



PRESIDENT PUTS IN HARD DAY AT DESK

28 Bills and Joint Resolutions Signed.

MANY NOMINATIONS ARE MADE

Three Hours Spent in Conference With Cabinet.

EXTRA SESSION UNLIKELY

Whether Executive Will Address Congress This Week Depends on Legislative Situation.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—On the first day of his return to the capital, President Wilson put in more than 16 hours at his desk, signing 28 bills and joint resolutions, making a score of nominations, discussing government business for three hours with his cabinet and winding up the day's work by a conference on the legislative situation with Democratic Leader Martin, at which the president announced his decision not to call an extra session of congress until after his return from Europe.

Altogether, it was one of the busiest days in recent years at the White House. President Wilson resumed work with a rush, surprising executive office attaches by being at his desk when they reported this morning. From then on, there was ceaseless bustle everywhere, clinking of typewriters, scurrying of messengers and arrivals of callers, few of whom saw the chief executive.

Two Questions Sidelined.
Nomination of an attorney-general and an address to congress were two questions said by White House officials to be relegated to the background for the present. Several names are under consideration for the cabinet vacancy caused by the resignation of Thomas W. Gregory, who retired from the department of justice, March 4, but the president has not made a selection.

Whether the president will address congress is believed to depend upon the legislative situation. Tomorrow might he discuss the constitution of the league of nations in detail with members of the senate and house foreign affairs committee, who will be his guests at dinner, and the belief is growing in official quarters that the president will consider his explanations to them sufficient for the time being.

Governors to Assemble.
There was a full attendance at the cabinet meeting. Vice-President Marshall was present. Assistant Secretary Polk took Lansing's place.

Secretary Wilson announced after the cabinet adjourned that March 5 had been chosen as the date for a conference of governors, with whom President Wilson is anxious to discuss the domestic labor situation. The conference will be held in Washington. Unemployment, complicated by the demobilization of large numbers of soldiers and sailors, and the attendant problem of labor unrest are receiving close attention from the president.

House Breaks Into Applause.
A message from President Wilson announcing his approval of 28 bills and joint resolutions passed by congress and accumulated during his absence overseas was the signal for a demonstration late today in the house.

When the white house messenger was announced democratic members started applauding and cheering and many republicans joined in the demonstration. Each continued several minutes while the president's messenger stood smiling and blushing.

The bills signed by the president the most important were the war revenue measure and the bill appropriating \$100,000,000 for European food relief.

"Pay Cheerfully," Says Mr. Glass.
Secretary Glass today appealed to the American people to pay cheerfully the higher war taxes. He referred to it as a "victory tax" to bear the cost of a war which has brought "the ineffable boon of peace."

Taxes which become operative at once include those on liquor, tobacco, soft drinks, so-called luxuries, such as automobiles, pianos, candy, chewing gum, sporting goods and slot machines, capital stock of corporations, hotels, amusement places, taxicabs and other special businesses.

The revenue bureau's machinery already had been put into operation in preparation for the filing of returns March 15 on incomes, excess profits and war profits and the collection of the first 25 per cent installment payment on that date.

War Must Be Paid For.
Secretary Glass' appeal, asserting that "the war must be paid for," said: "It is a shallow kind of patriotism that does not burn brightly in time of peace as well as in time of war. It is a poor sort of patriotism who would shirk the duty he steadfastly performed a year ago."

The income tax last year was a liberty tax. This year it is a victory tax, but the purposes of each are the same, to defray the cost of a world war that has brought to the United States and its associates the ineffable boon of peace.

The government, therefore, appeal to

THOMPSON IS CHOICE OF CHICAGO VOTERS

MAYOR POLLS MORE VOTES THAN TWO OPPONENTS.

Robert M. Sweetzer, Democrat, is Nominated Over Thomas Carey by Estimated Majority of 60,000.

CHICAGO, Feb. 25.—Mayor William Hale Thompson was renominated by the republicans and County Clerk Robert M. Sweetzer was nominated by the democrats in today's mayoralty primaries. Both won by big pluralities.

Four years ago Thompson defeated Sweetzer by the largest majority ever given a candidate for mayor of Chicago.

Late tonight it appeared that Mayor Thompson had not only received a plurality of about 45,000 over Judge Harry Olson, chief justice of the municipal court, but had received considerable more than both Olson and Captain Charles E. Merriam combined.

Sweetzer's plurality over Thomas Carey, a brick manufacturer, it was estimated, would range between 60,000 and 70,000.

