

## NEWS FROM OUR NATIONAL CAPITAL

### Administration Positively Refuses to Recognize the Huerta Regime.

Washington.—A two hours' conference between President Wilson, Secretary Bryan and the senate foreign relations committee brought about no change in the attitude of the administration toward Mexico.

The president took the senators into his confidence far enough to outline the following:

That John Lind, his special envoy to Mexico City, does not bear any solution of the present situation, but goes to continue this government's effort to induce Provisional President Huerta to redeem his promises for free and constitutional elections.

That under no circumstances does the administration propose to recognize the Huerta government.

That Mr. Lind has gone to Mexico City to be the "eyes and ears" of the Washington administration on the ground and to explain the attitude of this government when he had fully familiarized himself with the situation.

That by withdrawing Ambassador Wilson and sending Mr. Lind, the president planned to have a man on the ground who was in sympathy with the administration here and was in no sense a factor in the situation in Mexico City.

The meeting was entirely friendly. The president did most of the talking and Secretary Bryan and members of the committee added a word here and there.

While the president disclosed no definite plan for the pacification of Mexico, the implication remained that on Lind's reports would depend to a large extent the future policy of this country.

**Mexican Situation is Much Relieved.**  
Distinct relief is apparent in official circles here over the course of events in Mexico. The statement of Frederic Gamboa, the new Mexican minister of foreign relations, that he had "great faith in the reasonableness of the judgment of the United States," holding the conviction that the difficulties between the two countries "soon would be adjusted," produced a very favorable impression in administration circles.

President Wilson pointed out to callers what seemed to him conspicuous efforts on the part of persons unknown to him through published misrepresentations to involve the United States in intervention. He reiterated that the attitude of his government toward Mexico in the present situation was one of peace and friendliness solely.

With the air cleared of rumors of hostility in the Mexican capital to Mr. Lind's presence there officials were disposed to believe the programme of the American government would be carried out quietly and in such manner as seemed most expedient to Mr. Lind and the embassy at Mexico City.

**Espionage Over Judges Charged.**  
Replying to a senate resolution demanding the information, Attorney-General McReynolds admitted and defended the course of the department of justice in conducting investigations into certain judges. He refused, however, to say which judges were subject to inquiry, declaring it "incompatible with the public interest" to make the information public.

This report aroused a storm of protest, which Senator Borah, of Idaho, led.

"I know this is a very serious charge," said he, "but I am so reliably informed that I make the statement that within the last four or five years special agents have carried on such investigations with a view to influencing judges."

**National Capital Brevities.**  
The death of Senator Johnston, of Alabama, has reduced the Democratic majority on the bill to one vote.

The first of the international peace treaties embodying Secretary Bryan's plans has actually been signed. It was between the United States and Salvador, and soon will be sent to the senate for ratification.

The end of the senate lobby committee's investigation is not in sight, according to Senator Reed, a member of the committee.

Senator Williams, of Mississippi, in debate stated that he was convinced there was an "organized and syndicated effort" to bring about war between the United States and Mexico.

Senators are divided on the question whether Governor O'Neal, of Alabama, can call an election to name a successor to Senator Johnston without first calling a session of the legislature to provide election machinery under the new federal amendment.

Following a conference of treasury officials and bankers from the middle west, regarding the distribution of government funds to assist in moving crops, Assistant Secretary of the Treasury Williams declared that the government was prepared to deposit \$100,000,000 if necessary.

## JOHN LIND



John Lind, former governor of Minnesota, who was sent to Mexico by President Wilson to investigate conditions.

### CANADA OBJECTS TO HINDUS

**Plan to Land 100,000 Moves Government to Act.**  
Vancouver, B. C.—That a well-developed scheme has matured to bring upwards of 100,000 Hindu men and women to Canada by the direct line of steamers, which it has been rumored is to be started between India and British Columbia, is the report that has been received from confidential agents of the Canadian government immigration department.

The question was officially taken up in Ottawa, where the government has decided that, though they are British subjects, they cannot be allowed to land. It is alleged that so carefully have the plans been made that every newcomer will be provided with the \$25 imposed by the government on every prospective immigrant.

**Webb Liquor Bill Held Void.**  
Ottumwa, Iowa.—Judge F. M. Hunter of the state district court ruled that the Webb-Kenyon law prohibiting the shipment of liquor from wet to dry states is unconstitutional "in that it is a delegation by congress to the states of power of regulating interstate commerce of intoxicating liquors, which power is vested in congress exclusively."

