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MELLON ERRS IN STATEMENT OF BONUS SUM

Clerical Mistake Given As Cause of Secretary's Claim That Many Billions Are Needed.

TREASURY AGENT IS OPPOSING MEASURE

House Committee Reports Favorably on Bill by Large Majority

WASHINGTON, March 14.—A clerical error resulted in an overestimate from the treasury of \$167,000,000,000 possible cost of the land settlement provision of the soldiers' bonus bill, the house ways and means committee was told today by Joseph F. McCoy, the government actuary.

In the letter written to Chairman Fordney and made public last Sunday Secretary Mellon was made to say that if all the veterans accepted the land settlement option the ultimate cost to the government would be approximately \$185,000,000,000.

The secretary was questioned about this before the committee today and Mr. McCoy explained that the total should have been \$18,000,000,000 in round figures.

Report Favors Bill
A favorable report on the long-controverted soldiers' bonus bill was ordered today by the house ways and means committee by a vote of 19 to 5.

Chairman Fordney plans to submit his formal report tomorrow or Thursday, but said the time of calling the measure in the house would not be fixed definitely until after the return of Speaker Gillette, who is in Florida with President Harding.

Representative Fordney said he did not expect Speaker Gillette to bring any message on the bonus from the executive and that the object of the conference with the speaker would be the question of calling up the bill next Monday under a suspension of the rules. Some members of the house, however, expressed the belief that Mr. Gillette would be prepared to give the president's views on the compromise bill.

The vote on the measure today was taken ten minutes after Secretary Mellon, Comptroller of the Currency Crissinger and Governor Harding of the federal reserve board had been in question for two hours in open session as to their ideas of the bank loan and certificate plan. The five members voting against a favorable report were Garner, of Texas, Ketchum, of North Carolina and Collier, of Mississippi, Democrats, and Treadway, of Massachusetts and Tilson, of Connecticut, Republican.

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COURTHOUSE ALTERATIONS ARE NOW NEAR COMPLETION

County Clerk U. G. Boyer has moved his office from the temporary quarters in Judge Kelly's court room; not because it was cheaper to move than to pay rent, but because his own quarters were near enough finished that he could go back home. He's now back at the old stand, doing business as usual. The office was on wheels for just four weeks.

The court house repairs are almost finished. Carpenters are putting up the balustrades, and the painters and decorators have already treated some of the new rooms. The halls have not yet been cleaned up, but all the scaffolding is gone, and one can travel through the building without fear of a brick or a pall of mortar landing on his neck.

The elevator is not an immediate asset; the county is hanging on to its money for the present, so long as the walking is good between the ground and the third floor. When they go up into the parlor, and utilize all that fine floor for county offices instead of

GEORGE CHANDLER BOOTLEGGERS' FOE



Major George F. Chandler, in command of the New York State Troopers, is putting rum runners out of business. Bootlegging in the state is no longer profitable because of the vigilance of the mounted police under the command of Major Chandler. As a result of his drive one bootlegger admitted that an income of \$30,000 made during 1920 shrunk to \$600 the following year.

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HERE'S FLOCK OF NAMES FOR LITTLE TOWN ACROSS RIVER

Lots of Names Are Suggested for West Salem, but Room Remains for More; Have You Anything to Offer

In the night mail the Statesman receives the following suggested names for West Salem to be added to the list in the article below: Mrs. Cora Reid, court house, "Melas" Salem reversed; Roy Seaman, Independence, suggests "Spaulding View;" Mrs. C. M. Epley, 1900 State street, "Riverside" or "Riverview;" Mrs. F. A. Anderson, 720 Mill street, "Williamette City;" William Mann, West Salem, "Williamette City;" Will E. Purdy, Oregon building, "Cherry Center" or "Rose Center."

The Statesman's call for suggestions for a new name for West Salem has resulted in a number of euphonious and appropriate names being suggested through the mails or presented in person at the Statesman office. There is still room for more suggestions. Have you one? Let's have it. Perhaps to you will fall the distinction of naming a city.

Yesterday Capitola, Kingwood and Polk City were suggested. The latter, however, is eliminated because of a postoffice department ruling disapproving the word "city" as part of the name of a town. Today the following new suggestions are presented: Earlsdale, Churchmere, West Park, Wallace, Fletcher, Cleao, and Riverside.

The letter is presented by Mrs. J. Ray Pemberton. Frank Davey suggests the names Wallace and Fletcher, and William Burghardt joins in the suggestion of the name Wallace. Capitola is suggested by Charles N. Chambers. The name Cleao is the offering of H. E. Brown, local real estate agent. The name is easy to remember," says Mr. Brown, "and easy to spell. Even a small child can soon learn it. A pretty name, and it does not appear in the directory." The names Earlsdale, Churchmere and West Park come from West Salem citizens. Earlsdale is for a pioneer named Earl who was one of the earliest land owners on West Salem site.

