

U. S. DIRECTORS SOON TO REPLACE RR. PRESIDENTS

Regional Directors Asked to Come to Washington to Discuss Appointment of Federal Chiefs to Manage Railroad Systems—Little Changes in Executives Probable.

WASHINGTON, May 22.—Regional directors of the railroad administration were instructed today by Director General McAdoo to recommend immediately federal directors for every railroad, to be responsible only to the railroad administration, to replace railway presidents as chief operating officers. Pending these appointments the present managing staffs will continue in control.

WASHINGTON, May 22.—Every railroad president in the United States was relieved from active duty as executive manager of his road today by Director General McAdoo, who will appoint a federal director for each road, responsible only to the railroad administration. In many cases the president of the road may be named federal director.

Appoint Experienced Heads

To safeguard the interests of stockholders and maintain the individuality of each railroad, federal directors, whenever possible, will be appointed from among the operating officers of the property, Mr. McAdoo announced. This will avoid disrupting any road's working organization unnecessarily.

As another step in the reorganization of railroad management, the director-general ordered the creation of two new operating districts—the Allegheny region, consisting of the principal trunk lines east of Pittsburg, excluding the New York Central, managed by C. H. Markham, now regional director for the south, and Pocahontas district, consisting of the east and west trunk lines terminating at Hampton Roads.

Select Directors Soon

Regional directors for the Pocahontas district and for the southern district to succeed Mr. Markham will be appointed soon. Other small operating districts will be created from time to time in the southern and western regions, now operated as units by regional districts of the railroad administration.

The first act of Mr. McAdoo today in executing this new policy was the removal of C. W. Huntington, president of the Virginia railway, as chief operating officer, on the charge that he failed to carry out promptly the railroad administration's instructions regarding the repair and maintenance of his line. This was thought to be the forerunner of similar disposition of a number of other railroad presidents, but announcement of the plan for the wholesale replacement of railway presidents by federal directors came as a general surprise at this time.

Regional directors will come to Washington soon to discuss the appointments, which may be delayed in many cases for several months. It is possible that some presidents will continue indefinitely to direct their roads, although they will be subject to removal at any time. The first directors may be named late this week. Salaries of the new officers, who will be compelled to resign all official connection with their roads, will range from \$3,000 to \$10,000. The director-general may choose as federal directors many vice-presidents now in charge of operations.

Some Executives

Assurance was given today at the railroad administration that each road's affairs would be disturbed as little as possible and that staffs of executives and employees would be retained. The federal director for each line will be a man already connected with the operation of the road.

Creation of two new operating regions—the Allegheny, consisting of principal trunks east of Pittsburg and Erie, and the Pocahontas, consisting of east and west trunk lines terminating at Hampton Roads—is expected to effect much improvement in the coal transportation system. The congestion of export traffic in the east will be remedied.

AUSTRIA GETTING READY FOR DRIVE ON ITALIANS

WASHINGTON, May 22.—Further evidence that another great Austrian drive against Italy is in preparation, came today in an official dispatch from Switzerland, saying information from Vienna showed Austria had planned to suppress all military operations in the east on May 20 to concentrate forces for the Italian front.

SCORE KILLED, \$1,000,000 LOSS IOWA TORNADO

Death Toll in Central Iowa Increases As Restored Communications Bring Fuller Details—Boone, Newton and Denison Principal Towns to Suffer—Many Buildings Razed.

DES MOINES, Iowa, May 22.—Apparently authentic reports today showed deaths as follows: Boone, six; Newton, one; near Denison, one; near Eldora, one; Chelsea, one; near Haverhill, one; Walker, one; near Jefferson, two; near Carroll, two.

DES MOINES, Ia., May 22.—Nearly a score of persons dead, about 100 others injured, several seriously, and property damage estimated to exceed \$1,000,000, represents the toll taken by a series of tornadoes in central Iowa late yesterday, dispatches today showed.

Rapid restoration of wire communication today with the sections of central Iowa swept by tornadoes late yesterday brought detailed accounts of the damage done. It was said some of the injured will not recover. The casualties were divided as follows: Boone—Four killed, two injured. Newton—Two killed, ten injured. Near Denison—One killed, two injured.

The area swept in Newton was two blocks wide and nearly 15 blocks long. Three dozen houses were partially wrecked.

Boone Seriously Hit

Boone was most seriously affected. Property damage in the city is estimated at near \$350,000, while the loss in the surrounding country will bring this to \$500,000. It is feared Newton's loss exceeded \$100,000.

Near Denison, Emmett Fling was killed when a farm building crumpled up on him and two others were hurt—one seriously.

The farm residence of Frank Houlihan was entirely demolished, but a new-born baby and his mother escaped unscathed. Newton's two dead were employees of the factories. It was said that several of the injured were in a serious condition. Half preceded the tornado there, causing much damage to gardens and early crops. Many houses were unroofed, and smaller buildings wrecked.

