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OREGON NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

Events Occurring Throughout the State During the Past Week.

Indian Seeks Divorce

The Dalles.—It is not so uncommon for Indians to apply to officials here with the request that they be married "like white folks," as they put it, but divorce proceedings among the red tribes of this section is unprecedented.

Such action, however, has been instituted by Charlie Pistol Hat, a Warm Springs Indian. Perhaps Lillie, his wife, could not stand the burden of his name. At any rate she deserted. Charlie, he alleges in his complaint. Evidently her decision was a New Year's resolution for she left him January 1, 1905, about a month after they were married.

Charlie waited over eight years for his quav to return to him, lost hope and then started divorce proceedings.

CONVENTION WILL BE LARGE

Noted Men From All Over the World Coming to Citizenship Meeting

Portland.—Reports from official headquarters, both in Pittsburgh and Philadelphia, continue to indicate that the second World's Christian Citizenship conference, to be held in Portland June 29-July 6, will be a gathering very largely attended and one of commanding influence. The names of those who have agreed to give addresses, the number of delegates reporting their desire to be present and the inquiries that are being made concerning this great conference indicate that the conference will surpass anything that has preceded it in its far-reaching effects upon society.

Portland has now forwarded \$12,500 of the \$15,000 pledged by this city for the entertainment and publicity fund of the conference. The local finance committee is devising means for raising the balance.

Houseboat Lives on Umpqua Trip

Roseburg.—Information has been received in Roseburg that the Schlegelmich party of seven persons who left here in a houseboat on March 16, have completed their journey down the Umpqua river without accident. Seventeen days were consumed in making the journey. This is 10 days longer than the party calculated it would take.

Thus passes a feat never before accomplished on the Umpqua river. Few persons believed that the boat could survive the series of wild rapids on the river or that the voyage would be completed without loss of life.

CHAMBERLAIN GIVES VIEWS

Oregon Senator Believes 15 Per Cent Duty is Needed by the Growers

Washington.—Senator Chamberlain gave out the following authorized statement of his position on wool:

"In view of the fact that Oregon is a wool-growing state, it seems to me in the preparation of a tariff measure some concession ought to be made to the wool-growing industry, particularly in view of the fact that a reduced duty is retained on the manufactured product. I am advised that wool-growers in the west and middle west would be satisfied with an ad-valorem duty of 15 per cent. This small concession would not add appreciably to the cost of the manufactured product, and therefore would not have material influence on the high cost of living.

"If the house passes the general tariff bill designed to carry out the pledges which democrats and republicans made to revise the tariff downward, I would not let my vote be influenced by any one item placed on the free list against my personal objection. In other words, it is better to sacrifice my individual interest than that a burdensome rate of taxation be levied upon the whole people. I believe the tariff ought to be revised downward, and so far as my vote and influence goes it shall be. The retention of a slight duty on wool, however, would not violate democratic policy or the declarations of the democratic platform. It is a question if the government can afford to lose the revenue that would be derived from a small duty on wool."

Medford's Mayor Gives up Fight

Medford.—Worn out by the continual opposition of the city council Mayor Elfert, after a conference with a citizen's committee, gave up the fight and turned over to the council the city government.

"I haven't the means nor the physical strength to carry on the fight longer," said the mayor. "I am through. The four members of the city council who have opposed me throughout are now the city government. I give my appointive power to them. My only hope is that this move will restore harmony in municipal affairs."

MIMI CAPSIZES; 16 LIVES LOST

Vessel Turns Over When Pulled From Nehalem Spit on Oregon Coast

Wheeler, Or.—After hanging to a steel bar waist deep in water for 29 hours, part of which were in pitch darkness, Charles S. Fisher, of Portland, and Captain J. Westphal, of Germany, and two German sailor boys were rescued by lifesavers from the German bark Mimi, which capsized early Sunday, after being pulled off the sands of Nehalem sand spit.

Sixteen other persons were drowned. So far only two bodies have been recovered, one being that of a German boy and the other that of W. C. Koen, 1181 Kirby street, in Portland.

The four were the only ones saved from the crew and the list of workmen on the vessel, all others either having been swept from the deck when the accident first occurred or having been washed into the sea from the boat during the hours the terrific sea of Sunday morning dashed over the steel hull, which barely protruded above the water.

The boat is a total wreck and no attempt will ever be made to rescue her. In addition to being smashed almost to pieces she is lodged in a deep sand and has 900 tons of ballast in her hold. Tons of wooden parts of her have floated ashore. Lifesavers report that it would be impossible to move her and that she is too far gone to be of any use even if she could be raised.

Judge Upholds Right to Talk

Paterson, N. J.—The right to exercise free speech in peaceful assembly was established here by Justice Minburn, of the state supreme court, when he freed William D. Haywood and Adolph Lessig, labor leaders, sentenced to six months' imprisonment for their activities in connection with the strike of silk workers here.

Thousands of strikers gathered on the streets about the courtroom and cheered the decision of Justice Minburn.

Mrs. Bourne Files Suit For Divorce

Portland.—Charges that he frequently called her vile names and threatened her with physical violence are made against Jonathan Bourne, Jr., ex-United States senator from Oregon, by Lillian Elizabeth Bourne, in a divorce complaint filed in the state circuit court for Multnomah county.

