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## CONGRESS CLOSES LENGTHY SESSION

### Senators and Representatives Depart for Homes to Enter Campaigns.

Washington, D. C.—For the first time since he entered the White House 18 months ago, President Harding looked forward Saturday to a long period of legislative quiet, with no congress on his hands to bring its troubles and problems to the executive doorstep.

With the exception of short recess periods, congress has been almost in continuous session since the beginning of the republican administration, and the departure of members to take part in the campaign affords the president the longest rest he has had from legislative worries.

President Harding has informed congressional leaders, however, that he wants congress to come back to Washington after the elections, November 7, in order that all appropriation bills and necessary legislative matters can be cleaned up by March 4 next.

President Harding has expressed the belief that the country generally "wants a rest from congress and the disturbing effects of new laws."

Statistical sharps are busy calculating the work of the session, prominent in which was enactment of the tariff law and passage of the soldiers' bonus bill, with its death after the president's veto. About 300 laws were said to have been enacted out of 3498 bills and 358 resolutions introduced in the house and 1249 bills and about 280 resolutions in the senate. Appropriations of the session aggregated over \$1,250,000,000, and with authorizations \$3,751,917,000 was made available for the government's fiscal year needs. About 9000 nominations were sent to the senate by President Harding, which were confirmed with but few exceptions.

## TARIFF ACT MARKS CHANGE IN SYSTEM

Washington, D. C.—American tariff making entered a new phase with the coming into force of the tariff act of 1922. For the first time in history congress has delegated part of its authority over taxes at the customs houses, conferring upon the president broad powers to increase or decrease rates and change from foreign to American valuation as the basis for assessing ad valorem duties on imports.

The tariff commission, created during the administration of President Wilson, will be the agency through which the president will exercise his new authority, and present expectations are that its work will rank almost in importance with that of the interstate commerce commission. The commission will make extensive investigations into costs of production at home and abroad, and will report its findings with recommendations for rate or valuation changes to the president.

## SHIP SCRAPPING PUT OFF

Three-Power Ratification by France and Italy Awaited.

Washington, D. C.—Secretary Denby announced that there will be no scrapping of battleships until after the five-power naval treaty has been ratified by the last of the subscribing powers. France and Italy have yet to ratify the pact.

Five obsolete battleships have already been sent to the scrap heap, but it was said that although named in the treaty, they would have been scrapped anyhow. They are the Virginia, Rhode Island, Nebraska, Georgia and the New Jersey. Officials, it was indicated, have felt that the near east situation might lead to some of the signatories changing plans regarding the scrapping of vessels beyond the treaty provisions and for this reason it would not be wise for the United States to begin actual scrapping until all the powers have ratified the pact.

U. S. Senator Watson Dead. Washington, D. C.—United States Senator Thomas E. Watson of Georgia died suddenly at his home Tuesday. Death was said to be due to an acute attack of asthma, from which Senator Watson had suffered recurrently for some time.

## Legion Smoker Tomorrow Night

With a fine record of good boxing at their two previous smokers, the boys of Athena-Weston Post, American Legion, have everything in readiness for their third boxing card, which takes place at Legion Hall tomorrow evening.

Four stirring events, with Ernie Ferron of Yakima, and Roy Cup of Walla Walla, topping the list in six rounds, at 135 pounds ringside, is tomorrow night's offering.

Three preliminaries of four rounds each, with fifty lads participating is sure to whet the appetites of the fans for the main event to follow.

Gale Anderson, clever Athena boy, will face Swede Noreen of Pendleton, in a four round bout; "Dutch" McPherrin is paired with Red Leonard of Walla at 120 pounds, and Garth Stahl of Adams, will meet Tarwater of Walla Walla.

These smokers merit the patronage of the public. Should this one be a success, others will follow during the fall and winter months.

Their object is to promote clean athletics and sportsmanship. Ladies era especially invited to attend. An additional four round event, a curtain-raiser has been added. Contest begins at 8:30 prompt. Ringside seats \$1.50, general admission, \$1.00.

