

## Wilson Asks Congress For New Currency Law

### READS URGENT MESSAGE FROM HOUSE FORUM

WOULD MAKE BANKS SERVE PEOPLE, NOT PEOPLE SERVE BANKS.

### PLAN IS BRIEFLY TOLD

Issuance of an Emergency Mint to Be Used When Banks Are in Stringent Need of Money Is Briefly His Plan—Small Banks Would Have Backing Without Obtaining Big Banks' Permission.

Washington, June 23.—Declaring the occasion vital to the country President Wilson, for the second time in his administration, came to the capitol personally to deliver his message to congress. Immediate action on currency was the keynote of the speech and that currency was a twin tariff bill, it was necessary business interests adjust themselves to new conditions arising by revision of the tariff schedules. He pleaded particularly for government control of banks that they be "servants not masters of the people."

Washington, June 23.—Declaring no president would "be audacious enough to play politics with the credits of the nation" President Wilson announced to correspondents today the whole weight of the administration will be put to the support of the currency reform bill, to be introduced this afternoon or tomorrow in the senate by Owens and in the house by Glass. He said only two alternatives were possible in re-organizing the currency system—whether people themselves or the bankers should control.

The currency bill as much an administrative measure as is the tariff he said.

The proposal for a central board of control to be appointed of the president with consent of the senate is not to be changed, he said, if he can help it, however much bankers object.

Wilson said he considered the currency plan in line with the present system of control of railroads by the interstate commerce commission. The bill provides an issue of a half billion emergency currency, available only when needed to be retired when the stringency is ended. It will not conflict with money already in circulation. He admits the amount to be issued is debatable and might be changed.

"The only weapon which it takes from the banks is the despotic power now enjoyed in granting of refusing credit at will."

President Wilson said he thought

Stotts Has Berries. J. W. Stotts, Owns a little plot of strawberries at his home, and this morning between showers he picked a crate or two of berries that average four inches in circumference. One in particular measured precisely four and a half inches around and was round and a perfect berry. There were no "Twins" around it, but was a solid, juicy berry.

### M'NAB CHARGE GETS PERUSAL BY PRESIDENT

EXPLANATION OF DELAY IS OFFERED BY CABINET MEMBER AT WASHINGTON

### M'NAB STILL THREATENS

Will Deliver Another Broadside at Department of Justice Unless Resignation is Accepted at Once—Excuse for the Delay Is Given Out From Cabinet Official at Washington—Executive Upholds McNab.

Washington, June 23.—President Wilson has announced he would personally investigate the circumstances regarding resignation of McNab, the district attorney at Frisco who accused McReynolds with being influenced to delay trial of two prominent Frisco men charged with white slavery. He said he had called for all papers in the case. The fact that Secretary of Labor Wilson had taken the responsibility of postponement of the trials of Caminetti and Diggs because he wanted Caminetti's father to come and familiarize himself with duties as commissioner of immigration caused the president to take an interest in the case. The elder Caminetti refuses to discuss it.

Another Jolt Due.

San Francisco, June 23.—That unless the president accepts the resignation forthwith he will fire another jolt at Attorney General McReynolds which has been unexpected, is a threat of McNab. He reached his office early evidently disappointed as the resignation was not acted on. He said he appreciated the explanation regarding postponement of the Caminetti case because the senator was unable to attend the trial. He said this morning this had nothing to do with Diggs, accused with Caminetti in violation of the white slave act.

Clayton Herrington a federal investigator of the department of justice who helped work up evidence against Diggs and Caminetti, is on record as strongly supporting the action of McNab.

the bill will enable the small bankers to apply directly to the government when they needed cash and if security was sufficient, get it regardless of the attitude of powerful banks. The inevitable result of the passage of the proposed currency bill the president thinks, would be for people to rule the banks instead of the banks rule the people.

When he arrived at the capitol, Secretary Tumulty was his only companion, and Wilson went directly to the speaker's room, whence the committee escorted him to the speaker's desk. Despite a heavy rain, numerous leaders of fashion were present to listen to the plea.

