

PHANTOM FLEETS CRUISE IN HOUSE

Vivid Portrayal by Virginia Representative Fails to Secure New Fort.

BILL PASSED WITHOUT IT

Fortifications Measure Is Now Before Senate—Fight to Eliminate McCabe From Agricultural Department Expected.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—Phantom fleets of hostile ships and smoldering ruins of capitulated cities of Washington, Philadelphia, Baltimore and Norfolk, and the invasion of the hills of Virginia, vividly portrayed in the House today, failed to procure an appropriation of \$150,000 for a site of a proposed coast defense on Cape Henry.

Representative Holland, of Virginia, offered the amendment to the fortifications appropriation bill which was under consideration. His arguments on the need of another defense on the Lower Chesapeake were reinforced by the citizen soldiery of Congress, and a protracted debate was carried on in which Representatives, maneuvered ships and man-of-war, and the House Representative Moore actively championed the Holland amendment.

Representative Sherley, of Kentucky, summoned Representative Fitzgerald, of New York, to his aid, and Chairman Houston sustained a point of order. The proposed fort at Cape Henry fell. The appropriation bill was passed without any structures on private purchases of powder by the Government. Representative Good, of Iowa, renewed his attack on the powder trust, but lost.

The passage of the fortifications bill today puts the House abreast of the progress of the construction of last year. The Army, pension and fortifications bills now are before the Senate. With the coast defense bill out of the way, the House immediately took up the agricultural appropriation bill, which carried \$15,336,976, which is \$1,043,046 less than that for the current year, and \$1,000 below the estimates of Secretary Wilson.

MULTNOMAH BAR ELECTS

E. E. Heckbert Chosen President to Succeed Harrison Allen.

E. E. Heckbert was elected last night president of the Multnomah County Bar Association to succeed Harrison Allen. Other officers elected are: First vice-president, Will R. King; second vice-president, J. L. Conley; third vice-president, John C. Cui; secretary, Arthur Langruth; treasurer, J. A. Coan, and H. E. Youmans. President Heckbert will announce his appointments on the various standing committees this week.

The membership of the Multnomah County Bar Association has increased by 64 members within the past year, and now has enrolled a total of 194. Only two members resigned this year. The annual banquet will be held in March, taking the place of the regular monthly meeting of the association. The date and place for the banquet will be decided by the president and the entertainment committee. Heretofore the annual banquets have been dedicated to legal institutions of the country, the state or Federal courts, but C. J. Schnabel suggested, his suggestion being strongly supported by many of the members, that the coming banquet be given in honor of some of the oldest members of the bar now living in Portland.

Mr. Heckbert, the newly-elected president came to Oregon and was admitted to the Oregon bar in 1907. He was born in Woburn, Mass., and is a graduate of Boston University. He was admitted to the Maine bar in 1894. Mr. Heckbert is chairman of the grievance committee of the State Bar Association, and served on a similar committee for the Multnomah County Bar Association.

PRUNING TESTS POSTPONED

State Scientists Will Give Demonstration Saturday at Estacada.

C. N. Womacott, assistant general secretary of the Portland Young Men's Christian Association, yesterday received word that the horticultural demonstrations that were set for tomorrow at Estacada have been postponed until Saturday. These demonstrations will be conducted by members of the faculty of Oregon Agricultural College on the state farm two miles and a half from Estacada.

NEWBERG SEEKS CHANGES

Druggists, Confectioners and Restaurateurs Ask Ordinance Alteration.

NEWBERG, Or., Feb. 27.—(Special.)—At the meeting of the City Council last night a petition was presented signed by all druggists, confectioners and restaurateurs in town asking that the drastic Sunday closing law which was passed last Summer by the Council and which has attracted statewide comment, be amended so as to permit these men to conduct their businesses as usual on Sunday excepting during the hours from 10 to noon and during church hours at night.

the part of the Councilmen, several of whom were on the board at the time the ordinance was passed.

Two members of the old Council, one of whom is still a member, operate a transfer business and were fined a couple of weeks ago for hauling a trunk to the station in an emergency case and they have since been notified that they will lose much business on account of the enforcement of an ordinance which works hardship to the traveling public. It has also been found that commercial travelers are planning to give Newberg the "go-by" on Sundays on account of the drastic character of the ordinance.

There is now developing an opposition to the ordinance on the part of business men generally, including church members who have heretofore favored it, and the matter of changing it was referred last night to the Judiciary committee with directions to report to the Council an amended ordinance at an adjourned meeting to be held Saturday night.

MRS. TAYLOR IS VICTOR

FAMOUS DIVORCE CASE MUST BE TRIED ON ITS MERITS.

Court Holds Order Is Not Final Decree and Therefore Is Not Appealable.

SALEM, Or., Feb. 27.—(Special.)—By action of the State Supreme Court today Mrs. Minnie Taylor won an important victory in her fight to set aside the divorce granted in Oregon City to her husband, Charles D. Taylor, a multi-millionaire of Santa Ana, Cal. The action of the Supreme Court was to sustain a motion made by Mrs. Taylor, through Floyd & Reynolds, her counsel, to dismiss an appeal by which Taylor sought to block further consideration of the case by the lower court.

Mrs. Taylor's original suit to set aside the divorce granted Taylor will now go to trial on its merits at Oregon City. Records of the State Circuit Court for that county show that on September 13, 1910, Taylor obtained a decree of divorce from his wife, whose maiden name, Minnie N. Terwilliger, was restored to block further consideration of the case by the lower court.

