

RAIDS ON RADICALS DECLARED OUTRAGE

Walsh Report Says Constitu- tion Is Ignored.

MR. PALMER IS SCORED

Publication of Charges Before Be- ing Acted on by Committee Causes Senate Debate.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 13.—A lengthy report by Senator Walsh, Democrat, Montana, scoring ex-Attorney-General Palmer for methods used in the department of justice in raids on alien radicals caused what was described as "acrimonious discussion" today before the senate judiciary committee.

Dissemination of Senator Walsh's report before it was considered or acted upon either by the sub-committee or the full committee investigating the charges against Mr. Palmer and other members of the committee, including Senator Sterling, republican, South Dakota, chairman of the sub-committee in charge of the inquiry.

The Walsh report was made public by the National Popular Government league, which preferred the original charges against Mr. Palmer. Senator Walsh said he assented to the circulation of the report as his confidential report, although not acted upon either by the sub-committee or the full committee.

Inquiry to Be Continued.

The Sterling sub-committee and the full judiciary committee, it was announced, would continue its inquiry into the charges against Mr. Palmer and consider a committee report later.

The statement of the National Popular Government league declared that Senator Sterling had failed to file any report and that Senator Walsh, "in apparent disgust," had secured the discharge of the sub-committee and appealed to the full committee. This was denied by Senator Sterling, who said the case still was before the sub-committee.

Senator Walsh's report assailed Mr. Palmer's orders for the "red raids" as "offensive tyranny" and an "unmitigated outrage" and declared the practice of breaking into individuals' homes without a search warrant should be stopped. It recommended repeal or radical amendment of the sedition law, so as to protect individual rights, and revision of the department of labor's deportation rules "so as to make them conform to the plain mandate of the constitution."

Accused should have "the right of counsel, the report held.

Methods Are Denounced.

Several instances in which Senator Walsh said, "the law was wrenched to suit the purpose of those who were, in a peculiar sense, constituted its guardians," were cited in the report in denouncing the methods employed by department of justice agents in the red raids. Indiscriminate and wholesale arrests were made, some without due grounds of search warrants, Senator Walsh stated.

"But if the rights guaranteed by the constitution and accorded by the law of the land were recklessly denied the victims of the 'raids,' the dictates of enlightened humanity were no less ruthlessly disregarded," Mr. Walsh said. "Viewed from that standpoint, it is not unjust to speak of the affair as an unmitigated outrage."

Mr. Palmer, who denied the charges filed by the committee of the National Popular Government league, was charged in the Walsh report with disregard of the families of persons arrested, and it was said that inadequate provisions for the care of those arrested was made.

Influence of Bomb Suspected.

"The most charitable view to take of the affair," said Senator Walsh, "is that the attorney-general (Mr. Palmer) was in no ordinary frame of mind because of the dastardly effort, partly successful, to dynamite his house in the summer of 1919 and like attempts upon the lives of other public or prominent men."

The committee of the National Popular Government league, which filed the original charges against Mr. Palmer's administration, included Dean Roscoe Pound, Professor Felix Frankfurter and Z. Chaffin Jr. of the Harvard law school, Frank B. White of Kansas City, and Dean Tyrill Williams of the Washington university law school, St. Louis.

the foundation and the first floor walls of the legislative building. The state capitol committee today accepted this company's bid of \$282,414.

The contractors announced that they would begin work within two days. Completion of the contract by December 15 is required.

Use of the old foundation, originally erected for the state capitol building, but never used, was recommended. Tests have proved that the old foundation, which is of brick and Tennesse stone, is as sound as the day it was erected.

The contract awarded today practically exhausts the funds at the command of the capitol committee at this time. Money must be appropriated by the next legislature before another contract can be awarded.

STANFIELD SUIT IS AILED

NEW YORK NEWSPAPER RUNS STORY ABOUT SENATOR.

Recent Court Proceedings and Con- troversy With Idaho Offi- cial Are Set Forth.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 13.—(Special.)—In the New York Times of last Saturday, just received here, there is featured a dispatch from Portland, Ore., which reported that a suit against Senator Stanfield of Oregon. In fact the dispatch is as follows:

"PORTLAND, March 10.—Robert Nelson Stanfield, the 'wool king,' and United States senator from Oregon, elected in 1920 over former Senator Chamberlain, is in difficulties and is rushing home from Washington to save what he can out of property imperiled by the drop in the prices of wool and sheep.

"Prayer that a deed of conveyance of real estate made by Stanfield through the R. N. Stanfield company be set aside is made in an action filed in the circuit court today by the First National Bank of Weiser, Idaho, against Stanfield, the R. N. Stanfield company and the Columbia Basin Wool Warehouse company.