The names suggested and to be suggested will be taken up by the West Salem city council at its meeting Monday night, March 20, and whatever selections made will probably be referred to the people for their choice by election. It is said, however, that approval may have to be given by the county court. The members of the council are J. R. Bedford, mayor; J. T. Hunt, J. I. Miller, Frank Lamb, Ernest Woods, James Woods and C. M. Robinson.

In suggesting the names Fletcher and Wallace, Frank Davey sends the Statesman the following communication: "You want a name suggested for West Salem so as to make a town eligible for a postoffice. There are two names I would offer, either of which has a good sound and would perpetuate an honored citizen.

"I would suggest Fletcher, in honor of Colonel J. H. Fletcher, who occupied the first pretentious residence in West Salem and was a good booster in every way. "Then, there is Wallace, to honor the memory of the man who made the first set of noted improvements on the west side of the river, first in the planting to one of the largest pear orchards in the world; second in building at his own expense the first stretch of permanent graded and graveled road in this part of Oregon—Hon. R. S. Wallace—the most public spirited citizen that ever lived in Polk county.

MR. LEWIS TELLS INSIDE OF NATION'S BUSINESS STATUS

C. I. Lewis was welcomed with enthusiasm when he appeared before the Kiwanis club Tuesday noon, as the chief and only speaker for the regular weekly luncheon at the Marion hotel. Lewis has just returned from a 12,000-mile tour of America in the interest of the northwestern fruit growers, and he talked to the club men of what he had seen.

"California had some wonderful lessons to teach us, in the matter of standardization, advertising and merchandising of farm products," he said. "The California farmers are about the best of all the farmers in America, through their organization methods. This state now ranks second only to Texas in value of farm products. They don't know the words 'hard times,' down there.

Texas Prosperous
"Texas is prosperous. El Paso has the largest planing mill in the United States, the lumber being brought up from Mexico. It has a great smelter also, and the city itself is building marvelously. San Antonio and Fort Worth, and Dallas, all are putting up skyscrapers of from 20 to 30 stories. Oil does this in part, though agricultural resources also are great.

"Tennessee is one of the choicest countries any man could find. It is prosperous, too. Chattanooga alone has 40 hosiery knitting works, unlimited foundry and coal resources, and the greatest hardware furniture business in the world outside of Grand Rapids, Mich. But one of the great cities of America is Birmingham, Ala. That looks like a city of a million people some day. If you are investing in the south, go to Birmingham.

"But you will be more interested in business. The consensus of opinion all along the road is that times are getting better. The worst is past, and the country is going to prosper. The big merchandisers lost terribly two years ago. Last year they did not make money, but they have checked the loss, and now they are seeking better times. The psychology of better times is in the air.

Northwests in Demand
"I found that the northwestern apples are taking the whole market. A few years ago the jobbers in handling 50 cars of fruit used to buy 49 cars of eastern apples and one of the western. Now, out of every 50, 48 are westerns. A more uniform pack and standardization, and the world markets are ours. Part of the present boom came from the war, when the war camps taught all Americans the virtues of our product.

"Our walnuts and filberts have simply taken the whole market. I could have sold 50 cars on this trip above the basic California price, whatever it may be. They simply begged me to sell them nuts. We ought to have thousands of acres of filberts planted here in the valley, in the lands now lying waste. We have no rivals for this product.

"The Oregon loganberries are surely capturing the market. At one time I feared the blackberry as a rival, but the logans are more than holding their own. I compared our canned stuff with the best eastern and southern blackberries. The Oregon pears are in a class by themselves, so white, and firm, and deliciously flavored.

WOMAN WEEPS AS ATTORNEY PLEADS CASE

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EMOTION OVERCOMES ONE MEMBER OF JURY

Tremendous Love, Declares Attorney, Predominates in Murder Trial

One of the three women on the jury wept when McDonald read a letter Kennedy wrote to Mrs. Obenchain, containing the appeal: "Love me always."

Not a "Woman Scorned"
The attorney declared the state's theory that Mrs. Obenchain was a "woman scorned" had been disproved and that "if anything this was a case of a man scorned."

MacDonald will resume his argument tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock to which time court adjourned. According to the announced program, he will be followed by Judd R. Rush, senior defense counsel, who will address the jury for the rest of the day and Asa Keyes, deputy district attorney, will make the final argument.

