

DEMOCRATS CALL CAUCUS IN SENATE

Effort to Be Made to Avoid Extra Session of Congress After March 4 Next.

NIGHT SESSIONS PROBABLE

Lane of Oregon, Following His Usual Custom, Refuses to Join and Says He Will Vote Regardless of Party's Action.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—Senate Democrats in caucus determined today to speed up the legislative programme to avoid the necessity of an extra session at the end of the Sixty-third Congress on March 4 next.

It was decided to abandon a long holiday recess, the Senators agreeing to confer with House leaders on a plan to recess over Christmas, from December 22 to December 28, and to remain in session New Year's week, except for New Year's day. It was decided to hold night sessions at least in the Senate—once a week, and often if the steering committee should deem it necessary.

Appropriation bills will have the right of way in the Senate as rapidly as they come from the House, Senator Kern, chairman of the committee, said. "The legislative programme will not be extensive otherwise. The Philippines measure and the shipping bill will be taken up as soon as they come from their committees, but the appropriation bills will be taken up immediately," he said.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Dec. 12.—Senator Lane, of Oregon, following his custom, refused today to attend the Democratic caucus, called to map out a legislative programme for the short session of Congress. Senator Lane, after attending one caucus, announced he would never attend another. He said he believed all public business should be transacted in the open.

He furthermore said he objected to caucuses, because he was unwilling to surrender his right to vote according to his convictions and that he would not support any measure merely because it had the approval of a majority of the Democratic caucus.

THIRD NEGRO LYNCHED

LOUISIANANS TIE SUSPECT TO TREE AND BURN HIM.

Victim Dies Protesting Innocence as Flames Envelop Him—Furious Lynching Record Eight in Year.

SHREVEPORT, La., Dec. 12.—Charred remains of Watkins Lewis, the third negro to die at the hands of mobs as a result of the murder of Charles Hicks, postmaster at Sylvestre, La., last week, were found today near Sylvestre, bound to a tree with coils of wire.

The burning of Lewis makes a total of eight lynchings in this parish in the last year, five negroes having been put to death in the last 10 days. Today Lewis and Monroe Lewis were lynched last week for their alleged part in the Hicks murder.

Stories brought here tell of a mob of 200 white men, formed in the outskirts of Sylvestre last night, Lewis, a negro, was taken from the jail there, placed in a motorcar and whirled to the mob. Not a word was spoken as the little cavalcade formed, and with the negro in the center marched to a giant tree near the Texas line. Fallen trees and branches were heaped about him.

Before the fire was lighted Lewis repeatedly was asked to confess his part in the crime or to divulge the hiding place of a large sum of money said to have been stolen from the postmaster's store.

"I didn't do it," he screamed as the flames leaped about him. When the fire enveloped him he begged for mercy. The town of Sylvestre was quiet today. However, District Judge T. E. Bell ordered a grand jury to convene next Wednesday to attempt to identify members of the mob.

GERMAN WAR VIEW GIVEN

Bulletin Decries Actions of Allies and Charges Brutality.

H. Wolfe, a naturalized German who resides at the Wheelon Apartments, has received a bulletin marked "No. 6" which presents the German side of the cause of the great European war now being waged.

The bulletin tells how Germany's enemies allied themselves, speaks of a breach of the Geneva Convention by the French troops and sharpshooters, discusses the payment of the German war loan and comments on the progress of the war at the time of its publication, October 26, 1914.

It states that the French, English and Russian nations had no understanding regarding the war, tells how the French soldiers treated German wounded brutally, accuses Belgium of not being neutral and tells how eagerly money was advanced by citizens of Germany to the Government.

FAULTFINDER IS JAILED

Man Dissatisfied With Meat at Wayfarers' Inn to Serve 30 Days.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Dec. 12.—(Special.)—Joseph Rauech, who found fault with food furnished at the Wayfarers' Inn, conducted by the Ministerial Association of Vancouver and the City Council, was sentenced by Police Magistrate Parcel today to pass 30 days in the city jail.

