

WORKING FOR THEIR POST.

CITIZENS OF WALLA WALLA CALL ON THE SECRETARY OF WAR.

Anxious to Secure a Return of Cavalry From Yellowstone—Single Tax Advocates Wish to Experiment With District of Columbia.

Special Despatch to the Post-Intelligencer.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 19.—W. D. Paine and W. D. Tyler, appointed by the citizens of Walla Walla to come to Washington and urge upon the secretary of war the advisability of not only not abandoning Fort Walla Walla, but also the extreme anxiety of the citizens of the inland town to have two troops that were sent to Fort Yellowstone some time ago returned, and if possible others for a week and have accomplished no more than if they had remained at home. To be sure, they have been most courteously received by all the officials of the war department with whom they have come in contact, and have been shown the utmost distinction as emissaries of so important a community as the one where they reside. To all their protests and persuasion the secretary has remained unmoved, however, or rather the assistant secretary, George D. McKelahan, who has been acting as secretary in the absence of Secretary Allen, whose illness, while not severe, has been such as to prevent him from leaving his home to remain at home and fear from work of all kinds.

Messrs. Paine and Tyler were the bearers of letters to the various members of the Washington delegation, informing the latter that their efforts were not to be thought of as being in vain, because these special emissaries had been sent here to represent the city's interests.

"We trust," said the letters to the delegation, "that nothing will be construed as a reflection upon either the diligence or intelligence of the efforts which we have made, but we are confident that we would not have been so successful if we had not been so well advised by you. You will readily understand that many things can be done by letter which cannot be done by interview, but by written communication. It is in the earnest hope that you will, in Walla, and, if we think the greater part of Eastern Washington, that our delegation should consider the possibility of an effort for the retention and enlargement of the military post at Walla Walla."

The single taxers are active in and around the halls of legislation. An important meeting was recently held by these people, for the purpose of considering the organization of a National Single Tax Propaganda, which was unanimously approved. The plan is to draw into the co-operation of a single centralized organization all the single taxers in the United States, that their energies may be directed toward those points of attack which give the greatest promise of yielding relative results.

For example, Kansas is honeycombed with the single tax. Of the Kansas delegation now in congress Simpson and Ridgeley are avowed single taxers, while Vincent and Botkin are warm sympathizers. In California Congressman Maguire has been an avowed single taxer for years, and Washington Congressman Lewis has come to the front as an advocate of trying on a single tax. In the committee on the war where congress has exclusive jurisdiction and where it is explained the experiment should be tried without any harm to one and where outsiders could have no say against it. It is also well known here that in the state of Washington a constitutional amendment is being introduced to establish local option in determining municipal taxation.

An address was recently issued from the headquarters of the single taxers in this district. It is stated that in no state of the union are the single taxers more active, numerous and influential than in Washington. The address says:

"We are confident that the fall campaign will see the passage of a constitutional amendment in several states and single tax leading issue in no less than four states in the campaign of 1918. Establish the single tax in one state," valiantly says the address, "and you have the present system of unjust taxation in all states will topple and fall like a house of cards."

Mr. Maguire, of California, has been chosen as president of the National Single Tax Propaganda, and Lewis has been selected as vice president.

Patrick Henry Winston, attorney general for the state of Washington, has been in Washington city during the past week, and has appeared in one or two cases in the supreme court of the United States here. Upon one of these occasions he met in the supreme court room with two old friends of his, his brother Senator Richard of North Carolina, and Hon. James E. Boyd, assistant attorney general of the United States.

Winston and Gen. Boyd, during the Arthur administration, were rival candidates for the office of United States district attorney for the state of North Carolina. Gen. Boyd, by reason of greater influence with the administration at that time, was the victor, and Mr. Winston, who had taken up with the lesser position that was given him, that of receiver of the land office at Lewiston, Idaho. They spoke of it as a somewhat regrettable circumstance that they should meet after all these years, both appearing before the bar of the supreme court in the same case, the one the attorney general of the state of Washington, the other as the assistant attorney general of the United States.

Senator Pittchard's greeting of Mr. Winston was especially friendly.

"Winston," said the senator, "you are well on the road in the position I held. It was the best thing that ever happened to me when you left the state of North Carolina."