**Knights Templars in Denver.**  
Denver.—Knights Templars from all over the United States gathered in Denver for the 32d triennial convocation of the grand encampment, which opened its sessions in El Jebel Temple Tuesday afternoon. On the grand parade, on Tuesday, fully 30,000 Templars, in full uniform, were in line.

### SEVERE DROUGHT HITS MIDDLE WEST

Kansas City, Mo.—The great grain-growing states of the central west—Kansas, Missouri and Oklahoma—have been facing the greatest combined drought and heat wave since 1887.

Crops are withering under the burning rays of the sun, whole herds of livestock are reported to be in danger of dying because of lack of water, citizens are sending out appeals for water to replenish empty wells and cisterns, and fire departments in nearly every city of the three states have issued warnings of the grave results that may follow even a small fire.

The heat wave is amazing. For five consecutive days the government thermometer in Fort Riley showed maximum temperatures of 100 degrees. For five days and four nights the mercury did not drop below the 70 mark in Topeka, and the heat has reached the 100 mark every day. Practically the entire region within the three states has been engulfed in temperatures in excess of 100.

Heavy rains, which were general from Nebraska to western New York Sunday finally broke the heat in portions, at least, of the east central and west central states and will be of great benefit to what remains of the corn crop.

### THE MARKETS.

**Portland.**  
Wheat, New Crop—Club, 78c; bluestem, 82c; red Russian, 77c.  
Hay—Timothy, \$22; alfalfa, \$13.50.  
Butter—Creamery, 39c.  
Eggs—Candled, 27c; ranch, 22c.  
Wool—Eastern Oregon, 16c; Willamette valley, 19c.  
**Seattle.**  
Wheat, New Crop—Bluestem, 80c; club, 78c; red Russian, 77c.  
Eggs—28c.  
Butter—Creamery, 31c.  
Hay—Timothy, \$22 per ton; alfalfa, \$13 per ton.

## OREGON NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

### Events Occurring Throughout the State During the Past Week.

**Hood River Officers Will Fight Recall.**  
Hood River.—The petitions for the recall of the county judge and commissioners of Hood River county, who have been charged with extravagant handling of the county funds, now contain several hundred names in excess of the required number. It has been learned that the present county administration will resist the recall and make a fight.

**Privates Get Terms in Jail and Fines.**  
Fort Stevens.—Three of the four soldiers confined in the guardhouse at Fort Stevens immediately following the arrest of Private Waldo Coffmann have been tried by a special court-martial and sentenced to six months each. Privates Johnson and Kerts were fined \$120 in addition to the sentence imposed. Private Cameron was fined \$90.

### WOULD ERADICATE DISEASE

**Revolutionary Orders Issued Affecting Cattle, Dogs, Hogs and Horses.**  
Portland.—To protect public health by eradicating diseases of livestock the state sanitary livestock commission issued orders of revolutionary character at a meeting held in the dairy and food commissioner offices.

A dog quarantine effective six months beginning August 9 to be enforced by sheriffs and peace officers, was declared in Multnomah, Clackamas, Washington, Marion, Yamhill, Polk and Columbia counties. Dogs must either be muzzled or held in leash. Animals allowed to run loose will be killed and owners prosecuted.

The board ruled that all cows found by test to be tubercular, must be branded with the letter "T" on the right jaw, a brand 2 by 2½ inches which cannot be obliterated. Cars used to transport hogs into or through the state must be cleaned and disinfected. All animals brought into the state must be certified to as from a territory free from hog cholera during the past six months, or that the hogs have been immunized from injection of hog cholera vaccine. All swill or refuse from restaurants or hotels or ofal from packing plants must be thoroughly cooked before fed to hogs. The commission ordered that all horses brought into the state must have received the Mallein test for occult glanders, with the exception of race and exhibition horses, those from nearby states, or horses brought from Europe for breeding purposes.

### STATE TRAVELING SCHOOL

**Agricultural College Instructors to Give Daily Talks En Route.**  
Corvallis.—Equipped with portable laboratories and educative exhibits gotten up for the special purpose of conducting demonstrations and class work in the various agricultural and general welfare subjects, 16 college professors, assisted by members of the state dairy and food commission, representatives of the state grange and of the Oregon Social Hygiene society, left Corvallis on a six weeks' tour of the state.

