

REVENGE DELAYS CONGRESS IN TASK

McClintic in House Carries Personal Score Far.

LOST APPOINTMENT CAUSE

Several Proposals Tend to Increase Present Jam.

GRONNA BILL IS THORN

Terrible Rumpus Kicked Up in Lower Branch Over Failure to Take Up Packer Measure.

THE OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU

Washington, D. C., Feb. 14.—Congress, and especially the house, shows a disposition to try to get all of the appropriation bills out of the way before adjournment on March 4, as requested by President-elect Harding. But the prospects are that the usual jam will come in the end.

Several proposals are included in pending legislation which threaten to cause a tie-up in the rush hours near the close of this congress. In the house, a terrible rumpus has been kicked up over the failure of the house leaders to take up the Gronna bill for regulation of packers. The bill has been passed by the senate and a small number of representatives have threatened a filibuster if the legislation is not taken up in the house and passed.

Quorum Calls Take Time.

It is difficult to conduct a successful filibuster in the house, but with so many matters pending it is possible under the rules to keep the house busy most of the time answering quorum calls. The fact is that one-third of the time of the house is consumed by quorum calls forced by Representative McClintic, democrat of Oklahoma.

No question of national importance was involved in Mr. McClintic's conduct, but he demonstrated how far a man can go in squaring a personal score. Mr. McClintic's pique was the result of the failure of the democratic members of the house to elect him to the agricultural committee, which he said had been promised to him by his party colleagues in this session convened last December.

Revenge Taken on House.

He has been getting revenge on the whole house, republicans as well as democrats, and it is said he has consumed much of the time of the entire nation by halting the labors of its public servants. The late Oklahomaan has been forcing quorum calls ahead of the chaplain's prayer. By such methods the advocates of packers' legislation may close the house machinery at any minute. The \$100,000,000 appropriation for continuing federal aid to the states in highway construction this year. They are being encouraged by representatives of the automobile interests in all parts of the country to stand pat to the end and beat the road appropriation at any cost, even if necessary to block all other legislation to do it. Telegrams to this effect are coming from all parts of the country and are understood to be from backers of the Townsend road bill, which has the indorsement of the American Automobile Association.

Technical Evidence Cited.

Another question that is likely to cause delay is the proposal to construct a Pacific coast naval base at Alameda, in lower San Francisco bay, which is estimated to cost ultimately \$100,000,000. This is fought by friends of the Mare Island navy-yard, who cite technical evidence to show that by a relatively small expenditure a naval base can be treated at Mare Island and thereby utilize a plant already constructed.

The naval bill as it comes from the senate committee will probably carry an appropriation of \$5,500,000 to start work at Alameda, and some of the house leaders say that there will be no naval appropriations made at this congress if the senate insists on forcing the house to swallow such a provision.

There is much bitterness over this proposal for which the report of a joint congressional committee is responsible. In the contest other recommendations of the committee for aviation and destroyer bases in Puget sound and projects on the coast of southern California have become involved.

California Delegation Split.

The California delegation in congress is divided on the proposal. Some of the partisans of Mare Island have been making progress in their fight by spreading the word around that the Alameda proposal is nothing more than the beginning of a movement to concentrate all Pacific naval activities in the vicinity of San Francisco and that the balance of the west coast will do well to take heed.

Friends of the Puget sound naval projects recommended by the joint congressional committee do not know which way to jump. It is their private opinion that a base at Alameda not only means the scrapping of Mare Island, but also the reduction of Bremerton, but they are trying to

HOOVER CALLS ON LAND TO PRODUCE

SOLUTION TO PROBLEMS LIES IN PRODUCTION, IS VIEW.

Wastes Declared to Be Idleless, Labor Conflicts and Failure to Get Most Results.

SYRACUSE, N. Y., Feb. 14.—Continuous improvement in productivity is necessary for the advancement of civilization, national progress, better human relations and higher standards of living, Herbert Hoover declared today in an address before the convention of the American Engineering Council.

American industry, including agriculture, he said, is running from 30 to 40 per cent below capacity production.

Co-operation between industries and with labor and government was cited as a means for guaranteeing an increase. The speaker added there is no such thing as overproduction.

"The commodities or services produced by this nation," he continued, "are capable of absorption by the whole nation if they are of the right character."

"The absorption of increased productivity lies in the conversion of luxuries of today into necessities of tomorrow. Wheat bread, railroads, good roads, electricity, automobiles and movies were once luxuries. There is no limit to consumption except to the total capacity of production."