Mr. Winston expects soon to return to Washington fully recovered in health.

Representative Lewis has referred to the ways and means committee of the house a statement of how the Dingley law ought to be amended. One of the most spectacles of W. P. C. Adams, labor commissioner of the state of Washington. Mr. Lewis told the members of the committee that Mr. Adams was a man whose investigations into the subject concerning which he wrote were such as to entitle him to speak in that position.

Mr. Adams would have all American goods of whatever character which have been produced in this country, and which would be imported into this country, should be placed into this country duty free, except where any foreign labor is being employed in converting any raw material into a finished product. In other cases the importer is to be compelled to pay a double tariff, or twice as much as goods produced from foreign raw materials would be compelled to pay.

In simple language, Mr. Adams thinks that many manufacturers charge more than they should for goods which they do abroad, in which case they are permitted their importation free of duty, consent to the foreign market price, and then bring about a great saving to the American consumer.

His second proposition is to prevent the importation of alien paper labor by doubling the duties on all importation of raw material to the man who employs foreign labor in making the finished

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product. It is not likely that these propositions will receive any serious consideration from the committee on ways and means, as they are considered in the light of an unjust discrimination that the law would not be able to carry out.

The claim of Twyman A. Abbott, of Tacoma, for the use of a building in Tacoma as a postoffice for several years, although the building was not occupied for such purpose, has been passed by the senate. The bill now calls for about \$100,000 to square accounts with Abbott, although he originally asked for nearly three times that sum.

The postoffice department has authorized the removal of the postoffice at Snohomish to William Hockman's building, at an annual rental of \$20.

J. D. Farrell, one of the most prominent members of the legislature at the present time, together with his accomplished and beautiful young wife, is enjoying a recreation of the postmaster general's power from work and also the pleasure of a vacation in the national capital. Mr. Farrell was formerly superintendent of the Great Northern railway, and is making his home with his wife in the East in a palatial private car. Mr. and Mrs. Farrell will remain in the East some little time before returning to their home in Snohomish. Representative James Farrell seems to take a special interest in the magnificent new library of congress, was their guide through the marble halls of that great repository of learning and art.

Mr. H. G. Stimmler and wife, also of Spokane, have been visiting the capital. A pension has been granted to Mrs. Esther A. Cotton, of Duwamish, at \$8 a month, dated back to July 1, 1866, and \$100 additional for the same length of time for each of her three minor children.

Original widows' pensions have also been granted to Mrs. Nancy J. Maxey, of Ellensburg, and to Mrs. Lucy H. Collins, of Seattle, both at \$12 a month has been resumed to Mrs. Charlotte Craver, of Tacoma.

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RATTLED BY EARTHQUAKES.

San Domingo Churches Rattled. Railroad Tied Up. People in a Panic. NEW YORK, Jan. 19.—The Clyde steamer and Cherokee, which arrived today from San Domingo ports, brings details of a severe earthquake which has occurred with frequency since December 23 last.

Great damage has been caused throughout the island, and the San Domingo churches were rendered dangerous for use, and the grand edifice of Santa Cero, one of the oldest in the Western hemisphere, during the time of Columbus was entirely destroyed.

REMARKABLY BRIGHT METEOR.

It Was Observed in California in Broad Daylight. SAN JOSE, Jan. 19.—The following telephone message was received tonight by Director Schaefer, of Lick observatory: "The very unusual phenomenon of a bright meteor in broad daylight was observed here today by E. F. Codrington, fellow in astronomy, at the observatory. It was seen in the west, shortly after 1 o'clock, at an elevation of about eight degrees above the horizon, moving very rapidly to the north, in a path slightly inclined to the earth. It increased in brightness as it moved, and disappeared suddenly in clear sky, without any explosion being heard."

ALIMONY OF \$75 A WEEK.

Decree of Divorce for Nat Goodwin's Wife is Affirmed. NEW YORK, Jan. 19.—Judge Prevor, in the supreme court today confirmed the decree of absolute divorce granted to Nat Goodwin, wife of Nat C. Goodwin, the actor. Goodwin is ordered to pay his divorced wife \$75 per week alimony. She is privileged to marry again if she so desires, and also has the right to resume her maiden name of Baker. Goodwin cannot marry again in this state, unless the testimony heard before the referee was made public.

