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## PRESIDENT WILSON BLAMES MIDDLEMAN FOR HIGH COSTS

### Urges Farmer to Use More Land to Raise Bigger Crops to Avoid Recurrence of Present Situation

### LIFE OF NATION DEPENDS ON PRODUCTS OF OUR SOIL

### Farm Credits and Scientific Aid of Federal Department of Agriculture Has Added to Rural Prosperity

President Wilson held the middleman responsible for the high cost of foodstuffs last week in a speech welcoming to Washington the convention of the National Grange, the first formal speech he has delivered since the election. Urging that farmers increase their output, the President said: "We ought to raise such big crops that circumstances like the present can never recur, when men can make believe as if the supply was so short that the middleman could charge for it what he pleases. It will not do to be niggardly with the rest of the world in respect to its food supply."

The president did not mention recent petitions to him to declare an embargo on the exportation of foodstuffs from the United States, and he did not refer even indirectly to the outcome of the Presidential election. His address was interrupted frequently by applause from the farmers attending the fiftieth anniversary celebration of the founding of the Grange.

**Problems of the Farmers.**

The President spoke as follows: "It goes without saying that the physical life of the nation has always depended upon the farm. It goes without saying also, that to a large extent the physical life of the world has drawn its sustenance from the great areas of farm lands in the United States. We have sent food to all parts of the world, and the American farmer has contributed to the life of all the countries of the world. But you know that as our own population has increased the proportion in which we could help foreign countries as contrasted with our own has decreased and there are problems that are comparable with the problems of statesmanship lying ahead of the farmers of the United States."

"I have been very much interested in conferring with the Secretary of Agriculture to find that although the laboratory and the investigations of the man of science who was not directly concerned with the farm have had a great deal to do with the promotion of agriculture in the United States, as elsewhere, what has had still more to do with it has been the intelligent farming of the individual farmer. Most of the methods which the demonstrators of the Department of Agriculture have been busy to spread a far and wide as possible have been methods which they have learned from the most accomplished and best instructed farmers in the United States."

"In other words, the Department of Agriculture has had, as one of its most important duties, to put all the farmers of the United States, so far as possible, where the best of the farmers of the United States had got of their own initiative and of their own intelligence. That, after all, is the business of education anyhow—to spread the product of the best minds far and wide, so that they may be accessible to everybody."

"But in the future we have got to bring more of the area of the United States under cultivation than is under cultivation now. We have got to increase the product at every point where it is susceptible of being increased. We have got to study the variation of crops. We have got to study how to assist nature, or at any rate understand nature, by making the most suitable use of our several and varied soils. One of the things that has interested me most, for example, is that what we have called the pine barrens of our southern coast need not be barrens at all; that if we add a single additional chemical element we can make the sand blossom and bloom and produce crops, and that if nature is only questioned closely enough she will yield us her richest

products for our own assistance and for the assistance of the rest of the world.

"We have got to look closely into these secrets, and we have got to realize that there must go forth from the United States the best agricultural intelligence of all the world. We have got the means. We have got the purpose. We have started along the right lines."

**Loans for the Farmer.**

"One of the things that has most interested me about what has been done recently by legislation for the benefit of the farmer is the question why it was not done long before. It is astonishing that the assets—the valuable available assets, the visible assets—of the farm should not have been available as a basis of credit in the banks on the same terms as the assets of commercial undertaking and manufacturing industry. Cattle are just as valuable and tangible as goods in warehouses and goods on trains."

"Credit based on cattle is as good as credit based on bills of lading, and the astonishing thing is not that it has been done now, but that it took so long to do it. And when you add to that what has been done by the Rural Credits bill in the way of long-extending credits you will see that we have, so to say, got ready for the first time to use the capital of this country to push forward the agricultural industry of this country. We have liberated the credits of the banks and we have mobilized, through the Department of Agriculture, the scientific intelligence of the world."

