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SESSION HAS 10 DAYS FOR 10 BIG ISSUES

Important Acts Not Yet Considered.

SALT LEASE REPORT WAITS

Compensation Law and Prohibition Also on Pending List.

MAIN FUND BILL STILL OUT

Consolidation, Tax, Road and Paving Measures Also on Legislative Calendar — Senate Changing Sentiment as to Dry Act.

BY RONALD G. CALLVERT.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 8.—(Staff Correspondence.)—Ten working days of the present session of the Legislature remain and at least ten pieces of important legislation await final disposition. Some of the latter have passed one House or the other; some have not been adopted by either branch. Here is a partial list, at least, of matters that must be disposed of:

Approval or rejection of the lease of Abert and Summer lakes.

Revision of the compensation law.

Passage of a prohibition act.

Approval of the general appropriation bills.

Road legislation.

Irrigation tax or some constructive substitute.

Revision of election laws.

Consolidations of state departments and boards.

Revision of tax collecting system.

State-wide paving legislation.

Report on Lease Not Made.

The committee that has been holding hearings on lease of Summer and Abert lakes has not yet reported.

A bill amending the existing compensation law has passed the House, but will encounter the opposition in the Senate of the Bingham bill adapted from the Michigan law. A public hearing on these measures will be held tomorrow night.

Most of the bills changing election laws have originated in the Senate. One bill prohibiting paid circulation of initiative and referendum petitions and ,G(.if..'ef af'threlylSmfwy mfwyp pi providing a depository substitute where petitions may be signed voluntarily is slumbering in a Senate committee. Another bill providing a fee system for nominating candidates in lieu of petitions has been up in the House, but was referred back to committee for amendment. It is due to appear on the calendar about tomorrow.

General Appropriation Bill Out.

The joint committee on ways and means is still working daily on appropriation measures. Several bills providing for state institutions passed the House today, but the general bill, providing for state offices and departments, has not yet been reported out.

On consolidation matters several bills are in process of formation, and will be submitted to the joint committee for action within a day or two.

There is strong interest in the irrigation and road measures because of the millage taxes carried. One irrigation measure provides for a half-mill levy. The House already has defeated a flat appropriation of $450,000 for irrigation. No road bill, it now seems likely, will pass which carries a greater tax than one-half mill, but neither House has acted on such a highway measure.

Bingham Bill Considered.

The Bingham paving bill, on which there was a public hearing tonight, has attracted both approval and condemnation. Probably if it can be conclusively shown that it is what it purports to be—a bill to compel paving awards to contractors on a fair competitive basis—it will gain approval. The committees on taxation are meeting nearly every evening to consider several measures changing times of payments and providing for penalties and rebates and similar factors affecting tax payments.

The prohibition bill appeared in the Senate today on first reading. The usual course will be to send it to the Senate committee on alcoholic traffic tomorrow after second reading. The Senate and House committees did not meet jointly to consider the prohibition measure, so reference to the Senate committee will be the probable action. How soon it will be reported back to the Senate can only be conjectured. Necessarily, the Senate committee will not devote as much time to it as did the House committee, for in such event final adjournment would be taken with the bill still in committee.

Drys Gain in Senate.

Sentiment in the Senate seems to be turning in behalf of the original committee of one hundred's bill. Over in the House Representative J. E. Anderson, who sponsored the bill on the floor Friday when it was passed by that body, is proposing a poll of the committee of one hundred to determine whether the bill as amended meets the approval of a majority. If a meeting cannot be held a poll by letter is suggested. Chairman Littlefield, of the House committee, will suggest some minor or corrective amendments.

The chief objections raised by Senate members concern the limit on quantities individuals are permitted to ship in for home consumption, the opening

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BLOCKADE IS NOT IDEA, SAYS BERLIN

NEUTRALS MERELY WARNED OF EXPOSURE TO CHANCE SHOT.

American Vessels to Be Sunk Only if Carrying Contraband and With Safety to Crew.

BERLIN, via The Hague to London, Feb. 8.—The naval measures of Germany against British commerce are in no sense a blockade. No hostile action against neutral shipping is contemplated. German warships and submarines will endeavor by every means in their power to avoid sinking American or other neutral ships and will take every precaution to avoid a mistake.

