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THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.

President Roosevelt has a positive and vigorous personality, and his messages to congress are marked by those qualities. He does not evade or temporize, but comes out squarely and frankly with whatever he has to say. There is no excuse for misunderstanding him. He goes right to the point, and the nation knows exactly where he stands. Most of the subjects discussed in his annual message to the present congress have been discussed by him heretofore, either in former messages or in public addresses. The president has a way of taking the people into his confidence before he sends an official document to congress. He knows, too, the importance of repeating and urging again and again ideas on public questions. An idea once presented may be thought excellent, but before it results in action it must usually be presented and urged time and again. The president keeps at it, and for this reason he generally wins. So those who read his message will recall former messages and recent speeches, in which he treated the same questions, and in many instances the phraseology will differ but slightly. Naturally, he first gives attention to the financial situation. He finds that in no nation are the fundamental business conditions sounder than ours at this moment, and so it is foolish for the people, with such conditions to hoard their money instead of keeping it in sound banks. He gives this thought first place in his message, and it may be inferred that he attaches first importance to it. The causes of the conditions, out of which the country is now passing, the president does not discuss at length. He says that in the punishment of the successfully dishonest it is often unavoidable that the honest also suffer, and he quotes from recommendations in his message of 1905 in regard to federal supervision of corporations engaged in interstate commerce. He likewise quotes his message of a year ago on the need of more flexible currency to meet the demands during the crop-moving period. Comment on the state or credit currency plan is favorable although the president is of the opinion that no legislation can guarantee against the danger of speculative folly. He asks congress to give the subject "immediate attention," keeping in mind that safety is not to be traded for elasticity. He would have the Sherman anti-trust law so amended as not to prohibit combinations that do not harm the public, and he would have the federal government increase its activity in dealing with interstate commerce. It is not a new power that should be exercised, but one which has always existed. The supervision of large corporations engaged in interstate commerce he would make similar to that of the supervision of national banks. He advised that the tariff be not revised at this time for the reason that it is a question that should be approached from a business standpoint and at a time when it will arouse the least disturbance in the business world. The time to deal with the tariff, as he sees it, is after, and not just before, an election; but he advises the repeal of the duty on wood pulp, to be accompanied by an agreement with Canada that there shall be no export duty on pulp wood. He would do away with the tariff on all forest products, but he specially asks for action in the case of wood pulp. The income and inheritance taxes he would make a part of the system of federal taxation. The recommendations in regard to the injunction, accidents, employers' liability and eight-hour laws are very friendly to labor. Special comment is made on the telegraphers' strike and the need

of a law for the compulsory investigation of such controversies. Such a law would have presented the facts to the public, and public sentiment would have forced an early settlement. Of the inland waterway project, he places the Mississippi first and the Columbia second, but calls special attention to the Mississippi. His well-known views on irrigation, public lands and forests appear in the message.

There are many other interesting points in the message, which should be read in full by those who desire to be informed on the issues of the time. There is nothing sectional about it. East, West, North and South all come in for a fair share of consideration. —Ledger.

Governor Beckham blames Colonel Watterson for the defeat of the democratic ticket in Kentucky, and Colonel Watterson blames Beckham. This is what Colonel Watterson says of himself in this connection: "What in the world had Mr. Watterson to do with it? For a dozen years he has had no party standing nor been considered by the leaders of the organization. They have rejected his counsels, abused his personality and his motives without stint, and gone their own gaits downward in his despite. Upon what hypothesis can anybody make him a part of the disreputable record?" Meantime the republicans have the governor and may dominate when a United States senator is elected for the democratic majority is small and the democrats in the legislature are factional.

Mr. Bryan is opposed to another term for Roosevelt. Naturally; and so is Fairbanks and about a dozen others, we could mention. This shows, however, that Mr. Bryan is more susceptible to reason than Judge Parker as the Judge was opposed to Mr. Roosevelt's present term.

As the jury in the Steve Adams case failed to agree and the prisoner has been admitted to bail, it is now up to the "Appeal to Reason" to nominate Adams for vice-president as Haywood's running mate. It would doubtless make a strong team.

It is a strange thing that a woman school teacher will kick about low wages for teaching and then get married and work the remainder of her life for her husband and be satisfied with their board and clothes — if they get any of the latter.

Apropos of the "panic" an exchange suggests that the trouble seems to be that while the country has all the money it really needs it has not all the money some of the people want.

If the preachers really desire a good motto for the gold coins what is the matter with "Abide with me"?

The best prize joke of the season should undoubtedly be awarded to the Harvard football eleven.

Synopsis of Land and Mineral Decisions

Furnished by Woodford D. Harlan, Land Attorney, Washington, D. C.

