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## WILSON ON JOB AT WASHINGTON THIS MORNING

### Six Billion Dollar Revenue Bill Signed

#### ADDRESSES CABINET

Chinese Republic is Grateful to Wilson and American Delegates for Aid Rendered Them at Conference. Will Publish Secret Treaties Made During War.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 25.—President Wilson arrived in Washington early today from Boston and was greeted with cheering crowds as he stepped from the train at the station. The soldiers on guard stood at attention to welcome the illustrious passenger and escort him to the executive mansion. The president announced that he had signed the six billion dollar revenue bill while on the special train last night. The bill carried a rider making the District of Columbia more dry.

The president today in a telegram to Theodore Burton, president of the League of Nations Union, reiterated his confidence that the people of this country would support the plans of the League. Mr. Wilson will make an address in the cabinet today. Tomorrow night he has a dinner engagement with the Senate Foreign Affairs Committee, and is expected to discuss the proposed constitution of the League of Nations.

PEKING, Feb. 25.—Premier Chin Kai Shaun said here today, "China is very grateful to President Wilson and the United States delegates to the Peace Conference for the help they extended our delegates at the conference at Paris. The whole Chinese nation wishes to thank the United States thru the Associated Press for its aid. China intends to publish all her secret treaties during the war, it is said."

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 25.—The president is very anxious to meet the governors of the various states for a conference regarding the labor situation in the United States and the unemployment of the soldiers before returning to Europe. He is still undecided about calling an extra session of Congress and about the appointment of an attorney general to succeed Gregory, who wants to retire on March fourth.

Mr. Wilson has accepted an invitation to march at the head of the parade of the District of Columbia troops on Thursday for the homecoming troops. He will march on foot with the soldiers.

### MBERPMAN WIN BY ACTION OF HOUSE.

SALEM, Ore., Feb. 25.—(Associated Press)—The House has killed the Merrymen bill, which provided that the people of Klamath county might vote to regulate the grazing of sheep and cattle. The defeat of the bill is considered a victory for the sheepmen, who strenuously opposed the passage of any special legislation on this subject.

### COTEY PELTS PRESENTED.

Two coyote pelts were presented for bounty this morning to County Clerk C. R. DeLap by C. S. Jackson of the Chilquain section. One was a male animal and one a female bringing a bounty of eight dollars for the two.

### SPANIARD I. W. W. ARE HELD.

NEW YORK, Feb. 24.—Fourteen Spaniards, members of the I. W. W., were arrested yesterday. They are suspected of being implicated in a plot to kill the President at Boston. More have been arrested in Philadelphia today.

### FOUR ARTILLERYMEN BACK TO KLAMATH

Klamath Falls is pleased today to welcome home Fred (Porky) Nickelson, Frank Mills, Alfred Peterstetter and "Red" Stewart who arrived last night from France, where they served their country in its great fight against the Hun.

The boys were members of Battery F. of the Eighty First Field Artillery. They are all glad to get back to their old home town and have many interesting adventures to tell their friends.

### MORE OREGON MEN BACK.

NEW YORK, Feb. 24.—The cruiser Pueblo has arrived here from Brest with fifteen hundred troops including Companies L and M, parts of Company D, and a medical detachment of 162nd Infantry of the old Third Oregon.