Max Herdemeyer, who long called himself "the burgomaster" in a north side German ward, also ran on the democratic ticket, with a platform of "free beer, no work" and other limitless planks. He received a few hundred votes.

Mayor Thompson's success bore out his adherents' predictions in spite of the attacks on his war attitude and references to his past utterances that "Chicago is the sixth German city." He received the majority of women's votes, as well as the majority of the men.

CHINA REAFFIRMS CHARGE

Japanese Denial of Pressure Declaration Brings Response.

PEKING, Wednesday, Feb. 19.—(By the Associated Press.)—Denials by Baron Chinda of the Japanese peace delegation and other Japanese officials that Japan had exerted pressure here against the activities of China's peace delegation have brought from Chinese officials, including Premier Chin Nun Hsu, reaffirmation of the original declarations.

Japan's latest effort in China is reported to be an endeavor to conclude the unruffled agreements for Japanese railway extensions in Shantung, Manchuria and Mongolia, which have been submitted to the peace conference.

EUGENE WOMAN AIDS FUND

Mrs. W. F. Jewett Contributes \$1000 for Building.

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, Feb. 25.—(Special.)—Mrs. W. F. Jewett of Eugene, formerly of Gardiner, Or., gave \$1000 to the women's building fund yesterday.

Mrs. Jewett came to Eugene this fall. Her daughter, Narcissa, is a freshman in the university and a member of Phi Beta Kappa. Mrs. Jewett is strongly interested in furthering education and proper educational facilities. While in Gardiner she gave several thousand dollars for the construction of a new grade school when the old one burned.

HOOD RIVER HAS WINTER

Snow Storm Prevails and Ground Is Fully Covered.

HOOD RIVER, Or., Feb. 25.—(Special.)—Mid-Columbians were surprised on arising today to find a heavy snow-storm prevailing and more than an inch already covering the earth. The depth of the snow increases with the rise in altitude toward the base of Mount Hood.

While timbermen on visits to the high forests two weeks ago reported less than a foot of snow, the heavy precipitation since then has piled up a depth of five feet in places.

SOLDIERS' CONDITION GOOD

General Treat Denies Report Regarding Troops in Italy.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—Denial of charges contained in a letter read in the house recently as to conditions in the 32d infantry in Italy was made by Brigadier-General Charles G. Treat, American military attaché at Rome, in a cablegram forwarded to Secretary Baker today by General Pershing.

General Treat said the regiment was in good physical condition, well equipped, had experienced no serious food hardships, and had a very low number of summary courts-martial.

CALIFORNIA FEELS QUAKE

San Francisco and Santa Rosa Record Disturbance.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 25.—A slight earthquake was felt here at 2:29 P. M. today. No damage was reported.

SANTA ROSA, Cal., Feb. 25.—An earthquake of a few seconds' duration was felt here at 2:30 P. M. today. No damage was reported, but many persons rushed from their offices or homes into the streets.

SPAIN HAS NEW EPIDEMIC

Influenza Reported to Be Spreading in Alarming Manner.

JAPANESE WEALTH PLEDGED CHINESE

Diplomatic Pacts Are Revealed at Peace Meet.

SHANTUNG OPENING SUBJECT

Notes, Supplementing Treaty, Concern German Rights.

RAILROAD EXTENSION, AIM

Guarding of Main Line and Cost of Patrols Fixed as Burdens Upon China.

PARIS, Feb. 25.—(By the Associated Press.)—Japanese financiers are granted the privilege of making loans to China for the building of hundreds of miles of railways in Mongolia, Manchuria and China proper, and the Japanese are granted the right to participate in the operation of the railways now constructed in Shantung province, under notes exchanged by Japan and China on September 24, 1918.

These notes, which are now before the peace conference, supplement the treaty and notes of May 25, 1918, between Japan and China, in which the Chinese government engaged to recognize all agreements between the Japanese and Germans respecting the disposition of German rights and interests in Shantung province.

Railway Rights Set Forth.
Baron Goto, Japanese minister of foreign affairs, and Taung-Hsiang, Chinese minister to Japan, signed the three sets of notes exchanged September 24.

One set outlined the new railways which Japanese capitalists may finance in Manchuria, Mongolia and Chi-Li province, north China.

The second set outlines the railways Japanese capitalists may finance in Shantung province to connect the existing German-owned lines with the other principal railway lines in North China.