## BOTH SIDES OF A QUESTION

Possessions Bound to Bring Responsibility, but There is Also Adequate Recompense.

Everything that you can think of in the way of desired possessions brings with it an accompanying load of trouble, care and responsibility.

And this is something of a consolation for those who must stand outside the barred gates and look yearningly in.

After all, they can think, it's a lot of trouble to take care of so much; perhaps it's just as well to be without it. That's where the trouble part helps them.

But on the other hand, it's worth some care to have the real things that other people are striving to find. It's worth some responsibility to have such beautiful old silver.

The house in perfect order, the velvet lawn and the garden that make visitors gasp with pleasure are pretty good payment for all your thought and work and planning and caring for them.

That beautifully shaped head and graceful cuff are surely satisfying enough to make up for the pain and the lost time.

If people who have things didn't have some trouble with them, then there would be the greatest amount of discontent among people who haven't.

More possessing gets to be like a habit; one forgets all about what it is that she possesses, whether it is valuable or not, and whether or not one should be grateful about it.

But when a little trouble and difficulty come along with it, one realizes that it has cost something and is worth something.—Kansas City Star.

## SEEDS CARRIED FOR MILES

Varieties of Wild Plants Have Various Means of Assuring Propagation of Their Species.

It is well known that the same crop cannot grow and flourish year after year upon the same ground. The wild plant knows this and takes care that its seed shall fall upon fresh ground. Some, like the thistle and the dandelion, have developed seeds provided with balloons of down, by means of which they are carried for miles. The sycamore and the lime grow little parachutes, which send their seeds twisting through the air for long distances. The burrs make use of animals to do the work for them. They grow rows of tiny hooks designed to catch in the coats of animals, which carry them away and then rub them off against bushes. The poppy has perfected an efficient form of sprinkler. When the dry heads are shaken by the wind, seeds are shot out in all directions. The tropical sandbox tree was the first inventor of explosives. Its seedpods are filled with gas, which expands until such a pressure is reached that the sheath bursts with a noise like a revolver shot, and the seeds are distributed over a considerable area.

## His Simple Plan.

"How did you contrive to live so long?" asked the interviewer. "I didn't make any particular plans," said the brisk centenarian. "No?" "I just kept hopping out of bed every morning until the first thing I knew I had been doing it a hundred years."—Birmingham Age-Herald.

## ASSOCIATION IS LAUNCHED BY SEED POTATO GROWERS

The Weston Mountain Seed Potato Growers association was launched at a meeting of the Weston Mountain Community club Monday evening.

The club will handle the seed and commercial potatoes grown in the upland districts tributary to Weston, build storage and transact whatever business comes within the province of such an organization. It has long been needed and is expected to prove of great benefit to the upland potato interests.

Constitution and by-laws were adopted and were signed by twenty-two Weston mountain growers. The membership list, it is expected, will be increased to thirty or more when growers from the other mountain districts are signed up.

Control of the association is vested in a board of directors representing the potato districts on both sides of Pine creek. The membership fee is \$5.00. Weston is the place of business.

Among those in attendance at the meeting and whose advice and assistance were greatly appreciated were Fred Bennion, county agent; E. R. Jackman of Oregon Agricultural College, and Lee M. Lamson, manager of the Blalock Fruit Co.'s office at Kennewick, Wash.

Mr. Lamson, who came as the personal representative of Colonel Weyrauch, Blalock's president, gave a very interesting and informative talk along the line of marketing. With an association to back them up, he thought that certified seed spuds could be marketed to advantage, despite the poor outlook for commercial stock.

## STANDARD PICTURES

Tomorrow, Saturday night, Wallace Reid will be seen at the Standard in one of his latest Paramount pictures, "Across the Continent," a splendid production. Reid and his Ford brings down in concrete form a glorious mixture of merriment and entertainment. Sunday night, "Under Cover." An exceptionally fine Universal picture heads the program. "The Sheik," the opening big picture at the Standard for the fall season, will be exhibited on Saturday evening, October 7th.

