 feet in the air above the Luce Aviation field here tonight, caused serious and perhaps fatal burns to Mrs. Leo J. Trost and Mrs. E. H. Green of El Paso, Texas, who were passengers.

SEVEN IN FAMILY KILLED AUTO SMASHED BY TRAIN ALL LIVED IN CLEVELAND

CLEVELAND, O., Aug. 16.—Seven members of the John Trainor family of Cleveland, father, mother, four sons and a daughter and a woman relative of the Trainors were instantly killed this evening when a New York Central passenger train struck their automobile at a grade crossing near West Springfield, Pa., while the party were returning home from Erie.

Pacific Coast Ships Cut to 48 from 78 Originally Given

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 16.—Pacific ocast ports will receive only 48 vessels from the United States shipping board instead of the 70 originally expected, according to statements made today by shipping board officials. A check of the vessels avilable for allocation has reduced the number by 30 bottoms, it was said. Half of the ships have been assigned, San Francisco having received 11, Seattle 8 and Portland 6.

OLCOTT MAKES HIMSELF CLEAR ABOUT SESSION

Legislature Will Meet if Ratification Depends Upon This State

HOLDS TO ONE ISSUE

Deliberations of Body Must be Confined to Subject of Suffrage

To make clear his position relative to a special session of the legislature, Governor Olcott yesterday issued a formal statement, reviewing the requests that have been made by woman suffrage leaders and conditions he has laid down which must be met if a session is called. The governor makes the statement that he will call the session at state expense if the fate of the national suffrage amendment hangs upon Oregon. He further says he will make no objection to a special session if the legislators voluntarily desire to take action toward ratification at their own expense, but declares that unless a majority of each house agree that they will pass upon nothing but the ratification of the suffrage movement he will maintain the attitude that an extra session is ill-advised.

Women's Request Recalled

"Some uncertainty seems to exist as to my position relative to the calling of a special session of the Oregno legislature to ratify the national woman's suffrage amendment," said the goverao:. For this reason I will endeavor to make my attitude entirely clear.

"In the first instance I have asked no member of the legislature to attend a special session of that body. On July 24, after being waited upon by a delegation of women, I did issue a statement to the effect that in event the situation throughout the nation became such that Oregon's vote was needed to ratify the amendment I would give the matter of convoking a special session serious consideration ;that in event a majority of the members of the legislature voluntarily requested a special session and agreed to forego their mileage and per diem that I would call such a session.

"Further, I made it plain that I would expect no other legislation be considered than the ratification of the suffrage amendment.

"Had I asked the legislators to

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INCREASE IN HCL WARNING OF FARMERS

Representatives of Organizations Tell Committees Strikes and Profiteering Must End Before Next Year

DECREASED PRODUCTION LOOMS AS PROBABILITY

Departments Continue Action on Probe and Seize Much Food Stuff

WASHINGTON, Aug. 16.—Warning was given today by representatives of farmers' organizations testifying before the house and senate agriculture committees that unless present disturbed conditions resulting from profiteering "in goods and wages" and strikes were settled soon the country would face a far worse situation from the hihg cost of living next year than at present.

Farmers, they said, were preparing now for next year's crops and under present conditions they could not estimate what the probable market would be. Fears were expressed that there would be decreased production both on this account and on account of President Wilson's statement in his message vetoing the repeal of the daylight saving law, placing industrial production ahead of farm output.

More Active Campaign Planned.

The house and senate committees are considering amendments to the food control act designed to enable the department of justice to wage a more active campaign to prevent profiteering and hoarding and the joint session was held to hear the farmers' representatives. The committees hope to act finally on the amendments next week and rush the legislation through congress.

Seizure of foodstuffs held in cold storage was continued today by federal agents in several cities. Further seizures under libel warrants ar expected next week and special grand juries were summoned in several states to hear evidence in cases of alleged hoarding and profiteering.

16 Million Eggs Taken.

Goods taken over by the government included 16,500,000 eggs at St. Louis; 7,500,000 eggs and 300,000 pounds of butter at Detroit and large quantities of food at San Diego, Cal.

Announcement was made by the post department that the postage rate on surplus army food, sale of which through the parcel post system will begin Monday, would be the same to persons living beyond the first zone tro mthe supply centers as those living in the first zone. This will equalize the postage to all purchasers and the difference will be made up by the war department deducting the extra postage from the sale price and turning it over to the postoffice department.

Army Food Sales Huge.

Surplus army food sold to municipalities now totals 8,500,000 pounds, but huge stocks still are on hand and these will be sold through postmasters.

Attorney General Palmer today accepted an invitation to meet with the fair price board of New York Monday night.

Ex-Commissioner Charged with Aiding Defunct Bank

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 16.—A warrant was sworn out by the district attorney's office late today for the arrest of Charles A. Ambler, former insurance commissioner of Pennsylvania, charging him with conspiracy and malfeasance in office in connection with the failure of the North Penn Bank which closed its doors on July 18 with an apparent shortage of $2,144,000.