COAL LANDS—Second declaratory statement authorized as of the date made, though filed without authority therefor. Declaratory statement for coal land should not be received while the land is covered by the existing homestead entry of another.

CONTEST, PRACTICE.—Pendancy of contest does not excuse compliance with law where one is irregularly allowed to enter land thus involved.

ENTRY—A specific right of entry, according by Departmental decision, must be exercised within the period designated, in the absence of good reason shown for delay.

FINAL PROOF—If found insufficient and bad faith is not apparent, supplemental evidence may be submitted in the absence of protest or adverse claim.

HOMESTEAD ENTRY—Land in the actual possession and occupancy of one holding the same under claim and color of title is not subject to entry.

MINERAL LAND, PRACTICE—In case of contest, where the land is returned as mineral, the burden is

not shifted to the mineral claimant by the non-mineral affidavit and publication of notice by the agricultural claimant.

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STRAYED. TWO HORSES: one grey horse about 11 years old, weight about 1600 lbs.; one dark bay horse with wire cut on front hoof, weighs about 1500 lbs. Both are branded A on left hip. Finder will receive a suitable reward by notifying C. C. SCHAEFER, Ritzville, Wash.

STRAYED. To my place, 2 miles southeast of Pah, one bay mare, white on all four feet, white face and branded O on the right shoulder, weight about 1,000 lbs. Appeared the first time about two months ago, then left and returned about one month ago. Owner may obtain the animal by paying for this advertisement and feed bill. 12-18 GUSTAV SCHUETZ.

STRAYED. To my place, 7 miles southwest of Odessa, Wash., one two-year old Steer, red ear marked. Had been at my ranch since harvest time, but was claimed by an Odessa firm as being their property — which claim they have now canceled. Owner may recover property by proving same and paying cost of advertising and feed bill. 12-11 CHRIST, QUASCHNICK.

STRAYED. From my ranch, 3 miles north of Odessa, five young mare colts. Three are bays, two of which have white hind feet, the other being a solid bay, and wore a halter. One is an all-black, also with halter, and the other an iron grey with crippled front feet. None of them are branded and all are unbroken. I will pay \$50.00 reward to any one who will inform me where they are. JOHN D. SCHIMKE.

Table with financial data: Report of the condition of the First National Bank, at Ritzville, in the state of Washington, at the close of business, December 3, 1907. Assets: Loans and Discounts, Overdrafts, secured and unsecured, U. S. Bonds to secure circulation, Bonds, securities, etc., Banking houses, furniture, and fixtures, Other real estate owned, Due from National Banks and Country Agents, Due from State Banks and Bankers, Due from approved reserve agents, Checks and other cash items, Exchanges for clearing house, Notes of other National Banks, Fractional paper currency, nickels and cents, Lawful Money Reserve, Specie, Demand certificates of deposit, Time certificates of deposit, Bills payable, including certificates of deposit for money borrowed. Total: \$622,390 13.

Table with financial data: LIABILITIES. Capital stock paid in, Surplus fund, Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid, National Bank notes outstanding, Due to other National Banks, Due to other National Banks and Bankers, Dividends Unpaid, Individual deposits subject to check, Demand certificates of deposit, Time certificates of deposit, Bills payable, including certificates of deposit for money borrowed. Total: \$622,390 13.

STATE OF WASHINGTON, County of Adams, ss: I, A. T. KENDRICK, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief. A. T. KENDRICK, Cashier. Correct - Attest: J. D. BASSETT, W. J. BENNINGTON, Directors.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 11th day of December, 1907. EDWARD A. DAVIS, Notary Public.

In the Superior Court of the State of Washington in and for Adams County. In the matter of the Estate of LOUISA RAUGUST, Christian Raugust, deceased. Notice is hereby given that Louisa Raugust, Administratrix of the Estate of Christian Raugust, deceased, has filed in the Superior Court of the State of Washington, the final accounting of her acts and doings as such Administratrix, and that the said Final Accounting be set aside, and that the real estate belonging to the deceased, be distributed according to law. NOW THEREFORE, Notice is hereby given to all parties concerned, that on Monday the 6th day of January, A. D. 1908, the Final Account of the said Administratrix will come on for settlement, and the real estate remaining in the hands of the said Administratrix will be distributed among the heirs in accordance with law. And it is further ordered that notice of the said Final Accounting shall be given by publishing this order in consecutive issues of the Washington State Journal, and by posting in three public places in Adams County, Washington. Dated this 2nd day of December, A. D. 1907. W. W. ZENT, Judge.

