

STATES OF BONUS BILL IS UNCHANGED

Support for Sales Tax Plan Found Inadequate.

DELAY SEEMS CERTAIN

Condition of Treasury and Harding's Desire to Give Veterans Aid Still Leading Factors.

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Copyright, by the New York Evening Post, Inc. Published by Arrangement. WASHINGTON, D. C., June 1.—(Special.)—There is renewed activity about the bonus bill, but there isn't any sign that its real status has changed. Persons who are a little cynical about all legislation that comes up at the moment when representatives and senators are before their constituents for renomination and re-election are likely to assume that the bonus bill now presents a situation affected more by political than by consideration of merit or conviction.

It has been made clear that there is about as many political liabilities as political assets in the bill. In several congressional primaries and elections where the bonus bill was an issue or where men were up for renomination who had voted in favor of the bonus bill, it has been demonstrated that it is not a convincing issue one way or the other.

Two factors found. There are two fundamental factors affecting the bonus bill. One is the condition of the treasury and the other is the position that has been taken by President Harding, which in turn is determined by the state of the treasury.

President Harding has said that any bonus bill which is put on the statute books should be in good faith to the soldiers and should provide them with substance rather than with mere appearance. This stand disposes of those bonus suggestions which postpone substantially all of the benefit to the indefinite future.

President Harding has further taken the position that any bonus bill put into law should carry with it a certain amount of the bill some means of raising the money necessary to pay the bonus. This latter condition is unalterable. The large amount of cash necessary involved in any bonus bill of good faith cannot be taken out of revenues the government now has. In fact, the government's present revenue lacks enough to pay the present claims on it.

The rate of taxation that is now imposed on the country is barely sufficient to pay the country's present expenses, and well-informed persons who look the facts in the face know that this present rate of taxation cannot be substantially reduced for many years to come, even though there should be no bonus bill passed. If there is to be a genuine bonus bill, there must be further taxation.

Sales Tax Support Inadequate. President Harding has said that the only new and additional form of taxation which seems practicable to provide for the bonus would be the sales tax. This brings the case again to the point where the sales tax, namely, the bonus bill, plus the sales tax, no bonus bill at all. The proposal for a sales tax gains gradual strength, but this strength is far short of enough to justify any expectation that it could be passed by the present house and senate.

It is possible that, as Senator Watson of Indiana has said, some kind of a bonus bill may be passed by the present congress. On the other hand, the bonus bill comes up for debate in the senate the time consumed in that debate is going to be considerable. There is a large group of senators who are determined, when the situation arises, to debate the issue thoroughly on principle. Considering that a good deal of the senate time is already mortgaged to the debate on the bill, it is not certain that the bonus bill will come to a vote before election. If it should come to a vote, it would probably be passed, but if it is not passed, the bonus bill that President Harding has described as the only proper one, he may be expected to veto it.

Whether the bill could command the two-thirds vote necessary to pass it over his veto is doubtful. In any event, that process would involve so much delay as to make it most doubtful whether it could be done during the present session of congress.

VALENTINO GETS CROWD

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John Acker-Valentino-Guglielmi. She told of meeting Valentino three years ago and of their marriage November 5, 1919. The marriage has never been annulled, she said.

After a deputy county clerk had read the pleadings in the Valentino-Acker divorce case, a certified copy of the Valentino-De Wolf marriage record at Mexico City was introduced in evidence over the defense's objection. This showed that Rodolfo V. Guglielmi, 28, and Miss Winifred De Wolf were married May 13 at the home of Otto Moller, mayor of Mexicali. The record also recited that the bride was the daughter of the late Michael Shattunsky of Salt Lake City, and Winifred Shattunsky, the latter now being Mrs. Richard Wood of New York. Valentino's father, according to the record, was Dr. Giovanni Guglielmi.

Ceremony Is Described.