Rauech, who says he is a veteran of the Spanish-American war, had no money when he arrived here and was sent to the Wayfarers' Inn, where he was put to work for an hour cutting wood. A meal which was not to his liking was given to him as his pay. He said the place was a bunco joint and the meal was worth nothing. He was arrested and told his troubles to the Police Judge.

JACKSON SPENDS \$500,000

Pacific Highway Adds \$160,000 to Cost of Road Work and Repair.

ASHLAND, Or., Dec. 12.—(Special.)—Jackson County has spent nearly \$500,000 on roads in 1914. The Siskiyou unit of the Pacific highway has cost to date \$160,000, or \$12,000 a mile. From Ashland's western outskirts to the Poor Farm, about five miles, the expense has been nearly \$12,000 a mile, or a total of \$24,000. This stretch has an asphalt wearing surface five inches thick, and was contract work. From the Poor Farm to Medford, less than seven miles, the cost was \$74,000, divided between county and state, averaging \$11,000 a mile.

The Central Point unit was the most expensive, costing \$16,000 a mile. This, however, includes the cost of machinery and material, the entire expense over this particular area amounting to nearly \$55,000. The county did this work. About \$25,000 was applied to new construction and grading, while the maintenance of the roads throughout the county in general cost nearly \$90,000. The foregoing figures are semi-official as given out by the County Court. More than half of the paved surface completed on the Pacific highway to date has a concrete base.

LA FOLLETTE IS BACKED

LABOR ORGANIZATIONS PLEAD FOR SENATE ACTION.

Administration Leaders Are Anxious That Safety at Sea Treaty Shall Be Ratified Soon.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—Administration leaders determined today to press for ratification by the Senate of the safety at sea treaty, which grew out of the London maritime conference last year and mentioned by President Wilson in his message. Opposition developed when Senator La Follette sought an amendment which would give the United States authority to legislate against involuntary servitude of sailors and for other amelioration of the condition of seamen.

The seamen's bill, passed by both houses at the late session, later referred to the Senate committee on commerce, is championed by labor organizations, and Senator La Follette, speaking in support of the treaty today, declared in his opinion that the seamen's bill, if enacted, would be invalidated by the treaty in its present form.

The foreign relations committee has an amendment to the treaty, but supporters of the seamen's bill think it is not broad enough. Executive sessions on the treaty probably will be held daily. Members of labor organizations sent out by telegram from throughout the country today, urging appeals to Senators in favor of Senator La Follette's position.

G. E. MORRIS CHIEF JUSTICE

Successor to H. D. Crow, of Spokane, Named by Supreme Bench.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Dec. 12.—(Special.)—Judge George E. Morris, of Seattle, was elected by the Supreme Bench today to succeed Herman D. Crow, of Spokane, as Chief Justice for the two-year term, beginning January 11, 1915. Judge Morris, a native of New York, has practiced law in this state since 1890, was elected first to the King County Superior Court in 1903 and re-elected twice.

In 1909, when the Legislature increased the membership of the Supreme Court from seven to nine, Judge Morris was appointed by Governor H. A. Fullerton, but Judge Fullerton was eliminated, having been Chief Justice previously.

ACCOUNTING BILL REFUSED

Clackamas Action Aimed Against Carfare and Meal Items.

OREGON CITY, Or., Dec. 12.—(Special.)—Objecting to an item of \$23.55 for meals and carfare, the County Court has refused to allow the bill of E. H. Collis & Co. for \$1094.65 for accounting the county's books under the new uniform accounting law.

"I do not live in Oregon City, yet I do not expect the taxpayers to give me money to pay my meals and carfare," said County Judge H. S. Anderson this morning. The accountants had recommended that all bills brought before the County Court be itemized, the bill of Collis & Co. was submitted to the court with practically no items mentioned. The bill simply charged the county with \$949 for auditing the books.

