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SECRETARY DENBY RESIGNS

RESIGNATION FOLLOWS TALK WITH COOLIDGE ON PROBE SITUATION

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—Edwin B. Denby today resigned as secretary of the navy. His resignation has been accepted.

After repeatedly declaring he never would quit the cabinet under fire of those who criticized his part in the oil leasing program, the secretary notified President Coolidge today he was ready to step out. His decision followed a telephone consultation between the president and Denby, in which all latest aspects of the situation were discussed in the light of information passed to the White House by republican leaders in the senate.

Denby's retirement revived rumors that the resignation of Attorney General Daugherty would follow within a few days.

Recently a number of Denby's friends also have been consulted by the president, and they are understood to have advised the president they understood fully the embarrassment that might result in retaining Denby in the cabinet while the annulment suits were in progress.

Not only is Denby a party to the oil leases, having affixed his signature with that of Albert B. Fall,



EDWIN DENBY

but he repeatedly has defended his part in the proceedings and has done so publicly since the present controversy arose that he believed the contracts legal and would be willing to pursue the same course again.

It has been pointed out to the president that it might appear inconsistent to have a member of the administration holding these annulment suits in the courts that they were made without authority of law.

The first step in the legal proceedings, injunction suits to prevent further work on the Teapot and California reserves, is expected immediately after the senate has complete confirmation of the oil counsel.

Denby informed the president that in view of his connection with the oil leases he did not desire further to embarrass the administration by remaining a member of it. The president in a letter accepting his resignation praised the official record of the retiring secretary and said he accepted to the request with regret.

Denby will retire from the cabinet March first.

Theodore Roosevelt, who as assistant secretary of the navy had a part in drafting the order transferring naval reserves from the navy to the interior department, conferred with the president and announced later he did not expect to resign.

Philadelphia, special government counsel. Roberts will serve with Alice Pommerene, whose nomination was confirmed Saturday.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 17.—The nomination of Alice Pommerene of Canton, Ohio, as a special government counsel in the oil lease cases was confirmed by the senate Saturday night. Action on the nomination of Owen J. Roberts of Philadelphia, as the other member of the counsel went over until Monday.

Action on the nomination of Pommerene was taken after heated debate, which extended until after 7 o'clock Saturday night, the vote being 59 to 13. The discussion was held in open executive session, although some administration leaders in the senate had at first vigorously opposed taking up the nominations other than behind closed doors.

Opposition voiced. Opposition to the two men named by President Coolidge to conduct the cases in the courts was voiced on varying grounds by several democratic and republican insurgent senators, notably Senator Walsh, democrat, Montana, the most active figure in the senate committee inquiry.

Lack of professional experience along the lines required for prosecuting the contemplated cases was urged by some senators as a reason for withholding their approval. While in the case of Roberts, Senator La Follette, republican, Wisconsin, charged him with unsympathetic public utterances toward a previous senate oil inquiry.

Except for the long debate over confirmations, there was little action in the oil leasing situation today. The house, however, without debate, adopted the Walsh resolution directing the beginning of proceedings to cover sections 35 and 36 of naval oil reserve No. 1 in California, now operated by the Standard Oil company of that state.

BANK BANDITS MAKE BIG HAUL

SEATTLE, Feb. 18.—Between \$12,000 and \$15,000 in cash was stolen from two messengers of the Metropolitan National bank by armed bandits in front of the federal reserve bank branch in the heart of the business section here today.

HEARING STARTS ON RATE INCREASE

MEDFORD, Feb. 18.—Public Service Commissioners McCoy and Campbell are here today holding a hearing on the recent raise of electric heat and power rates by the California Oregon Power company. Rosenberg and Grants Pass consumers filed protests, but none came from Medford.

SHOOTS DISTRICT JUDGE IN COURT ROOM: KILLS SELF

LINCOLN, Neb., Feb. 18.—William M. Morning, 56, veteran district judge, was shot and killed today in the courtroom by Wallace G. Wallick, who in turn shot and killed himself. The judge was shot through the heart. Wallick shot at C. F. Rein, attorney for his wife, who was suing for separate maintenance, and at his wife. Neither of the two shots took effect.