Sheriff's Sale of Real Estate. State of Washington, ss. County of Adams, ss. Sheriff's Office, Ritzville, Wash. Notice is hereby given, that by virtue of an execution and order of sale issued out of the Honorable Superior Court of the State of Washington, for the County of Adams, on the 2nd day of December, A. D. 1907, by the Clerk thereof, in the case of The First National Bank, a corporation of Ritzville, Washington, versus George A. Kennedy and Pearl S. Kennedy, his wife, the Washington Home Co., a corporation, and the Adams County Bank, a corporation. No 1981 and to me as Sheriff, directed and delivered, I have levied upon and will proceed to sell to the highest bidder, for cash, within the hours prescribed by law for Sheriff's Sales, to-wit: at 10:30 o'clock, a.m., on Saturday, the 11th day of January, A. D. 1908, at the front door of the County Court House in Ritzville, in Adams County, Washington, all the right title and interest of the said George A. Kennedy and Pearl S. Kennedy, his wife, in and to the following described property, to-wit: All of lots numbered seven (7) and eight (8) in block numbered two (2), in Greene's Addition to the town of Ritzville, Adams County, Washington, according to the official plat thereof filed and of record in the office of the County Auditor in and for said county and state levied on as the property of George A. Kennedy and Pearl S. Kennedy, his wife, to satisfy a judgment amounting to \$369.90, in favor of The First National Bank, a corporation, of Ritzville, Adams County, Washington and costs of suit, amounting to \$39.40 and accruing costs.

Given under my hand this sixth day of December, 1907. EDGAR D. GILSON, Sheriff of Adams County, Washington. 12-11-8

Sheriff's Sale of Real Estate. State of Washington, ss. County of Adams, ss. Sheriff's Office, Ritzville, Wash. Notice is hereby given, that by virtue of an Execution, issued out of the Honorable Superior Court of the State of Washington, for the County of Adams, on the 21st day of November, A. D. 1907, by the Clerk thereof, in the case of Alice Heintz, Respondent, versus Charles R. Brown and Edgar D. Gilson, as Sheriff of Adams County, Washington, Appellants, No. 197, and to me as Sheriff, directed and delivered, I have levied upon and will proceed to sell to the highest bidder, for cash, within the hours prescribed by law for Sheriff's Sales, to-wit: at 10:30 o'clock, a.m., on Saturday the 28th day of December, A. D. 1907, at the front door of the Court House in Ritzville, in Adams County, Washington, all the right, title and interest of the said Alice Heintz, in and to the following described property, to-wit: Section seven (7), Township twenty (20), north of Range thirty eight (38), east of Willamette Meridian, also undivided 2/3 part of fractional Section five (5) Township twenty (20), north Range thirty eight (38), E. W. M. Also seven thirtieths of west half (W 1/2) of the northeast quarter (NE 1/4) and the northeast quarter of the northwest quarter (NE 1/4-NW 1/4) and the northwest quarter of the northeast quarter (NW 1/4-NW 1/4), all being in Section eight (8) Township twenty (20) north, Range thirty eight (38) east of Willamette Meridian in Adams County, Washington, levied as the property of Alice Heintz, to satisfy a judgment amounting to \$53.70, in favor of Charles R. Brown and Edgar D. Gilson, as Sheriff of Adams County, Washington, appellants, and costs of suit. Given under my hand this 23rd day of November, 1907. EDGAR D. GILSON, Sheriff of Adams County, Washington. WARREN W. TOLMAN, 515 Rookery, Spokane, Wash., Attorney for Plaintiff. 11-27-12-25

Sheriff's Sale of Real Estate. State of Washington, ss. County of Adams, ss. Sheriff's Office, Ritzville, Wash. Notice is hereby given that by virtue of an Execution issued out of the Honorable Superior Court of the State of Washington, for the County of Lincoln, on the 21st day of December, A. D. 1908 by the Clerk thereof, in the case of Charles R. Brown, versus John P. Heintz and Mrs. John P. Heintz, his wife No. 204, and to me as Sheriff, directed and delivered, I have levied upon and will proceed to sell to the highest bidder for cash, within the hours prescribed by law for Sheriff's Sales, to-wit: 10 o'clock a.m., on Saturday the 28th day of December, A. D. 1907, at the front door of the Court House in Ritzville, in Adams County, Washington, all the right, title and interest of the said John P. Heintz and Mrs. John P. Heintz, his wife, to-wit: Section seven (7) Township twenty (20), north of Range thirty eight (38) East of Willamette Meridian, also undivided 2/3 part of fractional Section five (5), Township twenty (20) north, Range thirty eight (38) E. W. M. Also seven thirtieths of west half (W 1/2) of the northwest quarter (NW 1/4), and the northeast quarter of the northwest quarter (NE 1/4-NW 1/4) and the northwest quarter of the northeast quarter (NW 1/4-NW 1/4) all being in Section eight (8), Township twenty (20) north Range thirty eight (38) east of Willamette Meridian in Adams County, Washington, levied as the property of John P. Heintz and Mrs. John P. Heintz, wife, to satisfy a judgment amounting to \$1,328.12 in favor of Charles R. Brown, and costs of suit, amounting to \$60.00 and interest, and accruing interest and costs. Given under my hand this 23rd day of November 1907. EDGAR D. GILSON, Sheriff of Adams County, Washington. WARREN W. TOLMAN, 515 Rookery, Spokane, Wash., Attorney for Plaintiff. 11-27-12-25