In carrying out this programme the Oregon agricultural college extension staff will travel in two parties, one of which will conduct general welfare schools in the cities and larger towns, while the other will devote the entire six weeks to farmers' institutes for the discussion of various topics.

The daily programme outlined for the general welfare school will consist of lectures, demonstrations and informal classroom discussions, covering such domestic subjects as cookery, house decoration, nutritive value of foods, food adulterants and preservatives and child welfare.

### Big Preserve is Project.

**Grants Pass.**—There is a movement on foot to establish a game and fish protective territory in southern Oregon. The territory as outlined will embrace Josephine, Jackson, Klamath, Lane, Douglas, Coos and Curry counties, in Oregon; Del Norte, Siskiyou, Shasta, Tahama, Trinity, Humboldt and Mendocino counties in California.

### Election Date is Named.

**Medford.**—At a meeting of the county court September 9 was fixed as the date of a special election to vote on the issuance of \$500,000 bonds for the construction of a permanent highway extending from Ashland and the southern line of the county through Medford to the county line on the north, a distance of 52 miles.

### Red Spider Strikes Hops.

**Independence.**—Many reports have come in from the hop yards to the effect that the red spider is appearing in large quantities. While this will not affect the quality of the hops, it looks as if it will decrease the quantity.

## BRIEF NEWS OF OREGON

The number of pensioners on the roll of the pension office July 1 in Oregon was 7798. Amount paid them was \$1,655,749 a year.

Thirty thousand watches have been pawned in the city of Portland in the past 365 days, which, excluding holidays, is almost an even 100 for every business day in the year.

Richard January, charged with manslaughter, as the result of killing Horace Bradley at Harlan, Oregon, last December, was acquitted in the circuit court at Toledo.

By a prompt campaign against a flourishing colony of bark beetles on the Ochoco national forest in central Oregon, the government is eliminating a danger which threatened to destroy millions of feet of timber.

That the government may have its pure milk exhibit complete, the Portland milk show has been postponed nearly one month. Instead of being given the last week of August it will be held September 22-27.

Hundreds of acres of land that will produce between 50 and 60 bushels of wheat and vast areas that will run between 40 and 50 bushels to the acre is the encouraging status in the grain situation in the Grand Ronde valley.

Harvesting is actively in progress in Grande Ronde valley and its crop is estimated at 1,500,000 bushels. The yield of wheat is exceptionally large, and is said to be running between 40 and 60 bushels per acre.

Madras, Bend, and a number of other towns in Crook county will be connected by 100 miles of good roads, if the plan of the Crook county good roads association is favored by the county court. It calls for a bond issue of \$200,000.

The Southern Pacific company built its Eugene & Coos Bay railroad a mile to the south of Elmira, and that town is said to be preparing to move to the railroad, where a new town site is being laid off and a depot will be constructed.

That the Rogue river valley is missing its opportunity as a grape producing center is shown by the fact that California commercial bodies are circulating postal cards depicting scenes in local vineyards but bearing the mark of California products.

According to the government crop reporting board, the yield of winter wheat in Oregon is 21.4 bushels as compared with 14 in California, 27 in Washington and 27.4 in Idaho. Condition is 97 per cent. The state will have 11,599,000 bushels as compared with 16,884,000 bushels in 1912.

Governor West has written letters to Dr. Bailey K. Leach, Socialist editor deported from Bandon, and I. W. W. agitators who were deported from Marshfield, informing them that if they are law-abiding citizens they may live in any county in the state and be protected by its laws.

After a trip of inspection through the woolen mills at Oregon City, Fire Chief M. H. Long declared that they are a fire trap for the many women and children employed therein. He said that the matter will be taken up by the city council unless conditions are at once remedied.

Nearly all of the 750 window trimmers who attended the convention of that craft at Chicago, competed for a grand sweepstake cup awarded for the best appearing window. The prize was won by Malcolm Tennant, chief window trimmer for Meier & Frank, of Portland.

A large Cadillac automobile carrying nine persons crashed into a fence near Roseburg and three of its occupants were injured. A large silver penetrated the lung of Miss Helen Wilbanks, who may die. The car struck a dog, causing its driver to lose control.