The third set stipulates the conditions under which Japan may participate with China in Shantung province affairs. Translation of the note dealing with these conditions follows:

Settlement Terms Detailed.
Baron Goto to the Chinese minister: "I have the honor to inform you that the imperial government, in view of the feeling of good neighborhood existing between the two countries and in a spirit of mutual accommodation, have deemed it fitting, and accordingly have decided to propose to your government to settle various questions relating to the province of Shantung in a manner as set forth below:

"First—To concentrate at Taingtao all Japanese troops stationed along the Taingtao-Tsinan railway, except a contingent to be left at Tsinan.

"Second—The Chinese government to

SOLONS GET NO PAY; BUT EXPENSES GROW

DILATORY TACTICS IN LOWER HOUSE COST BIG SUM.

OREGON LABOR WINS IN SENATE CONTEST

Anti-Injunction Bill Passes by Vote of 16 to 14.

AMENDMENTS VOTED DOWN

Representative Eugene E. Smith Makes Strong Appeal.

SPEAKER'S VOTE DECIDES

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 25.—(Special.)—It is costing the state more than \$1200 each day that the legislature is now hanging on. The session should have ended sine die last Saturday, but because of the dilatory tactics of the house the machinery is still grinding, and each day expenses are rolling up unnecessarily. Clerk hire alone ranges between \$1000 and \$1200, and in addition there are the extra supplies, postage, fuel and light; and between 700 and 800 bills and calendars are mailed out daily. All this expense should have ceased last Saturday.

Members are working on their own time, receiving no compensation, and there is nothing to prevent every member of the house and senate from taking his hat and going home without giving further attention to the undigested and undisposed bills which are still piled high. The fault rests with the speaker, in the opinion of many members, for the reason that two weeks ago Speaker Jones should have started driving hard and forcing action. Instead, Mr. Jones has been very considerate and has not attempted to curb oratory nor prodded the house to greater activity, it is said.

Business is drifting along now just as though there were three weeks more of session, albeit members are becoming restive and impatient. It is possible, if enough members take the bit in their teeth, to force the legislature to adjourn Wednesday night.

WOMEN WITHOLD NAMES

Suffragists, Arrested for Loitering, Are Fined \$5 Each.

BOSTON, Feb. 25.—The woman suffragists arrested yesterday refused to answer to their names when arraigned in police court today, on charges of loitering.

In the 12 cases disposed of during the morning, fines of \$5 were imposed. In three instances the women paid. Others declined to pay and were held pending the hearing of the remaining cases.

FEATURES OF OREGON LEGISLATURE YESTERDAY.

Senate.
Labor's anti-injunction bill will be single vote.

House.
Kills Huston's bill creating state market commission.

Upholds favorable report on oleomargarine tax bill.

Overrides committee's report which would kill bill to give state aid for soldiers attending higher educational institutions.

Passes bill providing court of domestic relations in Portland.

Kills military training bills, proponents of measure declaring O. A. C. influences did the work.

Thomas McCusker, secretary of the

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MILITARY TRAINING IS DEFEATED BY HOUSE

Attempt to Refer Measure to Revision of Laws and Committee on Military Falls.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 25.—(Special.)—Universal military training in schools and colleges as provided for in Senator Hurler's bill is past resurrection as far as the present session is concerned. The house killed the measure without hearing a committee report or even a discussion on its merits.

Proponents of the bill declare that it was killed by lobbying of friends of the Oregon Agricultural college, that President Kerr came here personally and lobbied against it, and that Senator Pierce and other friends of the agricultural college have been polling the house for a week to kill the bill. When the measure was up in the senate Mr. Pierce declared that the seat of the military training activities should be at the Oregon Agricultural college, and that Colonel John H. Leader should not be in charge of the activities, with its head centralized at Eugene. Despite these attacks the measure went through the senate.

Arriving in the house, it went to the judiciary committee, where it was held until this afternoon. That committee reported it out, but with no other recommendation than that it be sent to the revision of laws committee. Chairman Hare of the revision of laws committee balked at this, declaring that he didn't propose to have his committee a graveyard or a boiler for a bill, the merits of which should not be passed on in his committee.

An effort was then made to pass the bill over to the committee on military affairs.

The chairman of that committee just told me he would kill the bill if it comes in his committee," shouted Smith of Multnomah.

A vote on referring the bill to that committee lost. A vote was then taken on indefinite postponement and further chance of the bill surviving was drowned in a chorus of votes adverse to the measure.