## HALL WITHDRAWS

Charles Hall has withdrawn as an independent candidate for governor. The announcement came as a complete surprise to the majority of his supporters. In a letter announcing his withdrawal Hall says he was "actually nominated by the republican voters of the state." Hall urges "energetic, earnest support of the compulsory school bill."

## SEEDING OPERATIONS

Fall seeding of grain is well under way, and a number of farmers have finished while many others are getting ready to seed. With sufficient moisture, the soil will be in perfect condition.

## Football Games Being Scheduled

With seven lettermen out of the ranks of the Athena football squad, Coach Baer is moulding the material at hand in shape for the present season, which opens with Athena at Umapine, October 7th, according to a schedule of the games as printed in the East Oregonian Tuesday evening. The schedule, as published, follows:

September 30—Hermiston at Pendleton; Imbler at La Grande; Halfway at Baker.

October 7—Wallowa at Pendleton; Enterprise at Imbler; Athena at Umapine.

October 14—Pendleton at Athena; Enterprise at Baker.

October 21—Pendleton at Enterprise; La Grande at Elgin; Weston at Athena.

October 28—La Grande at Pendleton; Athena at Stanfield.

Nov. 3—The Dalles at Pendleton. Nov. 4—Joseph at Enterprise; Athena at Milton.

Nov. 11—Baker at La Grande; Hermiston at Athena.

Nov. 18—Walla Walla at Pendleton; La Grande at Union; Umapine at Athena.

Nov. 25—Milton at Pendleton. Nov. 30—Pendleton at Baker; La Grande at Enterprise.

## MRS. S. A. MILLER OF MILTON ENDS HER LIFE

Mrs. S. A. Miller, wife of Representative Miller, who is one of the owners of the Milton nursery, committed suicide Friday morning at 9 o'clock at her home. She used a revolver for her act of self-destruction.

Poor health is given as the cause for Mrs. Miller's action. She was a member of one of Milton's most respected and prominent families, and no other cause could be given for her suicide.

She is the mother of two children, a boy and a girl. The girl only recently left for Michigan to attend college. Before ending her life, Mrs. Miller penned the following note: "Nobody is to blame, my mind has been leaving me for a long time and I have fought against this for several years. Allene hasn't clothes enough for the winter, and it worries me. I can't stand this awful nervousness any longer. My strength is going so fast and I don't want to be a burden to any one."

## SIX YEAR SENTENCE GIVEN

Floyd Hall, who served overseas with the 148th field artillery, pleaded guilty in circuit court Monday to a charge of attacking his wife with intent to kill. Hall sent five bullets in the head and neck of his wife, Mrs. Elsie Hall, in a restaurant as she was about to serve him. She will recover, Hall, who is a Pendleton man, was sentenced to serve six years in the state prison by Judge Gilbert W. Phelps.

## ATHENA BAND POPULAR WITH ROUND-UP CROWDS

V. E. Froome assembled a good band to represent Athena at the Round-Up and its music pleased the crowds there. Speaking of the band the East Oregonian says:

A unique feature of the band music at the Round-Up is the fact that the leader of the Athena band, is a tradition in the army as leader of the old 29th Infantry. Mr. Herie was band master of the official band of the department of the east when General Grant died and led the funeral band—150 picked men from four of the best army bands stationed around New York Harbor.

Soon afterward he left the army and was in charge of a Michigan National Guard Band when the Spanish-American war broke out he was mustered into the federal service and remained after the close of the war, serving as leader in Pershing's regimental band when he was in command on a regiment in the Philippines. He also served in the canal zone, retiring in 1915, and has been in musical work ever since.

Nic Herie, who leads the Twin-City band is also an old time army band leader, but has spent much of his life in civil music activities. He is instructor in brass and wood-wind instruments at Whitman Conservatory of Music.

