



REPUBLICANS PLAN FOR NEXT SENATE

Organization Programme Agreement Reached.

COMING FIGHT IS DEFERRED

Progressive Group Opposes Penrose and Warren.

43 ATTEND CONFERENCE

Senator Cummins of Iowa Selected President of Senate Pro Tem. Without Any Opposition.

WASHINGTON, May 14.—Republican senators in conference today agreed unanimously upon a programme for organization of the next senate, but deferred discussion of the opposition by the progressive group to the election of Senators Penrose of Pennsylvania and Warren of Wyoming, as chairman of the finance and appropriations committee, respectively.

Senator Cummins of Iowa, upon motion of Senator Borah of Idaho, spokesman of the progressive group, was chosen for president pro tem. of the senate without opposition. Senator Lodge of Massachusetts was re-elected majority floor leader. Senator Curtis of Kansas was re-elected whip and Senator Wadsworth of New York, conference secretary. George A. Sanderson of Chicago was chosen for secretary of the senate and David Barry, a Providence, R. I. newspaper man, for sergeant-at-arms.

Lodge to Name Committee. All committee assignments were left to a committee on committees which Senator Lodge was authorized to appoint and of which Senator Brandegee of Connecticut, of the regular group, will be chairman. The committee will be named soon and another party conference will be held, probably next week, to receive the committee's report. The seniority rule, it is expected, will be followed closely by the committee, although some of the progressive group declared privately that they would carry their fight against Senators Penrose and Warren to the senate floor.

The conference also authorized Senator Lodge to appoint a committee on order of business, or legislative steering committee, of nine members with Senator McCumber of North Dakota as chairman, and Mr. Lodge as ex-officio member. A committee on patronage distribution, headed by Senator New of Indiana, also was ordered.

Dispute Not Mentioned. No indication of the fight against Senators Penrose and Warren developed in the conference, which was confined to the routine business of plans for organizing the senate. It was said that the factional dispute was not mentioned.

Seven members of the progressive group met in Senator Borah's office previously to the conference and agreed to nominate Senator Cummins for president pro tempore, after Senator Johnson of California had rejected a suggestion from a delegation of the so-called regulars that he become a candidate.

The contest over the selection of Senators Penrose and Warren to the committee chairmanship is expected to develop in the committee on committees at the next conference. Senator Borah declared today that he would not attend the conference unless it was open to the public and under an agreement that senators are not to be bound by a majority vote on committee assignments.

Some May Stay Away.

A few of the progressives, it was stated, plan to absent themselves from the committee conference, while others were reported to intend to vote against Senators Penrose and Warren in conference, but prepared to accept a majority vote of the conference. It was said that the progressives would nominate Senator Townsend of Michigan for chairman of the finance committee from the floor of the senate. Friends of Senator Penrose expressed confidence that he finally will head that committee, but there was said to be strong sentiment among regulars as well as the progressives for election of Senator Smoot to the appropriations committee chairmanship.

Power to Be Limited. Rules designed to limit power of senators who have seen long service were adopted. They provide that chairmen of the 10 most important committees shall be eligible for a place only on one other committee and that the personnel of committees shall be limited to 12.

Senator Lodge was authorized by the conference to notify democratic leaders that pairs between republican and democratic senators would not be recognized on votes for organization purposes. Republican senators also were instructed to send a similar notice to the democratic senators paired with them. Republican leaders said the effect would be that all members of the senate would be required to be present (Concluded on Page 4, Column 2.)

174 SHIP CONTRACTS MAY RETURN TO COAST

FOUNDATION COMPANY OFFICIAL MAKES NO COMMENT.

Portland and Tacoma Steel Shipyards Expected to Get Back Work for France.

SEATTLE, Wash., May 14.—(Special.)—That the Foundation company will be able to bring back to Portland and Tacoma the gigantic \$200,000,000 order for 174 steel ships which it holds from the French government, bombed up today as one of the immediate probabilities in the coast shipbuilding industry as a result of the lifting of the ban on foreign contracts by President Woodrow Wilson.

