

Postal Employees Ask Congress For Salary Increase

(Special to the Gazette) Washington, Feb. 8.—Postal employees, the country over, are petitioning Congress for a readjustment of their salaries with a reasonable and well deserved increase in the present rate of compensation.

It is expected that hearings will be held on this bill beginning February 15th. The bill has been referred to a sub-committee of the Post-Office committee, and Mr. Paige will be the chairman of such sub-committee.

A Bill (H. R. 5552) Re-classifying the salaries of post-office clerks at first and second class post-offices and letter carriers in the city delivery service and readjusting their salaries and compensation on an equitable basis.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That hereafter clerks employed in first and second class post-offices and letter carriers in the city delivery service shall be divided into five grades as follows: first grade—salary, \$1,600; second grade—salary, \$1,800; third grade—salary, \$2,000; fourth grade—salary, \$2,200; fifth grade—salary, \$2,400.

That in the readjustment of grades for clerks at first and second class post-offices and letter carriers in the city delivery service to conform to the grades herein provided, grade 1 shall include present grade 1, grade 2 shall include present grade 2, grade 3 shall include present grade 3, grade 4 shall include present grade 4, and grade 5 shall include present grade 5.

Provided Further, That there shall be two grades of special clerks as follows: First grade—salary, \$2,500; second grade—salary, \$2,600. Provided Further, That clerks in first and second class post-offices who have served three years satisfactorily in special grade 1 shall be promoted to special grade 2.

There have been just four Presidents of the United States who are with the immortals—Washington, Jefferson, Lincoln and Wilson.

WESTBROOK CONCERT TONIGHT The Westbrook Concert Company will give a concert tonight at the Spry Graded school auditorium, beginning at 7:45 o'clock.

LEAKSVILLE HIGH WINS OVER SOUTH BOSTON

The Leaksville High school girls' basketball team defeated the strong sextet from South Boston last night in a well-played game by the score of 29 to 18.

The first half ended with the score 17 to 6, in favor of Leaksville. The work of both teams was good throughout the entire game.

The Leaksville sextet plays the Reidsville Highs tonight at Reidsville.

MISSIONARY SOCIETY MEETS

The Missionary Aid Society of Spray Baptist Church met at the home of Mrs. L. S. Neal Thursday afternoon.

Subject for the month was "Cuba and the Canal Zone." Mrs. W. W. Wainwright and Mrs. Emerson arranged the program.

At the close of the program the hostess served a salad course. The next meeting will be with Mrs. S. P. Gillie, Wednesday, March 5th.

PLAN BIG UNION SERVICES

The Ministerial Association of our three towns have extended an invitation to Dr. Arthur J. Smith, of New York, to hold a union protracted meeting here during the early spring.

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William G. McAdoo Will Be Heard on Oil Leases Saturday

MALAY TRIBE MAY UPHOLD DARWIN, DECARES AUSTRIAN

(By Associated Press) Heidelberg, Feb. 8.—All races of the world have shown more or less predilection toward civilization, excepting a tribe of Malays in the wilds of one of the Celebes islands in the Dutch West Indies, asserts Professor Baseler, an anthropologist of Vienna, writing in a German medical journal.

These natives are all left handed, chew their food with a grinding motion of the jaw, like an ape, have long arms, live in trees and use their feet as well as their hands in nearly everything they attempt to do.

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"Queen of exposition must be unmarried." We take it, that will be satisfactory, provided she does not have to agree to remain unmarried.

Prince of Wales Has Collar Bone Broken

(By Associated Press) London, Feb. 8.—The Prince of Wales broke his collar bone while exercising with one of his hunters at Billington Manor, near Ascot.

ARMY AIRPLANE REPORTED CRASHED IN WEST VIRGINIA

(By Associated Press) Grafton, W. Va., Feb. 8.—An army airplane crashed near Cove Run, an isolated section of Barbour County, this morning, according to meagre reports reaching here.

Late News

(By Associated Press) New York, Feb. 8.—Bound to posts of her bed and with her mouth gagged Miss Louise Larsen, 24-year-old motion picture actress, was found dead in her room in fashionable apartment. The actress hands had been spread-eagled and tied to bed post with do leash.

(By Associated Press) Charlotte, Feb. 8.—Fire followed explosion shortly this afternoon in a building occupied by Paramount Film Company. Soon afterward a number of girls were reported trapped on the second floor.

(By Associated Press) Washington, Feb. 8.—The Republican party must clean house or the people will do it for them, Senator Hiram Johnson, candidate for Republican nomination for president, declared in statement issued today.

(By Associated Press) Washington, Feb. 8.—A bill providing for lease of Muscle Shoals to a \$15,000,000 corporation to be formed by Tennessee Electric Power Company. Many other Southern companies were introduced by Representatives Hull, Republican, Iowa.

