

TARIFF MEASURE BELIEVED DEFEATED

Committee's Action May Mean Death of Bill.

ADVOCATES LOSE HEART

Opponents Express Self as Confident Proposal Will Never Become Law.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.—Stumbling blocks which the Fordney emergency tariff bill has encountered since reaching the senate continued today to arise. The chief of these appeared in the decision of the senate finance committee in a stormy executive session to hold hearings on the bill. Advocates of the tariff measure believed, and opponents hoped, the committee's action would mean the death of the bill. The bill either to be killed in conference or filibustered to death on the senate floor. The projected hearings will begin Thursday and will be followed also by decision of the committee today, by hearings on the tariff bill.

The finance committee meeting today was the first one which Senator Penrose, its chairman, had presided in more than 12 months. An attempt by Senator Simmons, Democrat of North Carolina, to postpone action indefinitely on the tariff bill developed the first clash. The motion lost, however, by two democrats, Senators Nugent of Idaho, and Jones of New Mexico, joining the republicans.

The question of holding open hearings, committee members reported, brought on a second vote and exchanges in which "sharp words" were used. The motion to open the hearings was made by Senator Cherry, Democrat of Rhode Island, and it was given support by all democratic members in addition to Chairman Penrose, who was joined by another republican, Calder of New York. Senator Penrose, after the meeting, issued a statement in which he said both the tariff and the tariff measure "undoubtedly would be reported to the senate." He declined, however, to offer a prediction as to what action would be taken in the senate but opponents of the tariff bill were confident it would never become a law.

One of the first of many expected efforts to change rates carried into the house bill was indicated in the presentation in the senate by Senator Spencer, Republican of Missouri, of a substitute for house tariffs on zinc and zinc products. The substitute would place import duties of 14c a pound on zinc, 10c on zinc oxide, 25 per cent of metal; 2 cents per pound on ores containing more than 25 per cent zinc; 5 cents on zinc in blocks, pigs or other bulky forms and 2 1/2 cents on zinc sheets.

YOUTH BOBS FOR GIRL

TACOMAN ADMITS 20 ROBBERIES NETTING \$2000 LOOT.

Perfumes, Toilet Sets, Manicuring Sets, Handkerchiefs Given Sweetheart as Gifts.

TACOMA, Wash., Jan. 4.—(Special.)—A Seattle girl was uprooted in Cyril Prevost's mind while he was helping his two pals rob at least 20 different places in Tacoma in the last two months, obtaining more than \$2000 worth of loot.

Prevost, 21 years old, told the police today that this girl, his sweetheart, received many articles he had stolen from drug stores and other places. Handkerchiefs, toilet sets, manicuring sets, perfumes and other accessories of the dressing table were stolen by Prevost merely to become gifts to his sweetheart, he said. A large amount of the loot still missing is believed to be cached in Seattle, the police said. Perhaps Prevost's sweetheart knows where this plunder is, and the police will attempt to trace it through her. For the present, the authorities refused to divulge the girl's name.

Royand Bordeaux, 19, and Joe Lecavall, 25, were alleged to be the other two crime partners of Prevost. All have police records. Lecavall being known to the police of almost every large city west of the Mississippi.

Tacoma police said the three young rascals have committed dozens of robberies they have committed during the last two months include drug stores, meat markets, the Royal Ice Cream company, grocery stores and even a dentist's office. A pass key was used to gain entrance into these places, the men confessed.

EAST OREGON GETS FUNDS

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so that the county can spend its money on grading the road this spring. Gilliam county has \$50,000 bonds for this work and desired action. The survey was ordered. Wheeler county offered to go 50-50 on grading the road. The commission in March and work will start in April if possible. Grant county's representative asked the commission to grade the John Day highway from Mount Vernon to a point beyond Dayville, the end of a present contract, but offered no help, explaining that the county is without funds. Grant county has bonded to the old 2 per cent limit and the commissioners reminded the delegation that it can now bond to 6 per cent.

Representatives from Washington, Columbia and Clatsop county asked the commission to designate as a state road the so-called "inside loop." This the commission declined to do. The delegation next said that if the commission would make the survey of the counties, the state would grade at their own expense and some day the state might take the road over. Chairman Booth suggested that the quickest way to get the road graded was for the three counties to designate the route as a market road, then apply their funds on it. As a market road project, the counties can get the highway department for a survey and by applying their market road funds on the route it can be developed within a few years. The commission explained that there are many sections not so well provided with roads as the county embraced in the proposed "inside loop" and which are already on the state highway map.