All work has been stopped on the large steel shipyard which the Foundation company began building two months ago in Cettim, France. Construction of this plant was decided on when the United States Shipping board refused to allow the Foundation company to build the 174 ships in its Tacoma and Portland yards. Work that was on the new plant has been stopped completely was received in Seattle today from the east. Bayly Hopkins, general manager of the Foundation company on the Pacific coast, refused point blank to be drawn into any comment on the probable return of the ship contracts. "Pending word from our head offices in New York City," he said, "I have absolutely nothing to say."

From eastern sources it is learned that the Foundation company undoubtedly will reopen negotiations with the shipping board if it has not already taken that step. In this case, it is pointed out there are no insuperable difficulties in the way, the French high commission and the Foundation company having their headquarters in New York.

ALLIES ROILED AT HUNS

Rantanzu Throws Cigarette Amidst Group of Officers.

LONDON, May 14.—(Special.)—A dispatch from the Daily News correspondent, John Bell, at Paris, says: "I am assured by good authority that President Wilson was greatly surprised at the chief German delegate's attitude and tone at the great ceremony at Versailles."

"Another offense in the French eyes in that Count von Brockdorff-Rantanzu came to the Brianton Palace hotel smoking a cigarette, which he threw into a group of allied officers before ascending the steps."

"A further point is that a paper cutter placed on the table in front of him would not be broken after he had left. One chronicler also suggests that he did not show the necessary respect for the treaty after it had been handed to him, otherwise why should he have covered it with his gloves?"

RELIEF FUND IS LARGEST

Committee Votes \$3,600,000 for Mercy Work in Near East.

NEW YORK, May 14.—The largest sum ever appropriated for relief in the near east—\$3,600,000—was voted here today by the executive committee of the American committee for Armenian and Syrian relief at a luncheon given by Cleveland H. Dodge, the treasurer, at which notable men, including Ambassador Elihu, Dr. John H. Finley and others, told of the widespread desolation and misery throughout Asia Minor.

One million dollars of the amount will be spent for clothing and supplies. In addition the following allotments were made: Persia, \$500,000; the Caucasus, \$825,000; Beirut, Oufra and Maridin, \$300,000; Aleppo, \$100,000, and Constantinople, \$650,000. The balance of the sum, \$225,000, will be held for emergencies.

WHALE SLOWS UP CRUISER

Mammal Impaled on Bow Ram to Be Sold by Crew.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 14.—Speed of the protected cruiser Marblehead, steaming here from San Diego for participation in navy day next Tuesday, was mysteriously impeded last night off Pigeon Point. Investigation by searchlight discovered a 50-foot whale impaled on the cruiser's bow ram.

GIRL SLAYER COMMITTED

Ruth Garrison to Enter Insane Ward at Penitentiary.

SEATTLE, May 14.—Miss Ruth Garrison, 18-year-old Seattle girl, recently acquitted of the charge of murdering Mrs. Grace Glatz Storrs, her rival in love, today was committed by Superior Judge John S. Jurey to the insane ward of the state penitentiary at Walla Walla.

OPERATION HALTS VESSEL

Liner Stops in Mid Ocean to Permit Operation on Soldier.

FOGH WILL ACT IF HUNS REJECT PACT

Allies Determined to Enforce Peace Treaty.

GENERALISSIMO ON RHINE

Committee Named to Answer German Object.

BOCHES SEND CARE NOTES

One Communication Alleges That Economic Terms Will Mean Ruin if They Are Enforced.

PARIS, May 14.—(By The Associated Press.)—Immediate measures tending to the further subjugation of Germany if its delegates refuse to sign the peace treaty were indicated today by the announcement that Marshal Foch had been sent to the Rhine by the council of four to take such action as may become necessary in the event that the treaty is not signed.

