

APPROVAL OF MANN LINEUP'S EXPECTED BY HIS FOLLOWERS

Republican Committee on Committees to Put the Finishing Touches on House Makeup.

FIGHT REGARDED AS OVER

Longworth Threatens to Renew Fight Against Mann After the Committee Winds Up Work.

By J. Bart Campbell
Washington, March 13.—(I. N. S.)—A final "O. K." was to be placed today by the Republican committee on committees of the house on the makeup of the house standing committees of the next Republican-controlled congress.

The situation at the capital—so far as the house was concerned—was regarded as likely to remain at a standstill, once the committee on committees has applied the finishing touches to the program regarding the success of Mann of Illinois, until the Republican representatives again assemble in a caucus shortly before the next congress is convened.

Representative Nicholas Longworth of Ohio was expected, however, to issue before the end of the day his promised statement regarding the success of Mann in forcing the seniority rule upon those who elected Representative Frederick H. Gillett of Massachusetts speaker of the next house. Longworth also threatened to renew his fight against Mann at today's windup of the committee on committees.

Mann's lieutenant declared that the Mann program would be adopted by the Republican representatives when they met in caucus and that any opposition that Longworth or other Mann opponents might seek to develop in that caucus would be in vain. They asserted that Longworth stood virtually alone in his opposition.

Steering Committee to Meet
The Mann-controlled "steering committee" is scheduled to meet tomorrow to map out a program of its own. Longworth was named a minority member of that committee in the expectation, Mann adherents explained, that his selection for such membership might placate him. Longworth intimated today, however, that he might decline to serve on the committee.

Representative J. Hampton Moore of Pennsylvania, one of Mann's principal lieutenants, today expressed the belief that the "fight was over" and that the

COLLIE MAY SOLVE MURDER MYSTERY

Ex-Convict Suspect in Mineola Slaying to Face Dog, Pet of Dead Woman.

Mineola, L. I., March 13.—(I. N. S.)—An ex-convict will be arrested today in connection with the murder of Mrs. Julia Wilkins at her Long Beach home on February 27, District Attorney Weeks announced, and a Scotch collie dog is expected to play an important part in establishing the suspect's connection with the crime.

The dog, which was the pet of Mrs. Wilkins, was badly beaten on the night she was killed. He will confront the suspect and "will certainly spring at the murderer of his mistress," officials believe.

Suspicion concerning the ex-convict was aroused through finger prints found on articles in the Wilkins home.

Added mystery surrounded the murder following the exhumation of her body by forming of a second autopsy today.

District Attorney Charles R. Weeks, under whose direction the second examination was made, refused to discuss the case, but from other sources it was learned that an arrest may be made in the near future.

Mrs. Wilkins was killed on the night of February 27, at the Wilkins home in Long Beach. Dr. Wilkins, in describing the tragedy, said that he and his wife were attacked by three burglars who had entered their home while they were in New York. The physician declared he was saved from fatal injury by his derby when struck on the head by one of the burglars. His wife was killed by blows on the head with some blunt instrument.

Dr. and Mrs. Wilkins had each been married three times. Both of the physician's previous wives died. The first husband of Mrs. Wilkins died and she divorced the second.

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Baker Unable to Accept Portland's Reception Plans

Secretary of War Baker has sent word to the Portland Chamber of Commerce to the effect that his stop in this city Saturday afternoon will be so short that he will be unable to accept any reception plans. The chamber will send several days ago asking him to be their guest at a gathering of Chamber of Commerce and business men while in the city.

Due at Portland at 3:30 o'clock Saturday afternoon, by way of the O-W. R. & N., it is believed that he will go directly to Camp Lewis, where he will inspect the cantonment. He has been inspecting post of the mobilization centers on his way to the Pacific coast.

General Peyton C. March, chief of staff of the United States army, is accompanying Secretary Baker on his Pacific coast inspection tour.

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Brussels Expects Wilson

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During his stay in Brussels the president will live in the Princess Clemenceau's palace, adjoining the palace of the king.

The present program calls for the president to visit Liege, Dinant and the Yser district.

Bismarck's Policy Lives
Paris, March 13.—(I. N. S.)—The real danger from Germany now is that the national assembly at Weimar may construct a powerful nation which has the possibility, even though vanquished, of dominating Europe, said Henry Bidou, famous French military critic, in an address today.

M. Bidou pointed out that while the national assembly is Socialist, it is restoring the country according to the traditions of Bismarck.

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Inheritance Tax On Sichel Estate Is Fixed by Court

The inheritance tax on the estate of Sigmund Sichel, deceased, was fixed by County Judge Tawell this morning at \$45,244. The estate was appraised at \$145,474.

The tax on the estate of Thomas Gray, appraised at \$1016, was fixed at \$31.60. St. M. Henry was appointed administrator of the estate of his father, J. S. Henry, who died February 24, leaving real and personal property stated to be worth \$10,000. The son was stated to be the sole heir.

Rancher Ends Life
Chehalis, Wash., March 13.—Tuesday night Peter Peterson, a rancher living alone in the Newaukum valley, south of Chehalis, committed suicide by drinking poison. He was 47 years of age and had no relatives in this country.

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Policemen Named As Health Officers

In order to avoid the technicality raised by certain lawyers over the legality of the action of the police in ordering persons held for examination for specific diseases, City Commissioner Mann has appointed Police Captains Inskeep, Moore, Jenkins and Circle, and Lieutenant Thatcher, as deputy city health officers. Women caught in hotel raids and arrested as loose moral characters have been ordered by the police to submit to blood tests for disease, but a question of the authority of the police officials to make such orders was raised recently in the municipal court by an attorney for a woman. The officers will serve as health officers without pay.

BLOW UP OF BOILER INJURES THREE

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building. No panic or disorder accompanied this evacuation.

Elevator Operator Nearly Overcome
When the explosion occurred the middle passenger elevator was thrown out of commission between the first and second floors. Miss Pauline Hendricks, operator, was alone in the car and as the smoke from the burning oil in the basement rolled up the shaft she was almost overcome. Fire Marshal Grenfell secured an axe and chopped through the glass and metal holding the shaft in place and made a hole large enough for Miss Hendricks to crawl through.

Persons who witnessed the trap door blow up on Fifth street, said it fell back down, but soon they heard a loud tapping and a shouting. The door was opened and there they saw Asher pounding with a piece of iron, even though the skin had almost been scalded off his hands and face. He shouted, "Turn in a fire alarm." The ambulance arrived five minutes later and caught in bumper, but as he turned around he saw men carrying Udy, so he stepped out and allowed Udy to go to the hospital first. Other ambulances soon arrived.

Trouble in Turning Off Oil
Trouble was encountered in turning off the crude oil so as to prevent a gas explosion later. Chief Dowell said this experience might result in an ordinance forcing building owners to place shut-off valves in the street.

Engines 1, 4, 21, 22, trucks 1, 3 and chemical 1 responded.

A woman patient in a dentist's office on one of the upper floors fainted from the excitement and had to be carried down several flights of stairs. Several women office employees, not trusting the stairways, descended by way of the fire escapes, making the ground safely after a spectacular passage.

Woman Tries to Rush In
One woman became hysterical and attempted to force her way through the police and fire lines.

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