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REDUCTION OF NAVY PROGRAM IS PROPOSED

SENATE COMMITTEE ACCEPTS BORAH RESOLUTION PLANNING NEGOTIATIONS

AMERICA, GREAT BRITAIN, JAPAN

Naval Powers Would Enter Into An Agreement for Cessation of Construction of Warships

Washington, Jan. 20.—(A. P.)—The senate foreign relations committee reported favorably Senator Borah's resolution proposing negotiations of the United States, Great Britain and Japan for reduction of the naval building program. In lieu of the original proposal that negotiations look to a reduction of 50 per cent for five years, the committee proposed that negotiations provide such reductions as can be agreed upon.

MORE PAY FOR THE HIRED MAN ON FARM

Washington, Jan. 20.—(A. P.)—Wages of hired men on farms have more than doubled in the last ten years, tripled in the last 20 years and were more than four times higher last year than they were in 1879. These changes are shown by statistics of the department of agriculture.

Wages paid by the month, without board, averaged \$64.95 for the country as a whole last year, ten years ago they averaged \$27.50 and in 1879 they were \$10.43.

Day labor at harvest time last year averaged \$4.36 without board and at other than harvest time \$3.59. Ten years ago harvest time labor was paid \$1.82 and at other than harvest time \$1.38. In 1894 harvest time day labor was paid \$1.13 and non-harvest time labor 81 cents a day.

California and Nevada farmers paid their labor the highest prices for

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SHIP BUILDERS OF NATION IN CONVENTION AT WASHINGTON

Washington, Jan. 20.—(A. P.)—Shipbuilders, shipping men and exporters from over the country gathered here today for a two-day discussion of problems facing the American merchant marine with a view to recommending permanent policies to congress and the shipping board.

They attended the annual convention of the National Merchant Marine Association, of which Senator Ransdell, of Louisiana, is president. Subjects assigned various speakers and listed for general discussions included repeal of the Panama Canal tolls affecting American vessels; the prices of which government vessels should be sold; establishment of preferential railroad rates on exports and imports in American ships; revision of marine insurance laws; abrogation of commercial treaties and the encouragement of the use of American ships by exporters and importers.

Speakers of the opening session included Chairman Jones, of the senate commerce committee; Rear Admiral Benson, chairman of the shipping board and Frank C. Munson, president of the Munson Steamship Line. Senator Jones' subject was the purpose of the merchant marine act and the need for full support from the people of the country, while Chairman Benson discussed the general shipping situation from the standpoint of the shipping board.

President Ransdell outlined the general purposes of the meeting in his address opening the convention and Mr. Munson had taken as his

WILSON ENDORSES ASSISTANT POST

Secretary Defends Policy of His Department in Dealing With the Radical Aliens

Washington, Jan. 20.—(A. P.)—Replying to an attack by the American Legion executive committee on Assistant Secretary Louis F. Post, Secretary of Labor Wilson gave complete endorsement of the work of Post and made defense of his policy in dealing with radical aliens.

Hospital Question Unsolved—

The county court is still confronted with the hospital question which is more unsettled than ever. The Clarke residence seemed the only available building for hospital purposes that was obtainable, and the report that this was again purchasable after having been withdrawn seemed premature, as the statement was again made today to the county court that the place was not on the market. The present hospital will have to be vacated at once, and there is no place to which to move the patients. There are three county patients in the hospital. The county court is today giving the most of its time to an attempt to find some method by which hospital facilities can be provided.

Messrs. J. C. Shipley and Warren L. Starkey, of Portland, are in the city today.

CHILD CALLED DEAD IS BROUGHT TO LIFE

Idaho, Jan. 20.—(A. P.)—After having been pronounced dead by attending physicians, the 1-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. William White, member of the Boise fire department, was twice revived and restored to life through use of the fire department's lungmotor. The child suffered from pneumonia and once in the White home and again at the hospital the lungmotor was used after the baby had stopped breathing. Doctors attending the case express loud praise for the work done by the motor, operated by Fire Chief Foster, and express confidence that the child will completely recover.

topic "How can the United States improve its Present Position on the Seas?" The first general discussion followed the delivery of the prepared addresses.

