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CHAS. E. WINTER



Charles E. Winter, who succeeds Frank W. Mondell as representative-at-large from the state of Wyoming.

LARGE INCREASE IN INCOME TAX

Washington, D. C.—Evidence of prosperity, almost nation wide, was given in the last income and profits tax payments to the government, treasury officials declared, basing their statement on figures which, although incomplete, support their earlier estimate of receipts of \$400,000,000 between March 1 and 15.

One of the reasons given for the view that business conditions improved throughout last year and are continuing on the upgrade was that although the general level of federal tax rates has been lowered as compared with the rates upon which last year's payments were based, treasury figures indicate the aggregate amount of taxes collected during the first half of March this year will far exceed the collections for the same period last year, when they totaled about \$335,000,000. Reports to the treasury showed that this amount had been exceeded probably by \$50,000,000.

NO INDICTMENTS RETURNED

Insufficient Evidence Reported by Grand Jury in Bastrop Inquiry.

Bastrop, La.—The Morehouse Parish grand jury, which began its sessions here on March 5 in connection with the masked band activities in the parish last summer, submitted its report to Judge Fred M. Odum, stating its failure to find indictments on account of insufficient evidence.

"The majority of this body are of the opinion that the evidence provided was not sufficient to warrant the finding of true bills against any particular party," the report said.

Captain J. K. Skipwith, exalted cyclops of the Morehouse Klan, declared he was pleased with the verdict.

Porto Rico Remains Dry.

Washington, D. C.—Despite the fact that the Philippines are "wide open" so far as liquor is concerned, Porto Rico will remain as "dry" as continental United States, under a ruling by legal authorities of the war department, and concurred in by the attorney general.

Woman Is Named Manager of City.

Astoria, Or.—Believed to be the first woman ever appointed to the office of manager of a city or town in the United States, Mrs. R. E. Barrett, business woman of Seaside, has been unanimously selected for the office of city manager of Warrenton.

Ball Franchise in Seattle Sold. Seattle, Wash.—Charles L. Lockhard and Wade Killefer of Los Angeles, Cal., and John J. Sullivan, local attorney, purchased the Seattle baseball club of the Pacific coast league.

Vilna Given to Poland by Allies. Paris.—By decision of the allied council of ambassadors, fixing finally the frontier between Poland and Russia, the Vilna district is attached to Poland.

RENOMINATION PLANS FOR HARDING MAPPED

Lengthy Speaking Trip in June By President Now Being Contemplated.

Washington, D. C.—The movement for the renomination of President Harding, which first took tangible form in recent conferences among a group of his friends here, has developed to a stage where details of the personnel and programme of a pre-convention organization in his behalf are receiving active attention.

For the present the two most vital topics of these discussions relate to the choice of those who are to head the organization and to various features of the country-wide speaking trips the president himself is expected to make during the summer. Already a tentative itinerary for the trip is under consideration and Mr. Harding's advisers are putting their heads together to aid him in his selection of the topics he is to discuss.

Attorney-General Daugherty's announcement in Miami Saturday that the president would be a candidate again, accepted here as further confirming the impression which has been current for some weeks in political circles, is expected to hasten the work of formulating a definite programme and a definite backing with which he can go before the country.

As it now stands, the plan for his trip contemplates his departure from Washington during June for a speaking-making swing which will take him to about 20 principal cities, including two or three on the Pacific coast.

Postoffice at Olympia Robbed.

Olympia, Wash.—Between \$30,000 and \$40,000 worth of stamps, about \$100 in cash and \$400 contained in registered mail were stolen by robbers who broke into the Olympia postoffice, according to an estimate made by Postmaster Frank S. Clem.

THE MARKETS

Portland.

Wheat—Hard white, \$1.36; soft white and western white, \$1.25; hard winter and northern spring, \$1.20; red western, \$1.19.

Corn—Whole, \$44; cracked, \$46.

Hay—Alfalfa, \$24 per ton; valley timothy, \$25; eastern Oregon timothy, \$26.

Butter Fat—42@44c.

Eggs—Ranch, 20@23c.

Cheese—Tillamook cream, 26c; Young Americas, 27c; block Swiss, 30@32c; cream brick, 30@31c.

