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CAPTAIN M'EWAN IS NEW OREGON COACH

Five-Year Contract Given Former West Point Man and Noted Player

ENVIABLE RECORD HELD

Football Head Will Arrive Here Next Month

100 NAMES CONSIDERED

Head of Army Team That Defeated Notre Dame, 27 to 0, Coming to University of Oregon as Chief Mentor

A cablegram of acceptance sent to Captain John J. McEwan by Earl Onthank, executive secretary of the University of Oregon, yesterday sealed a five-year contract with the famous West Point coach and member of the national rules committee, as head football coach. The action came after a lengthy meeting of the combined athletic and executive committees of the associated students yesterday morning.

The former army coach will bring with him to Oregon a wealth of prestige and an enviable record. He has written his name permanently in football records. He played under Doc Williams, of Minnesota, the greatest coach of his age, in 1911 and 1912. He played for the army in 1913, 1914, 1915 and 1916. In 1916 he captained the cadets and in 1914 he was named all-American center on Walter Camp's team. He was chief assistant under Jake Daly at West Point in 1919, 1920, 1921 and 1922, and after he had taken up his post as advisory coach at Harvard he became head coach of the U. S. military academy. Since 1923 he has coached the West Point teams. He is one of the few coaches in the country belonging to the national rules committee, which membership he has held since taking the helm of the army team. He is associated on the committee with Alonzo A. Stagg, Bob Roper and other outstanding celebrities connected with football.

Coach on Way to Porto Rico

The new Oregon coach is on his way to San Juan, Porto Rico, where he was detailed after the football season at West Point for foreign duty. He will resign his commission immediately and will take the helm at the University of Oregon some time next term, it was announced by Mr. Onthank. The actual negotiations for the mentor were carried on by wire and cable direct to him. The acceptance of the contract was sent to the committee at the beginning of the week, but the announcement was held up until the return of Jack Bethel, graduate manager, from the meeting of the Pacific Coast conference at Seattle last week-end.

"We are very well satisfied with our choice," said Mr. Onthank. "We feel that Captain McEwan is one of the greatest coaches in the United States. We could not have hoped for a better choice. We expect him to be here early next month or at any rate to be here in time for spring training. He will be an all-year-around man, but will devote all of his time to football. As soon as he gets here the athletic committee will confer with him about his assistant coaches. It is understood that he will bring his own assistants. In getting Captain McEwan here we are on our first step in our new athletic policy to put all athletics at Oregon on a paid basis."

While at West Point Captain McEwan had six assistants with practically one-fourth of the 1300 enrollment of the corps turning out for the sport. In all probability he will bring only two or three assistants with him. They will be paid exclusive of his stipulated salary.

McEwan Held Best of All

Out of the five men considered by the athletic committee headed by Walter Malcolm, president of the associated students, Captain McEwan was judged the best man for the group. Mr. Malcolm said after the meeting yesterday morning, "I feel confident that the student body will be as pleased with our choice as are the members of the executive council. We deliberated a long time before selecting a man and after thoroughly delving into Captain McEwan's record, concluded that he was the right man for Oregon."

The process of selection was carried through the athletic committee to whom Virgil Earl, director of athletics, presented his recommendations for coaches after an extended month's tour of the East, South and Middle West this fall. The athletic committee passed upon the new coach and the action was turned over to the executive council for their approval. Over a hundred coaches were considered by Mr. Earl on his tour of the country and from this group of possibilities the outstanding five men were picked.

Jack Benefiel, graduate manager, has returned by way of Seattle yesterday from this recent trip to the East to arrange the East-West football game at the tournament of roses in Pasadena for the Pacific coast conference, interviewed Captain McEwan and began the negotiations which culminated in his being offered the contract.

Record Is Outstanding

A record which is to be envied by any coach shows the new Oregon mentor to be capable of putting out teams that can move in among the best. Nine games are on the usual West Point schedule and the coaching of them is done under handicaps of extreme scholastic requirements, and with not more than four practices a week. The last two years Captain McEwan has coached cadets his schedule has included three of the powerful teams of the country—Notre Dame, Columbia and Yale. Last year the Notre Dame team was held to its lowest score during the season, 13 to 7, by the army eleven, and this year Mc-

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The Weather

For Oregon—Tuesday unsettled, probably rain northwest portion; normal temperature; moderate southeast winds.