Boone Death List

Reports from Boone declared some of the injured might die. The killed were: Mrs. Frank Roberts, her six-year old son, and a laborer and a baby. Twenty-five houses in Boone were damaged, many being crushed to kindling. The Chicago & Northwestern shops there, valued at \$1,000,000, were damaged to the extent of \$250,000. It is estimated.

ALASKA GOES OVER TOP IN RED CROSS DRIVE

SEATTLE, May 22.—With a quota of \$1,320,000, the northwest division of the American Red Cross, comprising Washington, Oregon, Idaho and Alaska, had raised \$1,155,884 at the close of the second day of the drive, according to an announcement tonight by officials in charge of the campaign.

Alaska has "gone over the top." Returns from 86 of the 112 chapters in the division show the following: Washington, quota \$1,000,000, raised \$652,228; Oregon, quota, \$600,000, raised \$245,122; Idaho, quota, \$250,000, raised \$117,236; Alaska, quota, \$10,000, raised \$40,000.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Lyon of Minneapolis are guests at the Hotel Medford.

DR. CLARA DUNN CONFIRMED AS CITY HEALTH OFFICER

The city council last night confirmed Mayor Gates' appointment of Dr. Clara Dunn as health officer, and instructed the city officials to strictly enforce the ordinance against uncut grass and weeds and along the sidewalks, and gave Chief of Police Hittson special instructions to enforce the ordinance against automobile cut-outs within the city limits.

Dr. Dunn, who will succeed Dr. S. A. Lockwood, recently resigned, as city health officer, will be the first woman in the city's history to hold that office. The salary is \$25 per month.

All citizens had better get busy at once cutting down the grass and weeds along their parkways and sidewalks, and in vacant lots, else they will find themselves hauled up in police court. City Engineer Arnsperger and Fire Chief Lawton in accordance with the council's instructions today began visiting property owners throughout the city and giving them ten days' notice to cut down the grass and weeds. At the end of that time Chief of Police Hittson was instructed to arrest all violators. The ordinance is aimed at fire protection.

The council discussed the matter of taking steps to have the city fire whistle blow longer as according to City Engineer Arnsperger the whistle is too weak to be heard throughout the city. Many water users, he claims, explain their failure to shut off water to the fact that they had not heard it blow.

In the absence of Mayor Gates from the city Councilman C. W. Davis presided at the meeting. Much routine business was disposed of.

WAR CORPORATION CONSIDERS APPLICATIONS FOR AID

WASHINGTON, May 22.—Directors of the war finance corporation, meeting today for the first time, began the immense task of considering applications for financial aid to activities essential to the conduct of the war.

Apparently under the belief that the war finance corporation is a source of easy money for all kinds of development projects, scores of persons have applied for advances to aid them in promoting new enterprises which they claim will contribute to the war's success.

Applications numbering several hundred were classified today and the directors set about the work of getting full information on cases which appeared meritorious. Applications have been made by a number of public utilities, which are hit hard by raising costs of materials and supplies and the difficulty of increasing service rates proportionately.

A Medford Man's Experience

Can you doubt the evidence of this Medford citizen?

You can verify Medford endorsement. Read this:

Edwin J. White, Prop. dairy, 322 E. Main St., says: "I was nearly laid up with an attack of lumbago. It came on without any warning and I thought my back was broken. I couldn't straighten up and went about all bent over. A friend advised me to take Doan's Kidney Pills, which I did, and soon I was able to get about. It required only one box to fix me up in fine shape and since then, I have never had any trouble with my back and kidneys."

Price 60c at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mr. White had. Foster-Milburn Co., Mfgs., Buffalo, N. Y. —Adv.

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The Jackson County Bank, Medford, Ore.

PRESIDENT KERR OF O. A. C. TO SPEAK ON WAR SUNDAY

Dr. W. J. Kerr, president of the Oregon Agricultural college and special representative of the United States government, will talk on the seriousness of the food situation and its relation to the great war before the people of Medford on Sunday morning, May 26. The address will be delivered at the Page theater at 11:00 o'clock sharp, under the auspices of the G. A. R., Red Cross campaign committee, Ministerial association, County Agricultural council, food administration, Medford Commercial club, thrift stamp drive committee, and other patriotic organizations. These organizations urge a large attendance and expect all who are interested in winning the war to attend.

The speaking tour of Dr. Kerr is being conducted through the Pacific northwest, at the special request of the officials of the United States food administration and department of agriculture. Before it was undertaken he was called to Washington to confer on the situation and get the very latest and most vital information bearing on the subject. These truths, startling and full of warning to the people, will be presented in clear and vigorous fashion, easily understood and felt. The speaker has a clear vision of the price of victory and tells it with an eloquence born of grave concern for the future of the country unless its citizens enter more fully upon the task confronting them. The government is particularly anxious to have Dr. Kerr's message brought to as many people as possible, and the local committee is co-operating to the fullest extent.