Another unique character is "Dad" Maxwell, French horn player with the Athena band. He is over 70 years of age and has 30 years service in the U. S. Army behind him.

## RED CROSS MEETING CALLED

A meeting of the local branch of the Red Cross is called for next Monday afternoon, at 3:30 o'clock, in the Commercial Club rooms. Annual election of officers will be held and other important business transacted, including discussion of the coming benefit Market Day, which will probably be set for Saturday, October 7. All members are urged to be present.

## LOWELL RICHMOND

Lowell, the 18 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Richmond, died Wednesday in a Walla Walla hospital, from the effects of liver trouble. Surgical operations failed to relieve the boy and he died after weeks of intense suffering. The funeral took place yesterday at Walla Walla. The young man was prominent in high school affairs at Walla Walla.

## FIRE PREVENTION WEEK

Governor Olcott, by proclama" in, has set aside October 7th to 14th to be observed as Fire Prevention week. During this period, cooperation of the people of the state of Oregon is asked in removing all rubbish, litter at the homes and places of business.

## CHICKEN DINNER

The ladies of the Christian church gave a six o'clock chicken dinner last evening in the reception rooms of the church, when about 100 guests were served. \$51.25 being realized from the dinner.

## A County Potato Show At Weston

The Umatilla County Potato show will be held in Memorial hall at Weston on Saturday, October 8, 1922.

Time and place were decided upon at a meeting of the committee having the event in charge, held Tuesday in Weston. This body consists of Clark Wood, chairman; J. V. Smith, secretary; W. L. Rayborn, J. H. Price, Bruno Weber and James Smock. It was appointed by Mrs. Roy Hyatt, president of the Weston Mountain Community club, at the club's meeting Monday evening.

Fred Bennion, county agent, is an ex-officio member of the committee, and has agreed to assist in conducting the show whenever his numerous other duties permit.

On Saturday, October 28, the lowly spud will be king for the nonce and the whilom monarch of the great grain belt, King Wheat, will have to temporarily relinquish his throne.

Not only will the seed and commercial potatoes grown in the upland and lowland districts tributary to Weston be shown, but exhibits will be sought from other parts of the county—notably the irrigated districts of the west end.

The sum of one hundred dollars will be offered in premiums. The several classes and other details in connection with the show will be arranged at a later meeting of the committee.

## NOT MUCH OF A SENSATION

Romantic Young Man, Looking for Something to Happen, Received Something of a Jolt.

The romantic young man had made friends with the hotel detective early in his stay at the hotel, and he watched him most of the time, waiting to see something happen.

He was just crossing the lobby on his way to breakfast one morning when a woman entered the door, and he saw the detective prick up his ears and follow after her.

The romantic young man turned in his steps and followed, too. The woman was of middle age, well dressed, respectable looking, and in the moment that she crossed, unconscious of her followers, all sorts of thoughts flashed through the youth's head.

Perhaps she was a famous burglar! Perhaps she was some sort of secret agent! Perhaps—

As she started to step into the elevator the detective touched her shoulder. She wheeled about sharply. "Sir?" she demanded.

The detective opened his coat to show her his badge, and the romantic young man waited breathlessly.

"I beg your pardon, madam," said the detective, "but it's against the rules to have a dog in your rooms."

The woman started, and there, peering out from beneath her fur coat, was the pink nose of a tiny poodle.

The romantic young man walked back toward the dining room disgustedly.—New York Globe.

## LIKE SOME VAST CATHEDRAL

Investigator So Described English Cave Known to Travelers as Gaping Ghyll of Ingleborough.

The chief caves in England are about Ingleborough (northwest Yorkshire), in the peak district of Derbyshire, and round about the Cheddar in Somerset. Gaping Ghyll of Ingleborough goes down in one plunge of 300 feet, and was scientifically explored in 1895 by M. Martel. Below this the cavern opens out and the lower stage was described by the French speleologist, in the Alpine Journal, as 'an immense cathedral, unsupported by a single pillar. There was one vast hall, 500 feet long, 80 to 100 feet high, 60 to 110 feet broad. Thus it is one of the five or six largest caves known at present to exist in the whole world, and the scene ranks among the most impressive that I ever expect to come across in my underground wanderings.' The Derbyshire caves go deep, but they are surpassed in brilliancy by the stalactite caves of the Cheddar, by the many-hued masses of incrustation in Lamb's lair, and the snowy terraces and rich emblazons of Swildon's hole and other caves of Somerset.