## WENDLING MAN SUES PHYSICIAN; \$25,000 DAMAGES WANTED

### F. W. Howes Files Suit in Roseburg Court Against Dr. O. E. Patterson of Sutherlin.

F. W. Howes of Wendling seeks to recover damages to the extent of \$25,000 from Dr. O. E. Patterson, a Sutherlin physician, formerly of Wendling, who, the plaintiff claims alienated Mrs. Howes' affections. The case is being tried in the circuit court at Roseburg. Attorneys L. M. Travis and A. K. Meek, of Eugene, represent the plaintiff, while Attorney O. P. Coshaw appears for the defendant.

In the complaint filed by Howes he charged that on or about August 30, 1916, the defendant wrongfully contrived and intending to injure the plaintiff and derive him of the comfort, society and assistance of his wife, and intending to destroy her affections wound the plaintiff's feelings, pride and peace of mind, wickedly and maliciously alienated the affections of the plaintiff's wife. Because of these alleged improper relations, Howes asks for damages in the sum of \$25,000. In addition to this sum of money, Howes also asked for \$5000 which he claims is due him because of money he expended as a result of his wife's illness, which followed the alleged questionable transaction on the part of the defendant.

Dr. Patterson denied each and every allegation contained in the complaint and claims that the plaintiff and his wife conspired together against the defendant for the purpose of bringing him into disgrace and injuring his reputation as a physician.

### Obituary

The funeral of Mrs. Mary Rose, who died suddenly at her home near Harborsburg Thursday morning, was held yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the home of her father, C. W. Young near Eugene. The interment was made at the Gillespie cemetery.

Mrs. Rose was the wife of Bird Rose, a prominent Linn county farmer. She is survived by her father, two brothers, Baxter Young and Cal Young, by five sisters, Mrs. Thomas VanDuyne, of Coburg, Mrs. Frank McAllister, of Eugene, Mrs. Julia Wallace, who lives in eastern Washington, Mrs. Claude Copple, of Hood River, Mrs. James Shields, of Bellingham, Washington, and by two daughters, Mary and Ruth. The deceased was 52 years of age. She was a native of Lane county, and had lived here during her whole life aside from brief periods spent in Texas and North Dakota, where Mr. Young was engaged in the stock raising business.

## BASSETT DIES INSTANTLY

### Some Details About Death of Former Springfield Mill Man

Glen O. Bassett, formerly superintendent of the Springfield mill of the Booth-Kelly Lumber company, and of the Coburg mill, and for a number of years holding other responsible positions with the company, was killed Thursday night at Newberg when a log slipped from a car, near which he was standing, striking him and breaking his back. Mr. Bassett was a member of the Eugene lodge of Masons and was buried at Salem yesterday under auspices of the local body.

Mr. Bassett was superintending the unloading of several cars of logs at the Spaulding mill and was standing near one of the cars when a log came down the runway sooner than he expected and he was unable to dodge it. His back was broken in two places and one ankle fractured. Raising his head a moment, he said, "I'm killed," and died.

Mr. Bassett was about 50 years old and had managed properties of the Spaulding company for the past five years. He is survived by his widow and nine children. He was an active member of the Christian church. He was a Mason, a member of the Order of the Eastern Star and of the Woodmen of the World, all of which orders participated in the funeral services.

## PESSIMIST TELLS HOW JUNCTION PUT SPRINGFIELD UNDER

### Junction Team Romped Away With Big End of 27 to 0 Score Last Friday

The Springfield high school football team came home from Junction City Friday evening after a tussle with the Junction high team with the small end of the 27 to 0 score. The game was cleaner and faster than the one played here a few weeks ago with the same team. None of the participants were injured other than sustaining a few slight bruises.

The Springfield team acted like a herd of mule colts in a strange pasture during the first half of the game. They pranced around and did nothing to stop the onrushes of the Junction players. They had no spunk. They did not hit the line with any force. They did not hold the line when Junction had the ball.

