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BUSINESS MEN FAVOR HIGHER PAY PROPOSAL

Approval of Proposal to Raise Salaries Thru Addition of 1 Mill to School Tax Urged By Prominent Salem Men.

FACTS ABOUT MONDAY'S ELECTION.

PURPOSE OF THE ELECTION: to increase the school tax levy in Salem 1 mill and thereby allow an increase of \$150 a year in the salaries of teachers.

WHERE TO VOTE: Sample room of the Hotel Marion.

WHEN TO VOTE: Polls will be open between the hours of 2 p. m. and 7 p. m.

WHO CAN VOTE: Any man or woman who has resided in the Salem school district 30 days preceding the election, and who owns property within the district (City of Salem), as shown by the last county assessment, and not assessed by the sheriff.

Go to the polls and vote for the 1 mill tax levy asked to meet the increase of \$150 a year in the salaries of teachers employed in the public schools of Salem.

That is the advice which prominent business and professional men of the city are offering in connection with the special school election to be held here Monday.

With few exceptions three men, realizing that the efficiency of the school system of the city is seriously threatened unless the salaries of the teachers are raised to meet the increased cost of living, are behind the proposal to increase the school levy to the necessary extent. And they are urging that every qualified voter go to the polls Monday and vote.

Directors Realize Need Just how serious is the situation is apparent to no more clearly to anyone than to the members of the school board, at least three members of which are active in their advocacy of the increase. They are E. T. Barnes, H. H. Olinger and Walter L. Wanslow.

"We require thorough preparation from all teachers before accepting them in the Salem schools," says Mr. Barnes. "Salaries must be increased to hold the experienced teachers now on our payroll, and to enable us to secure competent instructors to fill vacancies which occur during the year. The budget to be voted on Monday represents the lowest possible amount which we can get along with if we are to keep up the present standard of our schools.

"If you have children in school, or if you are interested in the general welfare of this community, vote for the school budget Monday.

"We cannot afford to lower our school standards in Salem."

Proposal Should Carry

Mr. Olinger says that "in order to retain good teachers it is necessary for Salem to follow the lead of other cities in giving them an increase in salary. Tacoma voted an increase of 4 mills. We are only asked for an increase of 1 mill, which will not add much to the average individual's tax.

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UNION HEADS DOWN RUMOR; PLEDGE AID TO TEACHERS' RAISE

Coming to the attention of the executive committee of the Salem Central Trades & Labor council that a rumor was current that they were opposed to a raise in teachers' salaries, it was voted on Monday, that body today issued a statement vehemently refuting this.

"We, the members of the executive board, Salem leaders and labor council, having heard that a rumor is current that we are opposed to granting teachers a raise in salary, wish to make it clear that we are not. As members of the American Federation of Labor we are pledged to getting better working conditions for all craft. We feel that the teachers in Salem schools are receiving an unjust wage and we wish to state that we, speaking for the Central Trades & Labor council, are strongly in favor of the raise, and will do all we can to bring it about.

"L. J. SIMERAL, "PASCAL E. TRAYLIO, "SAMUEL BOSANKO, "C. E. BARBOUR."

TEXT IS APPROVED

Paris, Dec. 6.—The supreme council in secret session today approved unanimously the text of a note to be sent to Germany on the provisions for making effect the peace treaty.

While the note has not yet been made public, it was understood to be virtually an ultimatum.

EUGENE MAN WINNER IN CAPITAL JOURNAL CONTEST OF LETTERS

Luith Abbott, of Eugene, is the winner in the contest of The Capital Journal for the best letter on the new title line of The Journal and the general make-up of the front page, according to the announcement of the judges today, and will be awarded the first prize of \$10.

The second prize, \$5, is awarded to H. S. Prescott, 1500 Chemeketa street, Salem, and the third award of \$2 goes to J. G. Schott, 350 E. street, Salem.

Three Win Mention

Honorable mention is also given to the letters submitted by Mrs. Dwight A. Hoag, of Marion; Maude E. Wilbur, 1770 Broadway street, Salem, and Glen W. Loomis, of Silverton. Each of these letters will be published in The Capital Journal during the coming week.