The council of four today considered the immediate reimposing of the blockade against Germany in case that country declines to sign the peace treaty. The subject was under discussion at two separate meetings of the council.

In the other hand, it is anticipated that the blockade will be entirely lifted immediately if the German delegates affix their signatures to the treaty.

The council of four of the peace conference appointed this afternoon a subcommittee comprising one member from each of the five great powers (Great Britain, France, Italy, the United States and Japan) to deal with objections and proposals from the German peace plenipotentiaries.

Three new notes have been submitted to the allies by Count von Brockdorff-Rantanzu. These have been referred by the council of four to special committees. The report of the committee on the German note regarding changes in the labor convention has been approved and sent to the Germans. Close scrutiny of the treaty revealed several omissions. The council corrected one of these by deciding to insert a clause providing for the withdrawal of representation on the reparations commission on a 12 months' notice.

The answers of the council of four to the German notes on prisoners of war (Concluded on Page 2, Column 3.)

PRESS TELLS DANGER OF REJECTING PEACE

MANY GERMANS RECONCILED TO ALLIED PROGRAMME.

Situation Held No More Desperate Than That of Carthage Following Punic Wars.

COBLENZ, May 12.—(By The Associated Press.)—The American military authorities are permitting a certain amount of comment on the peace terms by the newspapers in the area of occupation. The Volks Zeitung of Coblenz, after dwelling upon the severity of the terms, says: "And yet the dangers of rejecting the terms should not be underestimated. Our situation is no more desperate than that of Carthage at the end of the second Punic war. The inhabitants of Carthage were stripped of everything which so far as could be foreseen would be of the slightest value to them in recovering their strength. Nevertheless the city found means to rebuild its power."

In the first days after the publication of the peace terms, a majority of the Germans here were inclined to take the attitude that the conditions were utterly impossible. They now have had time for reflection and reports from intelligence officers to army headquarters say many civilians are changing their point of view and are taking into consideration what would happen if the German government refuses to accept the allied conditions.

HAWLEY FALLS 150 FEET

Oregon Man Not Unnerved by Maneuvers of Aircraft.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, May 14.—Falling 150 feet in the air, a record fall at Bolling Field without fatal results, meant nothing at all to Representative Hawley yesterday afternoon. It was not until today noon that he discovered that all the officers of the field were unnerved by the near-tragedy and that Colonel Harris went home early to recover from the shock.

Representatives Hawley, Timberlake of Colorado, and Pratt of New York were in the plane, a Martin bomber, when a break came in the crest of an air wave and the machine started to fall. Only the coolness and experience of the pilot prevented a disaster, because the plane was then up 500 feet.

BREAD PRICE TAKES DROP

Loaves Now to Retail for Ten Cents Because of Competition.

The price of bread in Portland, which was increased to 11 cents retail a loaf several days ago, returned yesterday to 10 cents, according to an announcement by the Hayes-Feister Baking company. The reason for the drop in price was given as competition.

Under the revision the wholesale price of bread will return to 8 cents instead of 9. The new prices became effective yesterday and are general as far as could be ascertained. (Concluded on Page 4, Column 1.)

U. S. PLANES POISED FOR ATLANTIC DASH

Two Machines Expected to Start Today.

THIRD PLANE AT HALIFAX

NC-4 and Navy Dirigible May Join in Ocean Flight.

BLIMP HURRIES TO GOAL

Huge Power Balloon Speeds Over Halifax Toward Trepassy, But Plane NC-4 Stops for "Rest."

WASHINGTON, May 14.—Weather conditions predicted for the next 24 hours over the proposed route from Trepassy bay to the Azores were reported at the navy department late tonight as "less encouraging." This was not interpreted by officers, however, as precluding in any way a decision by Commander Towers to postpone the departure of the planes.

HALIFAX, N. S., May 14.—The United States navy dirigible C-5 passed over Halifax on her way to Newfoundland at 5:50 P. M.

