

SENATE TO REVIVE PEACE PACT SOON

Move to Bring Up Lodge Resolution on Tap.

20 DEMOCRATS WON OVER

Bryan's Campaign for Early Ratification Effective.

WILSON IS CONCILIATORY

Senate Conferees to Be Forced to Yield on Anti-Strike Clause in Railroad Bill.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU

Washington, Jan. 31.—Just when the peace treaty appears like it is down and out it is about to come back. A little surprise appears to be awaiting Senators Walsh and Hitchcock who, through the former, gave notice today that on February 19 a motion will be made to bring the treaty back into the senate.

This notice was given without knowledge of the fact that over on the republican side of the senate a movement was already under way for having the treaty taken up much sooner than February 19. It is possible that a motion will be made Monday or Tuesday by Senator Lodge, majority leader, and he will have behind him all of the republican votes except 13 irreconcilables.

Old Resolutions to Come Up

The democrats will support his motion, which will give all of the votes necessary to secure action. And once again the country will be regaled for days with speeches on article 10, the Monroe doctrine and Shantung. It is probable, however, that before the debate proceeds far the cloture will be applied once more with a view of getting the old Lodge resolution to a vote. It has been ascertained definitely by the republican leaders that there never can be a ratification of the treaty if the reservations, article 10, and the Monroe doctrine are weakened. The purpose, therefore, is to give the delegates one more chance to vote for ratification with the Lodge reservations just as they stand. There are known to be at least 20 democrats who will not again oppose these reservations.

Democrats Won Over

The campaign made by Mr. Bryan has brought many democrats to the conclusion that the treaty would be better ratified with the Lodge reservations than not ratified at all. Furthermore, there are signs that the president is in a more conciliatory mood than heretofore.

Conferees on the railroad bill are still near to an agreement, after weeks of almost continual conferences, but it began to appear today that the senate conferees will be compelled to yield on anti-strike legislation, of which they were so confident a few days ago. The short time in which to get the measure into law is forcing the senate conferees to yield. Only the short month of February remains until the railroads are to pass back into the hands of the private owners.

The situation has been taken advantage of by those members of the house who hope to avoid going on record again on anti-strike legislation. They are pleading that if the house conferees will only hold out for a few days longer the senate must give way. The house conferees, obedient to the plea, are hanging on tentaciously and as a result Senator Poindexter said today it appears that the senate must surrender to obtain the law absolutely essential to the rehabilitation of the roads.

Public Brings Pressure

The terrific pressure brought on members of the house recently by the farmers and the public generally to solve the strike problem for all time by putting compulsory arbitration into the new railroad law has made many representatives uncomfortable. There are at least 100 members of the house who feel that they must get on to the other side of the question if it comes to a vote again.

The situation has been made more delicate by the gathering here in the last few days of the representatives of so many farmers' organizations demanding the return of the railroads and a solution of the strike problem.

Critical Stage Reached

This passage in the memorial which reached every member of congress today from the officers of the six big farmers' organizations has sunk deeply into the minds of those who must by their votes determine the solution of great industrial and economic questions.

"We have reached the critical point in regard to shorter hours of labor, and a 44-hour week will neither feed nor clothe the world. The right to cease work individually or collectively for adequate reasons is unassailable; but the practice of indiscriminate striking for trivial causes and regardless of distress or damage caused, is indefensible. No right exists to compel men to strike, or to prevent others from working. Neither does the right to strike or cease work in union extend to those in federal, state and municipal service."

The most important legislative

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BELOW-ZERO WEATHER COVERS NEW ENGLAND

COLDEST WAVE OF WINTER HITS ATLANTIC STATES.

Frozen Harbors and Channels Delay Shipping—Frosty Rail Cause of Train Wreck in Vermont.

NEW YORK, Jan. 31.—All New England and New York state were tonight in the grip of the coldest weather of the winter, new records for low temperatures being reported in many communities. The thermometer registered from 8 to 42 degrees below zero.

