

# President Names Pacifist as War Secretary

## FORMER MAYOR OF CLEVELAND GETS WORD OF OFFICE

MAY BE FIGHT OVER HIS CONFIRMATION

Baker States, Though, That He Is in Favor of All of the President's Preparedness Policies—So Far as He Has Heard Them—Says Belligerents Must Substitute Law for Force of Arms

United Press Service

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 6.—According to reliable information, Newton D. Baker, ex-mayor of Cleveland, Ohio, will be appointed as secretary of war. The announcement is expected immediately.

It is understood that Attorney General Gregory has told President Wilson that Acting Scott could not act beyond thirty days.

United Press Service

CLEVELAND, March 7.—"I have accepted the post," said ex-Mayor Baker today. "I don't know when I will go to Washington, but it will be within the week. I know nothing right now regarding the duties of the office."

Baker has always been known as a pacifist. When asked today when he had ceased to be a pacifist and become a preparedness advocate, he said:

"I am still a member in good standing of several peace societies." He expressed fear that his appointment might be held up because he is known to be a pacifist.

Baker says he believes in Wilson's preparedness policies—in fact, in all of his policies—so far as he knows them. He told the United Press that he is convinced that peace will come only when the belligerents agree to substitute law for force in settling international disputes.

Baker received the news of his appointment while he was trying a case in the court of common pleas. He did not stop the case.

## Two Views of an "Accelerator"



Lemuel Eli Quigg

Lemuel Eli Quigg, who once on the witness stand before an investigating committee in New York described himself as an "accelerator," was a witness the other day before the legislative committee of New York which is inquiring into a so-called "slush" fund or "yellow dog" fund of \$2,000,000 that the company which controls the street railway system of New York is said to have paid out. Mr. Quigg is the man a Pittsburg contractor said was the closest to Governor Whitman of New York state. These are very good views of Mr. Quigg.

Hunsaker-Hall.

John W. Hunsaker and Marguerite A. Hall, the latter the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Turner, were married Friday by Rev. Chas. T. Hurd. Both are well known here, where they have resided many years.

## HUNTERS FREED; IRWIN'S STAND CAUSES ORDER

Circuit Judge D. V. Kuykendall this afternoon dismissed the indictments against Mr. and Mrs. Guy Hunter. This followed the overruling of a motion by Prosecuting Attorney Irwin to have this trial postponed and the refusal then of Irwin to continue the case, the dismissal being made under the provision of section 1517, Lord's Oregon Laws.

A motion for a postponement of the Hunter trial until the trial of A. Ernest Lawrence was made at the opening of the circuit court this morning, when the trial of Mr. and Mrs. Guy Hunter on charge of killing Mrs. Alma Kuehne in Dodd Hollow December 20. This was made by Prosecuting Attorney Irwin, and it resulted in halting proceedings until late this afternoon.

Judge Kuykendall held that the cases had been set and would be tried in the order arranged. W. H. A. Renner announced that the defense was ready for trial, but Irwin held that the state was not ready.

One jurymen, J. F. Maguire, was examined by the defense. He was accepted by Renner, but Irwin refused to examine him, stating that he was not ready to proceed with the trial.

After further purely the jurors were excused, and arguments by Irwin, Renner and Mills, who appears for Mrs. Hunter, were heard. Following the arguments, Kuykendall adjourned the court until 2:45, to allow a study of the authorities cited.

The court room was crowded this afternoon with spectators eager to watch the progress of the trial. Mr. and Mrs. Hunter and their youngest child were in court.

The trial of A. Ernest Lawrence, who was indicted with the Hunters on charge of killing Mrs. Kuehne, was today set for next Tuesday morning. Owing to Monday being the thirteenth, W. H. A. Renner, Lawrence's attorney, said that Monday "when it follows Sunday is a day of rest, especially if Monday is the thirteenth."

Prosecuting Attorney Irwin announced that he would be assisted in the prosecuting of Lawrence by Onell & Manning.

William S. Wines, a prominent attorney of Springfield, Ill., and former prosecuting attorney of Sangamon county, has been retained by relatives of Lawrence to assist Renner in the defense of Lawrence. He is here to hear the testimony in the Hunter trial.

F. M. Lawrence of Springfield, Ill., a brother of the accused, is also here to attend the trial growing out of the fatal shooting December 20.

A dispute which arose between Mrs. Kuehne and Lawrence over the possession of a ranch in Dodd Hollow, jointly owned by both parties, caused the fatal battle, it is claimed. Mrs. Kuehne had instituted a suit for possession of the land and Lawrence was arrested upon a charge of setting fire to the barn of a man known to sympathize with Mrs. Kuehne. After several days of a hard fought trial, the jury failed to reach a verdict in the arson case, and Lawrence was released on bond.

During the latter stages of the trial Mrs. Kuehne and her son, Andrew Kuehne, moved out to the disputed property, making their home in a small house on the ranch. The large ranch house was occupied by

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## LANE WORKS FOR VETERANS' RELIEF

SENATOR PLANS AMENDMENT TO KEATING BILL BY WHICH MEN WHO SERVED THIRTY DAYS WILL BE PENSIONED

Captain O. C. Applegate has just received a letter from Senator Lane, in which he says:

"I am in receipt of your letter concerning the Keating bill, which has passed the house, to pension survivors of certain Indian wars. In reply I wish to state that I intend to offer an amendment which will take care of the thirty day men and those who were wounded in the service."