Cattle—Choice steers, \$7.50@8.25; medium to good, \$6.25@7.50.

Sheep—East of mountain lambs and choice valley lambs, \$13.50@14.

Hogs—Prime light, \$9.25@9.50; smooth heavy, \$8@9.

Seattle.

Wheat—Hard white, \$1.28; soft white and western white, \$1.27; hard and soft red winter, northern spring and western red, \$1.21.

Butter Fat—44@45c.

Eggs—Ranch, 21@25c.

Cattle—Prime steers, \$7.25@7.75; medium to choice, \$6.75@7.15.

Hogs—Prime light, \$9.25@9.50; smooth heavy, \$7.25@8.25.

Printing is the inseparable companion of achievement.—R. T. Port

OREGON COOPERATIVE HAY GROWERS PLAN CHANGE

This week the board of directors are sending to all members of the association advisory ballots to secure the sentiment of the organization regarding proposed changes in operating plan.

There has been some discussion of dividing the annual pool into two pools, which would prompt earlier settlements, closing these pools every 90 days and giving each grower an opportunity to select the pool in which his hay would be sold.

The second plan is to continue the annual pool as at present, but to undertake to make advances to growers near November first of around 60 per cent of the stack value of the hay. Such an advance would give growers earlier money than is possible under the present operating plan.

The directors feel that from several angles the association has vindicated itself during the past year, and because of the experience gained in two years operation is now justified in undertaking business practices and advancing money to growers in ways which were not advisable the first year of the organization.

Last year local market prices in Hermiston exceeded those of the Yakima valley through the entire season, but this is the first year that Hermiston hay has continually outsold the Gardena hay of the Walla Walla valley. At no time have local prices anywhere in the northwest approached those paid for hay in the Hermiston-Boardman vicinity, the difference ranging from \$1.50 to \$2.50.

Authentic reports from the Yakima valley reveal the fact that a very large number of the largest dealers in that valley have lost heavily this year in speculating in hay. The hay growers' association last spring and summer requested these dealers to assist them in getting the farmers a fair price for hay. This cooperation was refused, in spite of abundant evidence produced by the association that dairymen on the coast were willing to pay this price.

It now develops that these dealers continued during the summer the practice of selling short on the coast in an endeavor to hold prices of hay down.

The hay growers' association, realizing the farmers' necessity, did everything possible to get before their minds accurate statements as to the hay situation, which they contended justified a considerably higher price. In carrying out this endeavor they had the active support of two or three hay dealers, but were decidedly opposed by the majority. It is claimed for the organization by its sponsors that this activity of the association in endeavoring to raise the price of hay, as the opposing factor to the dealers' combination to bear prices, has made a difference of several dollars a ton for the entire northwest.

The past ten days has illustrated the value of trees on the Project. Until we have trees any thing but deep rooted ones is subject to the whims of our South-Westerns. We are ordering thru the Beatrice Nursery of Beatrice, Nebraska, some honey locusts at a cost of \$3.25 per thousand. You cannot plant any thing of more value to your place than trees. Send for a thousand. It is money well spent.

Harry Murchie, pioneer of Boardman, has gone to Seaside for the summer, but he told us to be sure to send the Mirror to him every week so he would know what was going on.

When Subscriptions Expire

The Post Office Buling The right of publishers to extend in good faith credit on subscriptions is recognized and will not be abridged, and although all subscriptions are regarded as expiring with the period for which they were obtained, nevertheless, in order to give an opportunity to secure renewals, copies of their publications will be accepted for mailing as to subscribers at the usual second-class rates of postage for a period of one year from the date of expiration, but copies sent to persons after one year from the date of the expiration of their subscriptions, unless such subscriptions be expressly renewed for a definite time, together with an actual payment of subscription or a bona fide promise of payment, will not be accepted at the pound rate but will be accepted at the transient second class rate of one cent for each four ounces, or fraction thereof, prepaid by stamps affixed.

