

BANKERS SUGGEST CURRENCY CHANGES

Would Limit Presidential Appointive Power of Reserve Board.

Chicago.—Bankers from all parts of the country at the end of a two days' conference here agreed on a number of important amendments to the Owen Glass currency bill now pending in congress and appointed a committee of seven to go to Washington and endeavor to have the changes incorporated in the measure.

The committee, named by A. Barton Hepburn of New York, chairman of the currency committee of the American Bankers' association and chairman of the conference, will journey to Washington to ask amendments to the present bill, the most important of which are these:

Taking from the president the power of appointing all seven of the members of the federal reserve board, which will dominate the currency situation and substituting a provision that three of the seven members shall be appointed by the president; three be named by the directors of the proposed federal reserve banks and that the seventh shall be the secretary of the treasury, who shall be a member ex-officio.

Creating one great central bank, instead of the 12 regional reserve banks provided for in the Owen-Glass bill; or if this be not obtainable, creating as few as possible and not more than five.

CHRISTIANS IN SYNAGOGUE

Jews Lend Worshiping Place to Protestant Congregation.

San Francisco.—A condition said to be unique in ecclesiastical annals of California has grown out of the hospitality of Rabbi Martin A. Meyer and his congregation, who have thrown open their place of worship, the Temple Emanu-El, to the congregation of the First Congregational church, of which Rev. Charles F. Aked is pastor, and for the next 15 months Hebrew and Christians will worship, according to their separate creeds, in the same edifice.

In welcoming the congregation to the Jewish temple, Rabbi Meyer said:

"This building, consecrated to the worship of the Jews, will be doubly consecrated to us now from the knowledge that where we sat and worshipped on Saturday there also you sat and worshipped the same God on the Sabbath."

DEMOCRATS NAME M'CALL FOR MAYOR

New York.—Edward E. McCall, chairman of the public service commission, was designated as majority candidate by the Democratic city committee.

Mr. McCall's selection by the 630 delegates as leader of the Tammany forces was unanimous, as has been forecast since it appeared from announcements that the Tammany leaders had decided not to renominate Mayor Gaynor and that he would be nominated by the "Gaynor league" with a complete independent city ticket of its own.

Mayor Gaynor's determination to run for re-election as an independent guarantees one of the liveliest municipal campaigns New York has seen in several years. There will be three tickets in the field—Democratic, Fusion and Independent.

The Fusionists, who include Republicans, Progressives, Independence league and some independent Democrats, have selected John Purroy Mitchell.

17 Cities Dispute Rates for Power.

Portland.—Disputed light and power rates in 17 cities of Oregon, including Portland, Oregon City, Salem, Mount Angel and Woodburn, will come before the Oregon railroad commission for adjustment at a hearing in Portland on Tuesday, September 2.

Philippine Governor Quits Suddenly.

Manila.—W. Cameron Forbes, governor-general of the Philippines since November, 1909, sent his resignation to Washington. It is effective September 1, just a week from when Mr. Forbes will leave for the United States.

Guard Over Thaw Suddenly Doubled.

Sherbrooke, Quebec.—Extraordinary precautions to prevent the escape of Harry K. Thaw were ordered by the Canadian immigration department and J. H. Laforce, governor of the Sherbrooke jail.

Blow From Willard's Fiet Kills Young

Los Angeles.—After lingering all night, following an operation necessitated by a blow from the gloved fist of Jess Willard in the Vernon arena John (Bull) Young, the Wyoming heavyweight, died in the Clara Barton hospital here.

NEWS FROM OUR NATIONAL CAPITAL

President Outlines Mexican Policy to House and Senate Committees.

Washington.—The policy of the United States was outlined to the members of two congressional committees of foreign relations at a conference at the white house by President Wilson and Secretary Bryan.

The message prepared by the president on the Mexican situation received practically universal support. The course of this government will be one of non-interference, in the hope that the effect of its present efforts and the pressure of foreign governments will constitute a moral suasion that ultimately will bring about peace in Mexico.

The message makes it plain that there will be no lifting of the embargo on arms; that no faction or government in Mexico will be allowed to receive munitions of war from the United States. If necessary the president proposes to increase the American border patrol to enforce this policy.

It is a message of friendship, not hostility, and precedes a policy of absolute non-interference. It proclaims to the world the sympathetic feeling that the United States government and the American people have for their neighbors in the rebellious republic south of the Rio Grande. It records the views of the United States on constitutional government, its unalterable opposition to government set up by the irregular and arbitrary acts of ambitious individuals and formally announces that the government of Victoriano Huerta shall not be recognized.

The United States had proposed that a constitutional election be held and that Huerta should not be a candidate. To these suggestions, through which the United States believes peace could be restored, Huerta replied in the negative. Foreign governments generally since that rejection have been active in support of the American policy to persuade Huerta to yield.