Notice for Publication. United States Land Office, Spokane Falls, Wash., Dec. 4 1907. Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act of Congress of June 3, 1906, entitled, "An act for the sale of timber lands in the States of California, Oregon, Nevada, and Washington Territory," as amended by the Public Land States by act of August 4, 1892, Benton A. McCoy, of Leon, Wash., has this day filed in this office his sworn statement No. 2143, for the purchase of the W 1/2 NE 1/4 & W 1/2 SE 1/4 of Section No. 12 in Township No. 17N, Range Mo. 36 EWM, and will offer to sell the land sought to be purchased to the highest bidder for cash, on or before the 2nd day of March 1908. His name as witness is: Ben. E. Gillip of Ritzville, Washington O. G. Harding of Leon " Arthur E. Hunt of Leon " Eileen H. Herring of Ritzville, Washington Any and all persons claiming adversely the above-described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 2nd day of March, 1908. HAL. J. COLE, Register.

Notice to Creditors. In the Superior Court of the State of Washington in and for the County of Adams. In the matter of the Estate of Laura A. Dyer, deceased. Notice is hereby given that letters testamentary on the estate of Laura A. Dyer, deceased, were granted to the undersigned on the 1st day of October, A. D. 1907, by the said Superior Court. All persons having claims against said estate are requested to present them with proper vouchers, to the undersigned as Attorneys of said Estate at Ritzville, Wash., within one year from date or they will be barred. Done at Ritzville, Wash., this 5th day of December, A. D. 1907. LOVELL & DAVIS, ALMA D. SHIRRELL, Attorneys, 12-11-1-08

Notice to Creditors. In the Superior Court of the State of Washington in and for the County of Adams. In the matter of the Estate of John P. Heintz, deceased. Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed and has duly qualified as Administratrix of the estate of John P. Heintz, deceased, and that Creditors of said Estate may present their claims duly verified, with proper vouchers, to the undersigned as Attorneys of said Estate at Ritzville, Wash., the place for the transaction of the business of said Estate, within one year from the first publication hereof, to-wit: Within one year from the 11th day of December, 1907, or the same will be forever barred. Dated Ritzville, Wash., December 6th 1907. LOVELL & DAVIS, Mrs. ALICE HEINTZ, Attorneys, 12-11-1-22-08

In the Superior Court of the State of Washington, in and for Adams County. In the matter of the Estate of CAROLINA LOBE, deceased. Notice is hereby given that on Saturday, the 28th day of December, A. D. 1907, at the front door of the Court House in Adams County, Washington, at the hour of 10 o'clock, a.m., the undersigned as Administrator of the Estate of Carolina Lobe, deceased, will offer for sale the following described premises situated in Adams County, Washington, to-wit: The northeast quarter of Section thirty two (32) in Township eighteen (18) north of Range thirty five (35) E. W. M. The terms of said sale shall be cash and said land will be sold to the highest and best bidder. This notice is made under and by virtue of an order of the Court entered this second day of December, A. D. 1907. LOVELL & DAVIS, AUGUST KUHN, Administrators, 12-25

In the Superior Court of the State of Washington in and for Adams County. All other persons or parties unknown, claiming any right, title, estate, lien or interest in or upon the real estate described in the application herein. Defendants: GREETING: You are hereby summoned and required to answer the Application of the Applicant Plaintiff in the above entitled action for registration of the following described land in said Adams County, Washington, to-wit: The West half of the West half of Section Two (2), and the East half of Section Three (3), in Township Eighteen (18), North of Range Thirty-five (35), E. W. M., in Adams County, Washington, and to file your answer to the said application in the office of the clerk in said County, within Twenty-one days from and including the first publication of this summons, exclusive of the day of service. And if you fail to answer said application within the time aforesaid, the applicant Plaintiff in this action will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in the above complaint. Witness, S. D. Douglass, Clerk of said Court, with the seal hereto, at Ritzville, Adams County, State of Washington, this 7th day of December, A. D. 1907. 12-11-1-1 S. D. DOUGLASS, Clerk.

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