He said that wastes in American production were measured mainly in unemployment, lost time due to labor conflict, losses in labor turnover, failure to obtain maximum production of the individual, poor co-ordination of great industries and failures in transportation, coal and power supplies.

Stabilization and standardization of industrial output by agreement, eliminating overlapping efforts and seasonal activities were cited as means for bringing greater production. Utilization of natural resources for power was urged as an additional help.

"The spirit of co-operation," Mr. Hoover concluded, "has solved many things in this country since it began to be noticeable 30 years ago. Co-operation has standardized some things and is ripe for initiative toward co-operation of a widespread character. The leadership of our federal government in bringing together the forces is needed, but we do not believe it is necessary for the government actually to do the work. The first step is sane analysis of weakness and sober proposal of remedy. If you engineers can establish the facts to an intelligent people such as ours, action is certain, even if it is slow."

MAYOR AGAIN QUILTS JOB

Second Resignation of Red Lodge, Mont., Executive Announced.

HELENA, Mont., Feb. 14.—For the second time this month, President C. Hicox, mayor of Red Lodge, Mont., has resigned upon demand of Attorney-General Rankin, according to information received here today. Mr. Rankin said he would not ask dismissal of Hicox until he is sure that he cannot again become mayor of Red Lodge.

Hicox resigned upon demand of the attorney-general, who charged that he was lax in enforcement of prohibition laws. Later he was re-elected. John T. Flaherty has been chosen by the Red Lodge council to succeed him as mayor. It was said here today.

INVOCATION IN JARGON

Ministers All Gone, Legislator Substitutes With Song.

STATE HOUSE, Salem, Or., Feb. 14.—(Special.)—Joseph F. Singer, sergeant-at-arms in the house, who, among other duties is supposed to provide for a minister each day to give the invocation, was unable to find a minister today. As a result, J. D. Lee, representative of Multnomah county, substituted and gave the house a prayer sung in Indian jargon.

Mr. Lee is preparing a lecture on Indian customs which will include the old Indian war dances, prayers, songs and explanation of various Indian customs in vogue in Oregon, in years long ago.

OMAHA CHURCH NEUTRAL

Pastor Barred From Introducing Miss MacSwiney at Meeting.

OMAHA, Feb. 14.—Rev. Robert L. Wheeler, pastor of the Wheeler Memorial church, failed to introduce Miss Mary MacSwiney, sister of the late lord mayor of Cork, to an audience here yesterday, as had been planned, because of a resolution adopted by the governing board of his church. It was explained today.

The resolution said it was the "sense of this session that the pastor be forbidden to present Miss MacSwiney's name" at the public meeting at which she spoke.

PROBE OF PROBE ASKED

Representative Would Air War Investigators' Activities.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 14.—Chairman Johnson of a house war investigating committee replied today to Representative Flood's charges against two investigators who worked for the committee by introducing a resolution proposing a full investigation of the activities of the investigators.

Chairman Johnson said the report of the investigators dealt with certain alleged frauds in connection with war contracts in the Pittsburgh district.

SENATE TO VOTE NEW TARIFF BILL

Sullivan Says Measure Will Pass This Week.

DEMOCRATS CHANGING FRONT

Tax on Long Staple Cotton Makes Friend of Ashurst.

LOUISIANANS IN DOUBT

Some Bourbons Fear Many From Other States May Desert to Republican Protectionists.

BY MARK SULLIVAN

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WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 14.—(Special.)—The emergency tariff bill will pass the senate this week. A few democrats will vote for it. Ashurst of Arizona, apparently, has been seduced by inserting a tax on long staple cotton, some of which is grown in his state.

Probably two Louisiana senators will vote for it, because Louisiana is a protectionist state and the senators from that state are essentially republicans, although social and political conditions in their state cause them to avoid that label. There is also some apprehension among the democratic leaders that one or two more from other states may desert them.

Move to Platter Farmers.

Superficially the republicans will probably present a fairly united front in favor of the bill. Those western republican senators who are most prone to flout party discipline have in the present case the dominating opinion of favoring the farmers in their districts by voting for the bill.

It is the eastern republican senators that compose the leadership and are the solid rock of party discipline who, in the present case, have the greater temptation to break away.

Good Faith Doubted.

They would break away if they were acting in good faith and if they had the faintest idea that their votes would really make the bill a law. In fact on a roll call favoring protection for long staple cotton, the two republican senators from New Hampshire, Moses and Keyes, voted nay, and such republican senators as Knox of Pennsylvania and Dillingham of Vermont took an ambiguous refuge in answering "present."