The Keating bill requires a minimum service of ninety days, which requirement would exclude practically all the state troops and volunteers who took part in the later Indian wars. These men were hurriedly organized into companies for the protection of immigrant trains or endangered settlements, and though their service was trying and dangerous, it was often concluded in less than ninety days.

These men, "minute men" as they were, rendered most efficient service, and the planting of permanent settlements on the Pacific Coast depended much on their prompt action and heroism. After all, the value of such service should count for more than the mere length of time.

The veterans of the earlier Indian wars, including service rendered prior to 1858, are now drawing pensions under law which makes thirty days the minimum period of service and it would be unfair not to make the requirements the same for the later veterans. It is to be hoped that Senator Lane and his associates will succeed in securing the deserved amendment in the senate.

Congressman Hawley and others who endeavored to secure a similar amendment in the house lost by only five votes.

## LENT TO BEGIN ON WEDNESDAY

SPECIAL ASH WEDNESDAY MASS, AND DEVOTIONS FRIDAY EVENINGS AT THE CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART

Wednesday is Ash Wednesday, the beginning of the Lenten period, or the forty days of serious meditation, abstinence, etc., preceding Easter Sunday. Easter Sunday this year is April 23.

At Sacred Heart church, Ash Wednesday services will be held at 7:15 and will include the blessing and distribution of the ashes. Every Friday evening at 7:30 the Way of the Cross will be observed at this church.

## French Commander at Verdun



GENERAL HUMBERT

The youngest French general commanding an army in the field, General Humbert, is having the chance at Verdun at intervals for a year and a half. General Humbert was only a major when the war began, and his rapid promotion has been due to his ability to carry out the plans of General Joffre, who is now at Verdun directing the defense.

secretary of war. General Sarrail was sent to Salonika and Humbert was chosen to oppose the attacks which the German crown prince has been making against the fortress at Verdun at intervals for a year and a half. General Humbert was only a major when the war began, and his rapid promotion has been due to his ability to carry out the plans of General Joffre, who is now at Verdun directing the defense.

## DEBATE TO BE HELD TONIGHT

MEDFORD AND KLAMATH HIGH SCHOOL WILL ARGUE THE QUESTION OF MILITARY TRAINING

Coach G. F. Moore and Hugo Lundberg and George Henselmen, debating team of the Medford high school, arrived last night to meet the Klamath county high school's debating team, Charles M. Dorr and Emma Honzik, in a contest for the championship of the Southern Oregon district. The winning team will debate the question of military training in the elimination trials for the state championship.

The debate will be held at Hous-ton's opera house tonight, beginning promptly at 8 o'clock. The question is "Resolved: That the United States Should Adopt the Essential Features of the Swiss System of Military Training and Service."

The Klamath team will take the affirmative. The local debaters have been carefully coached by Vernon Motschenbacher.

Besides the debate, there will be special numbers tonight by the high school orchestra of eighteen, and the high school chorus of forty voices. These organizations have made much progress under the direction of Instructor Taylor.

Here from Salem.

E. P. McCornack is in the city from Salem attending to business matters in connection with the First National bank and the estate of the late Alex Martin. Mr. McCornack expects to return to Klamath again in a few weeks to arrange for resuming work on the dredging and reclaiming of land along the upper lake.

## Says Rabies Danger Is Apparently Past at Bly

"As a result of muzzling dogs, confining cattle and horses, and shooting or poisoning coyotes as much as possible, the rabies epidemic in the Bly section is apparently over. Incidentally there has been such a warfare carried on against coyotes in that district, that they are practically extinct there," so says Clarence Motschenbacher, who has been associated with the government hunters in the work there.

Where last year, one trapper killed fifty coyotes, he killed only one during the same period this year. The government biological survey sent hunters and trappers into the Bly country to help exterminate the animals, but for the past two weeks, they have not killed more than three. The excellent support given by the Bly stockmen and ranchers to the

## DEATH POURED FROM SKIES BY GERMAN AIRMEN

HIGHEST RAID OF ENGLAND LAST NIGHT

Three Zeppelins Are Believed to Have Participated in Raid, Which Damaged Several Cities—Violent Artillery Fire Roars Along Meuse, Russian Mosquito Fleet Again Hurts Turks

United Press Service

LONDON, March 6.—Zeppelins last night raided the east coast of England, killing three men, four women and five children, and injuring thirty-three. Bombs were dropped in Yorkshire, Lincolnshire, Rutland, Huntingdon, Cambridge, Norfolk, Essex and Kent.

It is believed that three zeppelins participated. Forty bombs were dropped, destroying several houses and damaging several shops.

This raid affected the biggest territory yet bombed since the start of the war.

United Press Service

PARIS, March 6.—Violent artillery activity is in progress along the west bank of the Meuse, west of Douaumont, and near Woivre, but there are no important infantry attacks.

French guns last night shelled the German positions in Cheppy woods, and also along the road connecting Avoucourt and Melancourt.

United Press Service

BERLIN, March 6.—In minor engagements along the east bank of the Meuse, and north of Verdun, the Germans last night captured fourteen officers and 913 men.

Under the same crew as brought her safely to Wilhelmshaven after successful, daring raids, the German raider Moewe expects to return to sea in a few weeks to resume war on British commerce.

The Moewe is now being scraped and overhauled in drydock.

United Press Service

PETROGRAD, March 6.—Russian torpedo boats yesterday raided Trebizon, sinking several Turkish ships. This fleet also silenced the Turkish shore batteries.