At the afternoon session the American shipbuilding situation was to be discussed by Homer L. Ferguson, president of the Newport News Shipbuilding & Dry Dock Company. Alexander Legge, general manager of the International Harvester Company, was to speak on the establishment of preferential export and import rates and J. Parker Kirlin, admiral lawyer, was listed for a discussion of the exemption from excess profits taxes of ship earnings invested in Shipping Board tonnage as well as new construction.

Repair problems of the merchant marine fleet and revision of marine insurance laws were subjects assigned respectively to Commander R. D. Gatewood, director division of construction and repairs, Shipping Board, and Representative Edmonds, of Pennsylvania.

Speakers at the final sessions tomorrow were to include J. W. Powell, of the Bethlehem Shipbuilding Corporation; Charles M. Schwab; Mathew Hales, president of the South Atlantic States Association; P. A. S. Franklin, president of the International Mercantile Marine Company; Charles Piez, former director of the Emergency Fleet Corporation, and W. Averill Harriman, chairman of the board of the United American Lines.

COUNTY ROAD BUILDING IS HEAVY COST

BETTER HIGHWAYS TAKE TOLL FROM THE FUNDS PROVIDED BY THE TAXPAYERS

TOTAL FOR YEAR \$182,008.25

Each of the Twelve Districts Had a Share in the General Construction Expenditure

During the year 1920 Josephine county expended a total of \$182,008.25 upon its roads and bridges in the various road districts, the expenses being accounted for by separated segregation for the 12 districts, and by items of general expense and also for bridge construction. The amount expended in each district also shows the segregation for labor and for materials furnished and by districts was as follows:

District No. 1—Labor, \$4,409.94; material, \$179.54.

District No. 2—Labor \$4,241.50; material, \$427.59.

District No. 3—Labor, \$10,980.58; material, \$6,835.73.

District No. 4—Labor, \$3,231.54; material, \$23,487.57.

District No. 5—Labor, \$5,626.77; material, \$288.10.

District No. 6—Labor, \$34,961.68; material, \$2,049.31.

District No. 7—Labor, \$4,028.51; material, \$4,462.26.

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ZION CITY TO HEAR NO MORE TRASHY RECORDS

Zion, Ill., Jan. 20.—(A. P.)—In the general clean-up that is going on in the City of Zion, all slangy, profane, cheap vaudeville phonograph records have got to go.

"If any of you have these records in your homes you are sinning against God," said Overseer Voliva, "and if I hear any such records in Zion Home (the big 350 room hotel) I'll smash the records and throw them out the window. It's disgusting to hear some of these trashy records, such as Old Josh's records where he swears. Come on Zion! Let's burn up these records! When you buy records, buy records with some sense to them!"

The next in line for clean-up is Sabbath desecration. It has come to Overseer Voliva's ears that some of the young people have gone auto riding on the Lord's Day. The result is that Voliva has given orders that no taxi-cab was to leave the barn on Sunday except to go to and from church, or to "go on God Almighty's errands."

Switching back onto the matter of women's dress once more, Voliva gave warning that if he attends another wedding where women are not properly dressed he will put on his hat and depart.

OREGON'S WOOL CLIP IN GROWER'S HANDS

Baker, Ore., Jan. 20.—(A. P.)—Approximately 85 per cent of the 13,000,000 pound 1920 Oregon wool clip is yet unsold, according to compilations made here. Ten per cent of the clip is still in the hands of the growers, it is estimated, 15 per cent has been sold and 75 per cent has been sent to various warehouses throughout the state.