THE WEATHER

If matters not, for in the land of old King Tut, the three mile limit of the briny deep, the cotton fields of Tennessee or the corn fed belt of the middle West, they are all having weather. From the four points of the compass the press reports loss of life and property. To us who are favored by a climate second to none let us extend an invitation to these weather afflicted sufferers, to our hospitable climate. To the kin of the 48 who lost their lives in Tennessee in the recent storm, we bid you welcome. To the maimed and crippled 125 of Mississippi we bid you come. To the former occupants of 100 tornado wrecked homes we welcome you. To Nebraska with your 14 below and 10 foot drifts, your 60 mile gales and your frost bitten citizens, come to us. To the tornado stricken of Colorado, to the snow bound of Illinois, and Iowa we bid you welcome to a climate that is all sunshine. To us native "freeters, stovers and afflicted peevers" does the above cause you to give thought that possibly we should offer thanks for living in such a fair land as ours. Has the storm God wrecked your home? Has a loved one been eliminated from your health? Are you leaving your second story window onto snow drifts? Are you shivering at twenty below? To you who would sell tomorrow at fifty cents on the dollar, whither would you drift? To be sure just over the hill is the solid setting of a tinted rainbow, but thru the agas mankind has wearily trudged but never reached his destination. It cannot always be sunshine, no matter what your Port of Call, why not coat our bitter with a bit of sweet? Season the joys of life with the salt from the tears of our sorrow. Isn't it fine for you and me that memory is short lived? Today we are in the doldrums and tomorrow we back in the sunlight of light heartedness. Wear the spirit of cheer on the sleeve of your coat even tho you drape with erpe your heart. We are favored children for you and I who are of clay, descend ashes to ashes, dust to dust, but just before we get too dusty, up comes a sand lifter, we fill our nostrils and are born again. There is good in everything and we should give thanks that the Lord did not decorate us with feathers. Heads up and a prayer for our Eastern brethren.

NOW IS THE TIME

Spring is significant of new life, and a rejuvenation of the old. Soon the vegetable kingdom will arouse from the winter period of indolence, and will burst forth with new rainfall of green to soften the hard outlines of hill and dale and meadow, and to beckon us forth into God's outdoors. Soon the animal kingdom will shed their winter coats, and girls and boys will join the carnival of spring in pretty, bright Easter attire.

In a few weeks towns and cities and communities will advertise clean up, paint up, and brush up campaigns in order to harmonize with the setting which nature has surrounded them. All of these activities are good and are worthy of the highest commendation. "Cleanliness is next to Godliness." We wonder if Godliness is possible without cleanliness, for without a clean mind, clean body, and clean soul how can one have a full appreciation of the spiritual virtues.

Are you merely making a sham of your spring cleaning? Are you covering a withered, decaying body with fine and beautiful clothes, and making yourself believe that because the clothes are good, so is the body underneath? During the winter you have had your automobile repainted and thoroughly overhauled to avoid trouble during the coming spring and summer.

But what about the human machine? Have you had it examined for defective parts? A thorough physical examination now with intelligent advice will possibly add several years to your life. If you are approaching or past middle life this fact makes a thorough physical examination the more imperative. Many of you who read this letter, when you receive your notice of premium due for your life insurance will find enclosed an offer of a free examination. Are you going to take advantage of the offer? The insurance company realizes that by thorough physical examination years may be added to the lives of the insured, they will therefore collect more premiums from you and postpone the payment of a death claim. If it is good business for the insurance company, is it not good business to you? Nothing is more valuable than human life.

A physical examination should include among other things a thorough examination of the heart and lungs with the body stripped to the waist, testing of the blood pressure, and an examination of the urine. A careful history to determine the appearance of symptoms is of no less importance.

C. H. Latourel is bid up with two broken ribs he got when on his trip to Portland last week.

GERMANY MUST MAKE OFFER TO NEGOTIATE

Premier Poincare Says Outside Action Will Be Held Unfriendly.

Paris.—Premier Poincare will entertain no proposition for negotiations with Germany until the Berlin government makes it known directly and officially to France that she wants to negotiate. It was declared in French official circles.

Any attempt by a third power to intervene or provoke discussion of the terms under which a settlement might be reached with Germany, it was added, will be regarded by France as an unfriendly act.

The impression gained from the same source is that when Germany is ready to make a direct official request to negotiate, Premier Poincare will be ready to consider any reasonable proposition.

