

CHARGE OF SECRET AGREEMENT OUSTED

24-Hour Sensation in Senate Flickers Out.

FOES OF TREATY FOILED

Suggestions Concerning Co-operative British-American Understanding Found Groundless.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 21.—The 24-hour sensation over suggestions of a secret British-American co-operative "understanding" suddenly flickered out today in the senate.

A succession of formal denials, emanating from sources that ranged from the White House down, showed in upon opponents of the four-power Pacific treaty as they were preparing to ask for a formal investigation and apparently put an end to the whole incident.

At the White House officials said flatly that no secret agreements of the character suggested existed. Secretary Hughes, in a letter read in the senate, characterized the suggestion as "absolutely" false. Paul D. Cravath, the New York attorney, whose statement started the row, sent a telegram saying he had been incorrectly quoted and had no knowledge of any "secret understanding."

Senator Borah, republican, Idaho, who presented the Cravath statement to the senate yesterday, contented himself with saying that what he read was a stenographic transcript of Mr. Cravath's remarks, and that the explanation now made would not be accepted in any court. Senator Johnson, republican, California, added that Mr. Cravath had best be left to his part from the debate with a variety shattered in several directions. No one rose to defend the New York attorney and the discussion drifted to other issues of the treaty fight.

Fight Apparently Ended.

The purpose of some of the irreconcilables to make the incident the basis for a fight to send the treaty back to committee apparently had been abandoned tonight, along with the proposal to summon Mr. Cravath and others to make a full explanation. Some senators, however, indicated that they felt a motion to rescind the ratification vote is reached on Friday. Administration leaders say they are certain to defeat the motion overwhelmingly.

The White House denial was not communicated directly to the senate, although Senator Lodge, the republican leader and a member of the American arms delegation, saw President Harding before he left the White House. It was Senator Lodge to whom the Cravath telegram and the letter of Secretary Hughes was addressed, but he presented it without comment. Mr. Hughes wasted no words in denying the existence of any "secret notes or understanding with any foreign power," but he concluded his five-sentence letter with the hope that the American delegates will be saved further aspersions upon their veracity and honor. In the debate that followed, there was not a single reference to the letter or to the secretary.

Discussion Is Resumed.

Once the storm started by Senator Borah's utterances of Tuesday was blown over, general discussion proceeded throughout the day with only small percentage of the senate membership present and with very little give and take argument mixed with the succession of long addresses.

Senator Edge, republican, New Jersey, and Senator Poindexter, republican, Washington, spoke in favor of the treaty, and Senator Watson, democrat, Georgia, assailed it. Tomorrow when a one-hour limit on speeches goes into effect under a unanimous consent agreement, prepared addresses are to be made by Senators La Follette, republican, Wisconsin, and Walsh, democrat, Massachusetts, and probably also by Senators Shortridge, republican, California; Smith, democrat, South Carolina, and McCormick, republican, Illinois.

By the terms of the agreement voting was in order today on pending amendments and resolutions, but there was no attempt to press toward a roll-call. It was said at least one of the proposals might be voted on tomorrow. After the final vote on ratification is taken Friday the administration leaders expect to ask immediately for a ratification roll-call on the supplemental treaty defining the scope of the four-power agreement. The next day the treaty is to be next on a programme of prior decisions on by the leaders, leaving the Chinese treaties until the last.

TAX CLUB HAS DISORDER

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We believe bonds already issued should not be sold at less than par. We oppose the appropriation of state money for armories and we oppose appropriation of more than \$25,000 a year for the national guard of the state.

We oppose appropriation of state money for the Northwest Tourist association, including display.

We oppose appropriating state money for the commercial fish commission.

Recall Is Proposed.

We recommend the recall be used for the removal of the public service commission.

We recommend abolishing the bounty on predatory animals and are opposed to bounty support in any other form for the killing of predatory animals by the state.

Other matters which have been referred to the committee of seven to consider, having been approved by the legislative committee of the convention, are:

Assets at full cash value, all property.

Place a time limit on soldiers' educational bill at six years from date of its adoption.

Application for a soldiers' bonus must be filed within four years of adoption of the act.

Bar the legislature from referring anything to the people but constitutional amendments.

Creation of cabinet form of government, to be appointed by governor, whose heads can be removed by the governor or recalled by the people.

Prohibit use of public funds for propaganda.

Give the committee a chance, when the delegates go home and sober up and reconsider some of the things done today," shouted N. G. Hedden.