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IS MADE PRESIDENT OF BIG INSTITUTION

When John A. Lewis (above) was 15 years of age he started work as an office boy in a bank with a salary of \$25 per month. Through untiring efforts and earnest labor he steadily advanced himself in the banking world until he is now president of the Republic National Bank, in St. Louis, one of the world's largest banking institutions.

CHERRIANS TO PUT ON SHOW FOR HOSPITAL

Vote of Boosters Unanimous to Stage Event Similar to Historic Stunt of Some Years Ago.

By a unanimous vote, the Cherrians at their monthly meeting last night voted to hold a Cherringo for the benefit of the Salem hospital.

Every one of the 57 Cherrians present not only voted in favor of a big entertainment, but each individually agreed to assist in putting the show over in great shape.

No date has as yet been named for the Cherringo, this being left to the committee in charge, consisting of E. Cooke Patton, chairman, C. B. Webb and A. H. Gille.

Dr. H. C. Epley volunteered his active support and agreed to provide a first class minstrel show with a dozen of the best Cherrian singers. King Bing McGilchrist spoke in favor of the Cherrians helping the hospital, explaining that about \$20,000 is needed to complete the building. A campaign will soon be put on for funds and the money raised by the Cherringo will go into the general fund.

E. Cooke Patton, who will

MINSTREL SHOW IS PROMISED BY EPLEY

Cooke, Patton, Webb and Gille Appointed Committee on Arrangements

McNary Has Charge of Agricultural Measure

WASHINGTON, March 14.—Chairman Page and Senators Poindexter, Republican, Washington and Swanson, Democrat, Virginia, today were chosen a committee for consideration of the naval appropriation bill under the new committee budget system.

Senators McNary, Republican, Oregon, Capper, Republican, Kansas and Smith, Democrat, South Carolina have been chosen in a similar capacity for the agricultural committee and Senator McNary will have charge of the agricultural appropriation bill in the senate.

FIVE-MILLION-DOLLAR FIRE HITS CHICAGO TRADE AREA; ONE FIREMAN FATALLY HURT

CHICAGO, March 15.—Fire covering an entire city block including a 21-story office building and several small manufacturing plants caused a loss estimated early today at \$5,000,000.

One fireman was fatally injured when a wall collapsed and another fireman was seriously injured.

The fire still was burning furiously at 3 a. m.

The fire started in the Austin building at South Canal street and West Jackson boulevard shortly after midnight and spread rapidly. The entire block bounded by Canal, Van Buren and Clinton streets and Jackson boulevard was burning.

The Burlington building in which are some of the offices of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy railroad caught fire and many night employes driven out. The metropolitan west side elevated structure was burning the length of a block. The intense heat drove firemen back and a number of small manufacturing concerns were burned before there could be an organized effort to check the conflagration.

Shirley T. High, city fire attorney, said the fire gave indications of being the worst in Chicago in years.

The heat broke the windows in the Mercantile Trust & Savings bank and a special guard of policemen protected the institutions.

A series of gas explosions and others of undetermined nature threw bricks and other debris far and wide.

The flames were fanned by a high wind. An hour after the fire started calls for special apparatus still were being run in. The district is largely made up of wholesale houses and loft buildings.

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The heaviest loss of life was reported at Gowen, Okla., a village 15 miles east of McAlester, where 12 persons were killed when a tornado swept through the foreign section of the village last night. Many others were slightly injured.

Buildings Wrecked
Six negroes were killed when the storm passed through the northeastern section of Jefferson county and the southeastern section of Lonoke county, Ark., early today. The storm in this section left a trail of wrecked buildings for 20 miles.

At Sulphur, Okla., two persons were killed late yesterday and 19 others were seriously injured. Property damage is estimated at \$100,000. Fifty buildings were completely demolished and 200 people were left homeless.

Child is Killed
Eight homes were demolished at Sunrise, a village two miles north of Baton Rouge, and a negro woman and her child were killed. Four others were slightly injured there early today.

Twenty persons were injured, a number seriously, when the storm struck Corinth, Miss., today. More than 150 homes were leveled. The storm swept a path more than 100 feet wide, razing every building in its path. A school building in which were 1000 children barely escaped the path of the storm.

An aged negro man was killed and several negroes were slightly injured and a score of houses were destroyed at Arkansas City, Ark., early today.

SALEM MAN COMPELLED TO PLACE HIS COW IN SHELTER

Dr. A. R. Andrews, agent of the Oregon Humane society, yesterday officially compelled B. S. Martin of Salem to give shelter and proper feed to his cow. According to Dr. Andrews, the cow was left in a lot unprotected from the rough weather and without proper feed. She was placed for the night in the Cherry City Feed barn.

Dr. Andrews says the humane society intends to come down hard on persons who fail to give proper protection to their animals in feed or shelter.

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