Sunday's weather in Eugene: Maximum temperature, 47 degrees; minimum, 32; precipitation, .20 of an inch; wind from southeast. Stage of river, 3.5 feet.

Monday's weather—Maximum temperature, 43 degrees; minimum, 31; wind from southeast. Stage of river, 3 feet.

Eugene and Vicinity

Pioneers will meet tonight to discuss games and vacation. Page 2.

Spartans meet tonight to discuss club standards and games. Page 8.

Thief steals clothes but leaves money in local man's room. Page 8.

Scouting is praised by R. A. Booth at Lane county council meeting. Page 3.

Local reserve officers elect; new members taken into association. Page 3.

M. W. A. elect J. A. McKevitt consul of order in Eugene. Page 3.

School site taken up by board of education; children north of track crawl under trains. Page 8.

Mrs. W. J. Aylsworth of Junction City dies in hospital. Page 7.

Two policemen hired by city council to serve as traffic officer and patrolman. Page 1.

Line extension sought; West Eugene wants car service. Page 3.

Hotel razing favored by fire chief; report is made to council. Page 3.

Transfer vans scored in petition to city council. Page 3.

Vets to get presents in Christmas boxes made up by legion auxiliary. Page 8.

Marketing is problem being studied by O. A. C. extension service Maris says. Page 2.

Local dentist associate editor of new journal published in east. Page 8.

Martha E. Butler, recent resident of Lane county dies. Page 5.

"Y" board of trustees will meet for business session this afternoon. Page 8.

Oakridge to be active place after first of year says hotel man. Page 1.

Local men on board of new reserve officer examining unit. Page 3.

Master barbers meet; Professor Louis A. Wood is speaker at dinner. Page 3.

Tunnel said abandoned for open cut on Natron cut-off says Oakridge man. Page 2.

Eagle officer returns after visiting Pendleton, Baker, La Grande lodges. Page 3.

Election notices posted by College Crest school board. Page 8.

Pioneers visit Baptist church; Mohawks have largest number present. Page 7.

Uniform is selected for Pioneer boys' chorus; to be blue sailor. Page 8.

Bridge bids called by council for span over Amazon on Willamette street. Page 7.

Contract action taken by council; Read job to be finished by bonding house. Page 2.

Lights body is named; to investigate street illumination. Page 1.

Local firms thanked by ladies of Elks. Page 1.

Farmers clear right of way for Poodle creek road. Page 3.

Car thieves to be brought back from Grants Pass. Page 8.

New arrivals reported during past week. Page 8.

Price will is probated; three children get bulk of property. Page 2.

Railway clerks leave city after banquet at Osburn. Page 3.

C. E. Union plans work for coming winter and spring. Page 3.

Business firms to move; Kenneth Strawn and Mrs. Crocker have new locations. Page 3.

Benefit sale for fine arts building planned. Page 3.

Polls at city election will open at 8 a. m. today. Page 8.

Report on Van Buren street opening given city council by viewers. Page 8.

Price coming to Eugene soon is report. Page 5.

Highway clearing on Roosevelt route north of Florence about done. Page 6.

Road bids on Reedsport-Scottsburg section of highway asked for. Page 1.

Examinations for teachers begin Wednesday morning. Page 3.

New bridge built at Stafford school; men volunteer services. Page 3.

Three men fined on charges of liquor possession. Page 7.

Lime soon to be shipped here for farmers. Page 1.

More pyrotol wanted; seventh carload being made up. Page 5.

Building permits take spurt; new homes to be built. Page 8.

DeMolay to give play here next month. Page 8.

Lane County and Vicinity

Man suffers serious gun shot wound in accidental discharge of gun. Page 9.

Klan endorses Springfield police matron's stand; letter held forgery. Page 9.