A hundred and twenty-six seats were vacant on the floor of the house during the reading of the message Administration members declared the reason was to many congressmen had been excused to enable them to visit their homes. The president's arrival was applauded. He began reading without preliminary. The house adjourned immediately after the reading

### TONGS TOOLS FOR CHINESE SLAVEMASTERS

GIGANTIC PLOT UNCOVERED BY IMMIGRATION INSPECTOR AT SAN FRANCISCO.

### WONG DO KING LEADER

Gunmen Paid to Do Assassinations, White Slavers Protected Opium Smuggled In Under Direction of the Chinese Gang of Which Tong Leader Is the Head—Tongs Forced to War as Dupes.

San Francisco, June 23.—Investigation by federal immigration officers of correspondence seized when Wong Do King, supposed head of a Tong, was arrested, leads to the belief he is implicated in a gigantic plot to smuggle opium and protect white slavers and gamblers and pay gunmen for assassinations.

Captain Ainsworth, head of the immigration service, says it looks as if Chinese are operating independent of any society but had lieutenants whom the authorities will attempt to run down all over the coast.

It is said Chinese wars can be stopped and possibly it will be found the Tongs were forced, by an inner clique into going to war on motives which they knew nothing of and were really the victims.

The methods are said to have involved collection of tribute from merchants are staid to be relieved by the correspondence.

Nab in tendering his resignation because he was ordered from Washington to postpone action. He has sent a telegram to Wilson asking to remove McReynolds.

### SUSPECTS INDICTED.

Woman Claims Murder Act to Shield Paramour Is Believed.

Chicago, June 23.—Mrs. Louis VanKeuren and George Penrose were indicted for murder of the woman's husband, who was shot and killed in the woman's apartments, when it was said he followed Penrose. The woman declared she shot husband thinking him a burglar. A brother of the dead man says Penrose fired, the woman avowing the deed to shield her paramour. Both will probably be released on fifty thousand bail.

### JOHNSON WANTS CHANGE

Joliet Too Close to Chicago and Prefers Leavenworth Prison.

Chicago, June 23.—Jack Johnson's lawyers have asked Federal Judge Carpenter to change his sentence of one year at Joliet and a thousand dollars fine on the black pugilist, to allow him to do time at Leavenworth. Johnson thinks Joliet is too close to Chicago to escape "unpleasant notoriety."

Simultaneously the attorneys filed their appeal. Carpenter granted the request for reduction of bail from \$30,000 to \$15,000 pending a decision.

### TELEGRAPH OPERATOR EMERGING FROM SUBMARINE AFTER A LONG VIGIL



Copyright by International News Service. This photograph shows Guy Hoopengardner, telegraph operator and member of the Cagle Submarine Company, leaving the submarine "Cagle" after it had been under water for thirty-six hours. A test was made in Long Beach, Calif., harbor June 10-11 and proved a success beside establishing a new record for submergence. During the thirty-six hours under water Hoopengardner, from the tiny cabin of the submarine, sent out 1000 messages and bulletins on conditions, etc., attending the record-breaking submergence. He did not sleep all during the test.

### PLANS SUIT COMMISSION

LIBRARY CAN NOW BE COMMENCED IN TWO WEEKS.

Carnegie's Gift Will Be Available Within a Few Days It Seems.

"Your plans are very good and stand approved," Such is the kind words and encouraging words too, spoken by the Andrew Carnegie Library commission in a letter to Dr. J. W. Loughlin, president of the La Grande Library commission in response to plans and specifications sent to the Carnegie commission. Aside from passing a pretty compliment to the local architects and library commission, it means almost immediate commencement of work on La Grande's new library building. The plans were sent east some little time ago for final inspection by the Carnegie people and now that the plans stand approved, there remains but one more letter to be written before a check is forwarded for \$12,500. The balance of the red tape is a mere detail which one letter will convey and then the work commences. It is estimated two weeks is all that will be necessary and the architects, Bloch & Bunting, are in readiness to rush the construction of the building the moment the check from Carnegie arrives. The structure will be built at Fourth and Pennsylvania.

### EXEMPTION CLAUSE OPPOSED

Wilson Will Sign Sundry Bill Under Protest Against Farm Unions.

Washington, June 23.—President Wilson is expected to sign the sundry civil appropriation bill this afternoon. He probably will issue a statement of his views on the provision exempting labor and farm organizations from prosecution under the anti trust laws and it is expected he will criticize the provision that it doesn't prevent prosecution.

