LID CLAMPED ON PREPAREDNESS TALK BY NAVY OFFICIALS

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.—Secretary Daniels disclosed today that he had declined a request to permit either Rear Admiral Fiske or Rear Admiral Knight to speak on the navy program, even though he was assured that the proposed addresses would not be made public.

The request was made by John W. Scott, president of the Commercial club of Chicago, by telegraph to President Wilson. Secretary Daniels replied in part as follows:

"It is my conviction that the expert opinion of the navy department having been given to the public and congress, and the president having outlined a policy of naval construction, it is better for civilians to lead the fight for enlargement, while naval officers follow the unbroken policy of not attempting to influence legislation.

"Until I became secretary of the navy, the reports of the general board had been regarded as confidential. I have published all their recommendations for an increased navy. Navy experts will give their views to the naval affairs committee in congress, and hearings will be published. This gives congress and the people the opinions of the experts."

DELINQUENT TAX LIST, 1914

The following list of real property situated in Jackson County, Oregon, is hereby advertised for delinquent taxes assessed for the year 1914. This advertisement is authorized by an act embodied in Chapter 301 of the General Laws of Oregon, as passed by the 1913 session of the legislative assembly.

The taxes on the following advertised list of real property became delinquent September 1, 1915, and are subject to a penalty of 10 per cent and interest at the rate of 12 per cent per annum until the said taxes shall have been paid.

Notice is hereby given that six months after the taxes charges against the following real estate became delinquent the Sheriff, as required by law, will, upon demand, issue certificates of delinquency against the said property for delinquent taxes. The said certificates of delinquency will bear interest at the rate of 15 per cent per annum until the certificates are redeemed.

Any time after the expiration of three years from the first date of the delinquency of any tax included in a certificate of delinquency the holder of such certificate may cause summons to be served on the owner of the property described in the certificate, notifying the owner that he will apply to the circuit court of the county in which the property is situated for a decree foreclosing a lien against the property mentioned in such certificate.

The following is a list of real property on which no part of taxes for year of 1914 had been paid prior to April 1st, 1915, and which became delinquent September 1, 1915.

The list of real property on which the first half taxes have been paid and upon which the second half taxes were delinquent October 1, 1915, will be advertised February 1, 1916, in accordance with Chapter 301, General Laws of Oregon.

ASHLAND, OREGON

Ashland Ice & Storage Co., lot des. 50-118, tract in rear of lots 8 and 8½	$ 3.43
Palethorpe, M.—Des. 71-204, N½ of lot 7, blk 6	197.07
Reeves, W. K. Est.—Des. D. R. 19-146, N½ of lots 11 and 12	196.71
Farnham, C. E.—W½ of land des. 45-7, 75 ft. blk. 11	9.27
Freeman, Mrs. R. G.—300 ft. on S. side of Overland street, des. 95-274	37.73
Johnson, W. L.—Des. 28-437, lot 7, blk 13	58.23
Farnham, Mrs. Pradie—Lot 8, blk 14	77.97
Ashland Mineral Springs Sanitorium—Lots 2 and 3, S 40 ft. of 4, blk. 22	65.17
Bagley, Augusta F.—R. T. 1614, lot 3, blk. 25	29.15
Staples, E. T.—D. R. 48-368, part lot 1, blk. 29	25.73
Penniston, S. and W. D.—75-419, part lots 5 and 6, blk. 79; 96-446,	

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RAINFALL SHY FIFTY PERCENT FOR PRESENT SEASON

December, with 2.24 inches of precipitation, had a deficiency of 2.05 when compared with the average rainfall for the month of 4.29. The seasonal shortage since September 1 is 4.96 inches, the total rainfall to date measuring 5.63, against the average of 10.59 inches—nearly 50 per cent shy.

The rainfall for the year 1915 totalled 13.75 inches, the least ever recorded. That for 1914 totalled 14.26 inches. The average for twenty-nine years is 25.60 inches.

December was cold and cloudy there being no sunny days, 13 partly cloudy and the remainder cloudy days. The coldest day was Dec. 30 when the mercury hit 12 degrees above.

The report in detail follows:

Date.	Max.	Min.	Precip.	
1	45	31	....	Cloudy
2	63	39	.01	Pt. Cldy.
3	57	43	.10	Cloudy
4	53	34	.02	Pt. Cldy.
5	51	43	.44	Cloudy
6	53	43	.30	Pt. Cldy.
7	50	39	T	Cloudy
8	59	37	7	Pt. Cldy.
9	54	40	.05	Pt. Cldy.
10	45	34	T	Cloudy
11	49	32	.01	Pt. Cldy.
12	51	34	....	Cloudy
13	48	39	.44	Cloudy
14	46	35	.01	Cloudy
15	48	31	....	Cloudy
16	43	26	....	Pt. Cldy.
17	43	34	.14	Cloudy
18	46	32	....	Pt. Cldy.
19	52	29	....	Cloudy
20	49	39	T	Pt. Cldy.
21	49	42	.02	Cloudy
22	53	44	.01	Cloudy
23	52	41	.13	Cloudy
24	47	37	....	Cloudy
25	46	40	.42	Pt. Cldy.
26	39	26	....	Pt. Cldy.
27	36	26	T	Cloudy
28	43	33	.11	Cloudy
29	39	27	.03	Pt. Cldy.
30	34	12	....	Pt. Cldy.
31	33	24	....	Cloudy

Mean maximum	47.5
Mean minimum	34.5
Mean	41
Maximum, 2nd	63
Minimum, 30th	12
Total precipitation	2.24
Greatest in 24 hours, 4th	.44

Light snow on 28th.