VETS TO DINE TUESDAY NIGHT

American Legion Auxiliary
Will be Host to Former
Service Men, Women

Buck privates, second lootes, corporals, sergeants, generals, colonels, tobs and marines and their wives will gather at the chamber of commerce at 6:30 Tuesday evening at a banquet for ex-service men and women being given by the American Legion auxiliary.

While it is not believed there is an ex-general in Klamath Falls, the auxiliary promises "General Good Time" will be on hand the entire evening. There are, however, a number of ex-second lootes around town, and in some quarters it is being suggested that they be herded together at a table of their own in order to avoid casualties.

First lootes, captains and those of higher grades will be permitted to rub elbows with buck privates.

If the demand for tickets is a fair indication, there will be a large attendance. Commander H. E. Getz placed over 60 tickets, and other legionnaires and members of the auxiliary report satisfactory sales. Plates will be 50 cents, and any ex-service man or woman is welcome without invitation.

Entertainment will include songs by Miss Maude Lageson and the high school quartet, piano selections by R. E. Patterson and violin by M. Casper. R. E. Crego will be toastmaster.

T.M. DURHAM OUT FOR CONSTABLE

T. M. Durham, former policeman, today announced his candidacy for the office of constable. The present constable is J. F. Morley, who early in December announced his candidacy for office of sheriff.

Durham has resided in Klamath county since 1887. He lived first at Merrill, where for eight years he served as city marshal, and also as constable and deputy sheriff. He moved to Klamath Falls in 1918 and since leaving the police force has been employed by the Klamath Lumber & Box company. He resides with his family at 1034 High street.

Durham is registered as a democrat. He is the only candidate so far for the office of constable.

U. S. DEBT POLICY TO GO UNCHANGED

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 18.—The American governments war debt policy remained unchanged after a conference today of the debt commission. The commission failed to act on a proposal that debtor governments be reminded again that the United States is awaiting further proposals.

WHEAT PRICES
PORTLAND, Feb. 18.—Hard white wheat \$1.09, western red 55c

LAMM MILL TO START SAWING LOGS TUESDAY

Force of 60 to be Employed
as Plant at Modoc Point
Resumes Operations

With a working force of 60 men on hand and with enough logs in the mill pond to keep the mill running for several weeks, Lamm's mill at Modoc Point will resume operations tomorrow morning. The announcement of the opening of the mill was made by W. E. Lamm, president, this afternoon.

The mill is opening about a month earlier than last. The good weather that has prevailed during January and this month was given as the reason for the early opening. Lamm stated that the cut this year would be about the same as last year, 70,000 board feet a day.

The logging camp of the mill will be opened up in about two weeks. Until that time the logs in the pond adjacent to the mill will be utilized. The mill will probably operate on one shift throughout the entire year. Indications point to a general resumption of the lumber industry in Klamath county by the first of March or a few days thereafter.

Lamm's will be the second of the larger sawmills of the county to resume this spring, the Furuna planing being the first. It is known that other plants are preparing to resume about March 1, or shortly thereafter.

STOCKMEN AROUSED AT PLAN FOR BEAR PRESERVE AT CRATER

Animals Seldom Attack Live Stock
Says Superintendent; Ranchers
Have Opposite Opinion

MEDFORD, Feb. 18.—The stock men of Jackson county will meet Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock at the Hotel Medford to discuss the live stock situation. Miles Conant, chairman of this branch of the economic conference which is to be held in Medford next week has appointed committees to gather the necessary data. Every stock association should be present to help frame the final report. Some interesting and valuable information will be presented.

"The attempt by the superintendent of Crater Lake park to have created a 20-mile bear preserve around Crater lake will be fully discussed," said Ralph Cogwell, publicity chairman, today.

"The park superintendent sent me a letter under date of January 11, to all stockmen in southern Oregon making inquiry as to personal knowledge of depredations upon livestock by bear. The following is an excerpt from the same letter:

"Knowing something about bears, I am convinced that they seldom attack live, sound domestic animals. With bears, as with sharks, all of us have heard their hair-raising stories, but usually by lone hunters without witnesses present."

