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CONGRESS ONCE MORE CONVENES FOR BUSINESS

Legislators Predict Session Opening This Morning To Last Into Summer And Perhaps Longer.

By L. C. Martin
(United Press Staff, Correspondent.)
Washington, Dec. 1.—With the usual brief, time-honored formalities, congress convenes today in regular session. As they gathered for the opening, members in common with most of their leaders, predicted a session lasting well into the summer, if not beyond. The business ahead of the legislators comprises a program rated by leaders as the most important in years, if not in the nation's history, including what are considered some of the most complicated domestic problems ever presented.

Progress is slow. As the house and senate met today there was a disposition among members to "feel their way" rather carefully with respect to the vital new legislation on big questions, rather than to accept the first solution offered. Speed, they indicated, is to be sacrificed to safety in legislation. The day's program is the house included handling down huge estimates, sent in by various government departments, of money needed to run the government for the next fiscal year; the usual first day presentation of bills, passage of resolutions necessary to set committee machinery in motion and other routine. In the senate, Carter Glass is to be sworn in as the new senator from Virginia, taking the place made vacant by the death of Senator Martin. There was much interest in the lower house to declare the war at an end, which was expected to come up for debate early in the session.

WIFE OF CHIEF JUSTICE JOHNS CALLED TODAY

Mrs. Mabel John, wife of Justice of Supreme Court Charles A. Johns, died at the family home here, 835 Chemeca street at 10:30 o'clock this morning, following an illness of ten days. She was unconscious since early Sunday evening. Judge Johns, her daughter, Ruth, and son, Charles, were at the bedside at the time of death. Judge Johns is grief stricken. Mr. Johns was born in Iowa and year ago came to this state with her husband and settled in Polk county. After a long residence there they moved to Baker City and thence to Portland, where they resided up to a year ago when her husband was appointed to the supreme court bench. Mrs. Johns was Mabel Allison before her marriage to the eminent jurist in November, 1882. One son, Claude Johns, in business in San Francisco was notified of his mother's death this morning, and is on the way to Salem now. Mrs. Johns was a member of the Eastern Star and of the Episcopal church. Funeral arrangements have not yet been made.

Father Of First Salem Victim Of War Is Dead

John G. Jackson, father of Wayne Jackson, the first Salem boy to lose his life in the great war, died last evening at 4 o'clock at his home in Newberg. Mr. Jackson was formerly a resident of North Salem, but has recently made his home in Newberg. He is a brother-in-law of Knox Pressall of this city. No funeral arrangements have yet been made but it is thought that the services will be held here and interment in a local cemetery. Full announcement will be made later.

TUBERCULOSIS DANGERS TOLD BUSINESS MEN

Declaring that Marion county is "very negligent" because it has not provided for and employed a public health nurse, G. C. Bellinger, superintendent at the state tuberculosis hospital, speaking before a number of business men at their regular noon-day luncheon at the Commercial club today, brought the county administration under direct fire. He said that the Red Cross will place a public health nurse in Marion county for three months at its own expense "if Marion county will show sufficient interest to make her welcome."

Bellinger urged support to the sale of Red Cross seals, money derived from which will be used—nine tenths of it—to carry on the battle in this state against the dread disease. 7000 Cases in Oregon. In Oregon, he said, there are 7000 active cases of tuberculosis. An additional sum, almost as large, he declared, is present of "inactive" cases, or instances where the disease has not yet developed to a serious stage. In spite of this vast number of cases, he said, the death rate from this disease in Oregon is low. "Because," he explained, "the people coming to this state are healthy, and more and more interest is being aroused to combat the malady."

During the ten years that the state hospital has been established here, 1000 cases of tuberculosis have been handled, the superintendent said. Marion "Negligent" In speaking of the "negligence" of Marion county in establishing a community nurse here, Bellinger said that eight counties in the state have already hired nurses, and several more are now negotiating for one's services. "If this menace that is and has been threatening the world for 4000 years is to be stemmed—checked out—each community must do its part," Bellinger concluded. "And I know of no better or more efficient service any community can do for itself than employ a competent nurse."

Senator Charles McNary, who, it was announced, probably would address the business men, was unable to attend due to a previous engagement. P. M. Taylor, a statistician and economist from Springfield, Mass., spoke for several minutes on vital national subjects. Congress is Happed He declared that "the 240,000 miles of railroads in the United States rapidly being plunged into the abyss of bankruptcy," and said that the railroads must be returned to private ownership again. "If the government is to control any one public utility, it should take them all," he asserted. "It can't control any one, and it is foolish to think that it can control all of them."

Taylor also aimed a shot at the present congress, as being "unresponsive." "Due to congress' squabble over the treaty," he said, "England, France, Germany, and almost the United States is plunged into chaos."