When the C-5 passed over Halifax harbor it was traveling at high speed. From points of vantage the balloon was plainly visible to many people in the city. It did not appear to be more than 500 feet above the water. If the blimp keeps up the same speed, experts here estimated that it will reach the Newfoundland coast about 2 o'clock tomorrow.

HALIFAX, May 14.—The hydro-airplane NC-4, third of the American naval planes to alight in the harbor here on its way to Newfoundland for the start of a flight to the Azores and thence to England, arrived today from Chatham, Mass., after a speedy trip. Flavored by a brisk south wind, the seaplane covered the 340 miles in 3 hours 51 minutes and came down to the water here at 2:05 P. M.

Early Start Planned. Lieutenant-Commander Albert C. Read plans to start at dawn for Trepassy, N. F., to join the NC-1 and the NC-2. WASHINGTON, May 14.—The American naval seaplanes NC-1 and NC-3 probably will be in flight before sundown tomorrow in the first attempt to cross the Atlantic ocean through the air. Official reports to the navy department late today from Trepassy (Concluded on Page 4, Column 1.)

STATE FUNDS HIDDEN IN FEAR OF ROBBERS

ALL CURRENCY AND SECURITIES REMOVED FROM VAULTS.

Tip Received From Portland Detective Causes Treasurer to Place Valuables in Hiding.

SALEM, Or., May 14.—(Special.)—Acting on information furnished by Portland police detectives, State Treasurer Hoff has removed all currency and negotiable securities from the vaults of the state treasury department, and has placed them in a secret hiding place somewhere in Salem. This hiding place is known only to Joseph G. Richardson, chief deputy, who personally supervised the transfer of the money and bonds from the capitol safe and vaults.

The state treasurer was warned by the Portland detectives that a holdup of the treasurer's office might be expected some day this week. The source of this information was not revealed, but rather than take a chance with safecrackers during the present crime wave which is sweeping the country he decided to remove all negotiable securities to some secret place.

During the past two days more than \$2,000,000 in negotiable securities, including bonds, gold and currency, has been removed from the treasurer's vault, and bank robbers, should they attempt holding up the state office, would make a disappointing haul, according to Mr. Richardson. "Although we do not admit that this Portland tip is at all authoritative, at the same time we feel that it is a wise plan to play absolutely safe," said Mr. Richardson. "It is much safer and cheaper in the long run to place all of our negotiable securities in hiding until the present crime wave has run its course than to hire extra guards to watch the office both day and night."

The night watchman has been instructed to keep a close watch for all suspicious-looking persons who might be loitering about the building at night. The building is locked up after 7 o'clock P. M., and no persons except state officials are allowed in the building after that hour.

ONE-MAN JURY IS SUCCESS

Damage Case in Seattle Justice Court Establishes Record.

SEATTLE, Wash., May 14.—A one-man jury today heard a damage case in a local justice court, received his instructions from the court, retired to deliberate, returned its verdict in favor of the plaintiff and was discharged. The case was brought by J. L. Evans against the Puget Sound Traction, Light & Power company, for \$48.12 damages, which he said he suffered last March when a street car ran into his truck.

When the case was called constables were sent out to gather in the usual venire. Only two persons were found and one was excused. When both the defense and the prosecution accepted the jury, the case proceeded.

EASIER CREDITS BIG NEED

Industries of U. S. and European Nations Must Recoup.

ST. LOUIS, May 14.—American bankers must extend credit to business concerns of the country at a lower rate of interest to stimulate industrial activity, United States Senator Robert L. Owen, chairman of the senate committee on banking and currency, declared here today in addressing the Missouri Bankers' association.

Senator Owen also recommended the purchase of European government bonds by American investors as a means of building up international trade relations.

