

NEWS ITEMS FROM WASHINGTON, D. C.

FORMS NEW UNITS.

President Makes Changes in Administration of Forests.

Washington, July 28.—A radical change is to be made in the administration of forest reserves, or National forests, during the coming fall; not a change of policy in any way, but a change in the manner of disposing of forestry business. The change is primarily in the interest of the people of the West, but incidentally it benefits the service, in that it will save considerable time, and permit of prompt action.

In brief, the large clerical force of the forest service, now maintained in Washington, is to be divided in halves; one half will remain here, the other half will be scattered over the West, wherever the service maintains division headquarters. About 250 clerks and stenographers will be sent out from Washington to Portland, San Francisco, Salt Lake, Denver, Missoula and Albuquerque, from 40 to 50 going to each place. These respective offices will be placed in charge of administrative officers, yet to be selected, and once organized will handle and dispose of practically all administrative questions that arise in their respective districts.

The Portland office, for instance, will handle all questions arising in the National forests of Oregon and Washington; Salt Lake City will handle cases from Idaho, Utah and Nevada; Missoula will handle Montana and Minnesota matters, and Denver will take care of questions arising in Colorado and Wyoming.

This change in administration will not entail any new appointments whatsoever. All the clerks will be transferred from Washington, and the administrative officers will be chosen from among the present officials of the service.

BIDS FOR COLLIERIES HIGH.

Navy Department Rejects and Will Invite New Tenders.

Washington, July 31.—Acting Secretary of the Navy Newberry announced yesterday that of the bids submitted for colliers under the provisions of the naval appropriation act at the last session of congress, none will be satisfactory. He announced also that, as no emergency existed requiring immediate delivery of any collier, the navy department would invite tenders of colliers to be delivered within 12 months, specifying in the invitations the general characteristics, speed, carrying capacity and equipment necessary for the naval service.

The appropriation was \$525,000 for each vessel, and the wording of the act was such as to afford an advantage to the Massachusetts company, which had three colliers practically ready for delivery. The department decided that the bids were excessive, and did not meet all of the requirements. The announcement of the rejection of all bids was made after a conference held by Mr. Newberry with Admiral Converse, president of the board of construction, and with representatives of the companies which submitted bids.

The bids were received during last month. William Cramp & Son of Philadelphia, proposed to build three colliers at \$175,000 each; the New York Shipbuilding company, of Camden, N. J., at \$438,000 each; the Massachusetts Ship company, of Boston, at \$425,000 each, and the Maryland Steel company, of Baltimore, at \$376,000 each.

Pearl Harbor Plans Forwarded.

Washington, July 30.—According to advices received at the Navy department here from Honolulu, the board of officers, of which Admiral Seaton Schroeder is president, appointed to investigate the plans for a naval base at Pearl Harbor, has forwarded its report to Washington. It is understood that the report makes recommendations for the location of docks and the defenses of the harbor. The chief of the bureau will visit the site.

Japanese Sealers Busy.

Washington, July 28.—A dispatch received by the Navy department today from the gunboat Yorktown, on sealing patrol duty about the Pribilof islands, Alaska, indicates that while the situation in sealing waters at present is quiet, five Japanese schooners are sealing near the island of St. Paul. If the sealing vessels should encroach upon the seal preserves a serious clash is probable.

Colonel Symons Retires.

Washington, July 31.—Colonel Thos. W. Symons, corps of engineers, was placed on the retired list of the army yesterday on his application, after more than 37 years of service. Colonel Symons is now employed on the New York state canal commission. He was formerly superintendent of public grounds in this city.

Knockers Are Challenged.

Oyster Bay, Aug. 1.—Morality of the workers on the anama canal is to be the subject of a conference between President Roosevelt and Secretary of War Wright today. Secretary Bishop of the canal commission said yesterday: "The president is annoyed at the strictures on the morality of the canal camps and wishes them cleaned up."

Midshipman Loses Berth.

Oyster Bay, July 30.—The president today approved an order for the dismissal of Midshipman James M. Haralson from the naval academy. Haralson was found guilty of using obscene language to an enlisted man.

GIVES ADDITIONAL TIME.

Commission Defers Operation of Reduced Rates on Lumber.