Offer Made to Linn.

If Linn county sells its bonds and thus raises funds to grade the Pacific highway from Tangent to Harborsburg, the highway commission will advertise for bids to pave between

THOROUGHbred HUSBANDS JUDGED AT SOCIAL EXHIBIT

Curtis Bailey Takes First Prize for Good Looks and Joseph A. Hill Roms Away With Character Award.

PORTLAND'S thoroughbred husbands were exhibited, judged and their merits rewarded fittingly at the "First Annual Bench Show" held at the home of Mrs. George T. Gerlinger, on Thurman street, last night.

The rules stated that "only those possessing something especially fine in the husband line would be permitted to compete."

Cups were given as first prizes and ribbons as second prizes. Awards were made by Leland Smith, chairman of the board of judges, as follows: For good looks, Curtis Bailey, cup; Charles Cheney, ribbon. Character, Joseph A. Hill, cup; Donald Spencer, ribbon. Disposition, Wilson Clark, first, and half dozen others, consolation prizes. Most becoming haberdashery, Dr. J. Bilderback and Dr. Otis B. Wright. Most elevated (tallest), Fred Morry, who stood on a chair and won over Dr. A. E. Rocky who stood on the floor. Most fine points (thinnest) W. L. Thompson, cup; C. F. Swigert, ribbon; Best all-round husband, Carlton Swift, cup; John Pipes, ribbon. Most entertaining husbands, Frank Riley and J. C. Monteth.

Before the show Frank Branch Riley showed some beautiful new pictures of Oregon scenery and gave an entertaining talk, eloquent with touches of wit and humor.

John Claire Monteth sang a group

Tangent and Albany, was the promise given the Linn county delegation.

Defence county wants the Dalles-California highway built from Madras north. It is now under contract from Madras south. The county has \$35,000 for the Madras-Gateway section, and a similar sum for the Gateway-Trout Creek section. These bonds have been advertised for sale January 15. They are 6 per cent securities, which must sell at par. No action was taken in the matter by the commission.

Deschutes county has graded from Bend to Milligan, but has no money for culverts so the state grade can be used. As to state help on the Sisters-Redmond and Sisters-Bend roads, the commission promised nothing until after the legislature meets. An agreement, however, was made to expedite construction of the Redmond-Prineville road and as soon as the money is ready, advertisement will be ordered for the 15 miles east of Prineville toward Mitchell. Owing to a financial stringency in Crook county, the county clerk asked that the work be started at the earliest possible date so \$40,000 of county money can be used.

Sherman Funds Available.

Sherman county offered \$250,000 for a north and south road through the county, on a 50-50 basis for grading and grading, unit 1, grading 9 miles; unit 2, grading 10.22 miles, Copeland road, for both sections, \$222,070. Curry county, coast highway, Port-Orford-Hubbard creek, grading 1.6 miles. J. R. Hill, \$23,029.50.

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NAMES OF SLACKERS SOUGHT BY LEGION

Demand Made That List of Evaders Be Published.

NATIONAL LEADER ACTS

Telegram Sent Judiciary Committee Asking Action by Commander of Veteran Organization.

THE OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Jan. 4.—Names of all persons listed by the war department as slackers during the war are to be published eventually if not now. This action is said to be assured by the determined efforts of the American Legion to force the hand of the war department.

One plan is to have the judiciary committee of the house call Secretary of War Baker to tell why he has not published this list, which embraces the name of every man in every state who dodged his country's call in the crisis which ended with the armistice November 11, 1918. The secretary of war also would be called upon to divulge to the committee the names of names which might gain publicity in that way. The legion would not stop having the secretary of war called, but insists that Attorney-General Palmer likewise be summoned to explain why the department of justice has not been more active in bringing the slackers to book.

Telegram Is Sent.

In a telegram to Representative Voelcker, chairman of the house judiciary committee, today F. W. Galbraith Jr., national commander of the American Legion, says:

"I am informed that as chairman of the house judiciary committee, you are empowered to call before that committee the secretary of war and the attorney-general of the United States to ascertain the facts surrounding the mysterious official silence which invests the war slacker situation. I sincerely hope this will be done and that no means will be spared by your committee to bring to light the reasons which have actuated the war department or whatever branch of the government is responsible, in failing to publish the names of known slackers."

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