## BIG ARMENIAN DRIVE NOW ON

### CAMPAIN TO RAISE FUNDS FOR NATION WHICH TURKS HAVE STRIVEN TO EXTERMINATE. IS OPENED HERE

The Armenian Drive is staged for this week and next over the state of Oregon. Oregon is planning to do her full share toward raising the national quota of \$30,000,000 for this perishing nation. America is practically the only nation to whom the Armenians can look for succor just now. Ex-ambassador Morgenthau is backing up this campaign with the strength of his strong personality. With vivid language he is portraying to the American people, in all his messages, the appalling need and challenging cry of over 3,000,000 homeless and destitute Armenians. The Red Cross has taken over the care of those in Palestine and Syria, 1,700,000 in number. But there are left 2,000,000 scattered over Asia Minor and in Persia who are slowly starving to death and will unless succor comes soon. The expenses of the campaign have all been provided for by interested men of national reputation so that every cent contributed will go direct thru responsible committees, to the sufferers. Already ship loads of food and clothing and farming equipment are on their way there with men to distribute the supplies. Locally our quota for Klamath County is \$2550. A sum has been left over from the United War Drive which is on deposit in the First State and Savings bank from which \$1000 or more will be turned over to this Armenian fund, leaving us from \$1200 to \$1500 to raise. Mr. Arthur Wilson is in charge of the work among the country precincts which are already at work raising their quotas. We expect Klamath Falls to raise \$700 of this quota as her share. The drive will be put on here Thursday. With every one doing their share we ought to raise our portion easily. What will you give to save human lives?

## DRIVE TO HELP STOCK INDUSTRY

### MOVE TO BUILD BIG SHOW HOUSE IN PORTLAND IS TAK- ING WELL IN OTHER PARTS OF STATE. LOCAL DRIVE BEGINS

Umatilla County raised ten thousand dollars yesterday for the Pacific International Livestock Building, which is to be constructed on a cooperative plan by the stockmen of the northwest, according to a message received by J. W. Siemens who is chairman of the drive for Klamath County. Stockmen in all parts of the state are responding to this move in an unexpectedly generous manner, according to Capt. Siemens. No report is available from Klamath County yet.

## SCHOOL CLUB WORK STARTS

### COUNTY CLUB LEADER HAS GIVEN UP TEACHING AND IS PREPARED TO ORGANIZE UNITS THROUGHT THE COUNTY

Mr. Frank W. Sexton has given up his position as Principal of the Malin School and arrived in this city to take up his work as County Club Leader of the Boys and Girls Industrial Club. Mr. Sexton will have his office with the new County Agricultural Agent, Mr. Thomas in the Loomis Building.

### SALEM, Feb. 25.—Senator Baldwin and Representative Merriman introduced a joint memorial in the senate, urging the Oregon delegation in congress to secure the passage of a bill which will permit Klamath County to secede from the state of Oregon and annex itself to the State of California.

The resolution says that the business interests of Oregon neglect Klamath county and seem to think it is valuable only for taxation purposes,

while the business interests of California are ready to help develop that section of the country. The resolution reads as follows:

"Whereas, Klamath county, Oregon is one of the largest and most productive counties of the state; and,

"Whereas, Klamath county is the second largest shipping point in the state of Oregon; and,

"Whereas, Klamath county has no northerly outlet to the state of Oregon; and,

"Whereas, The taxpayers of Klamath county have expended thousands of dollars for the construction of highways and are now constructing a railroad for the purpose of securing an outlet to the city of Portland; and,

"Whereas, The business interests of the state at one time promised the taxpayers of Klamath county they would assist them and have now failed and neglected to do so; and,

"Whereas, Klamath county is apparently of no value to the state of Oregon except for the purpose of taxation; and,

"Whereas, The banking, livestock and lumber business of our fair county is now in the hands of the people of California; and,

"Whereas, The state of California has offered to build permanent highways to our boundary lines and increase our railroad facilities; and,

"Whereas, The state of California has recognized the importance of our industries; and,

"Whereas, Klamath county is geographically situated so that it might easily become a part of the state of California.

"Now, therefore, be it resolved, That our senators and representatives in Congress be memorialized to use their influence to permit Klamath county to secede from the state of Oregon and attach themselves to and become a part of the state of California."

## COUNTY PLACED ON CASH BASIS THRU DECISION

### Calkins Verdict Will Make Big Change

### MANY QUESTIONS UP

Demurrer of Defendants in Case of Ward & Loomis Versus County Sustained—No Such Thing as a "General Fund", Now—Old Warrants Unpaid for Present.

The decision of Judge Calkins on the demurrer submitted in the case of Ward & Loomis vs. R. H. Bunnell, et al., has just been received. In this decision the court holds that since the act of 1913, known as the budget law, there is no such thing as a "general fund," except the total sum of all taxes levied under the budget act. In passing the court says: "As I understand the present budget law, it is the purpose to create a fund in advance each year for the payment of all prospective expenses, and there can be no such thing as a general fund, in the old sense that all taxes went into a general fund and the oldest outstanding warrants were paid therefrom."