Motorists pay fines in Springfield for parking in forbidden space. Page 9.

Postal record in Springfield office broken by holiday trade. Page 9.

Freight car is derailed at Natron and delays Oakridge train. Page 9.

Hotel said favored in Springfield; chamber to discuss program. Page 9.

School equipment given by Ladies' Aids for Springfield buildings. Page 9.

Council at Springfield backs police matron and discusses ornamental lighting. Page 9.

Auxiliary elects Mrs. M. B. Huntley president. Page 9.

Wendling plans Christmas tree for December 17. Page 10.

Grange has meeting at Creswell Saturday. Page 12.

Babies' operetta given by women's society at Creswell. Page 12.

Hunter home at Veneta destroyed by fire. Page 10.

Shedd resident dies; John B. McGee reaches age of 71 years. Page 12.

Lodge election held; Jos. S. Taylor consul for Creswell camp of Modern Woodmen of America. Page 12.

Club to meet with Mrs. Stauffer

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GENERAL LI WINS TIENTSIN BATTLES

Marshal Feng Yu-Hsing, Who Was Ruler of Peking, Is Forced Back

CITY HAS CELEBRATION

Communication Is Restored Between Provinces

CAPITAL NOT IN TOUCH

Heavy Machine Gun and Artillery Fire Reported From Pehtang Where Rebel Forces are Facing Governor's Men

(By The Associated Press)

TIENTSIN, Dec. 14.—General Li Ching-Ling, governor of Chihli, has won victories on two fronts in the vicinity of Tientsin over the Kuominchun, national peoples' army, the head of which is Marshall Feng Yu-Hsiang, who controls Peking. Foreigners arriving from the eastern front confirm reports that Ching's army at Pehtang, 45 miles east of Tientsin has forced back the center of the Kuminchun army, composed of inferior divisions, while 40 miles to the south of this city, another of the governor's armies has defeated the second Kuominchun army at Machang.

Tientsin was beflagged today in celebration of the victories.

Communication between Tientsin and Shangtung province has been restored but there has been no communication between Tientsin and Peking for many days, the people here being ignorant of the events in the capital. The telephone and telegraph lines have been cut and roads torn up while attempts to restore railway communication have proved futile.

A bridge over the Hsinho river has been blown up.

(By The Associated Press)

TIENTSIN, China, Dec. 14.—Heavy machine gun and artillery fire took place at Pentang, 45 miles east of Tientsin, during the weekend. General Li Ching-Ling, the Chihli governor, although outnumbered, advanced his troops and now is strongly entrenched in three lines.

The boundary of the Japanese concession in Tientsin is protected by barbed wire and machine gun emplacements and trenches have been constructed at the French arsenal.

Li Ching-Ling is fighting the Kuominchun, or national people's army, the head of which is Marshal Feng Yu-Hsiang, who controls the situation at Peking.

(By The Associated Press)

SHANGHAI, Dec. 14.—Troops attached to the army of General Kuo Sung-Ling have entered New Chwang without fighting, according to advices from Mukden. New Chwang is about 125 miles southwest of Mukden, the capital of Marshal Chang Tao-Lin the Manchurian war lord, against whom General Kuo recently revolted.

Cranking Car Fatal

(By The Associated Press)

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 14. — Francis M. Hord, 67, Beaver Creek farmer, died here today while cranking his automobile. The exertion of turning the crank was supposed to have been too much for the man.

SUMMERALL TESTIFIES IN MITCHELL'S TRIAL

SERVICE RECORD DEFENDED BY FORMER COURT HEAD

Charges of Ignorance Regarding Hawaiian Defenses Denied by Senior Army Officer

(By The Associated Press)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Major General Charles P. Summerall, senior officer in the army active service, defended today before the Mitchell courtmartial his record as former commanding general of the Hawaiian department and the part he took last summer, as commander of the second corps area, in directing the anti-aircraft tests at Fort Tilden, N. Y., and the night searchlight demonstrations at Camp Dix, N. J.