The frigid wave which suddenly gripped the east today was most severe in northern New York state, where the low record of 42 degrees below zero was registered at Asa. At other places in New York and in New England the temperature ranged from 10 to 26 degrees below.

Along the New England northern coast harbors and channels are frozen preventing the movement of shipping and the inhabitants of several islands are reported to be isolated.

The extreme cold in Vermont is believed to have caused the wreck of the Montreal express of the Rutland railroad at Hibbard's Bay early today, throwing a sleeping car of passengers into the icy waters of Lake Champlain. It is believed that the train was derailed by a rail which had been snapped by the extreme cold. All the passengers were rescued, but several were badly frostbitten.

Zero weather in New York city caused the death of a woman who was found frozen in a cellar. She was 70 years old.

10,000 STUDENTS TO TRAIN

Reserve Officers' Training Camps to Open June 17.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 31.—At least 10,000 college students are expected to attend reserve officers' training camps which will open June 17 for a period of six weeks.

Most of them will be at training centers used during the war, infantry units going to Camp Devens, Cuarter, Benning and the Presidio, San Francisco; ordnance units to Aberdeen proving grounds, Maryland; engineers to Camp Humphreys, Va.; field artillery to Camp Knox, signal officers to Camp Vail, N. J., and motor transport corps organizations to Camp Holabird, Md.; cavalry camps will be organized at Fort Ethan Allen, Vt., and Fort Oglethorpe, Ga.

WHISKY GETS NEW JOLT

Dr. Wiley Says Lignor Positive Poison in Flu Cases.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Jan. 31.—(Special.)—Dr. Harvey W. Wiley, president of the United States Pharmacopoeial convention and formerly chief of the bureau of chemistry, department of agriculture, who is in St. Louis to attend a meeting of the board of trustees of the pharmacopoeial association, said today that whisky and brandy had been eliminated as medicines.

Dr. Wiley asserted that whisky, instead of being an effective remedy or preventive for influenza, was a positive poison in such cases. "In only one instance would I use whisky for an influenza case," said he; "that would be a case where I wished to hasten the departure to heaven of a patient."

NEW OFFICIALS NAMED

Associated Press Nominees Are Announced by Committee.

CHICAGO, Jan. 31.—The nominating committee of the Associated Press today nominated the officers for election to the board of directors of the Associated Press at the annual meeting of the members in New York on April 20.

Frank B. Noyes, Washington Star; W. L. McLean, Philadelphia Bulletin.

Adolph S. Ochs, New York Times; A. C. Weisz, Duluth Herald; John R. Rathom, Providence Journal.

The committee made only one nomination for each vacancy.

YOUNGSTERS CANNOT WED

Mother Willing to Let Daughter of 14 Become Bride.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Jan. 31.—(Special.)—George E. Moore, 18 years old, and Genevieve E. Griffith, 14 years of age, came to this city today to be married. They were accompanied by Mrs. Fred Hill, mother of the girl, who was willing to give her consent to the marriage.

J. L. Garrett, county auditor, was unable to issue the license, as both persons must be at least 15 years old, according to the state law. The trio wended their way homeward, much disappointed that they could not be celebrating a wedding.

MEDAL POLICIES ASKED

Daniels Wants to Know What Other Nations Do When Ship Is Lost.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 31.—By direction of Secretary Daniels, Rear-Admiral Knapp, commanding American naval forces in European waters, is seeking information as to the policy of European governments in the matter of decorations for naval officers whose ships were destroyed by enemy submarines.

Inquiry by Admiral Knapp, Mr. Daniels said, already has developed in the case of Great Britain that no set principle was adhered to, but each case judged on its merits.

MYERS TO FIGHT 'TO LAST DITCH'

Postmaster Declares He Will Not Resign.

BELLIGERENT STAND TAKEN

Checking Over of Affairs Is Not Denied, However.

INSPECTOR IS AT OFFICE

Tenure of Post in Future Is Expected to Be Only Technical Until Forced Out.