The bill is purely agricultural and

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SCIENCE ALL WRONG; SAYS ZION'S LEADER

EARTH FLAT AND STATIONARY, DECLARES VOLIVA.

Sun Only 32 Miles in Diameter and Only 2000 Miles Away, Says John A. Dowle's Successor.

CHICAGO, Feb. 14.—(Special.)—Cosmos was all wrong. The earth is flat, the moon doesn't reflect the rays of the sun. All water is level. The moon has nothing at all to do with the tides. The sun is only 3000 miles away; it is only 32 miles in diameter. The earth doesn't rotate; instead, the sun travels around the earth.

You don't believe it? Well, it's true, because Wilbur Glens Voliva, overseer of Zion, says so. What is more, he offers \$1000 to any astronomer or scientist who can prove him wrong.

Voliva, it seems, has been conducting a bit of astronomical research on his own hook. The best proof, he says, that the world doesn't rotate is found in the fact that the waters in the rivers, lakes and seas are still with it. He claims that if the earth did turn upside down every 24 hours, all the water would spill out.

DOCTORS GIRL'S VICTIMS

Patient's Ruse Works and Physicians Lose Valuables.

CHICAGO, Ill., Feb. 14.—(Special.)—"Oh, doctor, you're hurting me." That is what Miss Bessie Alma Rota, who is known to the police as "The Tonsillitis Girl," told a dozen south side physicians the past few days as they leaned over her to treat her throat.

They would squint and wave their arms around the doctors as if in extreme pain. After their client had left the doctors would find their pockets picked and watches missing.

Eight pocketbooks and five watches belonging to the doctors who had treated the "tonsillitis girl" were recovered today by police in pawn shops.

SOCIALIST SCORES SOVIET

San Franciscan at London to Visit Colby on Return.

LONDON, Feb. 14.—M. Schwartz, an American socialist of San Francisco, who is returning from Russia, denouncing bolshevism, will sail for home Tuesday.

After visiting New York, he says he will go to Washington to see Secretary Colby.

FARES RAISED HALF CENT

Cincinnati Trolley Riders to Pay Nine Cents After March 1.

CINCINNATI, Feb. 14.—The Cincinnati Traction company today announced that the carfare would be advanced one-half cent to 9 cents on March 1.

The company is operated on the service-at-cost system.

LOST FLIER SIGHTED IN TRY AT LANDING

POSTMASTER AT PECOS, TEX., GIVES CLEW TO PEARSON.

Officers at San Antonio Believe Aviator Met Death in Mountains; Cowboys Searching Plains.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Feb. 14.—An aviator believed to have been Lieutenant Alexander Pearson Jr., transcontinental flier, who has been lost in west Texas since Thursday, was seen flying over the Davis mountains, 400 miles west of here that afternoon, according to a telegram received here tonight by Major H. C. Pratt, air service officer of the 8th corps area, from the postmaster at Pecos. The message said the aviator was circling over the hills, as if trying to land near Balmorhea.

Belief that Lieutenant Pearson met death on his attempted flight from El Paso to San Antonio was generally expressed by officers at headquarters. Airplanes and several parties of cowboys are in the searching parties.

His course has been traced beyond Saragosa in Reeves county and Fort Stockton, in Pecos county and at both places he was headed toward San Antonio.

Speculation now centers on whether Pearson, with his motor "missing" was able to get across the Pecos valley, which, divided by the Pecos river, flowing in a deep gorge, is flanked on either side by rocks and crags, presenting certain death to an aviator forced to seek a landing on its dangerous rocks. Beyond this strip of "bad land," lies the plains where he might have safely got his ship down without injury.

DIAL ALSO WILL FILE

South Carolina Senator Will Go to Department of Justice Over Bank Statements.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 14.—On charges of high crimes and misdemeanors, K. Landis, federal judge, of Chicago was impeached in the house today by Representative Welby, democrat, of Ohio, because of his acceptance of the office of supreme arbitrator of baseball while disregarding an opinion by Attorney-General Palmer that Judge Landis was within the law, and that there was no law making such acceptance a crime. The opinion was given recently by the attorney-general on request of Mr. Welby.

Before proceeding Mr. Welby refused a request by Senator Dial, democrat, South Carolina, to include in the general indictment statements attributed to the judge in refusing to send to jail a young Ottawa, Ill., bank clerk, because of the belief that bank officials were responsible for the clerk's pecuniary failure to pay him a living wage.

Dial to Tell Palmer.