Dry lands in the interior of Oregon which have been determined to be unirrigable are to be opened for settlement under the enlarged homestead designation, according to an order issued from Washington. Settlers will be permitted to file on 320-acre homesteads in a region embracing over 412,000 acres.

The county court of Jackson county has called a special election for September 9, at which the question of issuing \$500,000 in bonds will be submitted to the people. It is proposed to construct a paved highway from the California state line to the Josephine county line, a distance of 50 miles.

Senator Chamberlain has been informed that the forest service will open all lands in the Siuslaw national forest which are better suited for agriculture than forestry, and list them for agriculture entry. He was told also that 350,000 acres in the Paulina national forest and 60,000 acres in the Deschutes national forest would likewise be opened.

Senator Chamberlain has presented a bill to cut in half the fees in all United States district courts and repealing the law which allows of double fees in Oregon, California and Nevada. Believing that the fees and compensations of the clerks are excessive, he also introduced a resolution providing for the appointment of a committee of five senators to investigate this matter.

## GOVERNOR DENIES MISUSE OF FUNDS

### Accounts Carried With Stock Brokers Not Gambling, Says Sulzer.

Albany.—After a long conference with some of his close political advisers, Governor Sulzer issued a short statement, denying absolutely that he ever used campaign funds for speculative purposes. He says he never heard of the stock brokerage firms of Fuller & Gray and Boyer & Griswold, alleged transactions with which figured largely in the testimony before the Frawley legislative committee until these names were brought out before the committee.

The governor admits he did apply certain campaign contributions to his personal use, but adds that he made the amount good. He also admits having transacted with the stock firm of Harris & Fuller, but insists that his accounts with this firm was not speculative and consisted of a loan on stock and collateral. He denies that he ever speculated in Wall street.

The report of the Frawley legislative committee, charging Governor Sulzer with having diverted campaign contributions to his own private use, was adopted by the legislature and a resolution to impeach him for "wilful and corrupt conduct in office and for high crimes and misdemeanors" was offered in the assembly by Majority Leader Levy.

The conclusions of the Frawley committee, embodied in its report to the legislature are that Governor Sulzer falsified under oath his campaign contributions account, diverted some of these contributions to the purchase of stock, speculated in stock at the time that as governor he was earnestly pressing legislation against the New York Stock Exchange.

### JAPS EVADE RESTRICTIONS

**Oriental Cross Pacific and Are Captured on California Coast.**  
Point Arena, Cal.—Following the report sent by wireless by the steamer Henry T. Scott that a Japanese junk had been sighted off the coast near here, Constable Ketchum arrested 15 Japanese as they were making their way through the woods. This is the second capture of the sort that has

been made on the coast line north of San Francisco within the past two weeks and it leads immigration officials to believe that venturesome Japanese have hit on a new method of evading immigration restrictions, a method that consists of crossing the Pacific ocean in flimsy fishing boats. One of these vessels is being held at Eureka now, a craft 50 feet long by 10 feet beam, and held together by ancient wooden clamps.

The Japanese held here have been unwilling to give an account of themselves.

## JOHN LIND REACHES MEXICAN CAPITAL

Mexico City.—John Lind, President Wilson's personal representative, who arrived here safely late Sunday night and after spending the night at the Hotel Lascruain moved to the American embassy. Lack of interest in Lind's coming, and consequent absence of disturbance, was due largely to the fact that a great demonstration in favor of Huerta was in progress when Lind reached the city.

Nelson O'Shaughnessy, the American charge d'affaires, acting under instructions of Secretary of State Bryan, delivered a note to the foreign office expressing the appreciation of the United States for the courtesies thus far shown to Mr. Lind. These courtesies consisted of a call on President Wilson's personal representative by the commander of the garrison at Vera Cruz and a large display of police about the station when he arrived in the capital.

### Oregon Printing Secretary Named.

Salem, Or.—W. M. Plimpton, for three years superintendent of the state printing plant under the late W. S. Dunway, was made secretary of the department by the state printing board. Mr. Plimpton will receive a salary of \$2000 a year and the flat salary bill under which the appointment was made gives the secretary as much power as the state printer, if not more.

### Stevens' Firm is Pressed.

New York.—The John F. Stevens' Construction company, whose president, John F. Stevens, was appointed by Theodore Roosevelt, chief engineer of the Panama Canal and resigned under the Taft administration, filed a voluntary petition in bankruptcy.

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