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### NEWS FROM OUR NATIONAL CAPITAL

#### Clapp Bill Aims to Limit Use of Presidential and Congressional Campaign Funds.

Washington.—As a direct result of the senate campaign contribution committee's investigation, Senator Moses E. Clapp of Minnesota, chairman of the committee, introduced in the senate a drastic bill limiting the use of campaign funds in presidential and congressional elections. It forbids any person, firm, corporation, association, committee or any officer thereof to send moneys from one state to another for the purpose of influencing elections. Such general prohibition, however, is not provided against political committees, the bill specifying: "The national committees of political parties may make payments for expenses of campaign speakers, transportation, hotel bills, expenses for the dissemination of campaign literature and advertising."

Violations of the proposed measure are made punishable by imprisonment for from six months to one year.

#### Governors Act on Rural Credit Plan.

The conference of governors here took official action to further the extension of rural credits, after listening to an address on the subject by President Taft.

A committee of nine executives was named to draw up a tentative farm credit plan, from the reports of foreign credit systems, submitted to them by Myron T. Herrick, American ambassador to France.

Ambassador Herrick outlined briefly the bond issue plan which he recommended for adoption by this country. The system, he explained, consisted of an association of small state or land banks, whose sole business was the issuance and guarantee of bonds secured by farm lands. These bonds have no fixed date for retirement, but their average is 30 to 75 years. The interest on the bonds averages three per cent a year, exclusive of the cost of the bond issuance.

#### Assay Offices to Close.

The house voted to close assay offices at Boise, Helena and Carson on June 30 next. The legislative appropriation bill omitted these offices and when Representative French offered an amendment restoring regular appropriations for all three of them, the solid Democratic side voted "no" and the amendment was defeated.

The house granted a new lease on life to the Seattle assay office, which gets the usual appropriation of \$13,050.

#### House Committee to Study Tariff

Thorough revision schedule by schedule, of the present tariff by the next congress was indicated by the decision of the democratic members of the house ways and means committee to have hearings on the tariff every Monday, Wednesday and Friday in January, beginning January 8.

One day will be devoted to each schedule, though if necessary in any case, not exceeding two days will be allowed. There are 14 schedules, but by merging two or three of the minor schedules with the important schedules the committee expects to get through with the hearings by the end of January.

#### National Capital Brevities

The house passed the Crago bill to pension Spanish war veterans, widows and children.

The senate as a court of impeachment has begun taking testimony in the trial of Judge Archbald.

Several of the governors of the New York stock exchange have been summoned to appear before the house money trust committee.

Through an executive order, issued by President Taft, more than 20,000 employees of navy yards throughout the United States are put under the protection of civil service.

It cost the Democratic National committee \$1,159,448 to carry the election for Wilson and Marshall, according to its final statement of contributions and expenses filed with the house.

The common towel was ordered abolished from railroad cars, vessels, all other interstate vehicles and from stations, by Secretary MacVeagh in an amendment to the interstate quarantine regulations.

The pension programme of the Democrats in the house has been definitely settled by the determination of the committee on invalid pensions to attempt no general pension legislation in this short session.

The final statement of the contributions and expenditures from the Roosevelt Progressive presidential campaign fund filed with the clerk of the house showed total contributions of \$976,872.73 and expenditures of \$665,600.

General Muns, commanding the department of the Columbia, has submitted a report to the war department strongly recommending the fortification of the entrances to Grays Harbor and Willapa Harbor, on the Washington coast.

### ROBBERS' HAUL IS \$20,000

#### Two Men Hold up Express Car and Get Bank's Money

Bakersfield, Cal.—Twenty thousand dollars in gold was the haul of two robbers who held up the express car of the Sunset Western train bound from Bakersfield for Taft, Cal. The money was consigned to the First National Bank of Taft by the First National Bank of Bakersfield. It was not placed in the express safe.

When the train arrived at Taft railroad men were forced to break down the door of the express car. In a corner covered with mail sacks was M. W. Hamby, the express messenger, who was just regaining consciousness, but obviously who examined him declared that apparently he was not seriously hurt. Hamby could provide only few details of the robbery.

Several posses left here for the scene of the robbery, and others are searching in the vicinity of Maricopa and Taft.

#### Governors Repudiate Bleese's Views

Richmond, Va.—The governors' conference unanimously repudiated the recent utterance of Governor Bleese, of South Carolina, concerning the lynching of negroes. By a vote of 14 to 4 it adopted a resolution declaring against mob violence and for the impartial enforcement of the law.

