

TENURE BILL WINS IN SENATE, 16-14

Majority Report Urging Defeat Is Rejected.

MEASURE IS COMPROMISE

Moser Says Majority in Multnomah Are Satisfied.

TEACHERS' JOBS SECURE

Entire School Board Must Agree on Dismissals; June Election to Add Two to Body.

STATE HOUSE, Salem, Or., Feb. 18.—(Special.)—Without extended argument on the part of the proponents of the measure, the senate, by a vote of 16 to 14, this afternoon approved on third reading the substitute teachers' tenure of office bill offered recently in the house by nine members of the Multnomah county delegation.

By the same vote the senate a few minutes previously rejected the majority report of the senate Multnomah county delegation recommending defeat of the bill, and substituted the minority report, urging that the measure should become a law.

The majority report, opposing passage of the measure, was signed by Senators Hume, Joseph, Gill and Farrell, while affixed to the minority report were the signatures of Senators Staples, Banks and Moser.

Measure Satisfactory—Moser. Senator Moser, in a brief argument in favor of the bill, said that the question of teachers' tenure legislation had been before the legislature during the greater part of the session, and that much valuable time had been consumed in discussion of the issue.

Entire Board Must Agree. "This bill is absolutely fair, and until the time of the regular school election, next June, it will require the entire membership of the school board to dismiss a teacher from her position."

Senator Hume, who signed the report adverse to the passage of the bill, said the measure was almost identical in its construction with the one that was introduced in the senate and defeated by a vote of 15 to 14.

What the girls said on the stand should be held to be more truthful than anything they said afterward," Judge O'Brien said.

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"Music is a closed chapter in my life," he told a group of newspaper men today. "I am afraid it is too late to get back my former mastery over the piano. You see, I am not a spring chicken any more and I have not played in nearly four years."

"Perhaps some day I shall compose, but art is now a secondary object in my life."

He said he would soon go to California to rest for three or four months before returning to Poland to resume active participation in political and social affairs. His mission in this country is almost entirely to rest, of which he has had none since sailing from America shortly after the signing of the armistice.

Poland's position today he described as "bad, very bad, and at the same time better than might be expected."

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LONDON, Feb. 18.—(By the Associated Press.)—The house of commons today defeated the amendment to the reply to the speech from the throne proposed by Horatio Bottomley, censuring the government's policy with regard to the treaty of Versailles. The vote was 181 to 49.

Premier Lloyd George in the house of commons declared that he stood by his pledge that Germany must pay to the limit of her capacity.

The prime minister was discussing the German reparations question in answering Horatio Bottomley's arraignment of the government's policy of alleged inaptitude in regard to forcing Germany to comply with the reparations demands, the provision for the trial of war criminals and other portions of the peace treaty.

Best Advice Declared Taken. The allies, continued the premier, had taken the best advice available and had summoned the ablest men to be found upon whose advice the present demands had been made, and the allies were carrying out the peace terms to the utmost of their power.

Germany, he pointed out, had delivered bonds to the allies, but the value of these bonds depended upon the value of the German security at the present moment. Raw materials, ships, property of other sort and coal also had been delivered, added the premier, and the question was what was their value.

The Germans argued, continued Mr. Lloyd George, that if the allies took the value of the raw material at the time it was delivered, the sum amounted to more than the 20,000,000,000 marks named in the peace treaty. The allies contended that the sum was less than this and the matter was one that the reparations commission was examining.

Problem Held Deep One. Even according to the allied accounts, he said, it was a matter of hundreds of millions of pounds sterling which had been delivered.

Mr. Lloyd George laid stress upon the difficulty of exacting an indemnity in another country and securing its payment here.

"You can easily collect in Germany any indemnity you impose, within reasonable limits, but how are you going to transfer it here? There is much loose thinking on this subject," he said.

"Indemnities can be paid in goods or service and that is why we introduced an export tax on Germany's outgoing goods. That means that everything she sends out in goods is gold, for she gets something for which there is a gold equivalent."

Germany Not Defeated. The premier said Mr. Bottomley had talked of sending some one to Germany to collect the indemnity, but whoever went would have to collect it in paper marks. Lloyd George pointed out, and it would take a shipload to pay his fare home.

"I don't want, in replying to members who use extravagant language, to be put in a position of appearing to defend the action of Germany," he continued, "because when I go into the conference, it will be my first duty to insist that Germany carry out essential parts of the treaty which to the present I think she has neglected."