In the first place the veteran general bared his record to disprove Colonel Mitchell's charge that he was ignorant of Hawaii's defenses which were among his responsibilities in 1923. Then, he gave the emphatic denial to other charges, involving statements of defense witnesses that he had ordered night formation flying at Camp Dix despite obvious dangers and over protests of flying officers, including Captain Willis Hale, commander of the 20th bombardment squadron at Langley Field, Va.

Realizing the danger of night formation flying, he testified, he had personally ordered that the planes fly with sufficient distance between them to guard against any possibility of collisions. He added that Camp Dix had been selected for the night tests by air officers. Throughout the Tilden and Dix tests, he declared, the recommendations of air officers were followed by him and they had expressed complete satisfaction with the arrangements at the time.

The general plainly welcomed the opportunity to appear in his own defense before the tribunal which he convened as its first president, a post he voluntarily relinquished after Representative Frank R. Reid of Illinois, chief defense counsel had attacked his personal record.

COUNT'S SON GUARDED

ATTEMPTS TO KIDNAP BOY ARE RUMORED

(By The Associated Press)

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla., Dec. 14.—Persistent rumors that attempts have been made to kidnap the infant son of Countess Ludwig Salm Von Heogstraeten, the former Millicent Rogers, were given renewed currency here tonight when it became known that private detectives guarding Waikiki, the countess' Palm Beach home, at an early hour today had fired six shots at two men.

The two prowlers entered the grounds from the rear and were approaching a side door when discovered by the private detectives. The guard at the countess' home was increased tonight, two members of the Palm Beach police department being detailed to work with the private detectives.

Despite the shooting episode and the report that the count had filed suit for separation, the countess maintained the silence that has characterized her stay in Palm Beach.

Lewis Defeats Labriola

(By The Associated Press)

CHICAGO, Dec. 14.—Ed "Strangler" Lewis, heavyweight wrestling championship claimant, tonight defeated Leon Labriola, Italian wrestler, in two straight falls via the headlock route. The first fall came in 40 minutes, 20 seconds, and the second in 13 minutes 20 seconds.

MAJORITY REPORT ASKS MORE POWER FOR BOARD

COOLIDGE MERCHANT MARINE POLICY OPPOSED

Democrats and Insurgents Bring in Objections to Plan for New Cabinet Office

(By The Associated Press)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Continuance of the government's existing merchant marine organization with greater concentration of power in the shipping board, a plan contrary to the views of President Coolidge, was recommended today in a Democratic-insurgent majority report of a special house committee.

Concurred in by the three Democrats of the committee and Representative Cooper, Republican, Wisconsin, the report opposed concentration of authority in a cabinet office and endorsed the interpretation the board has made of its own rights.

Minority Report Made

The three regular Republican members of the committee, in a minority report, advocated independence of the fleet corporation from the board in the operation of ships and recommended reorganization of the existing system along the lines proposed by President Coolidge in his message to congress.

The majority report recommended that the board elect its own chairman and continue "to determine the establishment, increase or discontinuance of trade routes and services, including the number and character of ships to be operated and the frequency of sailings."

"Free Hand" Asked

Operation of ships should be given to officials appointed by the board but having a "free hand" it said, in the management. The board should be independent and not subservient to the president, it held, and "we deem it better for matters of policy to be determined by a board coming from all sections of the country."

The minority report advocated reappointment of fleet corporation trustees by the president instead of the board, and transfer to the fleet corporation head practically all authority over the merchant marine. The board, under its program, would decide upon matters of policy, routes, rates, ports and deal with unfair practices.

BANDITS HOLD UP STAGE

NOTHING BUT NEWSPAPERS FOUND BY ROBBERS

(By The Associated Press)

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., Dec. 14.—Two or more bandits who held up a stage tonight at the top of Green Springs mountain, on the Ashland-Klamath Falls highway, found that the stage carried only editions of the Portland Oregonian.

Officers left here in an attempt to intercept a second stage following an hour behind the first in which it is believed valuable baggage is being carried, it being feared that an attempt also would be made to hold it up.