Trouble started at 3 o'clock when the tax-reduction committee brought in two reports. The split in the committee came over the proposal to repeal the millage for the higher edu-

national institutions. The committee stood 11 for repeal and 7 against. The majority report was signed by H. F. Warren of Linn, Seymour Jones of Marion, F. S. Myers of Multnomah, A. A. Tish of Tillamook, E. A. Willis of Union, R. V. Stockton of Yamhill, W. H. Strayer of Baker, S. M. Benedict of Benton, J. E. Cherry of Clackamas, C. W. Barr of Clatsop and A. H. Tarbell of Columbia.

The minority report was signed by C. H. Barley of Douglas, A. D. Leeds of Grant, L. B. Gibson of Hood River, E. E. Hampton of Umatilla, Chester Bridges of Washington, G. A. Mansfield of Jackson and F. L. Chambers of Lane.

"We dissent from this item" (repeal of the millage), said the minority report, "because we believe such a repeal would mean virtual destruction of these institutions and the wrecking of the super layer of the public school system from the primary grade to the completion of work in the University of Oregon and the Oregon Agricultural college, and we would not only have a backward step, but a move that will cause many more times loss to the state than the slight saving involved."

Millage Is Attacked.

A motion was made to substitute the minority for the majority report and the floodgates of oratory were thrown open wide. Attacks on the millage were made by B. Y. Rowe, Seymour Jones, G. O. Holman, E. E. Lyons, B. Ziegler, John U. Smith, S. S. Endicott, Robert Schubel and others. The main defender of the millage was Walter M. Pierce, delegate from Clatsop, who was granted 20 minutes for his argument when the time limit had been set at 15 minutes. He was followed by Thomas Hayes, Homer Mason and a few more championed the millage. When the convention went on record against the millage, Mr. Mason, in an outburst of indignation, left the hall with the Hood River delegation, and vowed he would fight the anti-millage crowd on the stump.

This vote showed that the motion to substitute the minority report for the majority failed by 38 to 45. On motion to adopt the majority report recommending repeal of the millage the vote was 45 for and 33 against.

County Vote Compiled.

By counties the vote follows, the yeas being in favor of repeal and the nays against cutting off the millage. Baker, 5 yeas; Benton, 1 yeas; 2 no; Clackamas, 3 yeas; 3 no; Clatsop, 1 yeas; Douglas, 3 yeas; Grant, 2 no; Hood River, 3 yeas; 3 no; Multnomah, 1 yeas; 1 no; Lane, 8 yeas; 8 no; Linn, 2 yeas; 2 no; Marion, 8 yeas; 1 no; Multnomah, 9 yeas; 3 no; Polk, 4 yeas; Tillamook, 3 yeas; Umatilla, 6 yeas; Union, 2 yeas; 4 no; Wasco, 2 yeas; Washington, 4 yeas; Yamhill, 6 yeas.

The convention was filled with features for the spectators of whom there were many. For instance, when J. E. Ziegler got up to join in the debate on the millage, D. H. Walker of Eugene asked as a member of the American Legion and as a member of his friends killed in France, that "this man"—pointing to Ziegler—"be not given the privileges of the floor."

War Charge Brought In.

Walker charged Ziegler with saying that the Oregon Agricultural college and University of Oregon had turned out "pumpkinheads" to fight in the war. Walker's further statement was interrupted by replies by Ziegler that "it was a son-in-law" and that "he himself had a son-in-law." Ziegler had removed his eyeglasses and walked up to Walker when John U. Smith volunteered as a sergeant-at-arms to separate them. Ziegler kept the floor, making no reference to the late unpleasantness. Walker, who had declared the American Legion will investigate Ziegler's remarks.

Having settled the millage matter, the remainder of the recommendations of the steering committee went through with little debate, but it was discovered that there were many errors and omissions in the report, so many, in fact, that delegates wanted to know if someone was not trying to slip something over on the committee. Thus the report made no reference to the Northwest Tourist association, nor to the state's educating lawyers and doctors, and the appropriation proposed for the national guard was twice as high as the committee intended, and a few more things like that.

Meeting Is Disorderly.

Absence of order, with resultant noise and confusion, the almost total disregard for the presiding officer in taking the floor and in asking questions, was an outstanding characteristic of the unboasted and untrammeled taxpayers of the Tax Reduction League. Motions, amendments, points of order, "I've got the floor," "Sit down," "What are we voting on?" filled the air until ever and anon Seymour Jones, having been speaker in the legislature and therefore a parliamentarian, would raise his voice and inquire, "Just a moment. Let's see where we stand." A tangle would be straightened out for a moment and then something else would happen.