"Claims for about \$75,000 against Stanfield on notes for money loaned him during the last year or two are advanced. The allegation is contained in the complaint that the R. N. Stanfield company was formed to hinder, delay and defraud his creditors. When the deed of conveyance was made out the complaint sets forth the wool warehouse company assumed the obligation of payment for a mortgage of \$200,000. The plaintiff asks that the value of the warehouse liens of real estate be adjudicated and that the plaintiff's rights be determined.

"The complaint states that several large judgments against the defendant have been secured in various courts of Oregon and Idaho."

Then follows a review of recent exchanges between Senator Stanfield and the Commissioner of Agriculture Miles Connor of Idaho, as recently published in northwest newspapers.

PARK EMPLOYEES UNITE

Steps Are Taken to Revive Old Organization in Portland.

Steps have been taken to revive the organization of city park employees, which was an active body for several years, but which disbanded about seven years ago. A preliminary meeting with enthusiastic attendance has been held at the Sellwood community house, at which it was determined to organize to promote closer relations in a social and material way among the members.

A committee composed of George Sullivan, W. Sevester, A. K. Sherk and Roy Weaver was appointed to revise the old constitution and by-laws and to present them at a meeting to be called soon. At that time permanent organization will be effected, officers, will be elected and committees appointed. There are 132 employees in the park department.

LCGGER SHOT; ONE HELD

Jim McCormick Arrested; Wound of Christian Not Serious.

CHEHALIS, Wash., March 13.—(Special.)—Jim McCormick, blacksmith at the logging camp of the Snow Lumber & Shingle company, northwest of Letell, today was alleged to have shot Henry Christian, another employe, in the Lewis county jail here by Deputy Sheriff Herried and Shipley. Christian was brought to Dr. H. L. Spitts' office in Chehalis where his wound was dressed.

After shooting Christian McCormick was alleged to have taken three or four shots at another employe. McCormick said the men had insulted him. Christian denied the blame for the shooting, declaring he had never had any trouble of any kind with McCormick.

Poultry Survey Is Planned.

MONTESANO, Wash., March 13.—(Special.)—W. D. Buchanan, a poultry specialist from the state college at Pullman, will come to Montesano next week to aid poultrymen in checking the heavy losses they have experienced among their chicks. The farm bureau of Grays Harbor county will bring Mr. Buchanan here for three days, March 20, 21 and 22. Robert Cowan, county agent, is preparing a schedule of inspection tours and visits to individual poultry plants, as well as lectures. Some believe the chicks that are being shipped in this year lack strength, while others blame the high mortality on feeding conditions.

Mill Teamster Injured.

RAYMOND, Wash., March 13.—(Special.)—Henry E. Bell, a teamster at the Siler Mill company and a resident of Raymond for 12 years, was severely injured Saturday afternoon while handling a Jap square on a truck he was driving. The truck broke through the floor. A 4x4 piece, which was struck by the rolling square, hit Mr. Bell on the head, knocking him unconscious. He was removed to a local hospital.

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HOUSE TOLD TO CUT ARMY TO 126,000

Appropriation Bill Reported by Committee.

\$270,353,030 IS PROVIDED

Return by July of Troops in China, Hawaii, Panama Canal Zone and Germany Recommended.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 13.—With provisions which would necessitate reduction of the size of the regular army to 115,000 enlisted men and 11,000 officers, the army appropriation bill carrying \$270,353,030.7 was reported today by the house appropriations committee.

The measure carries \$140,000 for operation of the Washington-Alaska cable and telegraph system, but the committee did not approve a request for \$1,500,000 to be used in replacing and repairing the cable.

The amount recommended for the military and nonmilitary activities of the war department during the coming fiscal year is a reduction of approximately \$116,000 from the total of the current year and \$37,996,656.80 less than budget estimates.

As drafted by a subcommittee headed by Representative Anthony, republican, Kansas, the bill would require the return to the United States by next July 1 of all troops stationed in China, 6500; men from Hawaii, about 2000 men from the Panama Canal zone, and all but 600 officers and men in the army of occupation on the Rhine.

Philippine Quota Limited.

No limitation is placed on the number of men to be maintained in the Philippines, the committee's report stating, however, that Secretary Weeks believes that under present conditions "some reduction can be made in the force there."

The contemplated withdrawals, it was said, would leave 5000 men in the Hawaiian islands, and a like number in the canal zone. The permanent actual strength of the army was given by the committee as about 13,000 officers and 132,000 men, exclusive of 7000 Philippine scouts.

An appropriation of \$27,935,260 is recommended for maintenance of work of various river and harbor improve-ments, for which the chief of engineers requested \$43,000,000; \$12,431,000 for the air service against \$15,000,000 requested, and \$21,130,200 for the national guard, about \$9,000,000 less than budget estimates.

Chemical Warfare Gets \$500,000.