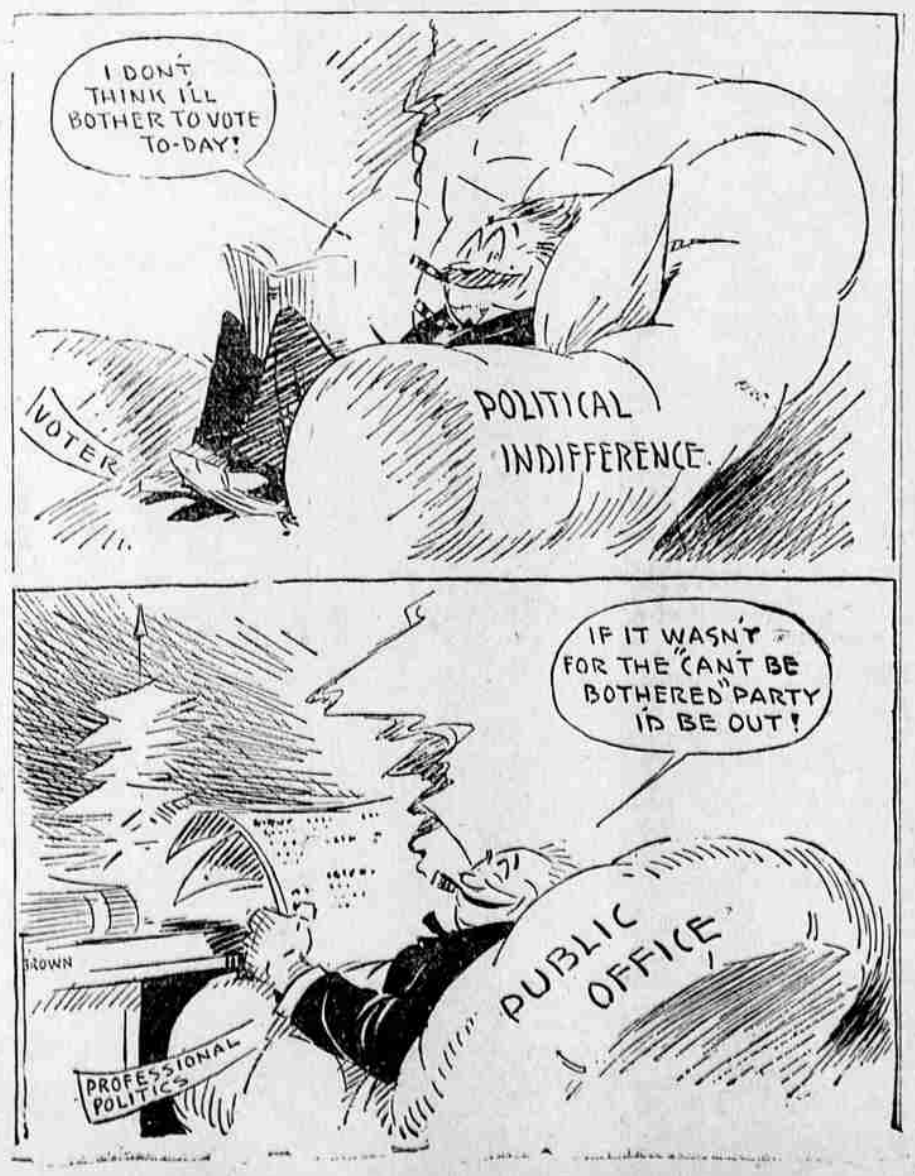
BRIDGE WORK STARTS

NEW STRUCTURE UNDER WAY FOR CROOKED RIVER

(By The Associated Press)

BEND, Ore., Dec. 14. — The first link in the steel structure which is to span Crooked river on the route of The Dalles-California highway, is in place. This link is a double cable, to be used in swinging the steel over the deep, crooked river gorge. The cable is more than 300 feet above the bottom of the Basalt Gorge.