Frank S. Myers, Portland postmaster, has defied the democratic administration and will not resign. He insists he is still postmaster of the Portland office and announces his determination to fight to the last ditch before he will relinquish the office.

This announcement, coming from Mr. Myers last night, coupled with the equally definite and positive assertion of Robert H. Barclay, post-office inspector, that he becomes acting postmaster starting this morning, presents an unusual and complicated condition in the Portland postoffice.

"Fight to Last Ditch" Promised.

"I am still postmaster. I have not resigned and I will not resign. I have employed counsel and will fight to the last ditch."

These are the words of Postmaster Myers as given to The Oregonian last night, still setting at rest all doubt as to what steps he might take relative to the order for his immediate resignation.

"I have been instructed to take charge of the Portland office as acting postmaster, and if I am alive in the morning I shall carry out these instructions."

Thus did Mr. Barclay outline the course of action he intends to take. He added that Postmaster Myers had not turned over the keys of the postmaster's office to him. But Mr. Barclay was at work at the postoffice building last night until far in the night, and all official business which may leave the office, starting this morning, will go out under his official signature as acting postmaster.

Myers' Silence Is Broken.

For the first time since he received orders from Washington earlier in the week to submit his immediate resignation or face summary dismissal, Mr. Myers last night broke his silence and consented to talk about

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MORE FOOD CREDITS URGED IN REPORT

HOUSE COMMITTEE FAVORS RELIEF FOR EUROPE.

Difference With Steering Organization Is Not Expected to Result in Open Fight.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 31.—In voting today to recommend new government loans of \$50,000,000 to European countries for food relief, the house ways and means committee, including its republican members, went counter to the majority view of the republican legislative steering committee. While there was no indication that this disagreement would result in an open fight, cloakroom discussion strongly forecast vigorous opposition to any loan when the measure reaches the house floor.

Technically the committee agreement was by a unanimous vote of 19 of its 24 members. Six democratic members joined the majority after failing to get a larger fund, but reserved the right to seek an increase when the bill comes up in the house, probably early next week. Their efforts in committee to make the amount to be recommended \$125,000,000 as proposed by the treasury, \$100,000,000 or \$75,000,000 were defeated in order. Action by the ways and means committee followed a conference earlier in the day between its republican members and the steering committee, at which the steering committee members expressed disapproval of any loan on the ground that congress had no authority to give away funds, while in the senate both democrats and republicans voiced opposition to additional credits to any European country.

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LANE FARMERS NOT TO JOIN NEW PARTY

GRANGE REPUDIATES REPORT OF COMING AFFILIATION.

County Session Declares Organization Can Play No Part in Politics, if True to Rule.

EUGENE, Or., Jan. 31.—(Special.)—The Lane county Pomona grange at a regular meeting at Willakenzie grange today went on record as unalterably opposed to affiliating with the new political party that has just been formed in this state.

In resolutions adopted unanimously that the Pomona grange denounce the reports in the press to the effect that the grange of the state is to be affiliated with the new party, as being false and unfounded and that the Pomona grange reaffirms one of the salient features laid down in the order's declaration of purposes, that it is not a political or party organization.

"No grange, if true to its obligations," the resolutions read, "can discuss political or religious questions or call conventions or nominate candidates or even discuss their merits at its meetings."

ALBANY, Or., Jan. 31.—(Special.)—A. F. Luther, a North Albany farmer, who attended the convention of the "land and labor party" at Salem, got enough of it the first day and came home.

Mr. Luther said when the speakers began to advocate single tax he reached for his hat and left.

NAVY HAS 940 WARSHIPS

Peace Strength Will Include 16 Dreadnaughts, Says Admiral.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 31.—Approximately 940 warships, including 16 dreadnaughts, 13 pre-dreadnaughts, eight armored cruisers and 17 light cruisers will be the peace-time strength of the American navy after next July 1, the house naval committee was told today by Rear-Admiral Taylor, chief of the bureau of construction and repair. This will be three times the number in commission when the United States declared war on Germany, but the comparative tonnage will only be about one and one-half times as great.