The committee recommended \$500,000 for the chemical warfare service, declaring that sum sufficient to provide for a "minimum amount of development work and training along lines compatible with present conditions" and for maintaining Edgewood arsenal in good condition. An appropriation of \$2,750,000 is recommended for supplies and equipment of the reserve officers' training corps, and \$1,800,000 for civil military training camps.

The bill carries \$7,740,000 for the ordnance department to meet, in addition to other expenses, the cost of maintaining a skeleton force at arsenals "to keep alive the knowledge of the methods of manufacture."

The amount carried in the bill for seacoast fortifications, the committee reported, would not provide for any new projects but would go entirely for maintenance of existing works and for continuing the construction of a limited number of seacoast guns. The total recommended for river

and harbor improvements, about \$15,000,000 less than the amount sought by the chief of engineers, is carried as a lump sum, and projects on which work would be continued are not specified. None of the appropriation would go to new projects, however.

Subsistence Cost Cut \$13,000,000.

The subsistence of the army, the committee recommended, would cost \$13,550,000, approximately \$13,000,000 less than last year's item, the decrease being brought about by a reduction to 30 cents per ration.

The subcommittee, which spent three months in holding hearings and framing the bill, reported that "the excess of cost of maintaining the regular army over pre-war expenditures" was found to be largely due

to "the expensive methods of its administration."

"It seems to be the fixed policy of the general staff to station full divisions at Hawaii and Panama," the report said. "Except in times of emergency it is not believed such a policy is justified, as it will cost as much to maintain these two divisions as our entire regular army cost us in the years following the Spanish war."

Commenting on the cost of maintaining troops on the Rhine, the committee calls attention to Germany's failure to pay the cost. The committee also declared that "no adequate reason has been shown for the maintenance of any troops in China."

An appropriation of \$425,000 is recommended for the construction, repair

and maintenance of roads, bridges and trails in Alaska. A provision also is carried that if the appropriation for this purpose for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1923, is not made prior to March 1, 1923, the secretary of war may authorize the Alaska board of road commissioners to incur obligations for the purpose of not to exceed 75 per cent of the appropriations for the coming fiscal year.

An appropriation of \$55,000 is recommended for construction of additional wards at Letterman general hospital, San Francisco; \$262,000 for general construction work at Camps Dix, Meade and Lewis, and \$193,000 for additional quarters for guards at the Fort Leavenworth Disciplinary barracks.

The bill also provides \$6,670,000 for

prosecution of flood control work on the Mississippi river and \$400,000 for similar activities on the Sacramento river, California.

OPTION IS TAKEN ON SITE

Hoquiam Eagles Choose Place for Erection of \$125,000 Home.

HOQUIAM, Wash., March 12.—(Special.)—Hoquiam Eagles have taken an option on the southwest corner lots of Seventh and J streets on which to erect a proposed home to cost \$125,000. The building committee, consisting of Jess Havens, E. A. Girard, Alex. Polson, Phil Mounant, R. E. Dawdy and W. E. Campbell,

will lay the matter before the lodge tomorrow night. It is intimated the hotel scheme will not be carried out, but that a building similar to the Scottish Rite temple now in the course of construction here, with spaces for stores on the lower floor, is favored.

If the property is purchased it will give the local acre 200 feet on J street and 30 feet on Seventh.

Ticket Office Robbed.

ABERDEEN, Wash., March 13.—(Special.)—D. Weyand, ticket agent at Rochester, was held up Saturday night by two masked men who obtained \$50 and some negotiable papers from the cash drawer.

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Horde of Orientals Chatter to Street as Chimney Burns.

One dreamy-eyed Chinaman blissfully puffing away at an opium pipe; a heavy, blinding smoke pouring out into the intersection of Second and Oak streets a horde of frightened, chattering orientals stumbling over each other in nervous haste, and a few muttered "damns" from indignant fire-fighters, comprised the net results of a fire in a building occupied by Chinese at the southeast corner of Second and Oak streets at 6 P. M. yesterday. It was nothing more than a chimney blaze, which spent its force almost before the fire apparatus reached the scene.

The alarm was sounded by Roy Terry, deputy city attorney, who saw the dense volume of smoke pouring out from the rear of the building.

RADIO SET IN OPERATION

Musical Concert Given in Meier & Frank Store.

Meier & Frank's newly completed radio station was put in operation yesterday and intercepted a dozen or more musical numbers coming through the "ether" from a phonograph located five miles away. Several hundred persons enjoyed the radio concert.

The first concert was given at the noon hour with the amplifier and the magnavox of the receiving set installed so that diners in both the tea and grill rooms could hear the musical numbers.

At 2 o'clock the set was placed on the fifth floor, where the second transmission of the music was received very clearly.

OLYMPIA CONTRACT LET

First Floor Walls of Legislative Building to Be Started.

OLYMPIA, Wash., March 13.—(Special.)—Prait and Watson, Olympia contractors, builders of the insurance building in the state capitol group, have received the contract to erect