THOSE EASY CHAIRS



LOWER INCOME TAX APPROVED IN HOUSE

Maximum Surtax Cut From 40 to 20 Per Cent In New Revenue Bill

MANY GIVING SUPPORT

Effort to Increase Rate Causes Main Conflict

LONG DISCUSSION HELD

Provision to Increase Exemption on Earned Income to $20,000 from $10,000 Approved Without Debate

(By The Associated Press)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—The sweeping reductions on income taxes proposed in the revenue bill were approved today by the house.

The new rates provide for a cut in the maximum surtax from 40 to 20 per cent and for reductions in all the normal taxes.

Overwhelming support of the non-partisan bill drafted by the ways and means committee, developed during the first day of consideration of amendments by the house. Half a dozen proposed changes were swept aside, many without the necessity even of a record vote.

Rainey Makes Proposal

The most serious fight came on the proposal of Representative Rainey of Illinois, a Democratic member of the committee, to increase the maximum surtax rate to 25 per cent. It was rejected after a sharp three-hour debate, 186 to 117. Previously the house had rejected, 266 to 54 an amendment by Representative LaGuardia, Socialist, New York, to make the maximum surtax rate 30 per cent.

Other amendments were turned down in rapid order and with little show of partisan division. The surtax vote, however, found most of the Democrats, including Representative Garrett of Tennessee, the minority leader, voting for the 25 per cent maximum rate, while a large majority of the Republicans opposed it.

Many Enter Debate

A large attendance participated in the five-hour discussion of the bill today during which its most vital provisions were disposed of. Adjournment was taken when the provision to increase personal exemption from $1000 to $1500 for single persons and from $2500 to $3500 for married persons was reached. Several amendments are pending on this provision.

The normal income tax schedule approved today provides for a reduction to two to one and a half and the first $4000 taxable income from 4 to 3 per cent on the next $4000 and from 6 to 5 per cent on the remainder.

Other provisions of the bill increasing from $10,000 to $20,000 the amount of income on which the 25 per cent credit for "earned income" may be taken, was approved without debate.

LOCAL FIRMS THANKED

LADIES OF ELKS GIVEN ASSISTANCE FOR TEA

Many Eugene firms yesterday were thanked by the Ladies of the Elks for assistance and donations for their bridge benefit tea in Elks' temple Saturday afternoon. The following were sent a note of thanks:

Osburn beauty parlors, Martin studio, Kuykendall Drug company, Art Needlecraft shop, J. C. Penney company, Ludford's, Johnson Furniture company, Hill's Economy store, Peter Pan, Raup's Flower shop, Wetherbee-Densmore, Groceteria, Roy Curtis, jeweler, W. T. Carroll Drug store, Matlock's, Allen's Drug store, Aplegates, Wetherbee-Powers, Chase Flower shop, Tiffany-Davis Drug company, Elkins' Gift shop, Beard's store, Skeie, Jewelry, J. Matt Johnson, Laraway's Jewelry, Hoffman's Jewelry company, Towne Shoppe, Carroll Pharmacy, Griffin-Babb Hardware company, Standard Furniture company, Bailey Electric company, Red Cross Drug company, Hendershott's, Jurgen's Housewares, Eugene Book store, Cressey's Book store, Woolworth's, Shelton-Turnbull-Fuller company, Koke-Tiffany company, Schaefers brothers, Manville brothers, Frances Art and Baby shop, Rainbow, R. A. Pilcher, Eugene Farmers' creamery, Reid's creamery, Independence creamery, Jurgen's grocery, Table Supply company, the Guard, the Morning Register.

LIGHTS BOARD IS NAMED

COMMITTEE TO INVESTIGATE STREET ILLUMINATION

A committee composed of Councilmen L. E. Simmons, R. A. McCully and E. Large was appointed by Mayor E. U. Lee last night to investigate the street light problem in the city and devise some way in which better street illumination may be obtained. Many parts of the city are almost completely in darkness, said councilmen, and the budget does not provide for expenditures for installing new lights. The question is becoming serious, it was stated, and some means must be worked out to solve it.

The appointment of the special committee came after the council received a petition for installation of street lights on eight corners. Corners on which lights should be installed as listed in the petition are as follows: Eighteenth avenue and Onyx street, Fourteenth and Emerald, Eighteenth and Emerald, Twentieth and Emerald, Twenty-first and Emerald, Twenty-third and Emerald, Twenty-fourth and Emerald and Twenty-third and Columbia.