All the best coaching in the world could not have defeated Junction with a team like the one Springfield sent to the "grain city." The "pills and quids" told on the home players. They were not in physical form due to the lack of taking proper care of themselves. During the first two periods they took their defeat like eleven children would take ice cream at a dinner party.

The second half, after Coach Moore had read the riot act to the boys, they stood up on their hind legs and tried to come back. They had good signals and they had better plays than Junction, but they did not have any "football spunk" to execute the plays.

## JUNCTION CITY WINS 27 TO 0

### Co-ed Tells of Battle Royal Waged Away From Home.

On Friday afternoon a football game between Junction City high school and Springfield high school was held at Junction City. Four automobiles carried the enthusiastic players and girl rooters to the game.

"Please Mr. Schoolboard, may we go to Junction City," was the plea of a number of high school girls Thursday evening. "Mr. Schoolboard" gave his consent and Friday saw the girls more specifically Jessie Walker (chaperon), Dorris Sikes, Edna Dur-ye, Bernice Cagley, Lillian Mulligan, and Marion White accompanying the football team to Junction City. The procession started: the boys at 1:05 and the girls at 1:45, for Junction with much enthusiasm and lots of "pep."

Although the game gave Junction high school the victory by 27 to 0, the Springfield high school players were good losers. The boys put up a good fight and did their best.

### Small Boy is Bitten By Dog

Lowell Noble received a badly lacerated lower lip when a large black and white dog, a stray about town, jumped upon him Friday evening. This is the second occurrence of the sort to happen recently, the small son of W. H. Gott being the other injured boy.

## CITY OFFICERS SWORN IN

### New Public Servants Take Up Their Duties Today.

Two councilmen, a recorder and treasurer took the oath of office today to serve the Town of Springfield for one term. M. W. Weber, who was filling an unexpired term was returned to the council at the city election held November 7. The other councilman, M. C. Bressler takes up the duties of a city father for the first time.

H. E. Walker succeeds himself as recorder. Walter R. Dimm, was sworn in to act as treasurer for one year. He succeeds Lillian C. Gorrie, who resigned a few months ago.

The new councilmen will attend to their first official duties tonight and the treasurer will take up his work tomorrow.

### Former Springfield Man is Killed.

Glen O. Bassett, manager of the Spaulding Logging company, of Newberg, Ore., who was killed Thursday night when a log slipped from a car which they were unloading and struck him, breaking his back, was quite well known in Springfield, having been formerly superintendent of the Booth Kelly mill.

Mr. Bassett is survived by his widow and nine children. He has been manager of the Newberg mill for five years.

## LAST DETAILS FOR DEDICATION OF NEW CHURCH COMPLETE

### All Glass Windows and Pews Are Expected to Arrive Early This Week to Complete Edifice

By RUTH SCOTT

The new James A. Ebbert Memorial Methodist Episcopal church, located at the corner of Sixth and G streets, will be dedicated Sunday, December third.

If possible Bishop Matthew Hughes of San Francisco will be secured to deliver the dedication sermon. He is now in New York and the date of his return is not definitely known. In case it is impossible to get Bishop Hughes, the Reverend Carl G. Dorey, president of Willamette University, will speak. The Reverend Henry J. Talbot, Dean of Kimball College of Theology, will be present to assist in the services. All of the services will be in charge of the Reverend James Moore of Albany, Superintendent of the Eugene district.

The entire program of dedication day will be completed by Wednesday of this week. It will consist of morning, afternoon and evening services. The dedication day has been kept indefinite the last few weeks because the windows and pews could not be secured.

The art glass windows arrived today. The pews, which were shipped from Michigan nearly three weeks ago, will probably arrive tomorrow. No word has been received from the company in Oakland, California, in regard to the rolling partitions, but it is expected that they will arrive in plenty of time to be installed before dedication. Aside from these features the church is practically completed.

