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## HINES STATES RAILROAD CONTROL MUST BE EXTENDED THREE YEARS OR BE LAID ASIDE IMMEDIATELY

### PROPOSES THIS AS COMPROMISE TO OPPOSITION

Director General Is Frankly Opposed To Government Ownership Of Roads.

HOWEVER, IS WILLING TO ADOPT FIVE YEAR TEST

Railroads May Be Turned Back To Private Concerns On June 30.

By Raymond Clapper  
 (United Press staff correspondent)  
 Washington, Feb. 3.—Government railroad control must be extended for at least three years or be shelved at once.

That is the ultimatum laid down today by Walker D. Hines, director general of railroads.

He proposed a three year extension period as a compromise because of bitter opposition in congress to the recent five year recommendation of William G. McAdoo.

In any event, Hines, declared when he faced the senate interstate commerce committee today, the present twenty one month limit on government operation is intolerable. He had in mind the resolution introduced by Senator Cummins to prevent return of the railroads to private control before that limit expires.

Hines came out frankly against government ownership but earnestly appealed for adoption of a five year test period. He favors private operation by a few companies, under a profit guarantee and strict government regulation.

Would Accomplish Much  
 "I think a three year extension would accomplish a great deal to remove the difficulties which are inherent in the twenty one month plan," Hines told the senate committee. "Even three years would aggregate and spread out and in part dissipate the unfavorable and the psychological factors which under the 21 months plan promise to converge so as to do the maximum damage to the public service."

"Also the three year extension would give opportunity for legislation immediately following instead of immediately preceding the presidential election."

"But," he added, "I believe the five year extension would be much better."

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## GEN. CROWDER TO RECEIVE HIS REAPPOINTMENT



### His Friends Declare Many Obstacles Have Been Put In His Way.

By Carl D. Groat  
 (United Press staff correspondent)  
 Washington, Feb. 3.—Major General Enoch Crowder will be reappointed army judge advocate general.

Intimations that he was to be shelved were dispelled today when it was learned on reliable authority that President Wilson will again name him for the post.

Crowder's friends were doubtful as to his reappointment until today. Some of them claimed that he would automatically go out of the service if not nominated before February 15. They feared that what amounted to bad blood between him and Chief of Staff March would operate to sidetrack him.

They declared privately that many obstacles had been put in the way of the man who made the draft machine an admitted success. They claimed, too, that a reprimand from the chief of staff still lay against Crowder's record. Whether or not this is true, the war department has refused to allow his record to be made public. Secretary of War Baker and Chief of Staff March have consistently declined to discuss the report while Crowder's friends have accused Baker, privately of failing to act to clean the record, after promising to do so.

However, President Wilson does not intend to let army politics or foud stand in the way, it was stated today. He will re-name Crowder as chief legal authority of the war department and do so soon.

## AUTO TRAGEDY CLAIMS TWO WOMEN VICTIMS ON SILVERTON ROAD

Mrs. Peter Hansen Killed And Mrs. Harry Hill Near Death As Result Of Accident.

Yesterday afternoon, on the Silver-ton road a few miles out from Salem, occurred the most terrible automobile accident recorded in this city for many years. As a result Mrs. Peter Hansen, 40, and Mrs. Harry Hill, 35, were killed. Mrs. Hansen was unconscious in the Salem sanitarium with little hope of recovery. The party made up of Mrs. Hill and Mrs. Chas. Wilson, were returning from a drive out on the paved road about 5 o'clock Sunday afternoon, in a new Oldsmobile car, driven by Mrs. Wilson. At a point about two miles out from the fair grounds there is a sharp curve in the road, with an embankment about five feet high. This curve was taken at a fairly high speed, and in making it the outer wheels of the car ran off the strip of paving onto the dirt bed. Mrs. Wilson was endeavoring to turn the car back upon the paving when the front wheel struck a big block of slab wood and broke down, allowing the axle to strike the roadbed. The momentum was such that the machine turned a complete somersault, first striking on the top, which was completely demolished along with the steering gear, and then landing on its wheels in the ditch.