The judges of the letters were Miss Flora Case, librarian of the Salem Public Library, Paul Wallace, of the Salem Water Light & Power company and W. I. Staley, of The Capital Business College.

Mr. Abbott's first-prize letter follows:

"I do not like your present style of makeup for several reasons. The chief fault is that the entire top of the front page presents a confused, jumbled appearance. Heavy, black lettering heads are too close together. It is a difficult matter to select the lead stories at first glance. The impression made by the top part of the front page is that of an incoherent mass of heads. "Placing the two stories on the outside columns as you do, makes them appear as not being a part of the regular front page but something thrown in at the last minute. Invariably the reader's eye will seek the stories under the name plate before their eyes reach the name plate before their eyes reach the two outside stories which reaches the most important ones. "I do not like your nameplate. The letters are not pretty and are too deep. Furthermore, I don't think the heavy black notices regarding the circulation of the paper are important enough to be put above the nameplate. If it is important enough put it below."

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John D. Has \$1200 in Bank and Row Boat, Taxes Show

Cleveland, O., Dec. 6.—John D. Rockefeller's personal property tax return on file here today showed the following: He had \$1,200 in the bank; owns three motor cars valued at \$850, has one row boat valued at \$10 and fourteen lawn mowers, valued at \$1200. No, the above does not indicate the oil king has frittered away his millions, but merely shows the value of his property interests in East Cleveland.

PORTLAND BIDS \$100,000 TO GET DEMPSEY FIGHT

Portland, Or., Dec. 6.—Portland is in the field for the world's championship heavyweight contest between Jack Dempsey, title holder, and George Carpentier.

An offer of \$100,000 was telegraphed to Jack Kearns, Dempsey's manager, today by a group of Portland business men for a ten round contest during the Rose Festival week, next June, when the national convention of the Shriners will be in session here.

The committee has offered to post a cash deposit of \$20,000 as soon as terms are accepted.

It is the plan to erect a temporary stadium on Multnomah field capable of seating 75,000 persons.

Charles W. Ackerman, representing the committee said: "We want to get this bout for Portland. Our present offer is only a starter and if Kearns shows any inclination to accept the offer, we may be able to get stronger."

"It is our opinion that Dempsey does not like a long fight and for this reason would be willing to consider our proposition seriously. We expect an immediate answer from Kearns regarding Portland's chances of landing the contest."

"This would be a great thing for Portland. It would put us on the fist map and would bring people from all parts of the world."

COAL STRIKE WILL END BY SATURDAY CHIC GOANS THINK

Chicago, Dec. 6.—Confidence that the coal strike will end before next Saturday was expressed here today by men in close touch with the big operators of the central competitive field.

Negotiations between miners and operators—if any are being conducted—are strictly au rosa. Operators and officials of the operators association here refused today to comment on rumors that an attempt had been made to feel out the miners.

Situation Now Bad

"Although I decline to be quoted on this subject," one operators' official said, "I should be willing to wager that the strike will be over within a week. The situation at present is so bad that none of us dare to tell the truth about it for publication."

This same official stated that he had been in touch today with mine owners in five different states of the middle west. They reported, he said, that the miners themselves are suffering more severely than people in the cities from the shortage.

He states that in a number of mining communities the miners have sent committees to the owners requesting permission to mine enough coal to take care of their home needs. This permission was refused.

Chicago Shut Tight

Chicago faced complete shut down of non-essential industries for the first time today. The Commonwealth Edison company announced that it would comply with the order of the fuel administration to shut off power for industries in these classes. The order to the fuel administration was issued Thursday.

In thick, heavy snow, Chicago loop workers wrestled with the congestion on "L" and surface lines today.