"It is a well known fact that a bear will kill from one to 30 sheep in one night, and that cattle will not remain in the same neighborhood with a bear. An area of land 20 miles in width around Crater lake park will take in all of the best grazing land in southern Oregon."

"The sheep owners are very anxious to learn about this new kind of bear that is to be put in charge of the range around Crater lake. There will be some testimony given that may seriously shock the superintendent's theory about tame bears. Peace-loving people do not want to turn Crater lake park into a bloody battle field."

MARKET REPORT
PORTLAND, Feb. 18.—Cows and heifers 25c to 50c higher, other cattle steady. Hogs steady; lams 50c to 75c higher. Top lambs \$11.50 to \$13.35. Eggs weak, butter 6m.

BREECHES BUOY SAVES ALL ON WRECKED SHIP

Passengers of Steamer Columbia at Coos Bay Have Thrilling Experience

MARSHFIELD, Ore., Feb. 18.—A coast guard cutter and the steamer Cleone began this morning rescuing the remaining members of the crew from the steamer Columbia, which was wrecked on the north jetty rocks yesterday. Thirty passengers, including two women, and eight members of the crew were taken off in a breeches buoy yesterday by the Cleone.

After 15 men had been reported recovered today by the breeches buoy, announcement was made that Captain Skog, of the steam schooner Cleone, from whose deck the rescue work was carried on, hoped to remove part of the baggage from the Columbia.

The Cleone is about 800 feet from the Columbia, and a ride in the breeches buoy is a real thriller, as occasional a breaker drenches the occupant of the basket.

A couple listed as Mr. and Mrs. A. Kennedy were revealed today to be Mr. and Mrs. A. Udell. They were on their honeymoon from San Francisco and, hoping to surprise Mrs. Udell's mother in Portland, used a different name in sailing.

Mrs. Neils Williams, en route from San Francisco to Spokane, said she also enjoyed the thrill of the ride on the breeches buoy and was not a bit frightened.

MARSHFIELD, Ore., Feb. 18.—The Cleone left the wrecked Columbia at noon after spending the morning taking off the crew. It was believed on shore all or nearly all were taken off the Columbia.

RESURFACING OF HIGHWAYS BEGUN

Resurfacing of five miles of the highway between Klamath Falls and Olney, from Pine Grove to the Strahorn Railroad under crossing, started this morning after a wait of several weeks for the roads to dry sufficiently for the laying of gravel. The job will take about three weeks.

During the laying of gravel, this stretch of road will be exceedingly dangerous for automobiles driven at an excessive speed. Loose gravel will cover the road and an automobile will soon be out of control if driven fast.

Roads throughout the country are drying up. It was said today at the state highway office. The Green Springs road is still difficult to negotiate from Hayden creek to the top of Green Springs mountain but all other roads lying in more open country are fast becoming dry and easy to drive on.

Proposal blanks for the road construction between Dairy and Bonanza have been sent to the local highway office. Bids for the job are submitted on these blanks. Bids will be open in Portland on February, 27.

RIVERSIDE CLASS TO GIVE DINNER

The seventh grade domestic science class of Riverside school will be hosts to the members of the school board, the teacher of the seventh grade Riverside class, and Superintendent J. P. Wells at 6 p.m. tonight in the domestic science rooms in Central school. Dinner will be prepared under the direction of Miss Thayer Raymond, domestic science teacher.

CANDIDACY OF WM. McADOO HANGS IN BALANCE AT MEETING

CHICAGO, Feb. 18.—More than 300 advocates of McAdoo's candidacy gathered here today for a conference to decide as to whether he shall continue as a presidential candidate. A goodly sprinkling of women and a large number of leading party men were present. Homer Cummings, in the keynote address, said a "special attempt has been made to discredit McAdoo, but it is known and admitted everywhere that McAdoo had no connection, directly or indirectly, with the oil scandals. A mere statement of the situation reveals the absurdity of the suggestion that there has been any impairment of his strength as a candidate."