By a miracle Mrs. Wilson, who occupied the front seat with the daughter of Mrs. Hansen, escaped with severe scratches and bruises, while the girl was practically uninjured.

P. E. Fullerton, who chanced to be driving over the road a few minutes after the accident occurred, states that as he drove up he was hailed by the young girl who said they were in need of help. A moment later Mrs. Wilson came from the front of the machine apparently half-dazed by the fall and said something about getting back to town. She then said there were two other ladies there, but she didn't know whether they were dead or alive. Mr. Fullerton and his companion then began to investigate and discovered the two women lying bleeding, unconscious and half buried in the mud beside the highway.

Another party made up of Mr. and Mrs. E. Bowen, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Bowen and Mrs. Lydia Bowen, drove up at about the same time, and an effort was made to find a home with telephone connections in order to summon help from town. They found the nearby houses locked, and realizing that it would take some time to connect by the rural lines, Mr. Fullerton dashed into town with his car, ordered out the ambulance and picked up Dr. Fisher, getting back to the scene in a very short time. In the meantime one of the parties on the ground had succeeded in breaking into a house and called Dr. Cashatt, who arrived on the scene a few minutes in advance of Dr. Fisher.

It was apparent at a glance that both the women were terribly injured internally in addition to their outer bruises and nothing could be done for them there. They were hurried back toward town, but Mrs. Hansen died on the way in. Mrs. Hill was brought in to the Salem sanitarium, where she lay in an unconscious and apparently dying condition up to the present hour.

The wrecked car, a fine new Oldsmobile belonging to Chas. Wilson, a motorman on the Oregon Electric, was brought in by Jns Kappahn and taken to the Wilson garage on North Commercial street, where it is undergoing repairs. Considering the experience it

## Series Of Deaths Casts Gloom Over McMinnville

McMinnville, Feb. 2.—The last week has been a sad one in this city because of the loss of some estimable citizens, among them being the wife of Captain F. A. Mead, local express agent; Jerome Pratt, who came to this city in 1894 from Minnesota; Mrs. Flora Cummins, wife of County Commissioner S. E. Cummins; Miss Grace Newell, a popular young woman, an employe at the courthouse and formerly a candidate for county treasurer, and Mrs. F. J. Pratt, wife of the assistant postmaster, prominent in the circles of the Christian church.

The last three deaths were due to pneumonia. James W. Martin of Lafayette, a native son of pioneer parents, also died on January 23, at the age of 66 years. He had been a prominent citizen of the county for many years and a progressive farmer.

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## Plot Unearthed To Line Up Sentiment Behind Wilhelm

By Webb Miller  
 (United Press correspondent)  
 American Headquarters in Germany, Feb. 2.—(Delayed)—A plot to line up sentiment in Germany behind the former kaiser has been unearthed by the American military secret service, it was announced today.

A number of supporters of the old regime were discovered circulating petitions assuring Wilhelm that his people still maintain confidence in him. Many signatures had been obtained in various parts of the region occupied by the Third army. The American authorities are investigating to determine who is back of the movement, which apparently is widespread and probably originating in Berlin.

American military officials have ascertained that the present strength of the German army shows that the organization and staff of all pre-war regiments is being maintained, except those of Alsace and Lorraine, although some of these regiments have been reduced to a thousand men.

## JOKER ALLOWS WATER SUPERINTENDENT TO KEEP UP OTHER WORK

Orton Replied To Criticism Made In Senate Last Friday Afternoon.

"Such superintendent shall not engage in any other business which will conflict with his duties as such superintendent."

That was the little joker pointed out by Senator Strayer this morning in senate bill 53, introduced by Senator Hurley, and which was up for final passage.

The bill provides for the consolidation of the eastern and western Oregon water divisions and creates the office of state water superintendent. This office is to be filled, by George T. Cochran, now superintendent of water division No. 2, until the end of his elective term, after which the office will be filled by appointment by the governor.