APPEGATE

Thomas Mee made a business trip to Grants Pass Friday, returning Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Brown, with their little son George, went to San Francisco last week for a visit with their son Harry. They returned Saturday. Harry has been transferred to another detachment and expects to leave for France soon.

Bernard Welch is now visiting his father, Wm. Welch, and friends in this neighborhood.

Mrs. Wm. Jordan has returned from a visit to relatives in Wolf Creek.

Mrs. T. W. Herriott conducted the eighth grade examinations at Applegate May 16th and 17th.

Fred Surran has left for Klamath Falls.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Ryburn of Central Point, who have been visiting relatives in this community the past week, returned home Monday.

E. J. Brown has purchased a new Mitchell six.

AILMENTS OF WOMEN.

There is no denying the fact that thousands of American women drag along day in and day out suffering with these ailments peculiar to their sex which make life a burden. If women who suffer from dragging-down pains, inflammatory, ulcerated or catarrhal conditions would only give that greatest of all remedies, Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, a trial, they would readily find relief from such suffering, as the many letters of commendation constantly being published prove.

—Adv.

VARIOUS FEDERAL AGENCIES IN COMPLETE HARMONY

WASHINGTON, May 22.—Secretary Baker authorized the statement today that the taking over of the mail distribution in France by the army did not mean lack of cooperation between the postoffice and war departments or dissatisfaction with the methods of the postal authorities. He said he investigated the situation when he was in France and found the postal people efficient, but that the change was necessary because of the constant movement of troops.

GEORGE WALSH GO



JACK SPUR LOCK PRODIGAL TONIGHT TOMORROW

RIALTO

The Shrine of the Silent Art

MAIL ORDERS PROMPTLY FILLED — WE PRE-PAY EXPRESS CHARGES

SCRIM	LACE	Mann's	EDGING	TOWELS
Ecru Curtain Serim, good quality, worth to 20c. This sale 15c yard	Fine Cotton Torchon 4 inches wide, Special, yard 3c	The W-m-a-n's Store 14-22 N. CENTRAL MEDFORD, OREGON	Embroidery Edging and Insertion, 8c values, yd. 4c	Good Huck and Bath Towels. Cheap at 20s. This sale, 15c each

A Group of Distinctive Dresses that are Marvels for Value

New Crepe De-Chene Sport Dresses in two color effects, Special Each \$25.00

New Voile Dresses VERY "CHIC" STYLES SPECIAL \$5 each

GINGHAM DRESSES for Children, 69c up to each \$4.98

New Taffeta Silk Dresses Good Quality and Styles Special Each \$12.50

New Gingham Dresses FINEST COLORS NEW STYLES each \$5.98 Special \$2.48

RED CROSS APRONS Regulation style, 98c up to \$2.48

New Drapery and Curtain Materials Have Just Been Received

BEAUTIFUL "COLONIAL" CRETONNES, 24 inch, fancy figured cretonnes, cheap today at 20c. Special, 15c yard

36 inch "Colonial" Drapery Cretonne, beautiful designs. Cheap today at 35c. This sale, yard 25c

Satine Finished Cretonnes, new patterns, 36 inches wide. Special, 39c yard

New Tapestry Cretonne, Special, 69c yard

FANCY BORDERED SCRIMS, 36 inch Fancy colored bordered serims, fine quality. Very special, yard 35c

36 inch Hemstitched Bordered Serim in cream and ecru. Very special, yard 35c

36 inch marquisette in cream and ecru. Very special, yard 48c

44 inch cream and ecru Filet Nets. Fine quality. Special, 89c yard

MAY SALE OF UNDERMUSLINS

Crepe Bloomers in white and pink; all sizes, very special, pair 98c

"Camisoles" made of fine crepe de chine and wash satin. Special \$1.25

Warner's Braisseres, and Bandeaux in white and pink. Special, each 69c

Lingerie Gowns in crepe and nainsook, slip over styles, finished nicely with lace. Very special \$1.98

Women's White Under-skirts, with lace and embroidery flounces, made of good materials. Special each \$1.75

RED FERN CORSETS

See Display in Window.

"Redfern" front low bust Corset, with elastic top, in white only. Very special, pair \$5.00

"Redfern" Corset, high bust, long skirt. Very special, pair \$6.00

"Red Fern" Corsets, front lace, medium bust, long skirt, in brocade. Special, pair \$5.00

Special Sale of Good Hosiery

Women's Lisle Hose in black, white and good colors. Very special, pair 69c

Women's Silk Hose in white, black and all colors. Good quality. Special, pair \$1.00

May Sale of White Goods

Nifty Nainsook, 36 in. wide. Cheap today at 30c. Very special, yard 19c

White French Crepe for waists and dresses, 36 inches wide. Worth 65c. Very special, yard 48c

White Gaberdene 36 in. wide. A splendid quality worth 35c. Special, yard 29c

White Pique in medium wcht, 36 inches wide. A splendid 65c cloth. Special, yd. 48c

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