The law governing the payment of warrants by the county treasurer, which has never been amended or repealed, provides:

Section 2961—County orders shall be redeemed by the treasurer according to the priority of the time of presentation, etc.

This presents a conflict which will be of keenest interest to holders of county warrants. At present old warrants have been called up to July 1913, and those issued since that date are still outstanding and unpaid. The treasurer has up to date been paying warrants in accordance with the provisions of section 2961; that is, in the order as they were registered upon his protest register. The funds levied each year since the passage of the budget law have been used to pay the oldest warrants. If those funds were special and were to be used only in payment of warrants issued during the subsequent current years, the question arises whether or not the holders of warrants issued subsequent to the passage of the budget law can secure their money from any other fund. The special funds to pay them have been raised and paid out. Can the County Court now make another levy for this purpose? How is the old indebtedness to be taken care of? Can the treasurer, when he has funds on hand, refuse to pay the oldest warrant registered with him and pay a current warrant issued at a much later date? Will this be a discrimination between two creditors of the county? These and other questions arise as one considers the financial affairs of the county and there will be more or less difference of opinion until some final decision is received from the Supreme Court upon the question.

The whole theory of the law is that there will be no warrant indebtedness, as any and all debts in excess of \$5,000 are prohibited by the Constitution of the state; but the fact remains, however, that many counties of the state among them Klamath County, have far exceeded this limit, and some method will have to be provided to take care of this indebtedness.

When Judge Calkins' decision was received by District Attorney Duncan he immediately took it under consideration, and today he has issued the following instructions to the county officials:

"In view of the decision rendered on February 21, 1919, by Judge F. N. Calkins in the case of Frank Ward and Charles Loomis versus R. H. Bunnell, et al., equity 999, interpreting Chapter 234, Laws of Oregon, 1918,

wherein he held that there can be no such thing as a general fund, in the old sense that all taxes went into a general fund, and the oldest outstanding warrants were paid therefrom. It is suggested that you now keep your accounts and funds separate to conform to the items of anticipated expenses as set forth in the budget as prepared and advertised by the County Court.

## LOSSES BROTHER IN DOUGLAS COUNTY

The sad news of the death and burial of his older brother, A. A. Mattoon, at Drain, in Douglas County, was received yesterday by Bailiff John Mattoon, at the county court house. The deceased was 77 years old, and had been ill for about a year.

### IRISH DEATH RATE HIGH.

DUBLIN, Feb. 25.—The Irish death rate is now as high as it was fifty years ago the Registrar General for Ireland states. Seventy thousand people die every year in Ireland and of these ten thousand die from Tuberculosis. The enforcement of the public health acts is not as in other countries compulsory and eminent medical authorities think that these laws should be more strictly administered.

## BALLOTS SENT TO ALL VOTERS

Secretary A. L. Wishard was shown the editorial comment made in this issue so that no undue advantage would be taken of him and he was asked to furnish for publication any statement he may have to make bearing on this point. It must be understood that we did not have Mr. Wishard, or any particular official in mind when we wrote that article. We simply had in mind a determination that there shall be an unhampered vote and all references were general. That is why we asked Mr. Wishard for a statement and gave to him the privilege of seeing the article in question before its publication. It is therefore, with pleasure we publish here-with that which he has submitted:

## MANY SIGNING NEW CLUB LIST

SIXTY-FIVE NEW MEMBERS TO  
GOOD RAOD BODY FROM TWO  
WARDS ARE REPORTED BY  
CITY CHAIRMAN

Forty new members from the First and twenty-five from the Hot Springs section, is the way the chairman of the wards are reporting on progress in the drive for memberships for the new Klamath County Good Roads Association, according to City Chairman Fred Garlich.

These are the only two districts which have been heard from definitely, Mr. Garlich states, but they indicate the way in which the move is being received by the public.