## 40,000 SEATTLE UNION WORKMEN TO STRIKE ON THURSDAY MORNING

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## SO CALLED PAVING TRUST WINS IN PRELIMINARIES

Bill On Contract Royalties Is Referred Back To Committee In House.

The Warren construction company, sometimes known as the "paving trust," won first blood this morning in the house of representatives when the question came up as to whether the state should pay royalties on paving contracts and that bids on the construction of roads should be made without including the cost of royalties.

Although the bill had been before the roads and highways committee of the house since January 15, Chairman Dennis of this committee said it was not ready to act on the question of royalties and the giving of contracts for construction alone.

On the vote taken four of the Marion county delegation lined up in favor of the state paying royalties and the letting of contracts to not include royalties. These were Speaker Seymour Jones, Martin, Weeks and Martin. With the wishes of those who favored the so-called trust was the vote of David Loope of Jefferson.

In opening the debate on the bill Dennis of Yamhill, chairman of the roads and highways commission said he was not opposed to counties bidding on work or to the commission doing the work when for the good of all. But he was opposed to that part of the bill providing that the state pay royalties and that contractors be obliged to submit bids not including royalties for patented payments.

In the general fight that has been made between the so-called paving trust and those opposed to it, the intimation has been made that the Warren people were on the inside and not obliged to pay so much for royalties as the smaller contractors. Hence the bill was introduced providing that contracts be

## ARE WORKING ON DRAFT CONSTITUTION FOR PERMANENT ORGANIZATION

By Fred S. Ferguson  
 (United Press staff correspondent)  
 Paris, Feb. 3.—President Wilson today began his drive for consummation of the league of nations program before the end of the week.

Refreshed by a day of complete rest, the president, following his address on the subject of the league before the chamber of deputies this afternoon, was to confer with the special committee which is working on details of the league's outline. In this meeting, to be held at the Hotel Crillon, work was to be taken upon the definite constitution of the league, upon which several tentative agreements have already been reached.

The president is working in the closest unanimity with Lord Cecil and General Smuts on the draft for the constitution, which provides for a permanent organization, to meet regularly, and to have machinery for arbitration and economic punishments. Complete agreement on the frame work is generally anticipated before Premier Lloyd George leaves for London at the end of the week.

Met With Bureau  
 President Wilson met with the peace bureau this morning. The Balkan situation was discussed with particular reference to Greece's political and territorial claims. Premier Venizelos was the principal speaker.

The president has under consideration plans for reporting progress of the peace conference regularly to congress in the future. Reports from the United States indicate there is need of explaining the details of various problems being worked out, as a misunderstanding is obvious. The tone of congressional debates is liable to result in misapprehension by the other delegates here.

When Wilson arrives in the United States, three weeks hence—he is expected to sail February 14—he expects sufficient progress to have been made for a comprehensive report to congress.

Colonel House is recovering rapidly and is expected to take full part in the peace work this week.

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## UNDER THE BIG CAPITAL DOME



Legislators Who Represent the Umpqua Valley Country in the Present Session

## ABE MARTIN

## Number Of Units Of 46th Division Named For Convoy

Washington, Feb. 3.—The following units of the Fortieth division were today assigned to early convoy:

- Division's postal detachment; mobile field laboratory and medical detachment; 11th supply train; sanitary squads 61 and 62; sixteenth field hospital and 160th infantry; 15th infantry; Eightieth infantry brigade headquarters; 79th infantry brigade headquarters; 115th train headquarters; Fortieth military police company; Fortieth division headquarters troops; Fortieth division headquarters; 144th and 145th machine gun battalions; 115th ammunition train; 159th and 138th infantry and 143rd machine gun battalion.

Other units assigned to convoy to priority were 93rd and 103rd aero squadrons; 103rd trench mortar battery (28th division); 334th field artillery (87th division); Tenth field artillery brigade advance school detachment; Fiftieth regiment coast artillery; 336th machine gun battalion (87th division).

Some folks seem 't fool enough people all th' time 't keep in th' swim. Miss Tawney Apple has an uncle that's so poor he stays in Petoskey, Michigan, th' year around.