Work on Tariff Bill Progressing

Republican senators are giving evidence of tiring over continued fruitless opposition to the tariff schedule and rapid progress is being made in consideration of the bill.

The wool schedule has been disposed of so far as it will be considered by the senate in committee of the whole.

Though no vote was taken on free raw wool, the decisive showing on that having been deferred until the bill comes from the committee of the whole, the finance committee rates on wool manufacturers were agreed to without amendment and there was every indication that raw wool would remain free.

With only a part of the free list, a portion of the paper schedule and the sundries schedule remaining to be considered in committee, democratic leaders expressed confidence that the income tax would be disposed of before the end of the coming week.

Among the articles on the free list ratified were agricultural implements, beet and sugar cane, machinery, alcohol, horses and mules and animals for breeding, bibles, breads, biscuits and many others.

Amendment Made to Currency Bill.

The agricultural currency amendment to the administration currency bill was adopted by the house Democratic caucus. After several preliminary skirmishes, in which other amendments were beaten, the caucus, without a dissenting vote, adopted an amendment agreed to both by the "insurgent" contingent and the banking and currency committee, to put paper based on agricultural products on the same basis as commercial paper for banking purposes. It also would extend the maturity of notes and bills admitted to discount, under the amendment, to 90 days, instead of the originally proposed 60 days. This action disposed of the last of the big controversial issues in the administration currency bill.

National Capital Brevities

Figures gathered by the federal quarantine board of the department of agriculture show that during the past fiscal year 3,779,041 growing trees and 15,040 pounds of tree seeds were imported into the United States.

That the work of installing democrats in federal offices in place of republicans is proceeding at a rapid rate is shown by the nominations which have been sent to the senate since President Wilson took office. These nominations number approximately 3000 and of these about 3000

Not one solitary amendment to the currency bill proposed at the Chicago bankers' conference will be accepted by the administration. This was most emphatically declared by Chairman Glass, of the house banking committee, coauthor of the "administration" measure.

OREGON NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

Events Occurring Throughout the State During the Past Week.

Girl Saved From Drowning Father Eugene.—Rushing into the swift current of the Willamette river to her armpits, Mrs. E. C. Welch fought for several minutes to rescue her 19-year-old daughter from the clutches of her drowning husband. Sitting on the bank, she saw her husband suddenly begin to drag the daughter, Eva Welch whom he was teaching to swim, out into the deep current. Three times she saw her sink. She pushed out a board, but the girl was unable to grasp it. Then she herself plunged in, and was successful, just as she reached the last step she could have taken and still retained her feet.

LARGE CROP OF SUCKERS

Government Agent Finds 20,000 Have Been Fooled by Crooked Locators Portland.—Investigation of fraudulent locators who located victims on tracts in the railroad land grant which was recently declared forfeited to the government will continue for several weeks. The fraud has been so extensive and there are so many victims and locators that the government authorities have a veritable mine of evidence.

During the time the government was preparing the bring suit for forfeiture of the many millions of acres in the land grant, the country was flooded with the advertisements of men who offered to locate people on choice sections which they could buy for \$2.50 an acre, either from the railroad or the government, depending which won the suit. Thousands of people became interested and accepted the offers. There then sprang up a crop of locators, who would locate a victim on a likely-looking tract of timber and charge a substantial fee for the trouble. There are instances where a dozen or even 20 people have been located on the same identical tract of timber, and the locators charged anything they could get.

As near as the officials have been able to learn, there have been 20,000 locations made.

9,000,000 Pounds of Salmon Canned

Astoria.—The spring salmon fishing season on the Columbia river, which just closed, will be the poorest in many years. This is especially true of the lower river district. Plants on the upper river did much better.

A conservative estimate of the amount put up places the canned pack at 230,000 cases, "as they run," or approximately 149,500 full cases. This pack represents 9,000,000 pounds of raw fish. The cold-storage pack totals about 3450 tierces of 800 pounds of cured fish, or a total of 4,895,000 pounds.

MAYOR CENSORS GOWNS

Albee Says "Late Models Find Favor in the Underworld."

Portland.—Replying to a letter from a young woman who requested that he help her choose her fall gowns, to insure against purchase of any that would violate his "X-ray" proscription, Mayor Albee issued an open reply defending his order to the police to arrest all wearers of immodest gowns.

"You will surely excuse this appeal" wrote the mayor's fair questioner, whose name the mayor withholds, "as the notice did not give exact information in regard to the length and width. As I am about to do my fall shopping and afraid to transgress in the matter of cut and style, would you kindly accompany me and help me to select proper apparel?"

"It probably is not known to the good women of the city, some of whom have adopted various of the late models of dress for street attire, that the most of these 'late affairs' find favor in the underworld, where the unfortunates who live there have seized upon them as a means for furthering their illegal business," says the mayor.