The first line ships, Admiral Taylor said, are to be equipped with airplane platforms built over the forward turrets and extending over the bows of the vessels so that aircraft may rise from all of them when at sea.

UTAH GENERAL IS DEAD

E. A. Wedgewood Late Brigadier in Rainbow Division.

SALT LAKE CITY, Jan. 31.—Brigadier-General E. A. Wedgewood, aged 64, died here today. In the world war he was a brigadier-general in the Rainbow division, stationed at Camp Greene, N. C., but did not go overseas because of physical disability.

During the Spanish-American war General Wedgewood was a captain in a Utah light artillery company. He was a lawyer by profession and had been a resident of Utah for 30 years.

WOMAN, 80, HELD SLAYER

Mrs. Sarah Tabor Is Accused of Murdering Daughter.

KALAMAZOO, Mich., Jan. 31.—Mrs. Sarah Tabor was bound over to circuit court today on the charge of murdering her daughter, Maud, and of burying her body in the cellar of the Tabor home at Lawton.

No bail was fixed for the prisoner, who is 80 years of age.



EXTREME PENALTY TO BE DEMANDED

Two Montesano Jurors Dismissed for Bias.

VACANCIES AGAIN FILLED

Each Side Expects to Exercise All Challenges.

MORE ARGUMENT SLATED

Final Jury for I. W. W. Trial May Not Be Ready to Begin Action Work on Case for Week Yet.

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People of Switzerland Are Averse to Placing Children in Care of Hungarian Governesses.

GENEVA, Jan. 31.—Several Hungarian princesses, refugees in Switzerland, finding themselves poor through the low exchange rate, are awaiting positions as governesses and companions. But the people generally hesitate to employ them, fearing they will instill extravagant ideas in the children.

A number of princely and aristocratic Hungarian families here are awaiting funds to emigrate to America, where they hope to find wealth and happiness.

HOLY SEE ORDERS OUSTER

Bohemian Reformist Priests Are to Be Excommunicated.

ROME, Jan. 31.—The Holy See has decided to excommunicate the Bohemian reformist priests who are separating from the Vatican and forming a Czech-Slovak national church.

RAILROAD BILL TO U. S. \$700,000,000

Federal Control Shows Constant Deficit.

GOAL STRIKE IS BLAMED

Revenues Increase in Last Two Months of Year.

TOTAL LOSS HALF BILLION

Decrease in Deficit Would Have Resulted if Rate Increase Had Come Earlier, It Views.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 31.—Operation of the railroads, Pullman lines, express companies and waterways, unified under federal control, has cost the nation approximately \$700,000,000, according to official calculation, since they were taken over two years ago.

Figures made public by the railroad administration tonight revealed a net loss of \$594,200,000 from railroad operation alone in the two years. Statistics, gathered from official sources as to operating costs of the Pullman lines and waterways and express companies while operated by the government show the addition of \$100,000,000 to the transportation costs.

Heavy losses of November and December are charged to the coal strike, in a statement by the railroad administration. A deficit of \$111,500,000 was shown for those two months after the two months' postponement of the annual rental was paid. December revenues were said to be about \$12,700,000 above actual operating expenses, while the revenues for November, according to Interstate commerce commission figures, exceeded actual operating expenses by approximately \$19,000,000. The monthly share of the annual rental has been computed generally at \$75,000,000.

Much of the loss during 1919 should be charged to the first six months of the year, according to the official explanation.

The statement shows that of a loss of \$342,200,000 for the 12 months, \$225,700,000 came during the first six months when there was a prolonged slump in freight business following the signing of the armistice. It adds that "if the rate increase which went into effect in June 1918 had become effective the previous January, the loss for the two years would probably not have exceeded \$104,000,000."

Preliminary reports, upon which the compilation of revenue results was based, indicates "a serious dislocation of freight traffic" during November and December. This would not be estimated closely, officials said. Passenger traffic for the last two months of the year showed an increase, however. An increase also was shown for the 11 months ended with November, as