OREGON STOCKMAN, THREE TIMES WINNER, PORTLAND SHOW, GIVEN GOLD MEDAL



Edward W. Coles. Three times winner of the grand champion carload of cattle at the Pacific Northwest Livestock Show at the North Portland Union Stockyards, Edward W. Coles, of Haines, Or., was presented with a handsome gold medal by the Union Stockyards Company this week, following the successful stock show just closed. He much appreciated the award. Mr. Coles exhibited the prize carload of fine beef cattle at the Portland show in 1912, 1913 and 1914. In 1911 he showed the steer that won the proud place of grand champion of the show. The successful stockman is a native of Oregon, having been born at Haines 36 years ago, and is a son of Fred C. Coles, an Oregon pioneer. He gave his attention to Hereford and Durham cattle and has about 200 head of thoroughbreds. He has exhibited only at the Portland show.

GOVERNOR WEST TO PRACTICE LAW HERE

Official Announces Intent to Form Portland Firm With C. C. McColloch.

FEDERAL PLUM MAY LURE

Democrat Silent as to Offer Reported Made to Him to Write of Legislature for Paper—Executive Now 41.

SALEM, Or., Dec. 12.—(Special.)—Oswald West, Governor of Oregon, announced today that after his term of office expires early in January he will engage in the practice of law in Portland. He and Claude C. McColloch, ex-State Senator from Baker County, and Governor West's lieutenant on the floor of the Senate at the 1913 session of the Legislature, have formed a partnership to be known as West & McColloch.

"I am not a candidate for any office or an applicant for any office," said the Governor when asked if he were out for politics. "My present intention is to go to Portland and make that my future home. My future business shall be the practice of law."

Mr. West said he would not be located permanently in Portland until probably the first of June when he would move his family there. However, he intends to be in Salem at least meanwhile two or three days a week. While he had nothing to say on the subject it is known he will be in Salem as possible a week before the coming session of the Legislature.

Newspaper Offer Reported. The Governor declined to affirm or deny a report that he would do journalistic work for a Portland paper during the legislative session. It is known, however, that he has been asked to write a series of articles relating to the work of the legislative assembly and it is believed he will do so if he has the time.

Friends of Mr. West do not believe his announcement that he is out of politics would deter him from accepting an important Federal appointment if it were tendered him. He has been frequently mentioned in connection with the chairmanship of the Alaskan Railroad Commission, which carries with it a salary of \$12,000 a year, and he has been quoted as saying he would like the work of that office. The re-election of Senator Chamberlain is a factor in his favor in connection with the appointment, Democrats here say.

West Now 41 Years Old.

Mr. West is 41 years old. He is a graduate of the Oregon Law School, of this city. Before entering politics he was connected with the Bank of Salem, rising from office boy to teller. He was State Land Agent from September, 1902, to May, 1907, when he became a member of the State Railroad Commission. He became Governor in January, 1911.

While serving as Railroad Commissioner he was asked by the Oregon Railway & Navigation Company to be a candidate for re-election. He replied: "I shall not be a candidate for Railroad Commissioner. I am a candidate for Governor. It is just as easy to be elected Governor as it is to be elected Railroad Commissioner and the office is considered a more important one."

One of Mr. West's spectacular "stunts" as a Railroad Commissioner was to examine personally several miles of track, the condition of which was in dispute. He "hit the ties" literally, for as he walked along the track he tested the many ties and hammering them with a hammer. His spectacular "stunts" as Governor are legion.

TURKS RAID CONSULATE

BRITISH OFFICIAL STOLEN AWAY IN ARABIA.

Italian Diplomatic Office Resigned When English Subject Takes Refuge at That Place.

ROME, Dec. 11.—(Delayed in transmission.)—An incident of considerable gravity has occurred at Hodeida, a seaport of Arabia on the Red Sea, 100 miles northwest of Mecca. It appears from reports that have been received here that the Turks, on learning that G. A. Richardson, the British Consul, was still in town, tried to enter his house to arrest him.