#### Hadley Plan Opposed by Borah

Washington.—Senator Borah of Idaho, is not in favor of the proposal of Governor Hadley, of Missouri, to call a convention of republicans next summer for the purpose of perfecting plans for the reorganization of the republican party. He does not think such a convention would be practicable or successful, as it would have no recognized authority, and would not bind anyone by its action.

### OREGON NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

#### Events Occurring Throughout the State During the Past Week.

#### Abstract of Votes Shows Development

Salem.—The rapid development of the Oregon system as pertaining to the initiative, is shown in the size of the sheet of paper required for the printing of the abstract of votes cast for the measures.

In 1907, when the initiative was in its infancy, the abstract of votes on the measures was placed in the same table with the vote on the candidates. The whole thing required 10 inches. The abstract for the vote in the last election is now being prepared by Secretary of State Olcott and the initiative has grown until it is necessary to abandon the single sheet for the abstract and print the report in pamphlet form.

#### Shell Rock Road Injunction Lost

Hood River.—The injunction served on Hood River county by the O.W.R. & N. Co. recently asking that Hood River county officials be restrained from prosecuting the work on the Shell Rock road around Shell Rock mountain, where the road runs close to the present railroad track, has been dissolved by Judge W. L. Bradshaw of Hood River county and the suit dismissed. The injunction was granted on the ground that it was prematurely brought.

#### BONDING ACTS OPPOSED

Co-Operative Union Holds Three-Day Meeting at Baker

Baker.—With two closed meetings the three days of the Farmers' Educational and Co-operative Union convention closed in this city. The meetings consisted of reports by the committees on legislation constitution, minimum prices and resolutions. The recommendation in the report of the legislation committee opposing bonding acts for the upkeep of roads was defeated. It is not known whether any action further than the convention indorsement will be taken in this direction.

The attendance at the last day's session dropped off considerably, but not so much but that a great deal of interest was manifested to the last. It is generally conceded by those who have attended the other conventions of the union that the one just closed was the best ever held.

#### Roseburg Poultry Exhibition Opened

Roseburg.—With an exceptionally large number of exhibits representing a quality of birds far superior to the "baryard" product heretofore displayed in this country, the second annual exhibition of the Douglas County Poultry and Pet Stock association opened here under the most flattering conditions. Chickens of all colors and kinds were exhibited, and the poultry fanciers were in their glory.

#### Medford Rats War Begins

Medford.—Because Medford, according to a statement of Mayor Canon, is paying a higher rate for electric lights than any city in the state, and because an amendment passed at the last general election gives councils the right to fix the rate, a committee has been appointed to submit a uniform rate to be charged by the Oregon-California Power company.

#### UNIVERSITY CUTS BUDGET

Sum Granted by Last Legislature Cut From \$503,000 to \$205,000


Eugene.—To hold down to the bare necessities and to join wholeheartedly in the state-wide movement for economies in public expenditures was the decision of the board of regents of the state university when it put the knife into the budget passed by the last legislature and cut the total from \$503,000 to \$205,000.

The university's requests at Salem are to be confined to the following items: \$100,000 for a new classroom building; \$75,000 for repairs and minor additions; \$50,000 a year for two years for additional maintenance and \$15,000 a year for two years for correspondence and extension work, a total of \$205,000 for the biennium.

The procedure favored by the regents was the submission of these items to Governor West, with the request that he should lay the university's needs before the ways and means committee.

Albany Y. M. C. A. Starts

Albany.—Permanent organization of a Young Men's Christian association in Albany was effected at a meeting held in the rooms of the Albany commercial club. The association adopted a constitution and bylaws, arranged for incorporation of the organization and elected a board of directors. This board will choose the officers of the association at a meeting to be held later.



December 13, 1912.

Dear Friend:

We used to have the worst kind of bread at our house; it wouldn't rise; the cook said we didn't have in our house the right kind of flour, so Mamma changed her mind, and for a long time now we have been making our bread out of White River and Snow Drift, at \$1.45 a sack, less by the barrel; Diamond W Pan cake self raising flour, 15c a package, as well as Graham flour at 45c for 10 pounds; Olympia 50c for a 10 pound sack.

Your friend,  
JACOB.