L. G. GENTNER,
Co-operative Observer.

FOUR YEARS FOR EIGHT MARRIAGES

MILWAUKEE, Jan. 4.—Charles Orvel Pitcher was sentenced today to four years in the state prison after having admitted to Judge Backus in the municipal court that he had been married to eight different women.

Pitcher was convicted of having been married to Mrs. Anna Poppert of Milwaukee, who was referred to by District Attorney Zabel as wife No. 6, and to Mrs. Bertha Rasmussen of Sioux City, Iowa, without being divorced from either woman. He married Mrs. Rasmussen April 9, 1908, and Mrs. Poppert on June 15, 1913, it is said.

After deserting Mrs. Poppert, Pitcher went to Manitowoc, where he is alleged to have married on September 9 of last year, Miss Josephine Tadych, seventeen years old. The two went to Winnipeg, Canada, where Pitcher enlisted in the Canadian army. He was about to be sent to the battlefields in Europe when arrested.

MRS. WOODROW WILSON TO OPEN SOCIAL SEASON

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.—Mrs. Woodrow Wilson took charge of the white house today and plunged into work connected with the opening of the white house social season and with the Pan-American reception on January 7. She began arranging some of the rooms of her private suite and was busy with her social secretary.

JOHN PHILIP SOUSA
The March King

The Most Wonderful Endorsement Ever Given Any Product

John Philip Sousa and his famous Band have circled the globe on numerous tours and inspired millions of people in many lands with their soul-stirring, inimitable music.

Mr. Sousa has been a smoker of Tuxedo Tobacco for years. Recently, at the Panama-Pacific Exposition, a newspaper representative made the discovery that every member of Sousa's Band is also a Tuxedo smoker!

Whereupon, the following endorsement of Tuxedo was gladly given and signed by Mr. Sousa and the sixty-six members of his Band. Read it—as sure-fire and convincing as a Sousa March:

"All the vim, energy and enthusiasm we put into the playing of the 'Stars and Stripes Forever' we find in the steady use of TUXEDO."

John Philip Sousa

No other product has ever received such a remarkable endorsement as this.

The incomparable *mildness* of Tuxedo appeals to men with nerves—the fact that Tuxedo does not affect their throats or nerves. And the *reason* is the "Tuxedo Process", that makes Tuxedo different from all other tobaccos—positively non-biting, delightfully soothing, restful and refreshing.

Tuxedo will appeal to *you* for the same reasons. March at a Sousa quick-step to the nearest tobacco dealer and get a tin of Tuxedo today. Smoke pipeful after pipeful all day long, every day, for a week. Then you'll *know* you've found the one cheer-up-and-speed-up-without-a-let-up smoke for happy, hustling Americans—TUXEDO.

You can buy Tuxedo everywhere. Convenient, glassine wrapped, moisture-proof pouch, 5c. Famous Green Tin with gold lettering, curved to fit pocket, 10c. In Tin Humidors 40c and 80c. In Glass Humidors 50c and 90c.

THE AMERICAN TOBACCO COMPANY

THREE SALES IN ONE

Yes, three sales in one, and any of the three is inducement enough to bring people for miles and miles. I don't think the oldest resident in Medford ever heard of brooms, sox, underwear, etc., sold for one cent, or heavy wool underwear, umbrellas, flannel shirts, sweaters, etc., for 10 cents, or still better, men's new suits, boys' new suits, men's new shoes, boys' new shoes, etc., for 50 cents. Well, that's just exactly what we're doing

1c	10c	10c	50c
25c Brooms	Flannel Shirts	Overalls	Men's New Suits
Toilet Paper	Wool Underwear	Men's Stiff Hats	Boys' New Suits
Red and Blue Handkerchiefs	Sweaters	50c Suspenders	Men's New Shoes
White Handkerchiefs	Fleece-Lined Underwear	Boys' Hats	Boys' New Shoes
Boys' Underwear	Heavy Wool Sox	Umbrellas	Men's $2 Pants
Black and Tan Sox	50c Neckties	50c Gloves	Men's $1 Gloves

AND THIS IS HOW IT IS DONE

You buy one article at the regular price, and then you get another one for fifty cents, ten cents or one cent, just as it happens to be. For instance, you buy one broom for the regular price, and you get another one for one cent, or you buy a flannel shirt for the regular price and you get another one for ten cents, or you buy a pair of shoes for the regular price and you get another pair for fifty cents, and, believe me, the regular price is lower than any other place I know of in the United States. NOW, just a word to the wise.

THIS SALE STARTS THURSDAY, JAN. 6, AT 10 A. M. SHARP

There is going to be some fast and furious selling, and if you want to get the benefit of these bargains you had better be here at ten o'clock. Sale lasts one day only.

WILL H. WILSON 126 N. FRONT ST.