Senator Dial then announced he would file complaint against Judge Landis with the department of justice. He characterized Judge Landis' statement that the bank clerk's employers were in a measure, responsible for the youth's theft of \$96,000 as "the most bolshevik doctrine I ever heard" and added that if the action taken in paroling the clerk amounted to encouragement of such acts as those of the clerk, it is striking at the foundations of our government.

"There were no communists when Mr. Welby concluded the reading of his indictment. On his own motion, as is customary, the indictment was referred to the judiciary committee. Less than a third of the members present voted and scattering 'noes' were heard. Representative Sherwood, democrat, Ohio, clapped his hands.

Welby to Act Next.

The next step will be by Mr. Welby, who will appear, possibly this week, before the judiciary committee with witnesses. The committee has the power to dismiss the charges and so report to the house and adoption of such a report would exonerate Judge Landis of the charges.

Belief was expressed in house circles that the case would be thrown out by the committee, in view of the opinion by the attorney-general. In that event, the end would come before adjournment March 4. Adjournment, however, would not stop proceedings should the committee find enough evidence to send the case to the house.

Senate is Trial Court.

The house is the grand jury, and the house indicts, it transmits its findings to the senate, which becomes the trial court. It requires only a majority vote for the house to indict, but a two-thirds vote by the senate to convict.

Chairman Volstead of the committee said that Mr. Welby probably would appear before the committee within a week. The retirement of the field marshal searching army has no bearing, the chairman explained. If the committee decides Mr. Welby has made out a prima facie case, Judge Landis will have the right to be heard.

In his statement Mr. Welby declared Judge Landis in his long service had done much good, but that if he wanted to retain confidence and respect as a judge "he must divorce himself from the flesh pots of illegal combinations." There were five specific charges, chief of which was he neglected his official duties for "unprofitable and unbecoming occupation not connected therewith."

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First—For neglecting his official duties for another profitable occupation not connected therewith.

Second—For using his office as district judge of the United States to settle disputes which might come into his court as provided by the laws of the United States.

Third—For lobbying before legislators to procure the passage of state laws to prevent gambling in baseball, instead of discharging his duties as district judge of the United States.

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LANDIS INDICTED ON HOUSE FLOOR

Baseball Job and Bench Said to Conflict.

PALMER SIDES WITH JUDGE

Charges Disregard Opinion Law Is Not Violated.

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PLOT TO OVERTHROW GOVERNMENTS BARED

RED BLOW AIMED AT ITALY, FRANCE AND SPAIN.

May 1 Date Set for Destruction of "Bourgeois" Regimes, According to Documents Seized.

PARIS, Feb. 14.—(By the Associated Press.)—The overthrow of the "bourgeois" governments of Spain, Italy and France is outlined in documents seized after a search today following the discovery of a widespread communist plot. The date fixed was May 1.

The contemplated arrest of two communist members of the chamber of deputies, alleged proof against whom has been delivered to M. Marraud, minister of the interior, seems to have brought the French to a realization of the importance of the plot.

Discoveries made by the police of Barcelona and Milan show that the plot included the three countries. Transmission of funds was effected through an American financial organization with headquarters in Paris and branches in Berlin and Vienna.

Soviets have been organized in France with Brest as headquarters according to the police, ready to take over railroads and all civil service. The plot appears to have been organized without the knowledge of M. Cachin, leader of the French communist party.

Discovery of checks emanating from Berlin and paid through an American transportation company, appears to have caused a revulsion of feeling in French political and official circles and also among the workmen's committee.

The French communist press, departing from its menacing attitude of the last few months, expresses surprise that repressive measures should come from Premier Briand, a former communist.

L'Humanite, the official organ of the French communists, appears to be upset by the arrest of its city editor, M. Dunois, a canceled check for 20,000 francs issued in his name at Berlin being held by the police.

MOST PERFECT GIRL WEDS

New Haven, Conn., Electrical Engineer Wins Prize.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Feb. 14.—Betsey Buell, adjudged by the Smithsonian institute in 1913 to be the most perfect American girl, was married today to Frank R. Valentine, an electrical engineer.

The distinction given Miss Buell was based upon ancestry and mental and physical qualifications.

SWEDISH CABINET QUILTS

Resignation Outgrowth of Rejection of Coffee Impost Bill.

STOCKHOLM, Feb. 14.—The Swedish cabinet has resigned as an outgrowth of the resignation last week of Finance Minister Tamm.

M. Tamm's resignation was due to the rejection by the parliament of the bill providing for an increase in the import duty of coffee.

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