Consul Richardson escaped to the neighboring Italian Consulate, which place the Turks besieged in spite of the fact that the Italian Consul, Signor Cecchi, a son of the well-known explorer, immediately came to the defense of his colleague. Richardson was taken prisoner and dragged forcibly to a boat, which then left for an unknown destination.

As British subjects in Turkey are under American protection, the American Embassy at Constantinople, it is said, has been asked for information regarding the reported violence against a British subject, while Italy is inquiring about the alleged violation of her Consulate.

TWO TAXIDERMISTS FINED

Men Practice Without License After Being Warned.

For practicing taxidermy without a state license, Fred Breeze and Bob Martell were arrested by Deputy Game Warden Frank Ervin and E. H. Clark. Martell was fined \$25 yesterday, but in default of bail Breeze was placed in the County Jail. His trial has been set for next Wednesday in Judge Jones' court. The records of the firm were seized and are being held as evidence.

According to the deputy game warden, the two men had been warned several times. A more stringent watch is being made on restaurants, hotels, boarding and rooming-houses by the many deputy game wardens since the arrest of the Portland Hotel management for having deer meat, ducks and black bass in cold storage without proper seal of the Fish and Game Commission. Deputies Ervin and Clark made the arrest.

Elbert Bede Would Be Chief Clerk.

COTTAGE GROVE, Or., Dec. 12.—(Special.)—Elbert Bede, editor of the Sentinel, is a candidate for chief clerk of the committee on engagement of bills at the approaching session of the Legislature. He has the support of the Lane County delegation and has received a large number of encouraging letters from the Representatives-elect, quite a number being pledges of support. Mr. Bede was a candidate for the lower house, but was defeated in the primaries by a few votes.

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CANNON WELCOMED BACK

Vanishing Bull Moose, "Dry" Navy and Failure to Salute Flag in Mexico Among the Subjects of Satirical Amusement.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—Members of the Cabinet, Congressmen, diplomats and leaders of all activities of the Nation's life gathered around the board here tonight at the Gridiron Club's Winter dinner.

President Wilson's earnest injunction to the American people to refrain from public discussion of war issues was strictly regarded, and the location of every one of the many satires and dramatic skits was always within the shore limits of the two oceans which bound the Americas.

"Old Home" week brought together some old spirits under the kindly eye of the Goddess of Liberty on an elevated perch, who had come to welcome them.

Cannon Ticket Reads One Way. "Uncle Joe" Cannon was among the first arrivals, and when asked how long he was going to stay replied: "Well, I didn't buy no return ticket."

Cy Sulloway, another returned Congressman, announced that up his way the hunting is poor, all the Bull Moose have been killed off. When Nicholas Longworth appeared, Cannon inquired: "How's the family, Nick? Bring 'em all to the celebration?"

Longworth—"All except father-in-law."

Oyster Bay Lonesome Enough. Cannon—"Why don't you persuade him to stay in some of those lonesome places he writes about?"

Longworth—"There ain't no lonesome place than Oyster Bay right now."

When told that Secretary Daniels had abolished the wine mess on warships



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TURKEY MAKES PROMISE

AMERICAN INTERESTS TO RECEIVE PROTECTION IN EMPIRE.

Chief Desire Said to Be to Obtain Direct Control Without Guardianship of Embassies.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—Informal assurances have been given Ambassador Morgenthau at Constantinople by members of the Ottoman Cabinet that American institutions in Turkey will receive similar treatment to that accorded foreign institutions in this country. Secretary Bryan made public today without comment the following paraphrase of Mr. Morgenthau's message:

"The American Ambassador at Constantinople has had an interview with the Minister of Public Instruction and the Minister of the Interior. They propose that American institutions shall be treated the same as foreign institutions are treated in the United States.

"The State Department declines to assume the risk of transporting money from Smyrna to Scala Nova. The Tennessee is to be sent to Alexandria for funds for Jaffa. Money will also be sent to Jerusalem."

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