Incidentally it might be said that no more opportune time of year might be taken to work up interest in this matter. The present condition of the unimproved city streets and the county roads throughout most of the county, ought to be an incentive to any community to get busy on this vital subject.

## NEW "TEPPEES" WELL EQUIPPED

### INDIANS WHO ARE BUILDING HOMES ON THE KLAMATH RE- SERVATION, TO HAVE MODERN COMFORTS INSIDE

That the Indians on the Klamath Reservation who are building a number of substantial homes with the money made available by the recent big Congressional appropriation, will furnish them in a manner entirely in keeping with the exterior, is reported by Mrs. O. J. Eskelson of this city, who has been conducting the furniture business operated by her husband prior to his recent death, and who has made a big success for one so new to this business.

Mrs. Eskelson has disposed of complete furniture for eleven of the new houses and declares that the character of the equipment will be on par with the modern home of the pale face brother.

### RECOVERING FROM ILLNESS

A. A. Bellman, who has been ill for several days at his home on Canal Street is reported improving today.

## NEW ROOSEVELT HIGHWAY TO GO ALONG PACIFIC

Bill Is Passed Thru the Senate Today

## HUGE BONDING BILL

Will Be Submitted to Vote of People Before Two and Half Million Bonds Are Issued—Oleomargarine Bill Up Tomorrow—Sum for Returning Soldiers' Reception.

SALEM, Feb. 25.—The Senate has today passed a two and a half million dollar bonding bill for the construction of the proposed Highway down the Pacific Coast. The measure will be submitted to a vote of the people before being adopted.

The Oleomargarine bill which would tax this commodity heavily for the protection of the Oregon dairymen has been placed on the calendar for action tomorrow.

Five thousand dollars appropriated for a reception for the returning soldiers in New York City.

The Senate has passed the House bill preventing the sealing in Rogue River except with certain kinds of nets.

## SECRETARY OF IRRIGATION DIS- TRICT MAKES STATEMENT RE- GARDING MAILING OF VOTES TO WATER USERS

Editor Herald—I have been informed that some of the stockholders of the Klamath Irrigation District have failed to receive their ballots for the straw vote on the question of whether the Klamath Irrigation District shall join the Klamath Water Users Association in the suit to enjoin the California Oregon Power Co. in the event that they attempt to construct a dam across Link River. I want to say that I mailed a ballot to every stockholder on Monday February the 17th and if anyone has failed to receive a ballot and will notify me I will see that they get one at once.

### BRINGS IN MINK SKINS.

F. A. Bliss is displaying several fine mink skins to his Klamath Falls friends today which he trapped in the Klamath Strait near the California line. The skins are fine specimens and are now very valuable.

## NEW MILLINERY STORE STARTED

### NEW ESTABLISHMENT WITH BEAUTY PARLORS WILL BE LAUNCHED IN KLAMATH FALLS MARCH FIRST

The Parisian Millinery is to be the name of the new establishment which will be opened to the local public next Saturday at 519 Main Street in the stand recently vacated by the Bond Studio.

The proprietor Mrs. W. J. Harrington has had long experience in this line in St. Paul and has for the last year been identified with the Rhodes Company at Seattle.

Not only will a full line of millinery be on display but a regular beauty shop, where the latest things in ladies undergarments and waists will be shown.

Manicuring and massaging are new innovations which will be introduced at the parlors and scalp treatments are to be given.

## LOCAL ENGINEER LIES NEAR DEATH

C. S. Silsby, the well known Southern Pacific engineer, who ran the passenger between Klamath Falls and Weed for a long time, was taken to San Francisco on account of his health some time ago. Word has been received that Mr. Silsby has had a relapse, and there is grave doubt of his recovery.

Mr. Silsby was ill for a considerable time at his home in the Hot Springs Addition, but on being taken to San Francisco had a decided turn for the better, and had been up and around. His many friends in Klamath Falls will hope that his condition will again improve, and that he may entirely recover.

## BAVARIANS CONTINUE RIOTING.

LONDON, Feb. 24.—Spartan rioters have taken place in Nuremberg, Bavaria where the prisons have been opened and street fighting is progressing.