Washington, July 30.—Upon application of the defendants in the Pacific Lumber cases, the Interstate Commerce commission has extended the effective dates of its orders from August 15 to October 15. This action was taken upon the showing made by the carriers involved that, owing to the immense number of rates involved, it would be a physical impossibility to check up the rates and print and file the new tariffs before August 15, and also upon their assurance that, if the extension was granted, they would not apply for an injunction to restrain the commission's order from becoming effective.

They expressly reserve the right to test the reasonableness of the rates ordered by the commission in a suit to be brought for that purpose or in suits which may develop out of reparation claims by shippers who have been shipping under the advanced rates. This does not include the case involving rates from the Willamette valley via San Francisco, on which the Southern Pacific has already filed a petition in San Francisco asking an injunction against the commission's order.

Kills All Exequaturs.

Washington, July 30.—Drew Linard, American consul at Ceiba, Honduras, cabled the State department today that President Davuilla had canceled his exequatur and those of all the other consuls at that port. There was no explanation of the act in the cablegram, but it is thought here that the consuls united to prevent the execution of revolutionists who had incurred the displeasure of President Davuilla. It is likely that an additional gunboat will be ordered to Amapala at once to assist the Milwaukee in making a demonstration against the revolution. The Milwaukee was ordered from Honolulu Monday.

Ready to Begin Tests.

Washington, Aug. 1.—The work of inflating the big gasbag of Captain Thomas S. Baldwin's airship will be begun today. The tent in which the balloon will be housed arrived at Fort Meyer yesterday and will be pitched today. By Monday, barring accidents, Captain Baldwin will be ready to make his first flight. There is an element of uncertainty as to what Captain Baldwin's aerial craft will do when it gets up in the air, many of its features being new in this country. In the past Captain Baldwin has steered his balloon by shifting the weight of his body.

New London is Penitent.

Washington, Aug. 1.—Satisfactory assurances have been given the navy department by the officials and citizens of New London, Conn., that there will be no further discrimination against the enlisted men of the navy, or the uniform of the United States, in the places of public amusement in that city. A formal letter has been received by Acting Secretary of the Navy Newberry from the mayor of New London, stating that amusement managers of the city unite in extending a welcome to uniformed men of the navy.

Wright to See Roosevelt.

Washington, July 29.—Secretary of War Wright expects to go to Oyster Bay the latter part of this week to confer with the president on pending matters of importance. The papers in the case of the eight cadets, whose dismissal from the military academy was recommended by a board appointed by Colonel Scott, superintendent of the academy, have been returned to the War department from Oyster Bay, bearing the approval of President Roosevelt of the findings and sentence of the board.

Complain of Overcharges.

Washington, July 29.—The Interstate Commerce commission today received a complaint from the Carstens Packing company, of Tacoma, Wash., against the O. R. & N. and Northern Pacific railroads alleging an overcharge of about \$20 a car on shipments of cattle from Ontario, Or., and Nampa, Idaho. Complainants say the cars were routed via Portland when they should have gone by way of Wallula, Wash.

Shippers' Letter Not Received.

Oyster Bay, July 29.—When asked today whether President Roosevelt had taken any action on the letter reported to have been sent to him by the Receivers and Shippers' association of Cincinnati, asking him if he intends to enforce a decree against several railroads forbidding an increase in rates, the president's secretary said that no such letter had been received by the president.

Select Building Sites.

Washington, July 29.—J. H. McDowell, of the supervising architect's office, has been selected special agent for the Treasury department to select sites for public buildings at La Grande and Pendleton, Or.; Walla Walla, Wash., and Pocatello, Idaho. Mr. McDowell leaves for the West tomorrow.

Equipped to Lay Mines.

Washington, July 29.—By direction of the Navy department the cruiser San Francisco is being equipped for the laying of mines.

FOUR BLOCKS SWEEPED.

Portland Fire Causes Loss Estimated at \$225,000.

Portland, July 29.—Fire blotted out practically one full block off the map of the North Portland business district, burned most of the property off three other blocks, and threatened the entire district, late yesterday afternoon. Property worth approximately \$225,000 was destroyed, property representing nearly \$1,000,000 was actually scorched, and property worth well into the millions was within the danger zone.