Sampson County, in order to stop speeders and violators of the automobile and bootlegging laws, has decided to employ rural police. Other counties would be wise to do likewise.

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Secretary Wallace Disappoints Farmers National Council

(By Associated Press) Washington, Feb. 8.—After an address by Secretary Wallace, the national council of farmers co-operative marketing associations, was asked by Aaron Sapin, prominent in organizing such associations, to draw up a "bill of particulars" criticizing the agriculture departments for its policy towards co-operative marketing.

A TALE OF A BRIDGE

THE EDITOR of the Gazette, under his own signature and on his own motion, is going to write a series of articles setting forth the facts about the county government in Rockingham County.

Most of us would like to know where the county stands and who has expended our funds and where.

The truth should make us free. I have faith in God and I have faith in men who seek the truth. Men sometimes are both good and bad.

The reason for this should be apparent to anyone, in view of the charges and counter-charges heard these days on every side. And as Leaksville Township seems to be the football at which everybody delights to kick, it is probably up to some one from this section to obtain the facts and furnish them to the people of the county.

Someone has well said that "Truth crushed to earth will rise again" or words to that effect.

Will Seek the Facts

It may turn out that all our public funds have been expended honestly. Maybe there is not a cent missing. Maybe the present Board has spent less money for the number of months they have been in office than have former Boards for the same number of months, but whether they have or not, it would be comforting to have the facts.

Upon this our hope for the ultimate triumph of truth depends, the success or failure of government, where the people walk to the voting booth on election day and cast their ballot according to such light as they may have.

If darkness should be over them; falsehood and prejudice permeate their minds; satanic influence blind their vision, then the result may be disappointing; but it's the expressed will and we must, as good citizens, abide the result.

Today, there is turmoil in Rockingham County. More lies are told and retold in one day than has ever been put in one book. Men charge others with doing and saying the wrong thing. Threats are heard on county officials. Serious charges are lodged at the doors of the Board of Commissioners. On the other hand three Commissioners are suing certain individuals because of these charges. The fight is on and the county is all torn up over the lack of the facts and the truth.

Men have left their places of business and gone out into all sections of the county to coax, beg and persuade other men to leave their work and attend mass meetings. If they refused to come, it was hinted they were not patriotic citizens. In some cases the charge was made openly. Why should such things be?

People Should Have the Truth As much of this turmoil can be brushed aside with the publication of the facts, I propose to hunt for the facts and then when I find them, publish them regardless of who they will hurt or who they may benefit.

Ten days ago, we directed the attention of the public to the fact that a Grand Jury was in session at Wentworth and if any citizen knew of any crookedness, they could go before the jury and ask that the crooks be brought before the bar for prosecution. And although charges had been going around and occasionally appearing in print—not a soul, as far as we know, appeared before that body asking for indictments. Criminal court adjourned and there was no indictments issued, notwithstanding the serious verbal charges passing from man to man.

This shows, we think, that there is something wrong in Denmark.

LOCALS

Mrs. W. R. Walker, of Greensboro, will be the guest of Mrs. Reuben Reid at the Carolina Home for several days.

Mrs. J. H. DeHart, Mrs. C. P. Smith and George DeHart spent Thursday in Danville, Va.

Mrs. A. E. Fleming, who has been sick for several days, has very much improved.

Miss Hattie Robertson returned yesterday from Roanoke, Va., where she had been purchasing a stock for her Boulevard store.

Mrs. J. C. Morris, of Greensboro; Mrs. H. C. Stallings, Miss Lilly Stallings and Mrs. R. H. Ballance, of Reidsville, spent Wednesday with Mrs. James T. Smith.

Mrs. W. F. Gilley, who has been quite sick, is now very much improved.

Five People Lose Lives When Ice Bridge Breaks

MODERN MACHINERY AID TO MAINTENANCE

The Scrapers on Trucks Help to Keep Fit Many Type of Roads

The best road in the long un is the hard road. But there are many localities where the use of the hard road does not permit its cost to be an economy for the community. Hence the sand-clay, gravel, shell, and other types of roads not hard surface, which are built.

Such roads require constant maintenance if they are to remain smooth. Formerly such work was done by teams. But modern ingenuity has provided road tools which can be applied to trucks, with a great economy of time, labor, and money.

As an example, consider Kent County, Mich., where, according to the annual report of the county road commissioners, there are 252 miles of gravel roads, varying in width from 10 to 16 feet, the total width of the road varying from 20 to 30 feet.

Nearly all the scraping and grading work is taken care of by scrapers attached to trucks, which with the scraper attachment, travel about 10 or 12 miles per hour. Each truck does the work of six or seven teams.