Refuses to Whip Man

Klamath Falls.—Sheriff Charles Low declared that he would refuse to administer a whipping to William Pew, who was convicted of wife beating before Justice E. W. Gowen and sentenced to 15 lashes. Upon being informed that Justice Gowen had threatened to institute contempt proceedings if the sentence of the court were not executed, Low said he would serve a term in jail before he would use the lash on Pew.

Ranks of Voters May be Doubled

Salem.—That the enfranchisement of women may be double the total registration in Oregon is the belief of the men who have made a study of registration figures in Secretary of State Olcott's office. The conclusions are based on reports of registrations from the various counties from June 8 to August 14.

BRIEF NEWS OF OREGON

The recent election held at Molalla, to decide whether the town should become a municipality, resulted in a four to one vote in favor of incorporation.

At Bonanza two big business buildings were destroyed by fire. They were occupied by a general merchandise store, confectionery, drug store and barber shop.

The Florence council is obtaining estimates of the cost of water main, with a view to installing a 10 or 12 inch main through the business section of town for fire protection.

Reports from Baker say that on September 1st the Oregon Mill & Grain company and the Rock Creek company, operating the two largest flour mills in Baker county, will be consolidated.

Dr. M. B. Marcellus, health officer of Portland, has written to the state railroad commission, asking that the express companies be compelled to adopt a more hygienic system of shipping meats.

I. H. Van Winkle has been elected dean of the law department of Willamette university, at Salem, succeeding Charles McNary, appointed as a supreme court justice. The new dean was for eight years assistant attorney general of Oregon.

Redondo B. Sutton of Portland, has been commissioned a second lieutenant of coast artillery at Fort Monroe, Va. Sutton is a West Point graduate, and a brother of the young marine officer who met an untimely death at Annapolis three years ago.

Corporation license fees remaining unpaid in the state became delinquent August 15, and Commissioner Watson is checking over the list with a view to enforcing collection. Suits against the delinquent companies will also include a \$100 penalty in each case.

Twenty-eight sections of timber land in the district lying southeast of Jewell, in Clatsop county, contain 948,375,000 feet of timber, according to the cruise returns filed with the county assessor at Astoria. The banner section of the district contains 82,290,000 feet.

Cramped while swimming, Miss Laverne Willett, 18 years old, was recently drowned in the Willamette river near Dayton. She was accompanied in the water by her brother, 12 years old, whom she seized and almost drowned in her frantic efforts to escape.

A barn filled with hay and grain was fired and destroyed by a bolt of lightning at Carson station, on the United Railway, 27 miles out of Portland, in one of the worst electric storms ever known in that neighborhood. It was owned by Henry C. Carson, whose loss is \$1500.

An automobile owned and driven by W. W. Kent of Drain upset on the stage road 36 miles west of Roseburg, and Mrs. Mary Holyfield, mother of Mrs. Kent, was instantly killed. Mrs. Kent sustained two fractures of the arm, but her husband and three small children escaped unhurt.

Unless Governor West commutes his sentence to life imprisonment, Lem Wood, a Chinese, convicted in Portland in 1908, of killing Le Tai Hoy, will be hanged. A mandate of the supreme court of the United States was received by the clerk of the state supreme court, the verdict of the Oregon courts of murder in the first degree.

M. A. Mayer, owner of the Mayerdale fruit farm, has shipped the first carload of prunes this season from Mosier. He has sold his entire crop, estimated at 5000 crates, to a New York firm. The Mosier prune crop is not so large as that of last year, but is of better quality, and is commanding prices very satisfactory to the growers.

Identified as "Yellow Bill" or J. B. Allison, one of the best known yeg-men and holdup artists on the crime calendar, the body of Joe Barron, the man who was shot in the holdup of the Soo-Spokane train at Portland, and who died the following day without making known his identity, will be held at the morgue until further details are received of his complete record.

Announcement has been made at Marshfield that the Southern Pacific railroad company is arranging to develop the coal fields of Coos county. Oregon towns now using coal from Washington, Wyoming and Utah mines can be supplied, it is said, with Coos county coal at a large saving in freight expense. The Southern Pacific owns the Beaver Hill mine, the largest producer in the Coos Baly field where it is sinking a shaft.

Frank G. Swaggart and Sam McGee, two campers in Wallowa county, were treed by a bear in the north woods near Enterprise. They fired at the animal, but it paid no attention to their bullets, and charged straight for them. Each sought a friendly tree and remained in its branches during a drenching rain, while the bear stood guard beneath. Tiring of its vigil, the bear finally ambled off into the woods and the campers escaped, racing back to camp with such speed that they cleared a five-rail fence, it is said. Next day they returned for their hats.

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