In the midst of the debate on the millage, a letter was received from the central labor council. This spoke of "certain associations and individuals who have taken upon themselves," the proposal to cut salaries until heads of the higher educational institutions are "paid less than a skilled mechanic," and "deplored haste in the legislature for extension of the tax reduction league was perfected just before final adjournment by the election of J. C. Cooper of McMinnville as president, and Ray Stockton of McMinnville as secretary-treasurer. The committee on continued organization consisted of W. H. Strayer, Baker; Roy Stockton, Yamhill; J. W. McArthur, Lane; J. U. Smith, Yamhill, and H. F. Warren, Linn.

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ACTION ON BONUS TO BE TOMORROW

Gillette Consents to Suspension of Rules.

SHORT CONFERENCE HELD

Preliminary Plan Is Decided On by Speaker and Chairman Campbell in 5 Minutes.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 21.—Speaker Gillette consented today to permit the compromise soldiers' bonus bill to be taken up in the house Thursday, under suspension of the rules. It is the plan to have the final vote before adjournment, but also would be opposed the compromise divided equally between opponents and proponents.

A two-thirds majority will be necessary to pass the bill under this procedure, but those in charge of the legislation predicted that they would have votes to spare. By this method the majority will succeed not only in shutting out all amendments, but also in preventing the democrats from offering a motion to recommit the bill. The preliminary plan for the measure was determined upon at a five-minute conference today between Mr. Gillette and Chairman Campbell of the rules committee.

Special Rule Proposed.

A special rule will be presented immediately after the house convenes Thursday, Mr. Campbell said, but whether any debate will be permitted has not been determined. The chairman might cut off discussion of moving the previous question after explaining the rule. A majority vote only will be required to adopt the rule, which democratic leaders said would be opposed almost solidly by their side.

With this rule adopted the next step would be for Chairman Borden of the ways and means committee, who will be in charge of the bill, to move to suspend the rules and pass the measure, thus opening the way to general debate on the bonus itself. After four hours the final rollcall will be ordered.

After his conference with Mr. Campbell Speaker Gillette said he was inclined to think that it would be just as well not to open the way for the democrats to offer a motion on the bill, which would have to be permitted unless the rules were suspended. He called attention that in their minority report the democrats had urged that the bonus be paid by an excess profits tax and increased surtaxes.

Democrats Are Gratified.

Asked if a motion to re-pass those taxes would be germane, since the bill has no tax provision, Mr. Gillette said that might raise the question, but that there then probably would be an appeal from his decision which would bring the matter of those taxes to a vote of the house.

After their failure to get the bill up yesterday under a suspension of the rules, those in charge of the legislation appeared to be highly gratified that their original plan finally had been approved. They expected little difficulty in executing their programme on the floor and believed that by Thursday night the problem with which they have been wrestling for several months would be off their hands.

AMENDMENT IS DRAFTED

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The governor, and any member may also be removed by the governor or by the recall of the legal voters.

The initiative measure drafted reads:

Section 1. That immediately upon the taking effect of this measure the public service commission of Oregon shall be charged with the duty of investigating and determining just and reasonable rates to be charged by telephone public utilities in the state of Oregon. Pending the hearing and determination of the commission, the rates shall have power and authority to reduce, readjust and otherwise modify the telephone rates in the state. The burden of proof at such hearing shall not be on the utility, and the rates shall not be based on the utility's cost of service, but on the public interest and the utility's ability to pay. The commission shall have the right to call for and receive all the books, papers, and documents of the utility, and to examine the same, and to require the utility to produce the same, and to require the utility to furnish the commission with sufficient assistance properly to present the facts.

RICH GIRL IS NAMED

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can put their thumbs down and order such things done. This boy is not insane, but I contend anybody might be insane who is kept long in that terrible ward at Ellis Island.

John H. Clarke, Jr., an assistant federal attorney, then announced, which was a new point in the case, that a final order for the deportation of Probst had been issued by the secretary of labor on March 17, and he argued that Judge Knox' court had no power to overrule this.

"Has there been any appeal to the secretary of labor?" the judge asked.

"There is no appeal from the secretary's decision," was Mr. Clarke's reply.

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