## Hand Ball Game of Ancient Lineage.

Hand ball, by which many business men now keep themselves in trim, is a game of ancient lineage. Suetonius, for instance, tells of the Emperor Augustus Caesar playing the game, as well as a variety of tennis. This emperor, who succeeded Julius Caesar, and in whose reign literature and the arts flourished, had other recreations, among them being the playing of marbles, and also fishing with hook and line, according to Suetonius.

## TURKISH DEMANDS GRANTED BY ALLIES

### British Reversal of Policy Regarded as French Diplomatic Victory.

Paris.—Britain, France and Italy sent a note to Mustapha Kemal opening the way for Turkey to reenter Europe, receive back Constantinople and Adrianople and join the League of Nations. This was done to avoid unforeseen consequences of war in the Near East.

The Turks are offered the territory of Thrace in Europe as far east as the Maritza river.

They are invited to send a plenipotentiary to Venice to "negotiate and conclude a final peace treaty between Turkey, Greece and the allies."

In return for concessions offered, the Turks must cease their war on Greece and agree to neutralization of the straits.

This is regarded as an overwhelming victory for Turkey and for French policy in the Near East. The allies' proposal scraps the treaty of Sevres and takes from Greece thousands of square miles awarded under that treaty, handing vast territories back to Turkey.

In addition to other concessions, Turkey gets a promise of the support of the three allies for admission to the League of Nations and also withdrawal of the allied troops from Constantinople as soon as peace becomes effective.

The last minute abandonment by Great Britain of her position was due, it was believed, to a desire to avoid war, which many British officials, both at home and in the Near East, regarded as likely. Pressure from British labor, which was united against hostilities in the near east, is also thought to have played no small part in the decision of the British government.

## TWO NEUTRAL TOWNS OCCUPIED BY TURKS

Constantinople.—The Angora government officially announces that two Kemalist cavalry divisions, totaling 3000 men, have occupied Eren Keul. At the same time it is learned the Turkish nationalists also took possession of Kum Kalest, at the mouth of the Dardanelles. The occupying forces consisted of cavalry.

Seizure of these places constitutes a violation of the neutral zone of the straits. Both are directly on the straits.

Hamid Boy, representative of the Angora government in Constantinople, declared the allied invitation to the peace conference could not be accepted by the Turkish Nationalists on the terms laid down. He said:

"We cannot accept the allied terms because they propose to demilitarize the Sea of Marmora and part of Thrace, which would prevent us from bringing our troops from Asia to Europe. Neither can we accept literally the condition that our army shall not advance while the peace conference is progressing."

## COURT GRANTS INJUNCTION

Attorney-General Daugherty Wins Chicago Hearing in Federal Court. Chicago.—Judge James H. Wilkerson granted Attorney-General Daugherty's petition for a national-wide temporary injunction against the striking railway shopmen.

Judge Wilkerson, in a lengthy review of the case, said the defendants could not deny knowledge and responsibility for the widespread violence which has marked the strike. Partial settlement of the strike, he held, has not affected the right of the government to obtain a nationwide injunction.

Indication that the shopcraft leaders would appeal from Judge Wilkerson's decree was given by Donald Richberg, counsel for B. M. Jewell, president, and John Scott, vice-president of the railway employees' department of the American Federation of Labor.

## \$200,000 in Bad Money Is Seized.

Chicago.—Secret service agents seized over \$200,000 in counterfeit Federal Reserve bank notes in a raid on a printing and engraving shop. The raid was said to be the greatest single raid in the history of the department.

## The Worm