According to Baker bankers, there is absolutely no market for wool nor sellers in the market, and presumably all growers are marking time except in cases of forced liquidation

ATTACK ALIEN OWNERSHIP OF LAND IN STATE

MEASURE IS INTRODUCED IN OREGON LEGISLATURE MODELLED ON CALIFORNIA LAW

SALARY INCREASES ARE ASKED

Committee Has Under Advisement the Issuance of \$5,000,000 More Highway Bonds

Salem, Jan. 20.—(A. P.)—An anti-alien land bill, modeled after the California law, was introduced by Representative Leonard, of Multnomah, following its examination by the attorney general who decided it to be constitutional.

Senator Bell introduced a bill increasing the salaries of the attorney general and state superintendent of schools from \$2600 to \$4000, corporation commissioner from \$3000 to \$3600 and clerk of the state land board from \$2400 to \$3000.

The joint road committee is considering recommendations made yesterday by Chairman Booth of the highway commission, for \$5,000,000 of road bonds, increase of the gasoline tax, and that the board's recommendations in its annual report be enacted into law by the legislature.

PORTLAND MARKETS

Portland, Jan. 20.—(A. P.)—Cattle steady; hogs, lower, \$11 to \$11.50; sheep, slow; eggs and butter, weak.

CORN CROP OF NATION MAKES A NEW RECORD

Washington, Jan. 20.—(A. P.)—The year 1920 was the greatest corn year in the history of the country, according to the records of the department of agriculture. Besides growing a record crop of 3,222,367,000 bushels, the farmers established a new record for average yield per acre with 30.9 bushels, the second time in history that the country's average yield went past 30 bushels.

The area planted to corn last year was 104,601,000 acres which was smaller than the area planted in eight other years heretofore and 1,400,000 acres smaller than the area which produced the previous record crop of 3,124,746,000 bushels in 1912. Last year's crop was the third to exceed 3,000,000,000 bushels.

Iowa, the country's greatest corn producing state, made an average of 46 bushels to the acre for the first time in its history. The highest average acre yield of any state was that of Vermont with 47 bushels. Maine in 1919 had the highest average acre yield with 60 bushels. In the 10 years previous to that year the highest average acre yield has been made by one of the New England States. Connecticut had the highest yields in six of the ten years, Massachusetts in two, New Hampshire in one, and Vermont and Massachusetts tying in one.

ORDERS DEPORTATION SOVIET CHANCELLOR

Washington, Jan. 20.—(A. P.)—Secretary of Labor Wilson ordered the deportation of Gregory Weinstein, chancellor of the Russian soviet bureau in the United States.

NEW RAILROAD BUILT TO PHOSPHATE BEDS

Soda Springs, Idaho, Jan. 20.—(A. P.)—A railroad has been constructed to the phosphate beds 8 miles from here and soon, it is expected, shipment of the crude phosphate rock will begin. The rock is to be crushed and sold to farmers for fertilizer.

CHARGES BRITISH SHIPPING CONTROL

Senator Jones Says Company Handling Forty American Vessels Is Bound by Agreement

Washington, Jan. 20.—(A. P.)—The Shipping Board should move slowly in anything it does in connection with the sales policy for government vessels now in force, Chairman Benson said in addressing the National Merchant Marine Association convention. "The opportunist may proclaim now is the time to get out of the shipping business," said Benson. "This might be true if we were not charged by law to establish permanent merchant marine under the American flag." Senator Jones, of Washington, charged the International Mercantile Marine Company, an American shipping company, controlling 40 vessels leased from the Shipping Board, is bound by agreement entered into with the British government in 1903 to pursue "no policy injurious to the British merchant marine or of British trade."

President Franklin, of the International Mercantile Marine, attacked Senator Jones' charges. To support the charges, Jones said an agent of the Shipping Board named Andrews, formerly employed by the international Mercantile Marine, opposed the establishment of the American shipping line from New York to England on the ground that it would injure British lines. Franklin said, "We never had a man by that name," and asked for further information. Jones then asked to be excused, saying that he was compelled to return to the senate.