EUROPE DEFIED BY MONTENEGRO

Cettinje.—The little kingdom of Montenegro has thrown down the gauntlet to the six great powers. She declines to yield to the demands of the powers to abandon her attempts to gain possession of Scutari, and has officially announced that "there will be no departure from an attitude which conforms to the necessities of the state of war existing between the allies and Turkey."

An international fleet, comprising warships of Austria-Hungary, Italy, France, Germany and Great Britain is now blockading the Montenegrin port of Antivari. The fleet includes four Austrian warships, the British cruisers Yarmouth, Inflexible and Gloucester; the German cruiser Breslau, the Italian cruiser Pisa and the French cruiser Edgar Quinet.

Russia is not represented by a warship, but has acquiesced in the naval demonstration.

A brigade of Austrian troops from Cattaro has been maneuvering near the Montenegrin boundary.

The customary note has not been given the Montenegrin government, and Austria's action is considered unfriendly and menacing.

OHIO DAMAGE IS \$100,000,000

Work of Rehabilitation is Progressing Rapidly.

Columbus, O.—The work of rehabilitation of the flood-swept cities of Ohio is progressing rapidly. Everywhere optimism prevails. The death toll is still unknown and will probably not be complete for months, but it will not reach over 300 throughout the entire state. All of the stricken districts have been reached with food and other supplies, while the Ohio national guard assisted here and at Dayton by federal officers, has the situation well in hand as far as order and sanitation are concerned. The total property loss can only be roughly estimated at present. By those who are in close touch with the situation it is placed around \$100,000,000.

Basing their figures on reports received from the field agents throughout the Ohio flood districts, officials of the Red Cross Society, in charge of the relief workers, issued a statement estimating that 454 persons lost their lives in last week's flood. Ohioans numbering 77,133 need aid, according to the statement.

NEWS FROM OUR NATIONAL CAPITAL

Congress Convenes with Dem- ocrats in Complete Control

Washington.—Congress, opening in extraordinary session Monday under Democratic domination, was enlivened by the activities of the Progressive organization in the house and an invasion of petition-bearing suffragettes. Even these novelties, however, were overshadowed by the preparations for the precedent-breaking event of Tuesday, when President Wilson delivered his tariff message by word of mouth to the nation's lawmakers.

The senate hesitated when a resolution adopted previously by the house providing for a joint session to listen to President Wilson was presented for its consideration. It was a stunning proposal. Not in the lifetime of any veteran statesman present had such a thing ever been considered. History, they supposed, had closed on that custom a century and more ago.

The senate debated for nearly an hour the concurrent resolution for a joint session to hear President Wilson's message. No senator of the dozen who spoke opposed the passage of the resolution, but several on both sides of the chamber expressed regret at the departure from the Jeffersonian custom of sending in written messages.

President Wilson's message to the extra session was unusually short, making only about 1200 words. It dealt entirely with the tariff, leaving to the discretion of congress the method of handling the issue.

Congress May Act on Flood Control.

Champ Clark Re-elected Speaker.

When the house convened, the Democrats, following their caucus decision, renominated and re-elected Speaker Clark. The Republicans nominated Representative Mann of Illinois and the Progressives nominated Representative Murdock, of Kansas.

Victor Murdock, leader of the new Progressive party in the lower branch, at the very outset stirred up a fight over the seating of Representative H. Olin Young, of Michigan.

Progressive strength was tested on the speakership, Mr. Murdock receiving 18 votes. The new party, however, mustered more votes later in the fight on Representative Young when it attempted to prevent his taking the oath of office by resolution introduced by Representative Hinebaugh, of Illinois.

Democrats, led by Representative Fitzgerald, and Republicans marshaled by Leader Mann, joined forces in sitting upon the new party organization, the first recognized third organization in the house for 50 years. Mr. Young was sworn in, a contest of his seat by W. J. McDonald, a Progressive, to be considered later by the elections committee.

Tariff Bill Cuts Duties on Food.

Removal of duty from many articles of food and clothing; reductions in the rates of duty on all necessities of life; an increase of tariff on many luxuries; and a new income tax that would touch the pocket of every American citizen whose net income exceeds \$4000, are the striking features of the new Democratic tariff revision bill, presented to the house.

Sugar would be free of duty in 1916, the bill proposing an immediate 25 per cent reduction and the removal of the remaining duty in 1916.

Raw wool would be made free at once with a correspondingly heavy reduction in the tariff on all woolen goods.

All these other articles are put on the free list, namely:

Meats, flour, bread, boots and shoes, lumber, coal, harness, saddlery, iron ore, milk and cream, potatoes, salt, swine, corn, cornmeal, cotton bagging, agricultural implements, leather, wood pulp, bibles, printing paper not worth more than 2½ cents per pound, typewriters, typesetting machines, cash registers, steel rails, fence wire, cotton ties, nails, hoop and band iron, fish, sulphur, soda, tanning materials, acetate and sulphuric acids, borax, lumber products, including broomhandles, clapboards, hubs for wheels, posts, laths, pickets, staves, shingles.

Measures Pile Up at Extra Session.

Bills and resolutions to reform the nation's currency system, to prevent floods in the Mississippi river, to provide for relief of flood sufferers, to build government railroads in Alaska and for a host of other purposes were introduced in both houses of congress.

Several currency reform bills appeared, one by Senator Hitchcock, of Nebraska, a member of the senate committee that will prepare currency legislation. It would establish 20 distinct national reserve associations, with wide powers of note issue, discount and exchange. The bill devised by the National Monetary commission was introduced again by Senator Lodge, acting for Senator Weeks.

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