In contrast with the legal recital of the marriage as shown by the record, was the testimony of William Clay Silver, a newspaper man of Calexico, the California town across the border from Mexicali, who told of the wedding ceremony and party at the mayor's home. He was attended by more than 15 persons, including several Mexican officials and was followed by a banquet given by the mayor. The mayor, in his own words, of wine which was freely distributed to the guests, Silver testified, and that official hired an eight-piece orchestra in addition to calling on the government band. Mexican officials, unable to attend, sent their greetings.

Just prior to the wedding the bride showed some reluctance in going ahead with the wedding, Silver testified, and asked the witness if he thought Valentino was violating the laws of California. The ceremony was finally performed after Silver and Valentino had ascertained that the marriage was perfectly valid, the witness said.

The prosecution then called several witnesses who testified that Valentino and his wife returned to the California side of the boundary, going to a cottage at Palm Springs, Riverside county, at the northern end of the Imperial valley. The cottage was described by Mrs. Ramalda Lugo, housemaid, as containing a living room and two bedrooms. On at least one occasion, she said, she saw Valentino

EX-WIFE OF HARRY THAW SMILES AGAIN BUT DENIES ALL ENGAGEMENT REPORTS.



Copyright by Keystone View Co. EVELYN NESBIT.

NEW YORK, June 1.—Two months at Atlantic City have done wonders in restoring the nerves of Evelyn Nesbit. Many hours have been spent on the sands with her Japanese poodle. She insists that rumors and press agents are in some way connected and keeps on smiling because she is feeling so much more like her old jolly self.

and his wife at breakfast, attired in pajamas.

Carroll Lynch, a deputy sheriff at Palm Springs, testified that his attention was attracted to the couple one morning as they were leaving the cottage in an automobile because they were both wearing purple pajamas.

Other witnesses testified to seeing Valentino and his wife on the streets of Palm Springs and around the cottage from May 13 to 16, inclusive.

Hearing Is Adjourned.

The hearing was adjourned when the prosecution announced that it had received word from deputy sheriffs that two witnesses had been subpoenaed at Big Bear lake, in San Bernardino county, and they could not reach Los Angeles today. These witnesses are Dr. Floretta White, a woman physician of Palm Springs, and J. E. Hart, superintendent of the water system at Palm Springs.

A continuance was granted until 2 o'clock tomorrow afternoon, with the understanding that if defense attorneys were then engaged in another case, as they believed they would be, the Valentino hearing would go over until Saturday morning.

SENATE FIGHT AVERTED

SESSION IS CLOSED IN CONSIDERABLE DISORDER.

McCumber and Robinson Almost Come to Blows on Tariff, but Others Intervene.

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 1.—Running 45 minutes beyond the time set for quitting, the senate brought its night session to a close tonight in considerable disorder. Much of the after dinner session was devoted to heated debate on the various phases of the dye schedule which, as had been predicted, developed into one of the bitterest fights on the tariff measure.

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DRAINAGE BODY EN TOUR

Reclamation Projects in Willamette Valley Inspected.

EUGENE, Or., June 1.—(Special.)—Members of the State Drainage association on a tour of the valley today expressed satisfaction with the results of the drainage noted on their first day out. The party started from Salem this morning and drove to the Lake Labish drainage project, which they say is being carried out very satisfactorily.

They also visited the Salem drain tile manufacturing plant, then viewed a ditch-digging demonstration at Gervais. On Perry Stearns' farm near Lebanon, declare the members of the party, the results of thorough tiling of the land were more apparent than at any other place visited during the day. Vetch on land that was tiled was waist high, while on land that had been drained it is but a foot high.

YARDMEN MERGER DENIED

International Rail Order Held Independent of Brotherhood.

CHICAGO, June 1.—Denial that his organization had been merged with the International Brotherhood of Railway Yardmasters and Yard Employees, as announced May 23, was issued here today by F. W. Whelan, president of the International Order of Railway Yardmasters.

The information concerning the merger is absolutely without foundation, so far as this organization is concerned," said Mr. Whelan. "Former assurances may be given that this order has not been and will not be a party to any such consolidation."

Snow Falls in Wyoming.

CHEYENNE, Wyo., June 1.—Snow fell generally in central and southern Wyoming yesterday and today. Cheyenne is having the first "white" June within the memory of the oldest inhabitants. The temperature is moderate.