University of Oregon advocates defeat of the bill entirely to the activities of Oregon Agricultural college champions.

The bill would have provided for training throughout the high schools and colleges of the state.

PIEZ HITS WAGE INCREASE

New System Designed to Stop Coddling Men," Says Director.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—Labor agreements between shipyard operators and employees, made by the shipping board's adjustment commission during the war and expiring March 31, will be succeeded by a system designed to stop "coddling" the veteran and coddling the men," Charles Piez, director-general of the emergency fleet corporation, said today.

The government does not intend, he added, to yield to any of the demands for increases in pay over war-time scales, which have been the cause of strikes in Seattle and San Francisco and threatens a strike at Hog Island.

Presidential Candidate Chosen.

RIO JANEIRO, Feb. 24.—The national convention today by a vote of 129 to 12 nominated Senator Pessoa as a candidate for the presidency. This insures the election of Pessoa, who is now in Paris.

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PORT COMMISSION MEMBERS NAMED

Legislators Accede to Wishes of Portland.

PERPETUAL TERMS OPPOSED

Personnel Is Representative of Varied Local Interests.

D. C. O'REILLY RE-ELECTED

Max Houser, Phil Metcalf Jr., J. D. Kenworthy, Andrew Porter and Frank Warren New Members.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 25.—(Special.)—The house tonight unanimously passed the bill providing for the new personnel of the Port of Portland commission as submitted by the Multnomah delegation and the amendment act will be sent to the senate the first thing in the morning for its concurrence.

Fifty-one representatives were present and voted for the bill. The port commission controversy had been before the legislature for several days, and Portland interests were particularly interested in the final result. A number of Portland men appeared before the Multnomah delegation, and impressed upon the legislators the importance of the port body.

On motion of Senator Moser the delegation, by acclamation, selected the port commission as follows:

Max H. Houser, Drake C. O'Reilly, George H. Kelly, Phil Metcalf Jr., Andrew Porter, J. D. Kenworthy, Frank M. Warren.

Portland's Wishes Granted.
In the selection of these seven Portland business men, the Multnomah legislators acceded to the wishes of the business interests of Portland, which, since the Moser bill first made its appearance in the legislature last week, have been insisting that the personnel of this important commission be representative of the varied business interests of Portland.

Ex-Senate Senator Cobb and George S. Shepard appeared before the delegation and urged the selection of new members to the commission.

Mr. Cobb in particular pointed out that great possibilities lie before the Port of Portland and he predicted that a wise selection of members would redound to the credit of Oregon as well as the city of Portland. In view of the fact that the vote on the seven members was unanimous, it was decided that a drawing should determine the length of the terms of the members.

On motion of Representative Smith, slips of paper with the names of the seven members were placed in a hat, with the understanding that the first four to be drawn out would serve for two years and the remaining three for four years. Those whom the drawing decreed should serve until the next legislative session were George H. Kelly, Phil Metcalf Jr., J. D. Kenworthy and Frank M. Warren.

Others Serve Four Years.
The other three members are to serve for four years. In making this motion Representative Smith said that if the new commission should be unable to work in harmony, there would be an opportunity to gain a new majority on the commission by this method.

Representative Moore presented a proposed amendment to the Port of Portland bill which for a time threatened to disrupt the harmony which had been procured but a few minutes earlier, when he suggested that the district attorney of Multnomah county should serve as the legal advisor of the commission.

Both senators Banks and Moser insisted this might indicate that there was some solid foundation to the charges that they both aspired to be attorneys for the commission and Senator Moser declared he would not let the amendment be added to a bill bearing his name.

The delegation, however, voted against them, but so insistent were they in their demands for the withdrawal of the amendment, that the other members laid it aside in the interest of continued harmony.

Bill to Be Drawn Today.
It was suggested that a bill be drawn and presented tomorrow placing the legal work of the commission under the jurisdiction of the district attorney and this probably will be done.

In support of his proposal, Representative Moore said he had been informed that the Port of Portland commission last year paid out \$30,000 for legal services. This was characterized by various members as gross extravagance, but they predicted that the new commission as selected tonight would make a sweeping change in such conditions.

The bill was amended tonight by the delegation to conform to the new personnel, and it will be presented to the house the first thing tomorrow morning. It then will be transmitted to the senate for concurrence in the house amendments.

Definite Action Delayed.
All day members of the Multnomah delegation were struggling with the proposed personnel of the Port of Portland commission. At noon they were in a mood to proceed and act on

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