SEEKING LAND IN COUNTY FOR COLONIZATION

Eugene Realty Men Propose
to Establish Colony of
Slavic Dairy Farmers

Purchase of a tract of land for the establishment in Klamath county of a colony of dairy farmers consisting principally of Slavic people is under consideration by two Eugene real estate men, Melvin Hansen and P. J. Polonuk, who have been in town for several days looking at various property throughout the county.

"Principal among the drawbacks in this county is the question of irrigation," Hansen said this morning. "These new people coming in to this county to establish a dairy colony would have to be encouraged and the high price paid by water users is a liability that I would hesitate to have colonizers assume. The people who desire to come are now in North Dakota and are principally of Polish and Ukrainian extraction. They are a thrifty and law abiding people and are a valuable adjunct to a country endeavoring to take advantage of its natural resources."

"We have not," Hansen continued, "made any definite decision concerning the purchase of property. There are some tracts that look good, Klamath Falls would be a great aid to the people because of a marketing place close to the farms."

Hansen and Polonuk are returning to Eugene tomorrow. They may return in a few days and establish offices here but are not yet sufficiently decided on their plans for the future.

CHARGE PINE FLAT MEN WITH KILLING NEIGHBOR'S HORSE

C. A. Rau and Arthur Worth of Pine Flat are held in jail charged with the deliberate killing of a horse belonging to a neighbor, H. L. Arant. They were arrested Saturday upon the complaint of Arant and were to have had a hearing this morning at 10 o'clock before R. A. Emmitt acting as committing magistrate, but owing to the non-appearance of witnesses the hearing was put off till Thursday morning at 10 o'clock.

The deliberate killing of a domesticated animal the property of another person is a felony and is punishable by a maximum sentence of three years in the penitentiary, or a fine ranging from \$50 to \$1000 or both. It is also within the discretion of the judge to sentence the prisoner to the county jail for not less than one month and not more than six.

SCHOOL BONDS WILL BE VOTED ON TOMORROW

Taxpayers Will Decide on
Purchase of Site For
Needed Structure

A bond election will be held tomorrow afternoon to decide whether the city school board shall be authorized to take up the option held by the board on property at Seventh and High where it is proposed to erect a new central grade school.

The election will be held in the lobby of the central school. The polls will be open from 2 p.m. to 7 p.m. Those eligible to vote are taxpayers of school district number one, which includes Klamath Falls and Pelican City.

The election will decide whether the present building is to be sold and a new building erected with the proceeds. The bond issue would be for \$25,000, of which \$24,500 will go to purchase the land and \$500, or the portion of that sum needed, for handling expenses of the transaction.

The present building is inadequate and unless the bonds carry the city will be faced with a serious problem in providing room for school children. It is believed that sale of the present school site will pay a large portion of the cost of a new building, which would be of 16 rooms or twice the size of the present structure.

Should the bonds carry, it is probable that the board may be able to acquire the entire block, since the Episcopal church has offered to move to another location and sell its present site.

SPANISH WAR VETS TO MEET

Spanish war veterans and their wives will hold their annual banquet in the chamber of commerce rooms at 7 o'clock Thursday evening. Invitations have been sent out to 50 veterans throughout the county. In case any veterans have been overlooked by the committee in charge, they are requested to see Mayor A. R. Wilson in order that a place may be reserved for them at the banquet.

A movement is on foot to organize a camp of the United Spanish War Veterans in this county and this will be discussed at the banquet.

K. P.'S TO STAGE DIAMOND JUBILEE

A diamond jubilee, commemorating the 60th anniversary of the order, will be held by the Knights of Pythias in the lodge rooms tonight. The program will include a dance and a basket social.

THE WEATHER

The Cyclo-Storm-graph at the Underwood pharmacy registers a slightly downward trend in barometric pressure this afternoon but not far enough advanced to indicate any decision change in conditions. Forecast for next 24 hours: Generally fair with moderate temperatures. The Tycoos recording thermometer registered maximum and minimum temperatures today as follows:
High 48
Low 28