PHONE RATES IN STATE ARE ORDERED CUT

Public Service Commission Holds Burleson Schedule Illegal And Excessive; Salem To Benefit.

The Oregon public service commission in an order just released and effective today holds that the Burleson rates as applied to the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph company are illegal, excessive, unjust, unreasonable and without warrant of law, substitutes therefore materially reduced rates virtually the same as those in effect May first, last, except that slight increases are made in residence service rate and orders the telephone company to credit its subscribers with all payments received in excess of the legal rate and orders the telephone company 0.00 throughout the state. The order affects practically every telephone exchange in Oregon.

Today's order is the result of an investigation conducted on the commission's own motion after the release of the telephone lines from federal control, and is based on an opinion by Attorney General Brown which declares "that the May first rates are the lawful telephone exchange rates of the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph company at the present time in the state of Oregon, and that the so-called Burleson rates are unlawfully attempted to be charged and collected."

In connection with his order the commission takes occasion to severely condemn the service rendered by the Pacific company in the past. "Familiarity with the recent history of the operations of Pacific Telephone & Telegraph company, up to and including the final hearing and the record made thereon discloses that the company officials have deliberately, or otherwise, apparently disregarded the public interest and by their arbitrary methods aroused, on the part of their patrons, the rate payers, a spirit of antagonism or resentment that, beyond reasonable doubt, has materially and adversely affected their revenues. This opinion of the commission is a condemnation of the deplorable conditions that have heretofore and are now existing in regard to the service afforded."

Toil rates instituted under the orders of Postmaster General Burleson are continued in an emergency order contained in the general order, these tolls, it is explained, having proven very satisfactory and resulting in material increases in revenues through new business attracted which has helped to offset the increases experienced in operating expenses. Desk Phones Extra. The order also continues the extra charge allowed in a previous order for the use of desk phones over the rate charged for wall phones. The order permits the telephone company to apply the regular residence rates to telephones in apartment houses if so desired. Heretofore whole-sale rates amounting to practically two-thirds of the regular rates have been in force. Instruments once installed in an apartment house, however, should not be removed without the consent of the owner so long as the rental is paid for its use in the apartment, the order states. Measured service as now in effect in Portland will be continued. Itemized Bills Required. The company is required, by the order of the commission, to hereafter

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Portland Man Asks Journal To Help Find Son

The Capital Journal today received a letter from Charles Hewitt, 304 1-2 East Morrison street, Portland, stating that a reward of \$25 is offered for any information that will lead to the whereabouts and recovery of his son. The lad, according to the letter, disappeared a year ago. The letter follows: "Dear Sir: My son, Earl Hewitt, 10 years old, was stolen from me and taken away one year ago today. I will give \$25 to any one telling me where I can find him."

MEXICANS MASS FEDERAL TROOPS ON TEXAS BORDER

El Paso, Texas, Dec. 1.—A concentration of Carranzista troops along the northern border of Mexico is reported here today. The largest mobilization is at Ojinaga, opposite Presidio, Texas, where reinforcements of 1500 men have arrived since the Jenkins affair grew critical. In the Fuere Valley and at Navajo, Sonora, anti-American Mexican federal Indians have replaced Yaquis friendly to the United States. Friendly Indians Replaced. The Juarez garrison, suspected of lacking sympathy with the Carranzistas cause has been replaced with loyalists. Military intelligence officers of the United States who brought these reports attach no special significance to the massing of Carranzista troops. Interventionists, however, merely charge Carranza with plotting to keep himself in power by again postponing the presidential election scheduled for next June and if necessary, continued defiance of the United States in order to obtain the patriotic support of the different Mexican factions. General Diez, commander in the north, has left Chihuahua City for Mexico City to confer with Carranza. His "home guards" have been notified to be ready in event of international trouble, say arrivals from Chihuahua City. Nogales, Ariz., Dec. 1.—Mexican federal troops in the form of reinforcements for the remnants of a party of 400 federals are in the vicinity of Gutierrez, 20 miles southeast of San Xavier, Sonora, today, seeking a band of Yaqui Indians who last week practically annihilated General Mone's command of Carranza soldiers.

By S. I. Freed
(United Press staff correspondent.)
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WOMAN NATIVE OF MARION COUNTY DEAD

Mrs. Theresa Jane Savage passed away at her home in Portland, November 29, 1919, at 10:05 o'clock p. m. at the age of 69 years. Mrs. Savage, who before her marriage was Theresa Jane Keene, was born near Salem. On February 14, 1878, she was united in marriage to Lyman A. Savage, now deceased. She leaves to mourn her death two children, Elmer M. Savage of Salem, Mrs. W. A. Robbins, Portland. Three grandchildren, Herbert, Helen and Kathryn Savage of Salem. Also three sisters and four brothers, together with a host of friends. Funeral services will be held at 11 o'clock Tuesday morning, Dec. 2, at Webb & Clough undertaking parlors. Interment will be in the I. O. O. F. cemetery.

