

BILL MAY BE LOST

Postal Savings Banks Meet Trouble in Senate.

ROOT AMENDMENT OPPOSED

Unless Compromise With Advocates of Smoot Plan Can Be Reached, It Is Admitted That Measure Cannot Be Passed.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 16.—What may prove to be an irreconcilable conflict between the advocates of the postal savings bank bill in different forms now threatens to prevent the passage of the bill. Opposition developed strongly today to the amendment of Senator Root, of New York, providing for the investment of the postal deposits in United States bonds. The tendency of this amendment would be to centralize funds, and it is opposed by the advocates of the Smoot amendment, which seeks to require the re-deposit of these deposits in banks in the vicinity, in each instance, of the postoffice in which the deposits are received.

Advocates of the Root amendment argue that with the Smoot amendment attached the postal savings bank bill would not be constitutional. The situation developed suddenly soon after the Senate met, and it came in connection with a peculiar parliamentary tangle. The ordinary calendar was taken up and all the generally accepted bills were disposed of within an hour. Senator Carter moved an executive session, which at 1:10 P. M. resulted in adjournment for the day.

While the executive session was proceeding, a number of the friends of the original postal savings bank bill got together and upon comparing notes found themselves unable to reach a compromise. On the other hand, there are many Senators who are staunchly supporting the Root provision, and unless a compromise can be reached the doom of the bill admittedly is sealed.

The statement of the President in his Lincoln day New York speech that if the Root amendment should prevail the funds would be invested in the 2 per cent bonds which have failed to find a market, has had the effect of rendering the antagonism to the amendment far more intense.

GARFIELD HAS POWER PLAN

Co-operation With States in Leasing Sites Is Advocated.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 16.—A hearing today was given by the full committee on public lands to ex-Secretary of the Interior James R. Garfield. He discussed chiefly the bill relating to the development of water power through the leasing of the public land adjacent to the water. As a general principle he approved Secretary Ballinger's proposal, but suggested a number of changes which convinced the committee that considerable attention must be given to the question involved.

Mr. Garfield believes that the water power should be developed by co-operation of the Federal and state governments. He indorses the suggestion of leasing the public lands adjacent to water sites to concerns which will undertake to develop power under conditions that will prevent monopoly. He suggested 25 per cent of the proceeds from rentals should be paid by the National Government to the states in which the power is developed.

"Why not 75 per cent?" asked Senator Smoot.

Mr. Garfield said he had named 25 per cent as that was the amount that would be received from proceeds of forest reserve rentals.

Mr. Smoot called attention to the fact that it was Garfield's plan to lease lands for water power development. Mr. Garfield then said he thought the states should receive 75 per cent of the rentals.

HERRING FISHING THREATENED

Senate Committee Opposes Rules Assented to by Dr. Jordan.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 16.—The herring industry of Lake Huron would be destroyed if regulations prepared by the International Fisheries Commission were put in force, in the opinion of the Senate committee on foreign relations.

The committee today referred the regulations back to Secretary Knox. The representative of the United States on the international commission was David Starr Jordan, of Leland Stanford University, and Canada was represented by the greatest expert on fishing in boundary waters, Edward Ernest Price.

DOUGHERTY CASE DELAYS

Pardon Board Will Await Further Interpretation of Law.

JOLIET, Ill., Feb. 16.—The proceedings of the parole board today were thrown into confusion by the announcement of the Supreme Court decision declaring the parole law unconstitutional, but after consultation between Chairman E. A. Sweeney and Charles Eckhart, a board member, it was decided to hear the Newton C. Dougherty case unofficially.

This action was based partly upon the interpretation of the decision by Warden Murphy, who said it merely had taken away the power of the board to parole and had placed that power definitely in the Governor's hands, the board still having power to make recommendations.

Attorney Joe Well, representing Dougherty, told the board that all money alleged to have been embezzled by Dougherty had been paid back. The attorney contended that there never had been any criminal intent on Dougherty's part, but that he was the victim of his own kindness, inasmuch as he had helped teachers financially.

States Attorney Scholes declared that the evidence produced at the trial was sufficient to convict; that it would be a slur on justice to release the man and ignore the findings of the jury.

The board will reserve consideration until better informed of the court's decision.

Sunnyside Voices Protest.

Protests were made at a meeting of the Sunnyside Push Club last night against having the new park at Laurelhurst called the Laird Park, and against the proposed change in the name of the Sunnyside school. The meeting went on record as favoring the park being named Sunnyside Park. A committee was appointed to apply for more lights in the district, and it was voted that the organization should become affiliated with the United East Side Push Clubs.

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CHILDREN FIGHT OVER

BATTLE FOR CONTROL OF BABY
BARNARD HEIRS DRAWN.

Fletchers and Barnards Fill Air of Los Angeles Courts With Litigation.

INDEPENDENCE DEPOT NEARLY READY.

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 16.—A truce was arranged today in the controversy among relatives over the control of the three children of Mrs. Julia Fletcher Barnard, who died in Pasadena last Friday, leaving an estate of \$750,000. The children will be returned to their home in Pasadena under the guardianship of Miss Helena Barnard. Miss Hilda Fletcher, a sister of Mrs. Barnard, and Mrs. S. A. Fletcher, of Indianapolis, will be privileged to remain at the Barnard home and be with them.

GERMAN POLICE IN CLASH

Disturber's Arm Cut Off as He Tries to Throw Stone.

KIEL, Prussia, Feb. 16.—Further disturbances occurred last night at Neumunster, province of Schleswig-Holstein, where two indignation meetings were held to protest against the action of the police in interfering with Sunday's demonstrations against the proposed Prussian franchise law.

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S. P. TO INVADE COLORADO

New System in Southwest Will Cover Arizona and New Mexico Also.

DENVER, Feb. 16.—The Times says: Colorado is to be connected with a new transcontinental route to be constructed by the Southern Pacific in Arizona, and the new line will cut several hundred miles from the distance between Denver and Los Angeles. The Arizona Eastern Railroad Company, incorporated in Arizona last week, is to build a line to

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