### Jury Excused.

With the possibility that the jury-men will be recalled in a week or ten days, the circuit court jury panel has been excused by Judge Knowles.

### BAKER FALLS FROM LEAGUE

CALDWELL'S OFFER PROVES A FARCE AND IS DENIED.

La Grande and Baker Players Are Now Free Agents, and Jobless.

Baker, June 23.—(Special)—Baker has been asked to "beat it" from the Western Tri-State league and she forthwith "beat it." The financial situation in the Baker club is said to be sufficient to pay all bills against it. The sudden fall from the league came last night when Caldwell came before a meeting of the league directors and put forth a proposition that fairly knocked the directors off their chairs. News is hard gathering in Baker today. The Miner fans don't know for sure if a lemon was handed out to them or if it was really the best interest of the league that prompted the request for them to withdraw. In any event they have withdrawn. So far as can be found out today, Caldwell told the directors she was willing to join the league and had the sum of \$500 subscribed and might, under careful scratching, get \$250 more. Knowing such an amount would pay expenses about two weeks the league directors refused to let Caldwell join. Then came the request for Baker to quit and she quit.

The burden has been hard here, but by marvelous loyalty the fans turned out in large numbers when the diggers were home. On the road the team went behind unmercifully and the splendid gate receipts at home were insufficient to meet the demands, hence a drain on the businessmen. That Baker would have eventually dropped out is not a certainty even though the financial burden was big—she might have finished anyway. Albeit, Baker is not shedding any tears at the drop order for she got out of the mess with more grace than La Grande did, for the Miners didn't quit until told to. The following dispatch was sent to the Boise Statesman last night with some of the real reasons for the change omitted:

La Grande's franchise in the Western Tri-State league was declared forfeited.

### CARPENTERS BY THOUSANDS ENDING STRIKE

BREAK IN RANKS OF CHICAGO CONTRACTORS CAUSING REJOICING.

### WITHDRAW POLICE GUARDS

Suburban Contractors Are Allowing Men to Return to Work After Strike Started a Few Days Ago Was Precipitated—Rejoicing Prevails in the Ranks of Mechanic Class Out of Work.

Chicago, June 23.—Twenty-five thousand building trades workmen rejoiced today when the police reported a break in the ranks of contractors and declare suburban contractors are allowing men to return. Patrolmen guarding plants have been withdrawn and union leaders are trying to force contractors to arbitrate the dispute.

The strike situation was complicated when it was learned a canvass of all ballots by 25,000 garment workers resulted in an overwhelming vote in favor of a strike unless demands were met. The executive committee will determine tonight whether to quit immediately or open negotiations with employers.

The trouble came when marble workers a few days ago struck because non-union men were used in other parts of the contract. The contractors declared a war to the finish immediately to make an open shop of Chicago carpenter work.

President Simon O'Connell of the building trades council, said only a few contractors in the loop district were observing the lockout orders. Less than three thousand are idle. President Ryan, of the Chicago local architectural iron workers said sympathetic strikes had been declared at Minneapolis, Milwaukee and Pittsburg.

### WOMEN TRAMPLED ON

End of Garment Workers' Strike Results in Many Injuries.

Cincinnati, June 23.—In their eagerness to get back to work, a score of women were trampled and injured in a panic following the reading by the business agent of the garment workers of a telegram ordering the strikers to resume work. As soon as the meaning of the message was grasped men and women joined in a wild rush to exits of the hall where the mass meeting was held. Many of the weaker were thrown to the floor.

Union leaders declared agitation of agitators and industrial workers induced the garment workers to quit Saturday night.

### Misses Wilson Cancel Trip.

Pasadena, June 23.—President Wilson's daughters will not visit the coast this summer according to information received by a hotel manager from Isabella Hanger, social secretary at the White House in response to an invitation extended to use the bungalow.

### Diamonds Change Weight.

Local jeweler in La Grande has received notice that the system of weighing diamonds in this country has been changed to the metric system which prevails all through Europe. This makes the karat of a diamond weigh less by quite a fraction, and the owners of diamonds at the present time profit by the change.

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