Samples of I.W.W. Sabotage Stickers Sent To Olcott

An interesting exhibition of stickers used by the I. W. W. in industrial plants has just been received by Gov. Olcott from one of his special agents engaged in running down the activities of the organization in Oregon. The exhibit includes more than a score of stickers covering every phase of "red" propaganda. "When ever you speed up or work long hours on the job you are scabbing on the bits unemployed," reads one of the bits of radical literature, while another one warns the reader to "Beware—good pay or bun work, we never forget—Sabotage." The stickers are replete with suggestions of "sabotage" which is held up as "labor's greatest weapon."

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REPUBLICANS CANNOT AGREE UPON MEXICO

G. O. P. Members Of Senate Foreign Relations Committee Fail To Decide On Recommendation To President.

Washington, Dec. 6.—A conference of republican members of the senate foreign relations committee, called to decide on a course on the Fall resolution directing President Wilson to sever relations with Mexico, was unable to reach an agreement today in a four hour discussion.

Senator Borah and Senator Johnson, on leaving the republican conference, said the decision had been reached on the resolution. Other members continued to discuss it.

Full Explanation

While the conference was on, the state department announced it had started an investigation of the circumstances surrounding the release of Wm. O. Jenkins, American consular agent, from the prison at Puebla.

Fall emphasized that this resolution is based on a series of alleged indignities to American honor, the latest of which, he asserts, is the spreading of bolshevik propaganda in this country by Mexican agents.

The foreign relations committee will not act on Fall's severance of relations resolution until President Wilson has sent to the capitol a memorandum expressing his views on the matter. He told Fall and Hitchcock at the White House conference yesterday he would have this before the committee by Monday.

Wilson Thought Opposed

It was generally expected that Wilson will advise against adoption of the Fall resolution at this time. Administration senators headed by Senator Hitchcock, said they expected the president to tell the committee that the state department will not abandon its vigorous efforts to bring about a completed and satisfactory settlement of the whole Mexican question and that too drastic action by congress might defeat the government's plans.

At the state department it was announced that an investigation into the circumstances surrounding the release of W. O. Jenkins, American consular agent, from the prison at Puebla had been started.

Released on Bail

Reports from Mexico City are that Jenkins, whose release the department demanded in two notes to Mexico, was freed upon \$500 bail, said to have been furnished by J. Walter Hansen, Department agents in Mexico have been ordered to get all facts and reports as soon as possible.

The state department made this announcement:

"American Consular Agent Jenkins at Puebla has reported that he was released from the penitentiary at midnight, December 4, but that he was not advised regarding the reasons for his release. It is evident from Mr. Jenkins' reports that he had no knowledge of bail being furnished. The department is investigating the facts regarding the furnishing of bail and at whose instance it was furnished."

PROGRAM OF SUNDAY MEMORIAL SERVICE OF ELKS ANNOUNCED

Tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock in the Grand opera house the local lodge of Elks will hold the memorial service for absent brothers. In accordance with the Elks ritual and conducted with the customary solemnity, Ralph White, the customary orator, and Ervin F. Frank T. Wrightman and Ervin F. Smith are writing on the program committee. The program follows: Introductory March (Chopin)—Elks orchestra.

Ritualistic ceremonies—Lodge officers.

Prayer—Reverend James Elvin.

"Broken Blossoms" (Robert Edgar Long)—Halle Parrish Durdahl; Mrs. Frank Zinn, accompanist.

Address—Justice Lawrence T. Harris.

"Break, Break, Break" (Adams)—John W. Todd.

Paraphrase, "Nearer My God to Thee"—Elks orchestra.

Eulogy—Walter E. Keyes.

"For Love of the World We Gave Them" (Netti Olds Height)—Halle Parrish Durdahl; Mrs. Frank Zinn, accompanist.

Benediction—Rev. James Elvin.

"Stars and Stripes Forever"—Elks orchestra.

The school board of Tillamook has called a special election for the purpose of authorizing the expenditure of \$27,000 for the purchase of five acres and the building of a gymnasium.