The above may be taken as the correct interpretation placed upon the German proclamation in competent circles in Berlin.

The proclamation declaring the waters around Great Britain to be a war zone like similar British measures which were taken as a precedent, is designed, it is asserted, to warn neutrals that a ship venturing into the naval field of operations exposes itself to the risk of being struck by a chance shot.

It was said today that it might be safely asserted that the Germans have no intention of sinking an American ship unless she is carrying contraband of war, and then only if her crew can be given the possibility of escape.

The warning to neutral shipping, it was asserted, was considered as particularly needed in view of the reported order to British ships to hoist a neutral flag whenever as they are in danger, an order which, if adhered to, it was stated, would make it difficult for a German warship to discriminate between hostile and neutral shipping.

ENTOMBED MINER FREED

One Saved After 36 Hours From Montana Cave-In, Fatal to Four.

BUTTE, Mont., Feb. 8.—Richard Rodgers was rescued from the cave-in at the Gagnon mine today after having been imprisoned 36 hours without food or drink. He suffered but little injury. The bodies of two men, Andrew Evison and Mike Zerc are, still buried under the mass of dirt and rock that fell into the shaft.

Mine officials are certain that both these men are dead. The casualties, as a result of the accident, are four dead and two injured. The bodies of Joseph Faber and J. B. Fay were removed late yesterday. The injured men are Rodgers and Richard Tiddy.

SOLONS FEAR SMALLPOX

Arizona Legislator Stricken and Wholesale Vaccination Is Urged.

PHOENIX, Ariz., Feb. 8.—Wholesale vaccination of members of the Arizona Legislature here is prescribed by the city health authorities as protection against an epidemic of smallpox among the legislators.

Representative Briscoe was taken to the pesthouse today. Nearly all members of the House have called on him during his illness.

President Simms, of the Senate, was vaccinated today, and announced that unless all members took the same precautions a quarantine of the Legislature was probable.

MEDFORD MAN IS FLEECED

A. A. Barnard Engages Detectives to Run Down Racehorse Touts.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 8.—(Special.)—Charging that he was bunkoed out of $2000 on a horse race last November, A. A. Barnard, a business man of Medford, Or., is in San Francisco today after engaging detectives to run down the alleged swindlers. Barnard said he was allowed to win several times, and then bet $2000 on a certain race, as advised. The horse won, he said he was told, but as it was on a Saturday they would have to wait until Monday to cash. He says he has been unable to collect.

ANTI-ALIEN BILL PASSES

Arizona House Measure Is Less Drastic Than California Act.

PHOENIX, Ariz., Feb. 8.—A substitute anti-alien bill, less drastic than the measure declared unconstitutional by the special Federal court sitting at San Francisco recently, was passed by the House of the Arizona Legislature today by a vote of 20 to 11.

The Claypool bill, as it is known, provides among other things, that all persons engaged in hazardous occupations must be able to read and write English.

BREAD JUMPS IN GOTHAM

Ten-Cent Loaves Today Will Be Two Ounces Lighter.

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—The price of 5-cent loaves of bread will go up to 6 cents in this city tomorrow. This announcement was made by several of the large bakeries today.

The present 10-cent loaves will be two ounces lighter. The high price of flour is given as the cause.

TURKS FLEE FROM CANAL

Enemy Is in Full Retreat, Says British Communication.

LONDON, Feb. 9.—The official press bureau has made public an official dispatch received from Cairo, which says the Turkish army is in full retreat eastward.

There are no enemy forces within 20 miles of the Suez Canal, the dispatch says, except small retiring rear guards.

AMERICAN TRADE IS CLIMBING FAST

Head of Steel Corporation Optimistic.

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FOREIGN MARKETS ARE NEEDED

United States Only Nation World's Banker Today.

FARM VALUES' MARK HIGH

Courage and Co-operation in Business and Confidence in Restoration of Prosperity Recommended. Figures Show Possibilities.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Feb. 8.—Courage and co-operation in business and confidence in a restoration of prosperity was recommended by James A. Farrell, president of the United States Steel Corporation, in an address before the Engineers' Society of Western Pennsylvania here tonight.