Nine trucks equipped with scrapers maintain an average of nearly thirty miles each. The quality of the work of this kind of equipment is said to be much better than with horse-drawn equipment, and it takes less supervision to look after this kind of maintenance organization.

The gravel roads are kept smooth by the constant use of scrapers or graders, and by the application of thin layers of screened gravel where required. One-half inch to one inch of screened gravel is kept on the surface of the road all the time; by scraping around to fill ruts and holes, it is possible to maintain a smooth road under a traffic of several thousand vehicles a day.

TIPS ON CLEANING HEADLIGHTS ON AUTO

"When I see a young lady putting rouge on her face it always makes me think of the headlights on my automobile," says Arthur G. Zeller, president of the Michigan State Automobile School, Detroit.

"My lamps are fitted with highly polished silver plated reflectors and the problem is to find something that will keep them clear and clean without producing a myriad of small scratches. Each scratch is an insignificant thing in itself but when the entire surface of the reflector is covered with them the efficiency of the headlamp is seriously impaired.

"Of all the things I have tried, high grade rouge moistened with alcohol is the one that cleans and polishes best, without scratching.

"It is an excellent idea when cleaning the reflector of a headlight to use a soft clean cloth and to rub from the rim toward the center of the reflector, rather than to rub around and around.

"Mud splashes on the headlight glass should be gently soaked off with plenty of warm water and a soft cloth or soft sponge. A few drops of household ammonia in the water will aid in thoroughly cleaning the glass; but take care not to get the ammonia on the finish of the car as it will have a bad effect."

Cruiser Ordered To Honduras on America's Request

Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Edwards returned home last night from a trip to Charlotte. Mr. Edward brought home a New Standard Oil truck.

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Miss Sue Farrell, of Greensboro College, is at home, spending the week-end with her parents, on Boone Road.

Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Farrell, of Gosport, are expected tomorrow to spend the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Farrell.

Dr. Turrentine, president of Greensboro College, will preach Sunday, at 11 o'clock, at the Leaksville Methodist Church, and will be the dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Bishopric while here.

WILLIAM JENNINGS BRYAN PAYS TRIBUTE TO WILSON; LODGE STAYS AT HOME

(By Associated Press) Tuscaloosa, Ala., Feb. 7.—"Preparedness and opportunity were united in President Wilson," William Jennings Bryan said in an address here yesterday before students of the University of Alabama and Tuscaloosans, in which he paid tribute to the ex-President.

"Intelligence, patriotism and courage," Bryan said, "were united in the person of the wartime President and all the time the sympathies of Mr. Wilson were with the common people. He was a scholar and a man who had a true regard for the welfare of the great common people not only of America but of the world. And back of his education and courage was a belief in God.

"No man ever went away from home with higher ideals than Wilson carried to Europe. It was a glorious vision."

Washington, Feb. 7.—Senator Henry Cabot Lodge, although designated by the senate as a member of the committee to attend Woodrow Wilson's funeral services, remained at his home throughout the day.

Washington, Feb. 8.—The cruiser Rochester, now at Colon, has been ordered to Laebla, Honduras in response to an appeal to the State Department from American residents who fear revolutionary developments will jeopardize their interests.

SELLS DAUGHTER TO GET MONEY FOR MOTHER-IN-LAW'S FUNERAL

(By Associated Press) Peking, Feb. 7.—A young Chinese woman, poverty-stricken through the long absence of her husband, recently sold her 5-year-old daughter for \$30 and used the proceeds to bury her mother-in-law, according to Peking police records.

The husband many months ago joined one of the army divisions in Hupeh. The young wife supported her aged mother-in-law and child by sewing. She was highly respected by her neighbors because of her piety and diligence.

When the old woman died the daughter-in-law, prompted by devotion born of generations of reverence for the elders of the family, sacrificed her child that her husband's mother might receive proper burial.

RED CROSS HELPED BELGIUM

(By Associated Press) Brussels, Feb. 7.—A total of 101,850 persons died in Belgium during 1923, or 18.7 deaths to each thousand inhabitants as compared with 25.5 in 1830.

Official statistics say that hygienic measures inaugurated during and after the war, prominent in the application and of which were the members of the American Red Cross, have been largely responsible for bringing down the death rate.

TROPICAL GRAIN ADVOCATED AS SOURCE OF BREADSTUFFS

(By Associated Press) Manila, Feb. 7.—The production of flour out of a grain known as adlay, as a substitute for wheat flour in the tropics, is recommended by officials of the department of agriculture. The development of the adlay industry, it is declared, would in a large measure make the Philippines independent of outside sources of flour.

Weather

Cold today and tomorrow.