Many ministers and laymen from Portland, Salem, Albany, Eugene and other places will be present to attend the dedication.

### Replacing Rails on Wendling Branch

The work of replacing 52-pound rails with 80-pound steel on the Wendling branch of the Southern Pacific lines, was commenced this morning. The lighter rails will be replaced from Mohawk Junction to Donna, a distance of about 10 miles, the work being done by the regular force of section men.

### Old Paper Sold

The Manchester (O.) West Union People's Defender, established by J. W. Eylar in 1865, bought by former State Printer E. A. Crawford in 1890, has been sold by him to W. A. Eylar for \$7,000.

### Sufferer From Indigestion Relieved

"Before taking Chamberlain's Tablets my husband suffered for several years from indigestion, causing him to have pains in the stomach and distress after eating. Chamberlain's Tablets relieved him of these spells right away," writes Mrs. Thomas Casey, Geneva, N. Y. Obtainable everywhere.

A. D. Ruddiman has been off duty during the past four days, occasioned by an injury to the muscles of the back.

## FEW CABINET CHANGES FOR COMING YEAR CONTEMPLATED

### President Wilson, it is Understood Will Not Require Any Member to Send in Resignation

### RUMOR VACANCIES TO BE CAUSED BY RETIREMENTS

### Glass or Morgenthau May Succeed, Secretary of Treasury, McAdoo; Daniels' Position Secure in Navy Department

Washington, Nov. 18.—The information was given today, with some show of authority, that president Wilson had decided that no member of his Cabinet need retire, with the beginning of the President's second term, unless it suited his purpose to do so. Nothing has occurred to indicate that any general desire exists in the cabinet circle to appoint a new set of advisors.

Thomas Watt Gregory of Texas, the Attorney General, is credited with having arranged to resume the practice of law, but confirmation is lacking of this report, which has been in circulation since before the election.

In official circles the rumor is persistent that William G. McAdoo of New York, the President's son-in-law, who is Secretary of the Treasury, is being urged by some of those closest to him to quit official life next March. Mr. McAdoo is in the early fifties. The story has it that he may decide to re-establish his law practice in New York or become connected with some large financial enterprise.

Already the selection of a new Secretary of Treasury is being discussed in quarters where the purposes of the Administration with regard to possible Cabinet changes probably would be known. The name of Representative Carter Glass of Virginia is being mentioned in this connection. Mr. Glass is Chairman of the House committee on Banking and Currency, and as such drafted the original bill which was ultimately molded into the Glass-Owen law for the revision of the currency and the establishment of the Federal Reserve banking system.

That President Wilson thinks highly of Mr. Glass has been shown on several occasions. It was at the President's urgent importunity that Mr. Glass became Secretary of the Democratic National Committee, a position he now holds. It had been arranged that this place should go to W. B. Hollister of Missouri, ex-secretary to Senator Stone of Missouri, but President Wilson upset the plan by picking Mr. Glass. The latter was reluctant to accept and did so only upon the friendly insistence of the President.

### Morgenthau Also Mentioned

Henry Morgenthau of New York, ex-Ambassador to Turkey, who was Chairman of the General Finance Committee of the Democratic National Committee in the political campaign just ended, is being mentioned as a possible successor to Mr. McAdoo. Mr. Morgenthau had luncheon with the President at the White House today. He is quoted in an interview as saying that he had heard on good authority that some of the present members of the Cabinet had expressed a desire to leave, and that it was a logical inference that the President would recognize the West in filling Cabinet vacancies. Mr. Morgenthau was quoted as saying also that he was convinced that no changes in the Cabinet would take place "at present." He declined to say what members of the Cabinet wished to retire.