FIRST DEER HUNTER DIES CALIFORNIAN IS VICTIM SEASON OPENS 12 HOURS

EUREKA, Cal., Aug. 16.—Mistaken for a deer Roderick McLeod, a rancher was shot and killed by George Dickson at Dyerville, near here last night. The deer season in Humboldt county had opened only 12 hours when McLeod met his death.

Hammond Lumber Holdings May Be Bought by Kansans

ALBANY, Or., Aug. 16.—R. A. Long, president; M. B. Nelson, vice president of the Long-Bell Lumber company, Kansas City, accompanied by other officials and several cruisers inspected the Hammond Lumber company timber holdings on Crabtree creek, east of this city, this week They are looking over northwest timber with a view of buying and operating mills.

The Crabtree tract contains 3000 acres with two and a quarter billion feet of timber. The company expects to locate in the northwest and continue operations.

FIGHT TO BE TO GET TREATY OUT OF COMMITTEE

Effort at Conference to Center on Defeat of Textual Amendment

RESISTANCE STIFFENS

McNary Group Claims Situation Bears Out Its Assertion

WASHINGTON, Aug. 16—As a sequel to the white house conference yesterday between President Wilson and Senator Hitchcock, administration leader in the seate treaty fight, it became apparent today that the administration forces would center their present effort on bringing the treaty out of committee and defeating any textual amendments, leaving in the background any negotiations relative to final ratification with reservations.

Resistance Stiffens.

Meantime, Republican senators declared one result of the negotiations of the last few days and of Senator Hitchcock's statements after he left the president had been to stiffen resistance to any attempt at unreserved ratification and to increase the determination of those who want the treaty amended outright. They asserted yesterday's poll had shown opposition to the Shantung provision growing stronger in the face of the explanatory statements from Tokio and from the white house.

Re-Negotiation Danger Seen.

The reported position of the president that any textual amendments would send the treaty back for renegotiation with Germany without any military force to compel acceptance of the American demands was taken as largely forecasting the trend of the amendment fight. It was understood that feature would be emphasized by Senator Hitchcock in a speech he is expected to make next week in the senate.

McNary Group is Key.

The fact that Senator Hitchcock did not quote the president as standing uncompromisingly against reservations for the same reason was pointed out as significant by some of the group of Republicans, who, under the lead of Senator McNary, Republican, Oregon, have agreed on a set of reservations. They declared all the elements of the situation bore out their claim of Wednesday that they had information insuring Democratic assent to the program.

Editors Greet First Ship of Fleet to Reach Sound

SEATTLE, Wash., Aug. 16.— Sixty-six delegates to the National Editorial association convention here including also members of the Oregon and Washington state press associations, extended the northwest's first greeting to the first ship of the new Pacific coast fleet to touch Puget Sound waters, when the cruiser Montana arrived at Bremerton today.

LAST DIVISION LEAVES RHINE

Old First Deserts Castles of Krupp and All Ilk for "Ever So Humble"

COBLENZ, Friday, Aug. 15.—(By The Associated Press)—The hunting lodge of Bertha Krupp, the palace of the Prince of Wied, and many castles of note will be vacated in the next few days by the first division of the American army which today began entraining for Brest, being the last division to leave the Rhine for the United States.

SALEM SELECTED FOR 1920 CONVENTION OF ELKS' ASSOCIATION

Harry S. Allen, Portland, Chosen President of State Association at Meeting at Klamath Falls—Marshfield Gets 1921 Meeting

LENIENCY SOUGHT FOR MILITARY PRISONERS

Trustees Elected Are E. J. Stewart, Roseburg; Pat Mahaffey, Bend, and Colin Eberhard, LaGrande

KLAMATH FALLS, Or., Aug. 15.—Harry S. Allen of Portland was elected today president of the Oregon Association of Elks. Salem was chosen as the next convention city and Marshfield was endorsed unanimously as the place for the 121 convention.

Alexander in List.

Other officers elected today were R. Alexander, Pendleton, first vice president; Thomas S. Harvey, Marshfield, second vice president; George W. Owen, Ashland, third vice president; James D. Olson, Oregon City, secretary; C. A. Hayden, Klamath Falls, treasurer.

Trustees Chosen.

The trustees elected were E. J. Stewart, Roseburg; Pat Mahaffey, Bend, and Colin Eberhard, La Grande.

Intercede for Boys.

After a speech by I. E. Vining of Medford the delegates went on record unanimously as favoring telegraphing United States Senators McNary and Chamberlain in behalf of six hundred Americans held in military prisons in the United States.

LABOR DAY TO BE CELEBRATED

Trades Council to Be Host to Service Men at All Day Festivity

Salem is to celebrate Labor Day Monday, September 1, with a parade an old fashioned barbecue, a live patriotic program with games and dancing as side attractions, according to the plans now being worked out by a committee of the Salem Trades and Labor council.

The returned service men are to play a prominent part in the celebration as guests of the local laborites and the community. Several features for their entertainment are being worked out by the committee in conjunction with representatives of the local organization of the War Camp Community service. As soon as these plans have been worked out in detail by the two committees they will be published so that the citizens of Salem may know what is expected of them in the way of cooperation to make this celebration a huge success.