Among reasons for encouragement Mr. Farrell quoted "eminent European and American authorities" as calculating that the United States' excess of imports in 1915 may easily reach $1,000,000,000; and he declared that the balance of trade in favor of the United States for the opening month of the year is at the rate of $1,500,000,000 a year.

"The years of greatest prosperity in the United States have been when the balances were largely in our favor," asserted Mr. Farrell. "It is not imprudent to predict that our total farm values for the current year, for the first time in the annals of this or any other country, will pass the $10,000,000,000 mark.

"Let's Strain a Point," Is Plea.

"I feel safe in saying that, if you will strain a point just now and trade a little more with each other and talk encouragingly as to conditions, rather than pessimistically the business of the country will take on a momentum which will carry us into better times and, what is more important, create more employment for labor. Our best efforts should be put forth to stimulate activity in business and do everything practicable to increase the number of working people, not only in the industries in this community, but throughout the whole country.

"The elements of prosperity are at hand: the developments from day to day are favorable. The steel trade has been called the barometer of business; there is a marked increase in orders and in operations; more men are obtaining employment and the trade movement is progressing and encouraging, and we should do everything practicable to sustain and advance it."

Mr. Farrell said that up to within a few weeks "it seemed as if the prospects of a material improvement in business were doubtful, but apparently the tide has turned and each day re-

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Miss Dorothy Marie Epping Chosen Leading Dancer in College Masque.

BERKELEY, Cal., Feb. 8.—(Special.)—The first important selection for the 1915 annual Masque or "Parthenela" cast was made today, when Miss Dorothy Marie Epping, of Hood River, Or., was chosen as the "Jewel Sprite" and leading dancer. Two other leading parts, those of "Margot" and "Merrywit," will be chosen after tryouts next week.

Miss Epping is a sophomore in the College of Social Sciences. She is one of the university's most accomplished dancers and won her place in the "Parthenela" after spirited competition with aspirants who have been longer in the college. She is a member of the Delta Gamma sorority.

TILDEN ESTATE $3,150,000

Late Packer and Banker Leaves Most of Vast Fortune to Widow.

CHICAGO, Feb. 8.—An estate of $3,150,000 is disposed of in the will of Edward Tilden, packer and banker, which was probated here today. His widow is to receive most of it. Each of his two sons will receive $100,000 11 years from now, when the younger is 25 years old.

Servants, relatives and friends are remembered in the will, which leaves $1000 to Laura Lee, of Seattle.

Mr. Tilden went to work as a messenger boy in the Chicago Union Stockyards 45 years ago.

TRAVELERS' RIGHTS WILL BE DEFENDED

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WILSON TALKS TO GERMANS

Three-Cornered Diplomatic Correspondence Forecast.

FLAG INCIDENT SECONDARY

Lusitania Precedent and War Zone Limitations Important Only for Possible Effect on Safety of Americans Going Abroad.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8.—Informal discussion by President Wilson with his German advisers of the dangers to which neutral ships may be subjected in the newly-prescribed war zones around Great Britain and Ireland and the use of the liner Lusitania of the American flag foreshadowed today a diplomatic correspondence between the United States and both Great Britain and Germany, respectively, on these questions.

In each case the American Government, because of its neutrality, cannot discuss the rules which the belligerents may adopt toward each other. The prescription of the war zone itself, however, or the use of a neutral flag by belligerent-owned vessels as a stratagem of war has not given the American officials concern so much as the prospect that these acts may endanger the lives of American citizens whose right to travel on the high seas on neutral ships during time of war, it is intimated, will be vigorously defended.

No Action Taken Yet.

Pending the receipt of the German Foreign Office memorandum from Ambassador Gerard and a report of the Lusitania incident from Ambassador Page, no action will be taken. Tomorrow the situation will be fully discussed at a meeting of the President and his Cabinet.

Formal inquiries as to what steps the German naval commanders will take to protect neutrals traveling on merchant ships and requests for information as to the use of American flags by British ships generally, it is understood, will follow.