S. & H. green stamps for cash. Holman, Pub. Co., 208 and 210 Wood, Broadway 6253. 560-21.—Adv.

Read The Oregonian classified ads.

WITNESS ARRESTED IN WARD MURDER

Conflicting Stories Alleged to Have Been Told.

EVIDENCE HELD HIDDEN

Prosecutor Declares Prisoner Knows More of Shooting Than He Has Told so Far.

WHITE PLAINS, N. Y., June 1.—James J. Cunningham of New York tonight was arrested and held in jail here as a material witness in the case of Walter S. Ward, wealthy banker's son, confessed slayer of Clarence Peters, ex-sailor of Haverhill, Mass.

Cunningham, whose name has not before figured in the case, was arrested in New York and immediately brought here. His is the first arrest in the case which has attracted nationwide attention since Peters' body was found at a lonely spot near the Kensico reservoir on May 18.

Prosecutor Issues Statement.

District Attorney Weeks issued the following statement concerning the arrest: "Cunningham is held as a material witness. He was dug up by the New York American as the result of an anonymous letter. He had been trailed for three days.

"He has told the American one story and when confronted by the sheriff and myself he told another story. He said that the shooting had been wounded by Ward, was brought down to his mother's home in the Bronx in a touring car and was later driven away."

Knowledge Held Concealed.

Mention of the wounded man was in reference to one of the many tales investigated by local officials to the effect that Peters was not the only victim of the gun battle which Ward claims to have engaged in with three supposed blackmailers at the time Peters was killed.

Mr. Weeks said the man in custody is a race track employe, formerly attached to the stables of Commander J. K. Ross, Canadian horseman. Cunningham, he said, does not claim to have been a witness to the shooting of Peters and the man he declares to have been wounded at the same time, but asserts that he knew of the scheduled meeting between Ward and the supposed blackmailers several days before its occurrence May 18.

"Cunningham evidently knows a great deal more than he has told about the case," Mr. Weeks continued. "He says that the shooting came out of an effort to trap Walter S. Ward."

VICTIM IS DECLARED ARMED

Peters Said to Have Been Prepared to Fight With Ward.

PHILADELPHIA, June 1.—Guy Phillips, world war veteran, reiterated here today that he saw Clarence Peters slain by Walter S. Ward in Philadelphia at noon May 15, and at 8:30 A. M. May 18 Peters' body was found near New Rochelle, N. Y.

It was while on his way to a railroad station on May 15, he said, he fell in with Peters, who accosted him because he wore a service button. Peters appeared to be nervous, Phillips said.

"The young man said he was in trouble with a married man and a girl. This man, he said, had a pretty wife and was trying to win his girl from him. He showed me a revolver he carried in his inside pocket. Then he said a man was in the city looking for him. Fondling the revolver, he said it would help him to get the man who was trying to get him. Later he asked me where he could get a train for Elizabeth, N. Y. I told him to go to the information window, which he did."

Phillips then related how he saw the man next morning at the entrance to the Bellevue-Stratford hotel. He second building to go, and from there the flames spread to the new 50-room hotel building. Rapidly the flames ran on to the Hamilton stables, and sparks caught on the roof of the Pastime pool hall, which was dynamited, saving the Elkins Motor Sales company building, J. A. Stein's and his son, owners of the store bearing their name, were in Portland at the bedside of Mrs. Stein at the time that the fire broke out. The fire destroyed their entire stock of goods. The Prineville bakery, the Cornett building and the Schee real estate office carried the flames to the post office. The Ochoec national forest office and its records are included in the less of the Cornett building. Other buildings caught fire in rapid succession.

Investigations to substantiate the theory that the fire was of incendiary origin are being pushed by Sheriff Olson of Crook county and Tom Carlton, fire chief of Bend, acting in his capacity as deputy state fire marshal.