Battle is Out, but is Reopened. NEW YORK, Jan. 19.—Justice Dickey, in the supreme court at Brooklyn, today opened the papers admitting Edward J. Roselle, the actor, to bail in \$100. Roselle was released from the Tombs later in the afternoon, but was arrested on his second trial when Judge Roselle was locked up until tomorrow.

One Cleared, the Other Goes to Prison. WASHINGTON, Jan. 19.—Capt. Martin, in trial in the United States district court here, today was acquitted in connection with the steamer Lantana, which was today declared guilty.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 19.—Judge Dallas has fixed the position of the United States appeal of appeals in the case of the appeal of John D. Hart, who was convicted of a charge of carrying a loaded Cuban magazine, a quantity of the same, and was sentenced to two years imprisonment and \$500 fine. The court today affirms the sentence of the district court.

Fire Bites a Hole in Randsburg. HANDBURG, Cal., Jan. 19.—Fire early this morning consumed over thirty buildings within one hour. Everything was swept into the air, and the Randsburg, from Staley avenue to above the Elita theater and on a portion of Broadway. This includes the postoffice and some of the largest stores in town, and will entail a loss of about \$200,000. The absence of wind saved the entire camp from destruction.

Killed Her Because He Loved Her. LEADVILLE, Col., Jan. 19.—William Stale, the loose brickman at the Arkas, was shot and killed Mrs. Minnie Smith and then killed himself. Stale had been attentive to Mrs. Smith, who is a boarding house keeper, but she refused to permit his attentions, though allowing him to come to the house.

GARY ACTED TOO HASTILY.

ORDER REDUCING NUMBER OF LETTER CARRIERS ILL-ADVISED.

Business Men in the Cities Regard It With Consternation—Senate Discusses the Situation—Allen Attacks Alleged Frauds in Service.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 19.—A spirited debate was precipitated in the senate today by the introduction of a resolution, House of Representatives providing for an inquiry by the committee on postoffices and post roads concerning the recent order of the postmaster general reducing the force of letter carriers in several cities of the country. Hoar thought the question was a most important one, and that it does hundreds of thousands of people who receive mail. He said:

"This order of the postmaster general created consternation among business men. The order was based on a deficiency in the appropriation for free delivery of about \$10,000. All that is needed to remedy the difficulty encountered by the postoffice department and which confronts the business men of the country is a small additional appropriation. It is absolutely intolerable that this great branch of the public service should be stopped or crippled. Many of the greatest cities of the country are to be deprived practically of mail delivery facilities, and it is time that something be done to avoid serious business embarrassments."

Allison urged that the postmaster be sent a resolution inquiring why the language of such an order had provoked this discussion was necessary, and what remedy would be necessary. No suggestion had been made to the committee on appropriate

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RAILWAYS WILL BE UNABLE TO AGREE.

CHICAGO, Jan. 19.—The Western Passenger Association will probably hold a meeting soon to discuss Alaskan rates and rates to Southern territory. All efforts to reach a settlement of the Alaska matter have failed. The best managed railways were English, next came Holland and France, all private owned. The government-owned railways are content to let the government increase the tariffs or rely on the power which they have reserved to make appointments, which would lower the character and safety of the service and give the party in power a tremendous supremacy. The building now has been decided entirely on political pull, and districts or states not favored by the government would have to wait forever for development.

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PRESIDENT RIPLEY'S VIEWS.

HE ARGUES AGAINST GOVERNMENT OWNERSHIP OF RAILWAYS.

Party in Power Would Have Great Supremacy, and the Government Would Lose Money—National Lines All Over the World Are Failures.

CHICAGO, Jan. 19.—President Ripley, of the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe, has written a letter to the editor of a Kansas Populist paper replying to a communication published in that paper citing the number of people killed by the railroads of the state of Kansas two and a half times before one passenger is killed, and that last year the trains on the railways in Kansas ran over 800 miles, and that only one employee was killed to every 100,000 miles.

Mr. Ripley defends the railroad employees and argues against the charge of negligence of their duty, and draws the conclusion that the argument for government ownership because of the number of people who die on the railways is entirely worthless.

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