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PAROLED MEN ARE NOW GOOD CITIZENS

200 Violators of Law Are Industrious and Thrifty.

JOE KELLER HOLDS RECEPTION

Monthly Reports Are Made in Person Under New System.

70 PER CENT MAKING GOOD

All Day Long Well-Dressed Men Call Upon State Official and Tell of Present Prosperity.

Two hundred men who dress well, who work every day, and even overtime, who have bank accounts and are buying homes in many instances, would form a nucleus for a model small town—with every citizen possessed of the virtues of industry and thrift.

Joe Keller thinks so. As state parole officer he is somewhat of an authority on the fiber of men. And yesterday, in a big room on the seventh floor of the courthouse, he talked to 200 such men. Many of them in an ordinary crowd of citizens and you couldn't pick them out again.

Yet each of the men to whom Keller talked was once an inmate of the "big house" at Salem, otherwise the state penitentiary. Their aggregate records would furnish an almost complete catalogue of crime. Today they are on trial for their citizenship—men who have earned paroles from prison and who are striving to poke the past into the rubbish heap and begin all over again.

They come to Parole Officer Keller here in Portland, because the old method of making report by monthly letter is considered obsolete. It had its drawbacks. Hereafter, for paroled men in Portland, the visit to the parole officer will be made each month. Reports will be made in person, and the advice and aid that the men seek will be given to them first hand.

Most of the paroled men resident in this city are employed in the shipyards, though there is a scattering engaged in other occupations. The average earning good wages. The average monthly wage for 200 ex-prisoners last month was \$65. Roughly, a third of the number are employed on farms, with their board and lodging not evident in the returns made to Mr. Keller. Taking this fact into consideration, it is considered certain that the average monthly wage is not less than \$55 or \$60.

All day yesterday the throngs of callers came to confer with the parole officer. At times there were 40 or 50 in the room awaiting turn to make a report. They did not have the bearing of men who are alarmed or ill at ease. Friendly among themselves, they were equally so with their official mentor. When they spoke to him they called him "Joe."

Reason for New System Given.

"It's this way, about the new system," explained Keller. "The old method many couldn't express themselves in letters. They were men who had been cheated in the matter of education. I'm not saying how much that handicap may have had to do with their past errors. But when they are enabled to come in person with their reports, and their reports of progress, it brings them and the parole office closer together, and makes it possible for us to understand and give aid."

There was a caller before Joe Keller at the time. He listened abstractedly as he pulled at his coat. Then he yawned, rose, and interrupted. His eyes were clear and without shiftiness. He was well dressed. He was the sort of chap that looks like a first-rate fellow to go camping with.

"A quarter after two," he asked. "Well, so long. It's time I was back on shift. Give my regards to Mrs. Keller."

Former Train Robber Now Cook.

A few years ago the law hunted this man with loaded rifle. He was the desperate leader of a train hold-up in which bullets flew freely. Today he draws \$45 a week as a cook and is going "straight"—so straight that "coppers" and plain clothes men no longer concern him.

He wouldn't talk to the parole officer when the rest of the boys were there. He came in, glanced around, and went out. It was only when a list arrived in the calling list that he made his report. A chap so essentially modest that he couldn't talk before his old comrades of the "big house"—the same fellow who gambled his freedom and his life in a train robbery that is noted even in the exciting annals of such crime.

Another man, middle-aged, with graying hair and quiet features, wanted the parole officer to go out with him and look at a residence property. He has been out but a few months, employed in the shipyards, and has the game beaten to a frazzle—so much so that his savings will make a respectable first payment on the coveted house and lot.

In came another, now employed as a riveter in the yards. He calls himself a "gun man" after the slang of the (Concluded on Page 2, Column 2.)

MOTHER GOOSE UP TO DATE.

TOM, TOM WITH A LOADED GUN STOLE SOME GOIN AND AWAY HE RUN—

THE GOPPS WERE CALLED AND SOON GAVE CHASE AND TOM WAS PUT IN A QUIET PLACE