P.S. They sell all these kind and more too at

## MELOY'S

### PROGRESSIVES HOLD CHICAGO CONFERENCE

#### Party Leaders Assemble to Plan on Work During Next Four Years.

Chicago.—The event of the week in the field of politics was the national conference of progressive leaders in Chicago Tuesday and Wednesday, to devise plans for carrying on the work of the party during the next four years. Colonel Roosevelt was among those in attendance at the conference. He has entirely recovered from his wound and took active part.

"Without trafficking or dickerings with the old parties, fight to have our platform principles embodied in the laws of Illinois," was the appeal Colonel Roosevelt made to the newly-elected members of the Illinois legislature, to whom he made his first speech at the conference.

Among those who participated in the deliberations were: Governor Stubbs of Kansas, William Allen White, Henry J. Allen, Editor Van Valkenburg of Philadelphia, Gifford Pinchot, William Flint, Bull Moose leader in Pennsylvania; Dean Kirchner of Columbia university; State Chairman Hotchkiss of New York, former Attorney General Charles B. Hogue, Miss Frances Keller of New York, Miss Alice Carpenter of Massachusetts and many other persons of prominence. Colonel Roosevelt and Mr. and Mrs. McCormick will be the guests at Hull House of Jane Addams.

The largest single delegation came from New York on a special train with Colonel Roosevelt. The Colonel was greeted at the railroad station with cheers and shouts of "he can come back."

The committee on arrangements in attendance at the conference included every state chairman and members of the national executive committee, as well as hundreds of members of the party, including many women.

Oregon.

Place citron in a moderately hot oven for a few moments before cutting it up for cakes or puddings.

#### THE MARKETS

##### Portland

Wheat—Club, 79c; bluestem, 82c; red Russian, 76c.  
Oats—\$28 per ton.  
Hay—Timothy, \$17; alfalfa, \$12.  
Butter—Creamery, 37c.  
Eggs—Candied, 42c.  
Hops—1912 crop, 15c.  
Wool—Eastern Oregon, 18c; Willamette valley, 22½c.  
Mohair—32c.

##### Seattle

Wheat—Bluestem, 81c; club, 76c; red Russian, 76c.  
Eggs—42c.  
Butter—Creamery, 38c.  
Hay—Timothy, \$17 per ton; alfalfa, \$12 per ton.

### The Grain Growers Conveniences

Are not alone confined to Rural Free Delivery, by mail and the Telephone. There is another convenience which all farmers should have — and many do have — a checking account with a good bank. The possessor of such an account avoids the risk of having his money on his person or about his home where it is in danger of fire and thieves.

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## George Ellard, Proprietor

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### People in the News

The will of the late Senator Rayner, of Maryland, shows that the value of his estate will approximate \$1,000,000.

The resignation of Robert L. Farrington, second vice president of the Great Northern railroad, is announced.

Major-General Julius Stebel, of the civil war volunteers, died in New York after an illness of about a year. He was second oldest surviving general of the civil war.

Henry Disher, of Davenport, Iowa, aged 73 years, and a veteran of the civil war, has just welcomed his twenty-third child. It is a few days old. His oldest is a son, 43 years old. All are living.

Senator Poindexter at Washington signalled his entrance into the national capital by giving out an interview in which he declared that President Taft should be impeached for improper use of federal patronage.

Mrs. Daniel E. Sietkies has again saved her husband, the aged Major-General Sietkies, from his financial troubles, this time by satisfying a judgment ordered against General Sietkies by the Bank of Metropolis for \$5050.94.

Dr. Sun Yat Sen, Chinese progressive leader, and former provisional president of the new republic, is coming to Los Angeles with three members of the Chinese cabinet. The orientals also will visit San Francisco, Washington and New York.

"Make a bonfire of your hats; throw away your corsets and wear trousers instead of those ridiculous tight skirts," is the recommendation of Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt, the suffragette leader, to the Equal Suffrage League in her report of her two years' round-the-world campaign in behalf of votes for women.

Followed the Example of Cato.

In the first year of the last century London affected great admiration for Cato's suicide, the feeling being aroused by Addison's play. A gentleman named "Bodgell" after witnessing his performance, threw himself into the Thames on his way home. His body was recovered, and on it was found a scrap of paper with these words: "What Cato did and Addison approved must needs be right."

Everybody Has Trouble.

"I can't get a new hat because the children need shoes."  
"I'm in the same boat."  
"Why, you have no children."  
"True, but I can't get a new dress because the auto needs tires."—Pittsburgh Post.