Many of the neutral diplomats, among them the Ministers from The Netherlands, Denmark and Italy, were at the State Department and to all inquiries as to the possible action of the American Government in connection with the prohibited sea zones and the use of neutral flags aboard belligerent merchantmen, Secretary Bryan answered that these questions were "still under consideration."

Joint Action Not Proposed.

While none of the neutral envoys proposed joint action with the American Government, they sought information for the guidance of their own foreign offices. Chairman Flood and

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DON'T WORRY—WE'RE JUST PLAYING.

Monday's War Moves

RUSSIA's unexpected adoption of offensive operations in Poland, from which the Germans apparently have been withdrawing some forces both to the north and south, furnishes the most striking feature of the military situation on the European continent.

From German sources it is insisted that the plans for the capture of Warsaw still are being pushed. But the Russians lay claim to several minor successes at various points and declare that the German attack reached its climax several days ago.

Another huge segment of the Russian army is continuing its efforts for a firmer foothold in the Carpathians, but it is admitted that the Germans and Austrians have gained some ground. At one point a severe snowstorm is said to have aided the Austro-Hungarian troops in an action, which Vienna states has resulted in heavy losses to the Russian forces in Dukla Pass.

From East Prussia there is little news, the Germans asserting they have the situation well in hand, so far as concerns the prevention of a further Russian advance without the usual severe fighting.

There is no slackening of activity in the Carpathians, where the Austrians, assisted by German reinforcements, are struggling with the Russians for mastery of the mountain passes, which give access to Northern Hungary.

Important successes for the Russians in several engagements are announced officially at Petrograd. It is said that Austrian attacks broke down and that in addition to inflicting heavy losses on their opponents, the Russians captured 2500 prisoners.

News of the arrival at Liverpool under the American flag of the Cunard steamer Lusitania was given much space in the English papers yesterday.

The information was received too late to permit of much editorial comment as yet, but enough has been printed to show that the incident is regarded as one of great importance. It is not generally expected, however, that the British government will take further action unless Washington requests an explanation.

In France and Flanders the situation is without change. Both sides were alert for the slightest indication of activity on the part of their opponents. The British and French are undoubtedly taking advantage of every day's delay to throw in reinforcements.

Army affairs came up for discussion in the British House of Commons yesterday and the Prime Minister made the statement that the British casualties from the beginning of the war had reached a total of 104,000. This is an average of 1000 men weekly in killed, wounded and missing.

GERMANY SURE TO STICK

Says Kaiser Will Stand by Dual Monarchy.

BUDAPEST, Feb. 8.—The newspaper Azest today publishes an interview which its Rome correspondent had with Prince von Buelow, the German Ambassador to Italy, in which the former Imperial Chancellor denies he told the Italian government that Germany would not demur if the Austro-Hungarian monarchy was destroyed. He added:

"Germany is as little inclined to leave the monarchy in the lurch as the monarchy is inclined to conclude a separate peace."

Regarding the Italian policy, Prince Von Buelow said he was confident that the wisdom and judgment of the Italian government would enable it to find the right road to travel.

"Moreover," the Ambassador is quoted as saying, "Austria-Hungary will facilitate an arrangement whereby Italy henceforth will be able to maintain an untroubled understanding with the central powers."

AID FOR FOE NOT DISCUSSED

British Admiralty Refuses to Answer Questions in Parliament.

LONDON, Feb. 8.—Winston Spencer Churchill, First Lord of the Admiralty, refused in the House of Commons today to disclose the result of the investigation made by the Admiralty into the report mentioned in the House last week by Greshom Stewart that German submarines operating in British waters had received fresh supplies of fuel oil from a vessel direct from a British port.

Mr. Churchill said it would not be in the public interest to make this known.

MINERS' STRIKE CONTINUES

Operators Say Arbitration Proposals Not Met by Coal Men.

CLEVELAND, Feb. 8.—Settlement of the strike of 15,000 coal miners in the Eastern Ohio field was regarded as further off than ever, when a conference between operators and officials of the United Mine Workers adjourned tonight. Sessions will be resumed tomorrow.

Leaders of the operators declared that the miners thus far flatly refused to agree to arbitration proposals involving the wage scale.

4500 MEN TO GO TO WORK

Singer Sewing Machine Plant Will Operate Full Time.

