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WAY IS CLEARED FOR TREATY DISCUSSIONS

Pacific Treaty Is Favorably Reported By Foreign Relations Committee.

Washington, D. C.—Finally accepting a compromise reservation programme, the foreign relations committee cleared the way for transfer of the arms conference treaty debate to the open senate.

The four-power Pacific treaty, which has proved the most troublesome of the arms conference agreements in committee discussions, was ordered favorably reported with a blanket reservation drawn by committee members after consultation with President Harding.

At the same time, the committee acted favorably on the naval limitation and submarine treaties, voting virtually without debate and with the understanding that members could further present their views on the senate floor.

In reporting favorably the four-power Pacific treaty the foreign relations committee divided, 10 to 3, with Senators Borah, republican, Idaho; Johnson, republican, California; and Shields, democrat, Tennessee, voting in the negative. All the other eight republican members supported the motion and were joined by two democrats, Williams, Mississippi, and Pomerene, Ohio.

By the same vote, 10 to 3, but with Senators Williams, Pomerene and Kellogg, republican, Minnesota, casting the negative votes, the committee previously had accepted the compromise reservation said to have been accepted by President Harding and providing that the treaty contemplates "no commitment to armed force, no alliance, no obligation to join in any defense." Several proposed substitutes and amendments were voted down.

In the senate the four-power treaty alone apparently faces a prolonged debate. Several proposed reservations not considered by the committee are to be offered and Senators Borah and Johnson, among others, are attempting to organize an "irreconcilable" bloc against ratification. Whether this element becomes numerically strong is conceded to rest principally with the democrats, who are followers of former President Wilson.

SUFFRAGE IS UPHELD BY SUPREME COURT

Washington, D. C.—The woman's suffrage, or nineteenth amendment, was declared constitutional by the supreme court Monday.

The supreme court dismissed for want of jurisdiction the suit brought by Charles S. Fairchild of New York, who sought to challenge the constitutionality of the amendment.

The opinion of the court was delivered by Justice Brandeis.

The woman suffrage or nineteenth amendment to the constitution was challenged in the supreme court in proceedings instituted by Charles S. Fairchild of New York, for himself and in behalf of the American Constitutional league, to enjoin the secretary of state from issuing and the attorney general from enforcing a proclamation declaring the ratification of the amendment, and by Oscar Leser and other citizens of Maryland, constituting an organization known as the "Maryland League for State Defense." The former proceedings were based on the ground that the amendment had not been validly adopted, and the latter that the amendment was unconstitutional.

CENSORSHIP IS PROPOSED

Bill Provides For U. S. Supervision of Film Industry.

Washington, D. C.—A bill providing for establishment of a federal motion picture commission with censorship powers over all films entered in interstate commerce was introduced in the house by Representative Appleby, republican, New York.

Strict censorship of all films produced in the country is placed in the hands of the commission of three to be appointed by the president.

While the measure was designed primarily for censorship of pictures, the commission will have authority, Appleby said, to look into the conditions existing in the moving picture colonies of the country. This could be one of the functions which will naturally assume, he said.

Representatives of Oregon sportsmen's associations will meet in Portland March 13 to discuss fish and game laws and the preparation of a definite program toward the improvement of hunting conditions in the state.

The Saddle Mountain Logging company and Lewis & Malone logging camps on the line of the Lewis and Clark railroad in Clatsop county resumed operations last week after a shutdown since before the Christmas holidays.

Sixty-two aliens, representing 14 nationalities, took the oath of allegiance to the United States and were granted citizenship at the municipal auditorium before an audience of nearly 3000 citizens in Portland's first public naturalization ceremony.

The attorney-general has advised William S. Levens, district attorney of Baker County, that a county clerk must pay from the general fund of the county treasurer, the bounty provided for in the laws of 1909 and acts amendatory thereof. Also that the county court may or may not, in its discretion, provide funds for payment of the additional bounty authorized in the Oregon laws of 1907, and acts amendatory thereof.

San Francisco, Feb. 27 1922
The Pacific Co-Operative League, operating 43 general merchandise stores in Western states, petitioned for a receiver today. President Ames said the league was solvent but that the action was taken because of internal discord.

It was reported that 18 of the league's stores were in bad financial condition, and 15 in a sound financial condition.

The railroad company has put into effect an insurance plan of checking baggage. All baggage offered for transportation by holders of paid transportation, must declare value of his or her baggage in writing on form provided for that purpose, and ordinary baggage valued at over one hundred dollars, an excess charge of ten cents will be collected for each one hundred dollars or fraction thereof. The new arrangement will not change the usual allowance of 150 pounds free with each ticket providing value does not exceed one hundred dollars. This arrangement is a privilege of exceptional value to the traveling public, and while new in this territory, it has been tried out in the east and proven successful and passengers have been eager to take advantage of the privilege.

Al Macomber is down with the Grippe.

We notice in the Oregon Journal a picture of the representatives who attended the annual convention held at Poodleton, the smiling face of Chas. H. Dillabough, who represented Boardman association.

