

CONGRESS HAS BIG PROBING JOB AHEAD

Inquiries on 14 Different Lines Demanded.

WILSON ACTS DENOUNCED

Impeachment Proceedings Against President Among Proposals to Go to Lawmakers.

THE OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Oct. 21.—A glowering array of investigations is in sight when congress gets together again, as the result of events of the last few months.

No less than 14 subjects of inquiry have developed during the summer, many of them entirely new. Some are investigations growing out of the revelations of other congressional inquiries. Here is a compilation of the various demands for investigations:

1. Representative Edmonds of Pennsylvania, republican member of the house merchant marine and fisheries committee, demands the impeachment of President Wilson for refusal to abrogate certain treaties as provided for in the Jones shipping act. Such proceedings if entered into would require the taking of extensive testimony before the judiciary committee of the house, and later the senate would be turned into an impeachment court with President Wilson on trial for alleged malfeasance in office.

2. Alleged outrages in United States marines in Haiti under the jurisdiction of Josephus Daniels, secretary of the navy covering five years of American occupation of the island, have brought from Senator Harding, republican presidential candidate, a demand for a congressional investigation. The scope of these alleged outrages is regarded as formidable in view of the fact that the charges were advanced by Major-General Barnett, former marine corps commandant, in a report to the department. Secretary Daniels has denied the charges, and also has suggested an investigation, which he would conduct within the navy department.

3. Senator Ellison D. Smith, (S. C.) democrat, in a report aimed at Secretary Houston of the treasury department and members of the federal reserve board, virtually has demanded an investigation of their offices because of the refusal of the treasury to help finance the cotton crop. Similar criticisms of the treasury and federal reserve board also have been offered by farmers' organizations representing not only cotton but wheat, corn and most of the other staples.

4. Alleged failure of the prohibition commission to adequately enforce the provisions of the Volstead prohibition law has subjected Commissioner Kramer to a scathing criticism from both sides of the liquor issue. Several requests for congressional investigation of the office have been made.

5. Bitter criticism has been directed against the shipping board for alleged failure properly to administer the shipping law involving the handling of \$3,000,000,000 which congress appropriated for the rebuilding of the American merchant marine.

6. Sales of surplus army supplies from the office of the quartermaster-general which have been in progress through the summer in many sections of the country, are alleged to have been a failure to the government, resulting in losses of huge proportions. This has been the subject of inquiry by the special committee on war expenditures which proposes to continue the investigation examining the more recent transactions of the war department.

7. The department of justice has been the target for many charges in the last few weeks, involving not only the conduct of its prosecution of coal profiteers, but its prosecution of the high cost of living, November 1, on the grounds that living costs have come down and that it is out of money to continue the program. Republicans are charged that this propaganda is charged because the election is near, and it no longer serves a political purpose. Many demands have been made of this situation have been made.

8. Governor Allen of Kansas has demanded an investigation of alleged manipulation of prices in the Chicago grain market, to which President Wilson has agreed. Before this inquiry is closed congress is expected to take a hand.

9. Charges have been made by Representative Julius Kahn, (Cal.) chairman of the house military affairs committee, that Newton D. Baker, secretary of war, has ignored the plain provisions of the army reorganization act; that he has arranged for the general staff to administer the purchase of supplies, rather than have this done by the assistant secretary of war, as the law provides. Mr. Kahn has prepared a resolution of investigation to be introduced when congress meets.

10. During the summer the long-standing feud between the department of labor and the department of justice over the deportation of undesirable aliens broke out afresh; also charges have been made that aliens subject to deportation, including an ambassador to this country, have been permitted to remain and carry on red propaganda instead of being sent back to their native land. An investigation is assured when congress meets.

11. Criticism of the bureau of war risk insurance, which has been the unflinching object of congressional suspicion and investigation since its organization during the world war, has been revived. It is said now that the bureau is failing to give proper attention to the rehabilitation of soldiers after their discharge from army hospitals. Also it is hinted that the bureau, which has been reorganized many times since the war, needs to be reorganized again. Congress, it is expected, will make further inquiries.

12. New sources of friction between congress and the postmaster-general developed during the summer, and several members of congress have served notice that they will ask an investigation. The alleged awarding of aerial mail contracts at figures in excess of the amount permitted by the terms of the postoffice appropriation act is one subject calling for inquiry. Representative Madden of Illinois has threatened to start an investigation.

13. Widespread dissatisfaction over the administration of the civil service retirement law developed in the summer, and members of congress made several special trips to Wash-

ington in order to prevent employes from being dismissed by alleged arbitrary rulings of department heads. The postmaster-general came in for the greater share of these protests. Other indictments of the federal service are expected within the next few weeks.

CAR FAILS, ROBBERS FLEE

One Killed, Four Captured and Bank's \$50,000 Recovered.

CLEVELAND, O., Oct. 21.—One outlaw was killed, two others seriously wounded and William Petre, bank clerk, was probably fatally wounded today, when three robbers held up the Cleveland Trust company branch bank at Bedford, 10 miles from here. Four of the outlaws were captured, the others escaping. They obtained no money. The dead robber was the driver of the automobile used by the gang. The robbers entered the bank with drawn revolvers and ordered the employes to hold up their hands. Look all the money in sight, said to amount to \$50,000, and dashed for the door. A bank clerk sounded an alarm and a fusillade of shots followed. The robbers' automobile stalled and they abandoned the car and the stolen money, five of them escaping in a second car.

WALTER EVANS SPEAKER

Schoolhouse at Oak Grove Is Packed for Political Talks.