ELIZABETH, N. J., Feb. 8.—The assembling department, one of the largest at the Singer Sewing Machine Works, has announced a return of all men on a full time schedule, beginning today. At the office of the management, it was said the entire plant will be back on the old schedule within another month.

Early last Fall about 50 per cent of the 5000 employed there were laid off.

SPRINGTIME STYLES REFLECT GRIM WAR

Submarine Petticoat Seen at Show.

TAILORED SUIT IS INNOVATION

Outfit May Be Changed in Peace or War Wear.

"LA BALLERINA" IS DARING

Petite Model With Blonde Curls Is Attired in Adaptation of European Ballet Dancer's Stiffened Skirts, Yet Pretty.

CHICAGO, Feb. 8.—(Special.)—Submarine and spiral petticoats have arrived. You may take your choice.

The fashion show opened at the First Regiment Armory today.

In several booths are fascinating exhibits of silk threads, the spools arranged prim ly in prismatic colors. Another booth has petticoats and negligees that have attracted a great deal of attention by reason of their novelty.

Odd Is Petticoat.

The submarine petticoat and negligee is the oddest of them all. The petticoat is of bluish green silk, the bottom wired out into a hoop. Decorating the bottom and half way up to the top are submarine scenes. One large under-water boat drifted placidly through a marvelous deep-sea garden of gilt and silver flowers, while bizarre gilded fish swam around it, peering with evident curiosity.

The whole is cleverly portrayed, especially considering the canvas and the materials.

The spiral petticoat is a maze of ruffles, which run spirally up the skirt from the hem to the waist band. It sticks out like an antebellum skirt, and the negligee above it is quaintly fashioned to carry out the flashy idea.

Lampshade Design Admired.

The lampshade petticoat also holds its quota of admirers.

An innovation in a tailored suit is one which may be transformed into a peace or a war suit. If your tendencies are toward materialism, the suit is worn buttoned up tightly to the neck with martial-looking buttons. Then it is most soldierly in appearance. But if you are peaceful, then it is allowed to fall back unfastened into soft lines.

A clever style of the popular silk dress is shown. It is of linen and so deceitfully fashioned that it would seem to be a separate coat and skirt, but it isn't, it fools you. It's a dress.

"La Ballerina" Is Daring.

"La Ballerina" is a rather daring adaptation of an European ballet dancer's stiffened skirts. It was worn by a petite model, with blonde curls, who waltzed about, kicking her feet (which were clad in the regular ballet shoe and ribboned up the leg) so that the mass of white skirts flashed about. It might have been either pretty or ugly—and it was pretty.

Such billows of frothy clothing are difficult to handle, but it was done successfully.

The skirts were shorter than the usual dancing frock. The waist carried out the same idea, being a rather stiff, close-fitting bodice, sleeveless and low necked, and coming to a point over the front of the skirt at the waist.

JOHN D., JR., BUYS VASES

J. P. Morgan's $4,000,000 Chinese Set Taken Through Agency.

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—(Special.)—In the wake of announcement by J. Pierpont Morgan today that he had disposed of his father's set of Chinese porcelains, which, since the death of his father, have been on exhibition at the Metropolitan Museum, it was learned that John D. Rockefeller, Jr., had purchased them through an agency.

Morgan's father spent money lavishly collecting rare porcelains and had expended something like $4,000,000 on them. The price paid his son for them is estimated slightly below that figure. In the collection there are more than 1000 pieces.

MUNCY TWIN DIES AT 96

No Tobacco or Intoxicants Ever Used by Either of Nonagenarians.

BABYLON, N. Y., Feb. 8.—The second of the L. Muncy twins died here last night at his home. He was William Muncy, aged 96 years. His twin brother, Samuel, died last Summer. Both lived all their lives on the farm here, where they were born, following the sea and farming for a living.

Neither used tobacco nor intoxicants.

ITALY HOLDS HER TROOPS

Class That Should Have Returned Home Is Retained.

ROME, Feb. 8.—A royal decree orders that the soldiers of the second category classes of 1892 and 1894, who should have returned home, shall now be retained under the colors.

May 31, 1915, is the date to which their service is extended.