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Mrs. Taylor then transferred her activities to Oregon, and through her attorneys filed a motion in the Clackamas County State Circuit Court to set aside the decree annulling the marriage between her and Taylor. This motion was heard July 15, 1911, by Circuit Judge Eakin, of Clatsop County, who, a few days later, refused to set aside the decree.

Later Mrs. Taylor filed suit in the same court against Taylor for \$7000 suit money and an allowance of \$2500 a month maintenance. This proceeding also was heard by Judge Eakin. By his decision Mrs. Taylor was allowed only \$500 suit money. No maintenance allowance was granted.

Upon the allowance of the application to defend and the filing of the answer, the default is set aside, and incident thereto the judgment should be vacated, and it is so ordered, as reported by the record," says the opinion in conclusion today.

"Therefore the order was not beyond the authority of the court to grant and not void. It is not a final decree and therefore not appealable. The appeal is dismissed."

SECRET MEETINGS EYED

NINE PACKERS CONFERRED ON TUESDAYS IS EVIDENCE.

Witness Tells How Edward Tilden Failed to Get Control of Schwarzschild & Sulzberger Co.

CHICAGO, Feb. 27.—Evidence that nine of the ten defendants met every Tuesday again between 1907 and 1910 behind closed doors in the directors' room of the National Packing Company was given by two witnesses in the packers' trial today.

The defendants are J. Ogden Armour, Arthur Heiser, Thomas J. Conners, Edward Morris, Louis F. Hayman, Louis F. Swift, Edgar F. Swift, Charles H. Swift and Charles Tilden.

Witnesses were unable to identify Francis H. Fowler as having attended the sessions.

The Government contends that it was these meetings that the indicted packers made the reports and exchanged information regarding business and agreed upon shipments, selling prices, markets and a division of territory in violation of the criminal section of the Sherman law.

BRITISH STRIKE IN ABEYANCE STILL

Although Word Has Not Yet Come, Between 30,000 and 40,000 Miners Quit.

PREMIER SEES PRINCIPALS

Asquith and Members of His Cabinet Hold Conference With Coal Operators and Workers, but Peace Is Not Secured.

LONDON, Feb. 27.—No settlement of the coal dispute was reached at the various conferences in which Premier Asquith and members of his Cabinet and representatives of the mineowners and miners participated today.

The official statement of the proceedings issued tonight merely records the fact that various conferences were held. It concludes with the announcement that the conferences would be resumed tomorrow.

Between 20,000 and 40,000 miners in Derbyshire and Nottinghamshire ceased work today, in accordance with notice previously given, and it is settled that as the time limit provided for in the notices expires, the men will lay down their tools and await the action of the Miners' Federation.

Ultimatum Reiterated. The negotiations have not advanced to that stage where it is advisable that members of the Cabinet and the representatives of the owners and miners meet. The position of the miners' representatives is much simpler than that of the owners' representatives. The former are authorized by the National Miners' Federation practically to present the ultimatum:

"A national minimum wage or a national strike."

Until the owners are persuaded to concede the minimum principle, it is obvious that nothing can be accomplished by bringing the disputants together. From the fact that this has not been done, it is inferred that the Cabinet succeeded in inducing the owners to make that concession.

That the sanguine expectations of ultimate success are not yet justified is shown by the answer given to interviewers by James Haalam, member of Parliament and leader of the Derbyshire miners, who attended the conference.

Parliament Members Hopeful. "There is no outlook at present," Mr. Haalam said. "The government seems to have gone as far as it can go. The miners are very anxious, just as we are, but it is going to be a hard job."

In Parliamentary circles, where presumably inside information has been obtained, there is an undeniable feeling of optimism, but if government intervention fails by Friday morning, virtually every colliery in the land will be shut down. Meanwhile, many thousand miners are making ready to strike, and the time left to accomplish anything by negotiations is short.

The negotiations continued until near midnight. Premier Asquith had another conference with the owners' representatives after 9 o'clock and because of the coal situation neither the Premier, Chancellor Lloyd-George, nor the president of the board of trade, Sydney Buxton, was able to appear in the House of Commons tonight.

COURT'S POWER DENIED

WICKERSHAM ARGUES FOR INTERSTATE COMMISSION.

Attorney-General Says Tribunal Has No Right to Review Rate Power Vested by Congress.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—Attorney-General Wickersham closed today the arguments before the Supreme Court in the so-called "inter-mountain rate case," by contending that no tribunal had the power to review the authority vested in Congress in the Interstate Commerce Commission. He based his argument on the theory that as Congress was able to make exceptions to the prohibition it could delegate its power to the commission.

F. C. Dillard and F. W. Cutcheon presented arguments for the railroad. They attacked the constitutionality of



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HUGE LINER HITS WRECK

Olympic Breaks Propeller on Decree and Will Be Day Late.

BELEFAST, Feb. 27.—The White Star liner Olympic, which left New York on Wednesday and was due in Southampton today, struck a submerged wreck in the Atlantic early this morning. The damage was confined to one propeller.

The Olympic carried a large passenger list and many notables were included among her first cabin passengers. Among them were Ambassador Reid, the Duke of Newcastle, Count Apponyi and W. E. Corey.

A. D. Charlton received a telegram yesterday from A. E. Duanev, North Pacific Coast passenger agent, saying: "The Olympic has lost only one blade of one propeller and will sail from Southampton only one day late and from New York March 16, as scheduled."

Chorus Girls to Have Ball.

The annual ball of the chorus girls of the Lyric Theater will be held next Monday night at Moose Hall, in the Royal building, on Morrison street, between Seventh and Park streets. It will be the first affair of the kind ever held in Portland. It is being held for the purpose of creating a benefit fund with which to care for chorus girls who are ill or unable to work.

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