ALLIES TO RENEW WAR ON GERMANY UNLESS HUNS SIGN PROTOCOL

British and French Military Commands Ready to Invade Fatherland; 12,000 of American Troops on Rhine Available to Foch; Berlin Reports Refusal as Entirely Possible

By United Press

Resumption of war on Germany unless she signs the protocol providing enforcement of the peace treaty, was indicated in dispatches from allied capitals today.

A Paris cable said the British and French military commands, as the result of a conference yesterday, were prepared to invade Germany in the event of her definite refusal to sign. Paris believed a virtual ultimatum would be dispatched to Berlin within 48 hours.

According to London, Field Marshal Wilson, the British representative at the conference, had offered co-operation of the British fleet should force be employed against Germany. A special meeting of the British cabinet was called today to consider Wilson's report.

A report of the state department at Washington said 12,000 American troops now in the Rhine district would be available for use by Marshal Foch in the event hostilities were resumed.

Berlin reported that allied insistence on signing of the protocol probably would result in reorganization of the German ministry. German officialdom still resents the efforts of the allies to force Germany to turn over docks and merchant shipping in payment for sinking of the interned German fleet at Scapa Flow and even a reorganized cabinet, it was said, might not consent to sign the protocol as constituted at present.

By Ed L. Keen

(United Press Staff Correspondent.) London, Dec. 6.—Field Marshal Wilson, in his conference with Marshal Foch yesterday, offered the co-operation of the British fleet if armed force is necessary to compel Germany to accept the terms of the allied protocol, an Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Paris today said it was understood there.

The dispatch said it had been learned reliably that Foch will give Germany six days notice of further allied occupation if Germany refuses to sign.

A special meeting of the cabinet has been called for Monday to hear the report of Field Marshal Wilson's decision upon measures to be taken if Germany refuses to sign the protocol. There is no doubt Marshal Foch's

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FARMERS INCREASE NATION'S CROPS 16 PERCENT IN DECADE

Washington, Dec. 6.—Farmers increased the average crop yield 15 percent in the last decade, Secretary Houston showed in his annual report made public today.

The decade referred to ended with 1918. A great increase in the average yield is expected in this decade, Houston indicated. The American farmer produces more per man than any other, Houston said.

"In Belgium," says the report, "only about 5.3 acres are cultivated for each person engaged in agriculture, whereas in the United States, the corresponding figure is 27 acres. Taking both acreage and yield per acre into consideration, the average American farmer produces 2 1/2 times as much as the average Belgian farmer; 2.3 times as much as the French; 1 1/2 times as much as the German and six times as much as the Italian."

The total value of all American crops this year is given as \$15,873,000,000, which Houston says, is nearly three times the average annual value of all crops for the five year period preceding the war.

At least \$1,000,000,000 will be the total spent in good roads during this and the next fiscal year, ending June 30, 1921, according to the report.

Further Allies Offered

Germany intended to use her influence at Versailles to prevent delivery of this fleet, it was said. The admiral declared the British statement omitted sentences from the letter which specifically referred to the peace conference.

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The German government plans to publish the full text of all correspondence it had with Von Reuter to show that the British statement misrepresents the facts, it was stated semi-officially.

CUMMINS BILL TO PASS

Washington, Dec. 6.—The Cummins railroad bill will pass the senate by the end of next week, Senator Cummins predicted today. This would give the conference committee slightly over two weeks in which to harmonize the house and senate railroad bills before January 1, when President Wilson is expected to return the lines to private management.

An appropriation of \$150,000 was made by the last Washington legislature for the creation and maintenance of this new department which combines the duties performed in Oregon by the Girls Training school and the detention homes. Mrs. Fancy is now studying the work as conducted in other states with a view to including the best ideas in each in the work in her own state.

American Troops Ready To Advance Over Rhine 12,000 Strong Is Report

By Hugh Baillic

(United Press Staff Correspondent.)

Washington, Dec. 6.—Twelve thousand troops now along the Rhine could be used by Marshal Foch in any allied advance further into German territory, to enforce signing of the protocol by the Berlin government, it was declared today at the state department. Under the armistice terms and the arrangements made in connection with it, Foch can command these United States forces, according to the department.