BOARD REFUSES SHIPS FOR ARMY TRANSPORTS

SENATOR JONES ASKS FOR REASONS OF REQUEST

War Department's Position Said to Threaten Some of Most Important Lines

(By The Associated Press)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—While the shipping board today refused a request to turn over to the war department two of its president-type ships for transports, Senator Jones, Washington, chairman of the senate commerce committee, introduced a resolution calling upon the war department for the reasons actuating its request.

Action on the resolution went over, but if adopted, the inquiry is expected to throw light upon the truth or falsity of rumblings in shipping circles that the war department's position has threatened the existence of some of the shipping board's most important lines.

The board today in a letter to Brigadier General H. C. Smither, chief co-ordinator of government property under the budget bureau, who had acquiesced in the war department view as expressed in a communication from Assistant Secretary McNider, declared it had no excess ships of that type and that it was unable to build these such ships for the war department as its funds were inhibited from such construction uses.

Senator Jones had urged the board to refuse the request, which he held threatened the existence of the American-Oriental mail line and had taken the matter up with President Coolidge, who was represented as desiring in no way to interfere with the requirements of the merchant marine.

While the request for ships came from the office of the assistant secretary of war, it is understood to have been received from the office of the quartermaster general of the army and any inquiry the senate may order is expected to lead to the quartermaster's corps of the army in determining the basic reasons for the request.

KOZER ASKS INQUIRY

BRAMWELL CHARGES WILL BE INVESTIGATED

(By The Associated Press)

SALEM, Ore., eDc. 14.—Charges made against Frank Bramwell, state superintendent of banks, by Will B. Haines, president of the Portland National bank, to the effect that Bramwell discriminated against his institution and that he also committed other acts not in accordance with his official position, are to be thoroughly investigated by the state banking board despite the fact that Haines has written letters to members of the state board saying that he now considers the matter a "closed incident."

The hearing will be resumed here Thursday, Sam A. Kozer, secretary of state and member of the banking board, said today. Mr. Kozer declared that he considered the charges placed against Bramwell to be of a serious character and that it was the duty of the state banking board to determine the truth or falsity of the accusations and exonerate Bramwell at once if the charges are found to be false.

OAKRIDGE TO BE ACTIVE

HOTEL MAN HERE EXPECTS MUCH EXPANSION

Although business conditions at Oakridge are "just fair" at present, considerable resumption of activities is expected after the first of the year, according to Martin Notz, hotel man of that city, who was a visitor in Eugene yesterday.

Mr. Notz has just completed a 22-room hotel at Oakridge which is ready for occupancy. The dining room in connection with the hotel has not been opened and Mr. Notz stated he would be serving meals there as soon as he found a capable person to handle that end of the business.

The hotel is opposite the depot in Oakridge. Mr. Notz expects the city to continue expansion after the winter season, as it will be a division point on the Natron cutoff.

En route to Eugene the train on which Mr. Notz was a passenger was delayed two hours because of a freight car, loaded with lumber, which had jumped the track.

TWO POLICEMEN HIRED

TRAFFIC OFFICER AND PATROLMAN ON PAY ROLL

Two additional policemen were hired by the city council at its meeting last night on the recommendation of Ramey Rugh, chairman of the police committee. One of the men will act as traffic officer and the other will be patrolman on night duty. Both of the new men are married and are responsible men, said Mr. Rugh.

Delbert Farrow was added to the payroll as traffic officer, the city having been without the services of a traffic policeman for several days. Elmer Williams will act as patrolman. An additional man on the night force is needed especially during the winter months, said Mr. Rugh. Two policemen often are called out and a third man is needed to patrol the business district.

LIME TO BE SHIPPED SOON

COUNTY AGENT ACCEPTING FARMERS' ORDERS

A carload of agricultural lime is being made up by O. S. Fletcher, county agent, and those who want the material are asked to get their orders in quite soon.