"Who has not taxed herself to the limit of her capacity or to the level of the allies, although it was part of the treaty of Versailles that she do so. Her customs and excise are not adequate, even in comparison with France and Great Britain."

Impracticable Plans Rejected. "I do not want to enter the conference except in the spirit of doing my best to get from Germany the best that she is capable of paying, but I will not go there in the spirit of advancing proposals which upon the advice of the best experts we know to be utterly impracticable and would only raise false hopes in this country."

"Germany must do her best to appreciate the mark by balancing her budget, which now is ridiculous, namely, about one-fifth her expenditure. This is intolerable. It is not that Germany is too poor to meet the allied demands and we shall not be convinced she is until she has imposed upon her people the charges which we are entitled to expect she shall impose. I have a suspicion she is coming into court with rather ragged clothes in order to make a good case and reduce her monthly payments."

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It was spoken by Bruno Zirato, his secretary, and followed an official bulletin by the five attending physicians, in which the singer was declared to have shown a distinct improvement. To Episcopo Jr., who hastened to his father's bedside from the Indiana military school he is attending, was given credit for Caruso's "turn" for the better.

"I believe the turning point was reached when Caruso first saw his son," said Zirato, as he left the sick room to get the first bath and shave he has had for three days. "The boy's smile, coming at the psychological moment, inspired his father with a new will to live."

But Enrico did not have his father to himself. Gloria, 14 months old today, was taken into the singer's room and delighted her father with a new word she had added to her baby talk. It was "pretty." She kept repeating each time her eyes fell upon pink hangings in the room, and she eyed them frequently.

First a shave and then the first solid food the patient had eaten since the beginning of the heart attack which followed pleurisy—these were the chief entries on the sick room log today. After having enjoyed a small piece of chicken this afternoon, Caruso slept and on awakening asked for cereal. He ate a dish of oatmeal with evident relish.

There were several callers this afternoon, but none was admitted to the sick room. Fritz Kreisler was one.

"He'll come through—and with his voice, too," the violinist told Zirato. "We couldn't afford to lose him."

Madame Marcella Sembrich was another caller. Cables and telegrams continued to pour in from all parts of the world.

It was announced late today that no more official bulletins would be issued until 11 o'clock tomorrow, when another consultation will be held.

TARIFF WAR IS LOOMING Spain and France Are About to Adopt Stringent Methods.

MADRID, Feb. 18.—Another tariff war between Spain and France was foreseen in Spanish political circles today as a result of this government's insistence upon a partial payment of credits advanced to France by Spanish bankers.

Announcement was made that payment of an installment amounting to 35,000 pesetas will be made on Saturday and it was widely reported that France, owing to her inability to reach an agreement regarding a postponement of this payment, intends to adopt in reprisal a virtually prohibitive duty on Spanish wines.

BABES DASHED TO GROUND Russian Girl Who Escaped From Bolsheviks Thought Insane.

NEW YORK, Feb. 18.—A charge of tossing her two infant nephews out of a second-story window while their parents were sick, today was preferred against Celia Pargana, 29 years old, who came here six months ago from Russia.

The girl was arrested at the Fordham hospital, where she is suffering from a fracture of the skull received when she jumped out of the window after the boys, one of whom died.

Physicians expressed the belief that the girl was suffering from a form of insanity brought on by her experiences in escaping from the bolsheviks.

HELENA, MONT., GETS PARK Request of \$59,000 for Public Playground Announced.

ROCKFORD, Ill., Feb. 18.—Approximately \$59,000 was requested for a public park in Helena, Mont., by the joint will of the Misses Mary L. and Anna Beattie, sisters, disposing of a \$420,000 estate, filed today. The park would be a memorial to their brothers Alexander H. Edward W. and George D. Beattie, former residents of Helena.

Practically all of the remainder of the estate was left for charitable, educational and religious purposes in Illinois.

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PARIS, Feb. 18.—Major General Henry T. Allen's apology to Germany regarding the attempt by two alleged agents of the United States department of justice to arrest Grover C. Bergdoll, draft evader, at Eberbach in January, was made upon the general's own initiative and not ordered by Washington, says a Coblenz dispatch to the Paris edition of the Chicago Tribune.

The message quotes an unnamed authority for the statement. General Allen commands American troops in the Coblenz occupation area.

FAIR JURORS' ANKLES HID Box in Ohio Court Surrounded by Green Curtain.

SPRINGFIELD, O., Feb. 18.—In accordance with the promise he made to women jurors three weeks ago, Judge F. W. Geiger of the common pleas court had "ankle curtains" installed today.

The jury box is now surrounded by a green curtain.

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