ALLEGED REASONS FOR DETENTION OF AGENT ARE "MERE EXCUSES"

Lansing Declares Mexico Must Show Cause for Detention of Consul; Victim Being Prosecuted Instead of Perpetrators of Crime, Says State Department Reply.

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RUMORED RELEASE OF JENKINS GIVEN LITTLE CREDENCE

El Paso, Texas, Dec. 1.—A report that William O. Jenkins had been released from Puebla jail was given currency here today by Mexican Consul Garcia and Vice Consul Sandoval but was not vouched for by them. They said they heard it in Juarez and traced it back to a Chihuahua City newspaper but were stumped by army headquarters here unable to confirm it. At United States army headquarters here the report was not believed.

JENKINS SAYS HE WILL FIGHT TO LAST DITCH

Imprisoned Consular Agent Declares Charges Against Him Absurd; Is Treated Well By Jailors.

By Ralph H. Turner
(United Press Staff Correspondent.)
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Mexico City, Dec. 1.—International developments today intensified the importance of the complete declaration of innocence made by William O. Jenkins, American consular agent, in an extensive statement given the United Press in Puebla on Friday. "My innocence will be proven," said Jenkins. "My friends know it and Washington know it. The books of my business show that I was prosperous and did not need the ransom money."

Jenkins stated that his attorney was seeking to transfer the case to the federal courts where, he said, it belonged. "If necessary I will remain in prison and fight it out," he declared. "I hope that I will not be the cause of international complications, but I am determined to establish my innocence as quickly as possible."

"I understand the charge of false declaration, made against me is based upon my denial of testimony by persons that I was seen on a ranch with bandits during the period of my abduction. I have evidence to disprove my presence there but have not been given an opportunity to present it in court. Some 12000 said later that they gave me testimony through fear."

Charges "Cooked Up." Jenkins greeted me cordially, in a large room formerly an office on the second floor of the old penitentiary at Puebla. He said he was glad to see me as I was the first American correspondent he had seen since his abduction October 19. He seemed quite comfortable and had no complaint of the treatment he had received from the Mexican officials. His wife sees him daily and is permitted to take hot meals to him from her home. "The charges of collusion were simply cooked upon fabricated allegations which are childish, absurd and without foundation," said Jenkins. "There is no explanation for them from a basis of law."

School Funds to Be Distributed Among Districts

The sum of \$33,726.77, representing the November school apportionments for the county, will be sent out to all the school districts tomorrow by the county school superintendent. Of this amount Salem schools will receive \$29,980.22; or \$7117.50 from the state and \$22,862.72 from the county. In the per capita rate the state will pay \$1.95 for schools this year. The county will pay \$5.33 and \$100 to each district. Five dollars has been apportioned to teachers who attended the institute last week. Of the total sum for schools in the county \$23,696.40 came from the state school fund.

Salem's Steady Growth Reflected In Doubling of Bank Deposits In Five Years

The steady growth and prosperity of Salem is reflected by the increased bank deposits, which now approximate nine million dollars, an increase over 100 per cent in the past five years, in the four banks of Salem. This growth has been gradual and permanent and not of a mushy room character. The proportionate increase has been about the same for each year. It has kept pace with the development of the community and its tributary territory. This gradual growth is reflected in all lines of endeavor. The city has doubled its business and its payrolls and its manufactures in five years and its population is rolling down hill, like a snowball, and size. Only the gaining impetus and the prevention of housing facilities has prevented the doubling of the population aided in this period. With an adequate building program launched, Salem can confidently look forward to a more rapid growth in the coming five years than experienced in the past. It is the part of patriotism to build and assist in building—otherwise the enlarged industries and the new manufactures cannot secure the employees their needs demand and curtailed production will act like a brake upon Salem's progress. The story of the steady growth in resources as depicted by the bank deposits is as follows:

	1914	1915	1916	1917	1918	1919
Ladd & Bush	\$2,471,220.00	\$2,014,885.00	\$3,749,996.00	1,575,502.00	1,134,586.00	1,171,894.00
U. S. National	1,171,894.00	772,575.00	202,716.00	365,144.00	493,741.00	77,222.00
Capital National	622,586.00	202,716.00	493,741.00	77,222.00	493,741.00	77,222.00
Bank of Commerce	298,056.00	493,741.00	77,222.00	493,741.00	77,222.00	493,741.00
TOTAL	\$4,473,756.00	\$5,154,762.00	\$8,872,882.00	\$3,222,622.00	\$2,222,622.00	\$8,995,549.17