Twenty-four tons of a minimum carload of 30 tons has been ordered and the county agent said yesterday that at the rate the orders are coming in he expected to close the pool in a few days.

This lime is shipped from the state lime beds at Gold Hill. A considerable quantity has previously been shipped here through the county agent's office.

KELLOGG OUTLINES AMERICAN POLICY

Bankers Are Given Warning Against Loans Going to German States

LOCARNO PACT PRAISED

Secretary Would Keep Clear of Europe's Politics

HOPE IS HELD FOR CHINA

Sincere Effort Believed Under Way Abroad to Free Nations From Ancient System of Balance of Power

(By The Associated Press)

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—The foreign policies of the Coolidge administration and the reasons behind them were explained here tonight by Secretary Kellog of the state department, in a speech running the whole scale from the Saklatvala exclusion case to the Locarno security treaties.

Using a meeting of the council of foreign relations as his forum, the secretary addressed these pronouncements to American citizens and to foreign chancelleries:

A warning to American bankers against "indiscriminate" loans to German states and municipalities, although the state department "has not felt itself called upon to object to such loans as against the public interest."

Co-operation Is Desired

Reaffirmation of the government's desire to co-operate in European rehabilitation but keep clear of European politics.

A declaration that he set as much store "by the spirit of Locarno as upon the treaties of Locarno."

An expression of a hope that China will realize her aspirations for freedom from unequal treaties.

An exposition and reiteration of the American war debt funding policy.

A defense of his own action in excluding aliens who desire "to teach their pernicious doctrines of communism" in this country.

Mr. Kellog spoke from a carefully prepared manuscript with every evidence of consciousness that his words would be heard around the world. It was disclosed that the address was regarded as of such importance that the section dealing with foreign debts and that touching upon the American attitude, toward European conferences, although it contained no direct reference to the disarmament movement, had been cabled in full by the state department to American diplomatic missions in Europe.

Political Matters Avoided

The chief distinction of American policy, and that least understood abroad, the secretary said, was "the fixed determination to avoid participation in purely European political matters.

"Not since 1798 has the United States been a party to any military alliance," he said. "We shall go to the very limit of reasonable co-operation for all legitimate purposes but we will not under any circumstances commit ourselves to the European system of alliances and counter alliances to maintain the balance of power upon that continent. . . . It is doubtful if they have ever contributed to the maintenance of peace."

Declaring that Europe herself was making a sincere effort to free herself of the old balance of power system, Mr. Kellog described the Locarno conference as an "outstanding accomplishment. . . . conceived in the spirit of uniting European nations in a common pact of security." America was "held aloof" from the Locarno gathering, he said, because it dealt with purely European political questions and "there was no reason to invite the United States to attend." No people were more gratified at the result than the American people, he added.

Debt Situation Discussed

Turning to debt settlements, Mr. Kellogg said he resented suggestions that terms had been harsh, or had failed to recognize the vast war losses.

"We have gone just as far as we possibly could in recognition of extraordinary conditions," he said. "We have not hurried anybody."

The secretary said he believed the "main foreign governments" separated had come to the American viewpoint that debt settlements were evidently necessary "if Europe was to be rehabilitated" economically.

Private American loans to foreign governments or individuals, Mr. Kellog said, had "been objected to" in the case of countries which had not settled their war debts, and where the money was to be used "for armaments and the monopolization of products consumed in the United States." At no time, he said, had the government undertaken to pass upon the business or financial merit of any loan.

Foreign Loans Discussed

As to loans to German states and municipalities, he said, "it was believed" these might not be favored by the German government and might "raise the question of transfer of funds sufficient to pay the principal or interest on such bonds." American bankers, he added, should consider "to what extent state and municipal loans should be made," since all reparations paid into the reichsbank "must be transferred with the consent of the transfer committee" and the bankers have been advised they should consider "whether such loans were for productive purposes which would aid in procuring funds for transfer."

In reply to critics of his policy in denying passport visas in certain cases not specified in his remarks, Mr. Kellog declared that "the law has specified what classes shall be excluded and, until it is

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