Fire Fourth of Series. The fire is the fourth of a series of fires in Prineville which have started recently in empty buildings. Seventeen buildings were destroyed. The losses, less than indicated above were: Michel grocery, \$10,000; Cyrus jewelry store, \$10,000; Cornett & Co., general merchandise store, \$15,000; H. R. Lakin Hardware company, \$50,000; Deschutes Power company, \$28,000; telephone office, \$15,000; Minger Plumbing shop, \$15,000; City Market, \$15,000; and Prineville bakery, \$15,000; 10-room frame school building, condemned April 1, loss not estimated; old Prineville hotel, \$1000; central Oregon hardware store, \$8000; Hamilton livery stables, \$8000; Segling pool hall, \$8000; R. L. Schee real estate office, \$1500; City call building, \$1000; blacksmith shop, \$6000; Mrs. Cyrus notion store, \$5000; Electric shoe shop, \$5000; Old Creamery building, \$5000; Gerardo meat market, \$8000; D. P. Adamson residence, \$5000; J. A. Stein & Son, clothing store, \$15,000.

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Mayor Baker Offers Aid.

Mayor Baker yesterday offered any aid possible to Prineville where a conflagration wiped out the greater part of the business district yesterday morning. He telegraphed to D. F. Stewart, mayor of Prineville, as follows: "Press dispatches indicate your city has suffered from serious conflagration. Portland stands ready to throw light upon the matter in the heroic mariners of northern waters have embarked upon their last great cruise."

TILTS ENLIVEN WOMEN

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guests of the chamber of commerce at luncheon at the Tillamook hotel. The Oregon Agricultural College Lyceum club gave a social tonight for the visitors.

wore a brown suit and a gray cap. Peters spoke to him, he said, and again showed him the revolver, and said, "I will get him unless he gets me first."

COUNTY LOSES ROAD SUIT

Surety Company Gets Judgment in Fight Over Contract.

OLYMPIA, Wash., June 1.—The Astoria Casualty & Surety company was awarded judgment against Skagit county today in a case involving a contract to build the Cook county road. Grand & Ervig took the contract and when the job was completed there was approximately 20 per cent of the money due still in the hands of the county.

Claims were filed against the contractors for several thousand dollars, which should have been paid from this 20 per cent reserve, the court held today, but which were invalidated when the job was completed. There was paid to a banking concern financing the contractors. The claimants then brought suit against the bonding company for recovery. The case was tried before Judge Brawley of Snohomish county, who decided in favor of the bank.

RATES HELD UNLAWFUL

Interstate Commission Passes on Paper-Making Machinery.

THE OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, D. C., June 1.—Rates charged by the New York Central and connecting lines on pulp and paper making machinery, shipped from eastern points to the plants of the Crown-Williams Paper company at West Linn, Or., and Canada, Wash., were found unlawful by the interstate commerce commission today and reparations were ordered.

In an opinion written by Commissioner Campbell, the commission declared unreasonable the rates charged on lumber and forest products in carloads from points in western Washington on the Willapa harbor branches of the Northern Pacific and Chicago-Milwaukee railroads to points in Idaho, Utah and Colorado.

BANK PROBE FORECAST

Grand Jury at Seattle to Investigate, Says Prosecutor.

SEATTLE, Wash., June 1.—(Special.)—That the failure on June 30, 1921, of the Scandinavian-American bank of Seattle will be investigated by the county grand jury, now in session by prosecuting attorney Douglas, the prosecuting attorney's office is said to have found evidence indicating the possibility of criminal liability.

Experts in the employ of the prosecutor have been at work for some time on the bank's affairs. The grand jury was said to be about at the end of its inquiry into the leasing of the county ferry system.

Clark Jury Term Extended.

VANCOUVER, Wash., June 1.—(Special.)—George B. Simpson, judge of the superior court of Clarke county, today issued an order extending the jury term to June 17. The term began May 22, but so much business has arisen that this additional time will be necessary. Mrs. Frances Blessecker is to be tried June 7.

Light Liquors Favored.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., June 1.—The Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce has gone on record as favoring amendment of the Volstead act so as to permit light wines and beer, iting for the light liquors and 758 month was allowed for the returns to be announced tonight. The vote on against them. Only about one-third of come in.

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