OREGON NEWS NOTES OF PRINCIPAL EVENTS HAPPENING DURING WEEK

Fifty students will graduate from Albany high school in June. Wasco county during 1921 paid out a total of 2936 in bounties on predatory animals.

Beginning March 1 Klamath county lumber industries will operate on a nine-hour day basis.

The annual meeting and election of officers of the Lin County Jersey Cattle club will be held at Albany March 4. The freight rate between Medford and Central Willamette valley points was recently reduced \$1.50 per ton on cull apples.

For stealing 20 pounds of candy from a car at Baker, Charles Wilson was sentenced to two years in the penitentiary.

Salem is to have one of the new state and federal industrial schools as soon as the shop can be fitted up for operation.

The California-Oregon Power company has just placed an order with the Gold Hill Cement company for 10,000 barrels of cement.

The first annual Bend poultry show opened in Bend Friday with 50 pens of fowls from Deschutes and Crook counties on exhibit.

A total of 273 new members was obtained during the membership drive conducted by the Josephine County Farm Bureau association.

Ben F. Chambers, aged thirty-five, indicted on a statutory charge, shot himself to death with a bullet through the head at his home in Eugene.

Salem is in the grip of another influenza epidemic, physicians estimating that there are between 500 and 1000 cases of the disease in the city.

French & Co., of The Dalles, the oldest financial institution in eastern Oregon, closed its doors on advice of A. B. Robertson, state bank examiner.

Oregon is the second state in the union in the amount of developed water power. Oregon has 74 plants with a total capacity of 185,215 horsepower.

The central stage terminal at Salem is now handling about 1000 persons daily. Approximately 45 stages arrive and depart from the terminal each 24 hours.

A choral society composed of more than 50 voices and representative of Redmond, Powell Butte, Terrebonne and Lower Bridge, was organized at Redmond.

A total of 3705 cash claims, filed by ex-service men entitled to benefits under the so-called bonus act, have been certified by the world war veterans' state aid commission.

The winter fishing season on the Columbia river closed at noon Wednesday and the catching of salmon will be unlawful until the opening of the spring season at noon on May 1.

A survey of state institutions in Salem to investigate dental care of inmates will be made soon, according to Dr. Clyde Mount, of Oregon City, president of the State Dental association.

A \$200,000 furnace for manufacturing pig iron will be started within the next six weeks upon its property a mile west of Seaposse by the Oregon Charcoal-Iron company, according to an announcement.

L. L. Thomas of Marshfield was elected president of the Oregon Retail Merchants' association and Eugene was selected as the next convention city during the annual convention of the association at Roseburg.

An amendment to the interior department appropriation bill offered by Senator McNary providing \$50,000 for a new dormitory at Chemawa Indian school, Salem, was adopted by the state Indian affairs committee.



HARDING DISCLOSES PLAN TO AID SHIPS

Program Contemplates Return to Private Initiative and Enterprise.

Washington, D. C.—The administration plan for government aid for the American merchant marine was presented to congress Tuesday by President Harding with the declaration that the influence of the United States in world councils is "sure to be measured by that unflinching standard which is found in a nation's merchant marine."

The president detailed to the two houses assembled in joint session the war-time creation of America's great tonnage—an experimental venture as he described it—and then he added:

"Having failed at such enormous cost, I bring you the proposal which contemplates the return to private initiative and private enterprise, aided to a conservative success, wherein we are safeguarded against the promotion of private greed and do not discourage the hope of profitable investment, which underlies all successful endeavor."

A ship subsidy estimated at approximately \$32,000,000 annually, to be provided for principally by the diversion of 10 per cent of the nation's customs receipts would be paid to the owners of American ships engaged in foreign trade under a bill introduced in the senate and house. The measure incorporates a subsidy plan proposed by the shipping board and endorsed by President Harding in his message read to a joint session.

Introduced in the senate by Chairman Jones of the commerce committee and in the house by Chairman Greene of the merchant marine committee, the bill sets forth that the purpose of the direct subsidy provision is to "aid the development and maintenance of the American merchant marine, to promote the growth of the foreign commerce of the United States and to contribute to the national defense."

IDAHO MEN PROTEST LAND EXCHANGE BILL

Boise, Idaho.—President Harding was asked, through the medium of Idaho's congressional delegation, to veto house bill No. 77, providing for an exchange of 260,000 acres of Northern Pacific lands in northern Idaho for range lands in southern Idaho, by a massed assembly of 500 representative business, stock and sheep men and farmers, held in the house of representatives at the state house.

This action was taken after the friends and the enemies of the measure were heard in debate that lasted six hours and during which the charges were made that the bill constitutes a "land steal."

Governor Davis, speaking on behalf of the people of Idaho, proposed convening the legislature in extra session that proper laws might be passed to safeguard the equitable distribution of the public lands of the state involved in the authority granted by the measure.

NEW DISEASE HITS CATTLE

Anti-Toxin Sought; Death Results in Five to 71 Hours.

Washington, D. C.—Domestic animals are threatened by a new and dreaded disease which causes death in from five to 71 hours, according to a bulletin issued by the public health service. Efforts are being made to produce an anti-toxin.

WE STILL HAVE OUR CANUTES