There seems good reason to believe the French premier would be willing to accept as a basis for negotiations the final figure fixed in his proposition to Prime Minister Bonar Law last January provided the conditions concerning the inter-allied debts contained in that provision were accepted by Great Britain, but this, it is pointed out in official circles, could not be a subject of negotiations with Germany.

Germany, it is indicated, would be expected to negotiate regarding guarantees on the basis of the 1921 schedule of payments in consideration of a short or partial moratorium.

TRAIN BANDITS ARE CAPTURED IN BATTLE

Tacoma, Wash.—Three bandits, chased across country following a sensational attempt to rob a train of \$15,000 at South Prairie, were captured between Buckley and Enumclaw. Hundreds of shots were fired at the bandits and by them from the time of their sensational attack on the train at South Prairie until their bullet-riddled car was abandoned a few miles from Buckley on the Enumclaw highway.

The quick wit of Clarence E. Golt, express messenger, prevented the theft of the \$15,000 payroll en route to the mines at Barnett. When the first of the bandits' bullets crashed out its load report, Golt hid the money in a remote part of the car, where the bandits failed to find it.

Equally quick wit of telephone operators at the toll center in Buckley resulted in the capture of the men. Overhearing the South Prairie operator reporting the hold up to Tacoma and Barnett they directed the arousing of all available men in Buckley who could arm themselves and by the time the bandits in a fast touring car had covered the few miles between South Prairie and Buckley, deputy sheriffs and armed citizens were on the watch and opened fire with a hail of bullets that perforated the car from end to end.

The men under arrest at Buckley are Paul Ripoff, 37, lately employed at Barnett, but formerly of Seattle; Floyd Jergensen, 29, of 1732 Twenty-fourth street, southwest, Seattle, and Jerry Penning, 27, of the St. George apartments, Seattle.

MISS PIESINGER



Miss Marie A. Piesinger of New Prague, Minn., recently elected president of the Minnesota board of pharmacy, is the first woman to hold such a position.

AMERICA DOES NOT WANT THE ANTILLES

Washington, D. C.—Statements published in Paris and accredited to Secretary Hughes to the effect that the United States desired to obtain the Antilles from France in payment of the French war debt were received with amusement by Mr. Hughes, who said he never had made any such suggestion.

It was recalled that a White House spokesman recently announced that the government did not desire any territorial properties and had no intention of acquiring by purchase or otherwise any foreign island possessions adjacent to North or South America.

In commenting on the Paris dispatch, state department officials also called attention to the fact that the debt commission had been empowered by congress to negotiate settlement of war debts with the governments concerned, and that Secretary Hughes had no authority to use the office as secretary of state to negotiate or discuss the war debt question.

BRIEF GENERAL NEWS

Carl Jackson, formerly state dry agent from Wyoming, has been appointed divisional chief for Washington and Oregon.

Eight persons were killed and fifty or more injured in a storm which wrecked the village of Savage, in Tate county, Mississippi.

Secretary of the Interior Work has announced the appointment of former Governor D. W. Davis of Idaho as special assistant secretary of the interior.

San Francisco bay has been named as a main operating base for the United States navy, it was officially announced at the headquarters of the 12th naval district.

Resignation of R. E. Clanton, superintendent of commercial fish hatcheries of the Oregon state fish commission, effective April 1, has been requested by the commission.

Mike McTigue, Canada's fighting Irishman, won the light heavyweight championship of the world by winning a 20-round decision over Battling Siki, the Senegalese who took the title away from Georges Carpentier. The fight took place in Dublin, Ireland.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Price motored to Walla Walla Sunday. Mr. Price returned the same day but Mrs. Price remained with her relatives until Wednesday.

J. C. Ballenger drove to Yakima Wednesday to attend a good roads meeting. He was joined by Mr. Warren of Alderdale and Mrs. Ballenger accompanied him. A movement is being made by the Yakima commercial club to get a good road from Yakima to the Alderdale ferry.

LUCKY STRIKE CIGARETTE

It's toasted

50 GOOD CIGARETTES 10¢

GENUINE "BULL" DURHAM TOBACCO