During the Presidential campaign the rumor was persistent that Joseph Daniels, Secretary of the Navy, would not remain in the Cabinet—this on the assumption, of course, that Mr. Wilson would be re-elected. With the election over, the information is furnished that the President has no intention of displacing Mr. Daniels. In fact, what was said today in well-informed circles leads to the conclusion that the President prefers that Mr. Daniels should retain the Navy Portfolio. The reason given for this disposition of the President is interesting. He realizes that Mr. Daniels' administration of the Navy Department has been severely criticized, and it has not been forgotten in Washington that Charles E. Hughes,

in the campaign which closed last Tuesday, argued that Mr. Daniels was inefficient, he was applauded loudly. But the criticisms of Mr. Daniels have inclined the President more strongly in his favor.

One of the main considerations understood to have influenced the President in his desire that Mr. Daniels should remain in the Cabinet is the feeling that if he should retire the contention would be set up that he had been forced out on account of the strictures on the naval administration by Rear Admiral Bradley A. Fiske, ex-Aide to Operations in the Navy Department.

That Vance C. McCormick of Pennsylvania, Chairman of the Democratic National Committee, will ask to be consulted in regard to Cabinet changes is taken for granted here. Should the report prove true that Attorney General Gregory will resume law practice Mr. McCormick, in the opinion of politicians here, will urge that ex-representative A. Mitchell Palmer of this State be offered the Attorney Generalship. Mr. McCormick and Mr. Palmer are close friends, and the selection of Mr. McCormick as the Democratic campaign manager this year is attributed to the suggestion of Mr. Palmer.

When President Wilson was forming his Cabinet in the interim between his election in November, 1913, and his inauguration in March, 1913, he asked Mr. Palmer to become his Secretary of War. Mr. Palmer declined on the ground that he was a Quaker and opposed to things that had to do with hostile operations. It was understood at the time that Mr. Palmer desired to be Attorney General, but the President offered that portfolio to James C. McReynolds of Tennessee, now a member of the Supreme Court of the United States.

Gossip concerning the possible selection of Mr. Palmer for a Cabinet place recalls an incident of more than two years ago, when a conference took place at the White House in regard to the selection of Democratic candidates for United States Senator and Governor in the Pennsylvania elections of 1914. Those who attended the conference were President Wilson, Mr. Palmer, Mr. McCormick, William B. Wilson of Pennsylvania, the secretary of labor, and Roland S. Morris of Philadelphia. Mr. Palmer wanted to make the contest for Governor, but President Wilson suggested that he should become the Senatorial candidate against Penrose. To this Palmer countered by urging that Secretary Wilson become the Senatorial candidate. The President would not consent to this. He said that he wanted no changes in his Cabinet. That remark was mentioned today in connection with the statement that President Wilson would permit any member of his Cabinet to remain in office if the Cabinet officer desired to retain his portfolio.

Among the Cabinet members who have been reported as considering resigning have been Secretary of Commerce Redfield and Secretary of War Baker. One report has it that both Mr. McCormick and Senator Walsh of Montana, who had charge of Western Headquarters in Chicago during the campaign, might be asked to join the Administration. Harry A. Garfield, President of Williams College and a son of the late President James A. Garfield, also is said to be looked upon as of Cabinet calibre, as well as Samuel Seabury, the defeated Democratic candidate for Governor of New York.

In case there is a vacancy in the Supreme Court, Attorney General Gregory, Secretary Lane, or Senator Walsh of Montana, would be considered first for the appointment.

Secretary Tumulty is expected to remain in his present post, although he could be appointed a member of the Board of General Appraisers in New York if he desired. Reports have connected Mr. Tumulty's name with a Cabinet position, but it was stated authoritatively today that he would not become a Cabinet officer.

### LYNCHBURG, Va., Nov. 18.—

When asked this evening concerning the report that he is to succeed W. G. McAdoo as Secretary of the Treasury, Representative Glass said he hoped nobody would succeed Mr. McAdoo.

Miss Millie Hunter of Myrtle Creek is visiting here at the homes of her brothers, C. M. Neet and Harry Neet.