The fact that a line of brick buildings blocked the course of the flames until the fire department had an opportunity to concentrate its forces at the weak points, accounts for the limiting of the flames to five blocks.

Cause of the fire is not yet clear. There are several theories—incendiarism, spontaneous combustion in a loft of new hay, dropping of a match or cigarette, flying sparks from a chimney. The origin was traced to the middle section of the Oregon Transfer company's place at Fifth and Glisan streets.

The fire popped up with the suddenness that attends the lighting of a gas jet. Some smoke was seen on the roof of the Oregon Transfer company's place about 4:45 o'clock. Fifteen minutes later the roof had given place to a great column of flames.

Fanned by a strong wind from the northwest, the column of flames passed quickly from building to building. Gaining impetus from the big frame building and tons of hay and other combustible matter, the fire quickly leaped across the street to the Northern Pacific Wagon works, where there was another great array of fuel, and sweeping this, passed on through the block from Fifth to the blind west wall of the Union Meat company's place.

Checked here, it concentrated its fury, as if with an intelligence of its own, and leaped into the block north of Glisan street, and then jumped Fifth and worked both east and west.

When, at 6:30 o'clock it had run its course and given way before a small river that had been poured on from a score of nozzles, a sad picture of disaster lay all about. The whole block bounded by Fifth, Sixth, Glisan and Hoyt streets, with the exception of the southern corner, was a heap of smoking debris. Nearly all the west half of the block bounded by Fourth, Fifth, Glisan and Hoyt streets was gone; all frame buildings were in ruins between Fourth, Fifth, Glisan and Flanders. The block between Fifth and Sixth and Glisan and Flanders was all but gone, the big brick Barr hotel being represented by tottering blackened walls, which fell in later, fortunately without hurting anyone.

SULTAN STARTLES TURKEY.

Will Throw Off Conventionalities and be One of the People.

Constantinople, July 29.—As a climax of the most remarkable series of kaleidoscopic revolutionary changes in the history of Turkey that have succeeded each other in rapid succession during the past two weeks, Sultan Abdul Hamid II issued an imperial irade today that changes the entire social existence of the imperial family in conformity with the reforms recently granted to his subjects.

Henceforth Abdul Hamid, no longer despotic ruler of an absolute despotism but constitutional monarch by his own declaration, will live the life of a democratic monarch who depends on the good will of the people for his power.

The irade issued today declares officially that Abdul, who has been a self imposed prisoner in the imperial palace for the past 21 years, will henceforth appear on the streets like any other "citizen" of Turkey. No less sweeping in its revolutionary aspect is the second decree of the irade, which announces that henceforth princesses of the imperial family must observe monogamy. They will not be compelled or allowed to be simply the chief of a harem, but must be queen in their household.

The sultan has long been known to fret under the bondage imposed on him by the customs of his country and is said today to be the happiest man in all Turkey.

Higgen for President.

Chicago, July 29.—President—Thos. L. Higgen, of Massachusetts. Vice president—John Temple Graves, of Georgia. The above ticket was last night nominated by the Independence party at its first National convention. The nomination of Mr. Higgen was made on the third ballot, his chief competitors being Milford W. Howard, of Alabama; John Temple Graves, of Georgia, and Reuben Lyon, of New York. William R. Hearst had 49 friends who voted for him on the first two ballots.

New Steamship Trust.

Hamburg, July 29.—Representatives of the great steamship companies interested in South American passenger traffic that have been in session for several days past are looking to the formation of a community of interest management similar to that which holds the North Atlantic trade. It is contemplated to make short contracts as an experiment. The 24 delegates represent German, English, French, Dutch and Spanish steamer lines.

Good Stroke of Business.

London, July 29.—It is estimated that over 3,000 men were given employment today when a large number of factories were opened in conformity with the new British patent law, which is effective today. The total output of capital is variously estimated at from \$125,000,000 to \$300,000,000.



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A Policeman's Testimony.

J. N. Patterson, night policeman, of Nashua, Iowa, writes: "Last winter I had a bad cold on my lungs and tried at least a half-dozen advertised cough medicines and had treatment from two physicians without getting any benefit. A friend recommended Foley's Honey and Tar and two-thirds of a bottle cured me. I consider it the greatest cough and lung medicine in the world."

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