As outlined so far, the program is: A big parade on the down town streets at 10 o'clock in the morning: the barbecue feast at the state fair grounds at noon; a patriotic program and a Labor Day address at the fair grounds in thet afternoon: dancing and games in the evening.

To Honor Veterans.

"Labor Day is the working man's holiday. The organized people of this community have chosen to make of this day an opportunity to pay due tribute to the returned soldiers, sailors and marines," said Arthur W. Lawrence in discussing the plans of the committee. "We are desirous of securing the cooperation of the business people and the community in general in making our tribue to the service a notable one. The best we can do in the way of entertainment will be poor enough, when stop to consider what it has meant to these boys who answered the country's call in its hour of peril. We are mighty glad they are back among us and we want to show it and we are sure the people of Salem want to join us in this effort."

Associated ith Mr. Lawrence, who represents the Wer Camp Community service, are the following representatives chosen by the Trades and Labor council: L. J. Simeral, C. W. Gillingham, C. E. Barbour, James E. Heenan and Ivan Martin. Each one heads a committee having some particolar portion of theh day's program to work out and bring to a successful conclusion.

Persian Mission Ignorant of Persio-British Treaty

PARIS, Aug. 16.—(By The Associated Press)—The Persian mission in Paris is ignorant of the details of the treaty recently signed between Great Britain and Persia all negotiations having place in Teheran. The only news received by the Persian mission is simple notice by telegram that an accord has been reached.

PERSHING TO SEE ITALIAN FRONT

General To Visit King and Decorate Officers With American D. S. O.

PARIS, Aug. 16.—General Pershing will leave Paris tonight for his visit to Rome and the Italian battlefields. He will arrive at Rome Monday, where he is to attend a review of troops by King Emmanuel. Later General Pershing will present the distinguished service order to a number of Italian officers.

Cherry Crop at The Dalles Totals 1000 Tons for Year

THE DALLES, Or., Aug. 16.—The cherry crop of The Dalles and vicinity this year totalled 1000 tons, according to reliable information secured from firms who handled the greatest crop which this section has ever produced.

One firm canned 530 tons of the small fruit. Three hundred tons of this total were made into marachino cherries.

GORDON ROCQUE LOSES HIS LIFE WHILE SWIMMING IN WILLAMETTE

Member of Company M, National Guard Dives from Springboard and Fails to Rise to Surface—Attempts at Rescue Vain—Body Recovered After Hour's Search

While swimming with companions at the Dennison bath and boat house, Gordon Roque, 18 years old, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Roque, 358 Bellevue street, lost his life in the Willamette river about 9 o'clock last night. It is believed his death was caused by heart failure or some other physical ailment that suddenly attacked him, rather than to drowning. The body was recovered.

That lad was capering playfully about the platform at the boathouse when he decided to dive from a spring board. Making the dive, he swam for a few moments under the water and then suddenly went down. The body did not come to the surface as the bodies of drowned persons usually do.

That the young man had sunk to the bottom of the river was noted immediately by his companions and experienced divers as well as his companions did not hesitate in plunging into the river to attempt the rescue. It was impossible to locate the body and grappling hooks were obtained as soon as possible and a search for the body was begun with boats. It was not found for more than an hour, a short distance from the point where the lad dived into the river.. The body was taken in charged by the coroner.

The young man was a member of Company M, Oregon National guard. He was the only child of his parents and was a nephew of Mr. and Mrs. John Gardner, 260 Bellevue street.

After an examination of the body last night Coroner Clough is said to have state that the death appeared to be a case of heart failure. No water was found in the lungs.

ELVIN CHOSEN Y. M. C. A. SECRETARY

Former Congregational Pastor and Well-Known War Worker of A. E. F. Selected to Take Salem Organization

Rev. James Elvin was elected general secretary of the Salem Y. M. C. A., at a meeting of the board of directors held around the luncheon table at the noon hour yesterday, his salary to be $200 a month. The vote was unanimous.

Mr. Elvin was sent for, and he appeared and responded to a call for his decision, and for remarks. In accepting the responsible place, he pledged his best effotrs in every respect in the performance of its various duties.

Mr. Elvin was pastor of the First Congregational church of Salem at the time our country entered the war. He had come to Salem from The Dalles, where he had been pastor of the Congregational church.

Served in France.

He soon volunteered as a Y.M.C. A. war worker, and went to France and served faithfully there. He was sent back to America to aid in the raising of funds, and was again ordered to rance, to do important service in closing up the affairs of the great oraganization in that country.

Mr. Elvin is a college and seminary man. He has always been interested in Y.M.C.A. work. He has aided in every campaign of the local association while he has been in Salem.

Choice Pleases.

The directors of the local association feel that they are fortunate in securing the services of a man of Mr. Elvin's ability and energy.

They feel that he will "put over," or aid very much in putting over any undertaking that may be launched for the building up of the Y. M. C. A. work here in Salem.

Mr. Elvin says he has been over a good deal of the world, and he thinks Salem is the choice spot of all the round earth.

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