OREGON CITY, Or., Oct. 21.—(Special.)—One hundred and fifty people packed the schoolhouse at Oak Grove Wednesday night to hear Walter H. Evans, district attorney of Multnomah county deliver a spirited address on the issues of the campaign. David E. Loggren, president, and brief talks were made by Lily Stimp, republican nominee for district attorney; H. E. Cross, republican candidate for county judge, and County Judge Anderson, who talked in favor of the Willamette river bridge bonds. County candidates went to Beaver Creek Thursday night, where Charles E. Spence talked for the bridge bonds. The body, however, favored restricting the powers of the board of county appeals to prevent authorization of any deviation from the building code affecting the structural strength of buildings or other structures. Findings of the committee were referred to the chamber of commerce. O. M. Ash will address the Oregon chapter on the subject "Crystalline Structure of Steel as Shown by the Microscope" at a meeting to hold the evening of October 27.

ENGINEERS FAVOR APPEAL

Proposed Changes in Building Code Approved.

The Oregon chapter of the American Association of Engineers passed a resolution favoring the board of appeals as provided in proposed changes in the building code of this city, following an investigation made by a committee of the association. The body, however, favored restricting the powers of the board of county appeals to prevent authorization of any deviation from the building code affecting the structural strength of buildings or other structures. Findings of the committee were referred to the chamber of commerce. O. M. Ash will address the Oregon chapter on the subject "Crystalline Structure of Steel as Shown by the Microscope" at a meeting to hold the evening of October 27.

SEATTLE'S VOTE 119,754

Total Registration, Minus Duplications, Is Announced.

SEATTLE, Wash., Oct. 21.—(Special.)—Seattle's total registration for the general election November 2 is 119,754, completion of the check on the recent election enrollment shows. Altogether, 476 duplications were discovered, zealous electors entering their names on the poll books several times to make sure they would have a vote next month. With duplications eliminated, the total is nearly 20,000 greater than Seattle ever had before.

The registration office in the county building is still busy making transfers, as high as 200 voters being recorded at new addresses in one day.

CHINA NEAR DESPERATION

Dried Roots of Violet Plants Reported Used for Fuel.

SEATTLE, Wash., Oct. 21.—(Special.)—The roots of violet plants are being used for fuel, so desperate is the fuel situation in China, according to E. F. Benson, manager of immigration and industry of the Northern Pacific railway, who recently returned from the orient. The smallest twigs of other kinds also are gathered and bring a cent a pound, a large price in that country, where Washington's stumps, considered a pest here, would be regarded as a blessing from heaven. One may see in Hongkong streets merchants selling the roots of violets and similar plants which have been dug up and dried for fuel.

POISON GIVEN ACTRESS

Peggy O'Neill Declares Candy Caused Recent Illness.

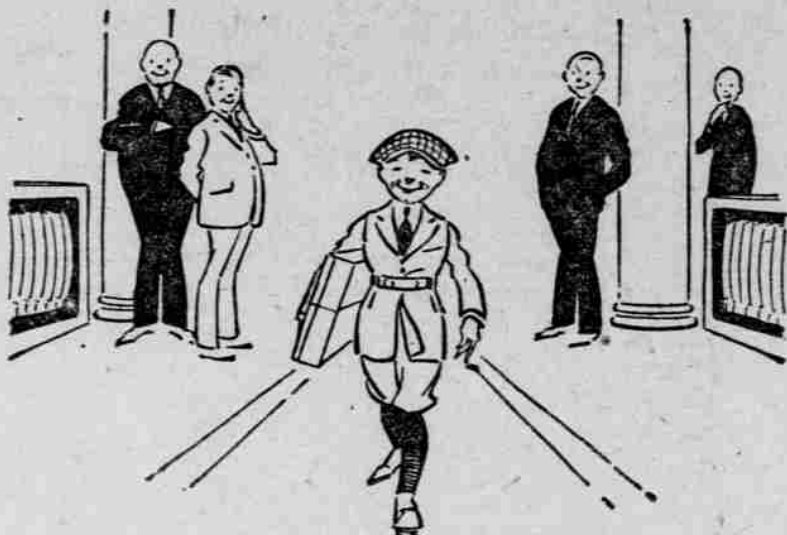
LONDON, Oct. 21.—Peggy O'Neill, the actress who about a month ago was taken suddenly ill during a performance at the Savoy theater, has returned to her place in the east and declares her illness was due to an attempt to poison her. She says a box of chocolates was sent to her dressing room anonymously. She ate some of the candy and was soon taken seriously ill. One chocolate was given to a pet dog which died. An analysis showed the candy contained arsenic and strychnine.

Conservative Custodian Chats

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Dead Men Tell No Tales

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Second Week!

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Last Day Today!

Your last chance to see this tremendous drama of the Barbary Coast and the most marvelous acting ever seen on stage or screen.

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Did You Know?—

—that Lon Chaney as "Blizzard" plays through this entire picture the part of a legless cripple? —that Lon Chaney has as fine a pair of legs as any man could wish for?

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—have it on your table every day. It's good for you—good for your children!

PEOPLES

A seething turmoil of scandal involving personages on the loftiest eminence of titled English society.



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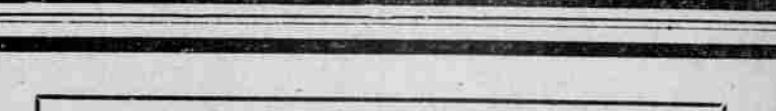
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The story of a woman's intimate life—and love, played by a notable cast.

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