TOURIST CROP OF YEAR TO BE LARGE

That Southern Oregon and Grants Pass is bound to benefit from a large tourist crop this year is the firm opinion of Herbert Cuthbert, executive secretary of the Pacific Northwest Tourist Association.

Mr. Cuthbert is making a personal tour of the entire Pacific Northwest preparatory to the tourist season, inspecting the various tourists auto camps and other facilities for tourists, and promises at least 50 per cent larger tourist travel to the

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SEMINOLES WILL REMOVE TO NEW RESERVATION IN NEW MEXICO

Wewoka, Okla., Jan. 20.—(A. P.)—At a conference of Seminole Indians held here recently a decision was reached whereby many Seminole Indians now living in Seminole county will move to Mexico next summer to live upon a reservation allotted to them in 1859 by the Mexican government, if claims to the land can be established.

Louis F. Brown, chief of the Seminoles and son of former Governor J. F. Brown, with a delegation of 14 Seminole leaders, have left for Mexico City to confer with President Obregon and ask his decision on the claim.

Chief Brown is in possession of a copper medal upon which the original treaty was made to the tribe, granting the reservation to the Indians, which he will take with him to offer as proof of the grant. The only question that is uncertain in the minds of the Seminole leaders, is whether the new Mexican regime will recognize the treaties of the old rulers.

Members of the tribe who will migrate to Mexico are those who have sold their allotments in Seminole county, following the removal of restrictions, the Seminole chief said. Having no homesteads, they desire to live according to their old ways and customs.

The reservation which the Seminoles claim was granted to them, adjoining that of the Kickapoo Indians in northern Mexico and consists of sev-

ORDER ROAD TO COAST BUILT DURING YEAR

STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION ADOPTS RESOLUTION TODAY FOR BUILDING ROAD

HIGHWAY TO THE SEA IS NEAR

California to Cooperate and Surveying Crews to Take the Field to Locate Route at Once

A wire received from President F. S. Bramwell, of the Chamber of Commerce, now in Portland, this afternoon, announces that the state highway commission has ordered the construction of the Crescent City highway. Mr. Bramwell's wire read as follows:

"The state highway commission of Oregon passed a resolution this morning ordering construction of the highway from Grants Pass to Crescent City this year. I understand by the chairman of the highway commission that they will build their portion of this road and so it seems

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IRREGULARITIES IN BUILDING OF SHIPS

New York, Jan. 20.—(A. P.)—That at least \$100,000,000 has been improperly paid to shipbuilders by the Shipping Board will be disclosed by an audit, Colonel E. H. Abadie, former controller general of the board, told the Walsh congressional committee. He charged a "great many serious irregularities," in the dealings between the Bethlehem Shipbuilding Corporation and the government as a result of the connection of Charles M. Schwab with both board and corporation.

A. S. Bilton, of Medford, is in the city on business for the California-Oregon Power Company. Mr. Bilton was publisher of the Medford Mail for many years and until its consolidation with the Tribune.

MONTANA TRAPPER MAKES BIG COYOTE CATCH

Broadus, Mont., Jan. 20.—(A. P.)—Lewis Rakken, government trapper in this section, according to reports, has killed an average of 40 coyotes a month since last July. He also reports that wolves are plentiful but that it is difficult to trap them.

MORE NEW BILLS TO TAKE LEGISLATORS' TIME

Salem, Jan. 20.—(A. P.)—Senator Patterson introduced a bill today carrying out the governor's training school recommendations. Representative Hosford introduced a bill repealing "labor's bill of rights."

TEX RICKARD TO PROMOTE DEMPSEY-CARPENTIER FIGHT

New York, Jan. 20.—(A. P.)—Tex Rickard plans to promote the Dempsey-Carpentier fight alone following the withdrawal of William A. Brady and Charles B. Cochran as promoters.