Information is now in possession of this government, it was learned, that Germany has deliberately taken advantage of the United States senate's rejection of the peace treaty to make an attempt at stirring up dissension among the allied and associated powers, to escape further infliction of the peace terms and avoid payment for the seized German warships scuttled in Scapa Flow.

The white house, it was learned, believed this sign of stubbornness on Germany's part is but one of the consequences of treaty rejection. President Wilson today said Senator Hitchcock yesterday that responsibility now rests on other shoulders, in effect, that he is ready to remain in the background until events prove he was justified in warning that bolshevism and more trouble with Germany would follow rejection of the pact.

REORGANIZATION OF GERMAN CABINET IS HELD AS PROBABLE

By Carl D. Groat

(United Press Staff Correspondent.) Berlin, Dec. 5.—Reorganization of the German cabinet if the enemy insist upon enforcement of the terms of the protocol, was considered probable here today.

Herman Mueller, minister of foreign affairs, may resign if the section of the protocol requiring Germany to surrender certain docks and shipping in return for the sinking of the Scapa Flow fleet is enforced, it was said.

Protocol Termed "Robbery"

Whether a reorganized cabinet will accept the protocol was not known. Germany bitterly denies her government was responsible for Admiral Von Reuter's action in scuttling his ships and looks upon the allied demand for surrender of docks and merchant shipping as "robbery."

France's failure to release German war prisoners also has aroused the greatest indignation.

Referring to the communique of the British admiralty to the effect that letters had been found on the salvaged German cruiser Emden of the Scapa Flow fleet, showing Von Reuter was in touch with his government at the time he issued orders for the sinking, it was stated semi-officially today the Von Reuter letter, as quoted by the ships were interned and had not been delivered to the allies.

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MEXICAN EXILES IN UNITED STATES PLAN REVOLUTION

By S. I. Freed

(United Press Staff Correspondent.) El Paso, Texas, Dec. 6.—Mexican exiles in the United States are planning to take advantage of the drive against President Carranza now in progress in Washington.

By peaceful methods such as obtaining recognition in Washington, or by launching a revolution in case the field is thrown open following withdrawal of American support from Carranza, the exiles of all political color are being asked to unite on some constructive program.

A Mexican patriot of unimpeachable sincerity—of the same type as the murdered Felipe Angeles—is now visiting leading Mexicans in various American cities, seeking co-operation for a plan to be laid before the administration at Washington. Intervention, of course, will checkmate their hopes. In case the United States uses armed force to stabilize conditions in Mexico, these exiles will remain neutral. They believe that anyone aiding the Americans in intervention would forever be barred from receiving high office in the gift of the Mexican people.

Plan Not Fruitless

The Mexican embassy of this group was in El Paso recently, it has just been learned by the United Press. He was last reported in southern California and has visited San Antonio, Texas. He is a leader in the Mexican colony of New York.

The backers of the plan are not hopeful of success, exiles here admitted. However, they consider any effort worth while when Mexico is threatened with intervention or anarchy which they believe is likely to follow overthrow of Carranza.

The exiles' candidate for president of Mexico is not settled. This is the greatest difficulty. Every faction wants its leading man to be president. The patriot messenger is appealing from agreement on a provisional president until a regular election is held. The leading candidates are Francisco De La Barra and Manuel Calero. Dr. Vasquez Gomez is acceptable to some factions. De La Barra is believed to be in Paris. Calero was secretary of foreign relations and later ambassador to the United States under President Madero.

Backing Plentiful

There would be unlimited money behind the movement, it was declared, if it can be brought to the agreement stage. Large interests have been sounded out as regards their attitude toward the plan. Except those favoring armed intervention by the United States, the movement has met with sympathy it was stated here. A hitch has been met with in the effort to obtain support of the Catholic clergy.

None of the present candidates in Mexico to succeed Carranza, including Oregon and Gonzales, is acceptable to the exiles.

They suspect Carranza will try to further postpone the election scheduled for next July, unless American pressure against the first chief succeeds in forcing him out.

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